

Rains fail to cool the heat

BY GREG VINE
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A deluge of rain Friday into Saturday morning failed to dampen the competitive spirits of some 30 competitors in last weekend's Family Fun Day and 34th annual Massachusetts State Chili Cook Off sponsored by the Winchendon Kiwanis. The event was moved back to Bentley Field, near Old Murdock Senior Center, after spending the previous couple of years at the American Legion on School Street.

This year both members of the Artisan Lodge of Masons and a few members of the Winchendon Lions volunteered to help at the event.

Those competing in the cook off, as well as those offering crafts and other items for sale, set up in heavy downpour that began shortly after 9:30 a.m. and lasted until about noon. The weather meant the bouncy houses that were to be set up for the kids could not be brought to the event, and the wet weather meant the band, with its electric instruments and sound equipment, had to cancel. The rains also provided for a wet, sloppy slog around Bentley Field for those couldn't be kept away from star of the event – the spicy, aromatic chili.

Those attending the event included town officials and a handful of political candidates for

county, state, and federal office.

The event is sanctioned by the International Chili Society (yes, there is such a thing) and provides a final chance for winning competitors to move on to the World Championship Chili Cook Off (yes, there really is one of those, too) which takes place from the 28th to the 30th of next month. The event takes place at the Gateway Motorsports Park in St. Louis, Missouri. Over \$100,000 in prize money will be up for grabs.

Bob Soucy, representing the Winchendon Fire Dept., has a chance of going to St. Louis after accumulating points for the positions in which he placed and/or won.

Winners of Saturday's event included:

Best Booth: Michael Allsop, first place; Swamp Donkey, second place.

Best Local People's Choice: Bob Soucy.

Best People's Choice ICS: Rowdy Red Bones Peter Cox.

Overall Points Winner Dave Kelley.

Homestyle: No Antidote Chili, Dave Schulman, first place; Winchendon Firefighters, Bob Soucy, second place; Mardi Gras, Lori Skinner, third place.

Salsa: Swamp Donkey, Dave Kelly, first place; Mad Mike's Killer Chili, Mike Freedman, sec-



Greg Vine photos

The Winchendon Fire Department entered Saturday's chili competition. At the center, chief cook Bob Soucy took the honors in his name, and will be able to represent the Fire Department at the World Championship in October.

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Gobi wants redevelopment of old mill buildings

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An amendment to create a task force to develop a strategy on the best way to encourage and the redevelopment of old industrial mill buildings in Massachusetts was successfully added to the Economic Development Bill recently passed by the Legislature. The amendment was offered by state senators Ann Gobi (D-Spencer) and Eric Lesser (D-Longmeadow). The bill now awaits the signature of Gov. Charlie Baker.

"Hopefully he won't veto sections of it," Gobi told The Courier.

"There is no cost to the operation of the task force. It will be meeting and coming up with recommendations."

Asked if the initiative would mainly benefit larger old industrial cities, Gobi said, "This is to help all areas of the state. I have a number of vacant mill buildings in my district and there needs to be a more aggressive plan in place to repurpose/redevelop the mills in order to help the economy of our cities and towns.

"The creation of the task force would finally begin the process of taking a comprehensive look at how best the Commonwealth might look to incentivize, and redevelop, the large number of old mill buildings that exist in the state," said Gobi in a press release. "Many of these buildings sprung up right next to the (state's) many rivers and waterways at the turn of the century to take advantage of their ability to produce hydropower, which powered the state's first industrial mills. Many still hold the potential of being small generators of renewable energy that could be added to the state's energy portfolio."

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Beals project temporarily on hold



Greg Vine photo

The new entrance to Beals Memorial Library is ready to welcome patrons but a hold-up in the library's \$1.5 million accessibility project is leading to a delay in opening the ADA-compliant improvements to the public.

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COURIER CORRESPONDENT

"Frankly, it's embarrassing this isn't done yet."

That was the sentiment expressed Tuesday by Beals Memorial Library Director Manuel King regarding the facilities accessibility project. There can be little doubt that King, the library Board of Trustees, other town officials, the Friends of Beals Memorial Library, and Winchendon

residents believed, when ground was officially broken on the project in June 2017, that work would be done by now.

King said the project's contractor is currently awaiting delivery of glass needed to complete the project. Glass will be used to cover the canopy that extends over the new entrance of the library. Another large pane of glass is needed to complete a window a couple of floors above the entrance, and glass is also needed to finish off the new staircase that extends from the new foyer to the second floor of the library. King said holes in the original glass provided for the staircase were too large to accommodate mounts for the stainless steel railings to be installed.

The library director also said drainage has turned out to be a problem.

Over the weekend, a drainage grate became blocked, leading to flooding of the new outside walkway at the new entrance. Water seeped under the door and into the library, covering much of the basement. King said, however, no damage resulted from the infiltrating water.

"Some of the water did seep into the new elevator shaft," he said, "but there's no electrical equipment down there, so there was no damage to the unit."

Rains also resulted in some minor damage to landscaping around the entrance. King pointed out several areas where erosion had occurred.

King and Rick Ward, the trustees' liaison to P&S Construction – the company contracted to oversee the project – was to take place on Wednesday morning of this week.

"We need to get the problems taken

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Mylec TIF still in place... for now

BY GREG VINE
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At the instruction of the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager Keith Hickey said Monday he would be in touch with Mylec, Inc. owner Rick LaPerriere soon to discuss his willingness to renegotiate the tax increment financing plan signed between the town and the company seven years ago. The move comes after several Winchendon residents complained LaPerriere had failed to add the number of new jobs he had committed to generating as part of the TIF.

The agreement provides property tax breaks to Mylec which gradually decrease over the 20-year life of the agreement. The residents, led by Maple Street resident Rick Lucier, said selectmen should back out of the TIF because of the lack of jobs created at the dek hockey equipment manufacturer.

LaPerriere told selectmen at their meeting on Monday, July 30 that he had recently added several positions, bringing his total workforce to around 30 employees. That number, however, remains short of the 20 additional positions required under the agreement.

"This issue has been before this board for quite some time," said Lucier. "These jobs have just not been created. There's no 'try' in this document; it says 'will.' It says if they fail to meet these job creation numbers that it should be rescinded."

"I don't know how long you guys want to beat this dead horse," he continued, noting that he had been before the board in November of 2016 to discuss the issue. "We continue to give this money (to Mylec) and it's not going anywhere. So, I don't know how long you want to hash this out for non-compliance. This town has to go without things because we're giving money to "where we should be getting jobs."

"I think the concern the board has, and certainly that I have," said Hickey, "is that if the board votes to start the process to take away the TIF, is what impact does that have on Mylec as a business and the employees who are there. I think Mr. LaPerriere mentioned at a previous meeting that he would have to reduce his staff to account for the impact of the increase in taxes."

"I don't think anyone here is satisfied that the requirement in the TIF have not been met," Hickey continued. "I think we've learned through individuals who help draft TIFs...that job creation should not be a requirement because there are too many external factors that impact a business owner's ability to reach the goals that have been outlined in the TIF."

Lucier said the breaks provided in

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Local medium holds event for CAC

BY GREG VINE
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Local medium Bonnie Page will be holding a fundraising event for the Winchendon Community Action Committee at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 30 at the CAC's building at 273 Central St. Tickets are \$35 and are available at the CAC; call (978) 297-1667 or stop by the office.

Page truly is a local talent. She was born at the former Winchendon Hospital, raised in nearby Fitzwilliam, and currently resides with her husband on Town Farm Road in Winchendon.

Page said her mother had what she calls "the gift" and encouraged her to embrace it.

"When I was little I used to see this Indian sitting on our porch," she said. "When I mentioned it to my mother she told me that he was one of my spirit guides. That it was nothing to be afraid of; but I was never afraid. It got to where I would see spirits in many places and, eventually, I began to communicate with them."

Still, her gift was not something she was initially comfortable discussing openly.

"All through school, right up

through high school, I never really mentioned it. When a friend of mine asked me why I said I was afraid if I talked about it no one would ask me to the prom," she said with a smile.

"I really feel I'm doing God's work by putting people in touch with loved ones who have passed to the 'other side,'" she says. "God told me that I should do this; to help comfort people, give people hope, to let people know there is something more than just what we experience here on earth. This isn't all there is."

Unlike TV's popular "Hollywood

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WEEKLY QUOTE

The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet.

– Aristotle



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Friday August 3

STONEWALLING: Friday, August 3 at 7:00 pm, brings author and stonemason, Kevin Gardner, to talk on the subject of the stone walls of New England, touching on the history, techniques, stylistic development and aesthetics of our region's ubiquitous stone walls. He explains how and why we came to acquire these structures and their significance to our famous landscape. At Beals Memorial Library, Pleasant Street.

SEPPY'S IS OPEN! The ice cream shop at the rear of the Isaac Morse House, 135 Front St., is open 4-8 p.m.

Saturday August 4

ANNUAL FAMILY FUN DAY: and Massachusetts State Chili Cookoff! It's the 34th annual event right here in the Winch! Featuring music by the Mychael David Project, kids' games, craft vendors, the famous Kiwanis food tent and more. Bentley Field on Grove Street, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Adults: \$8, kids \$1.

MARKET IS OPEN! Toy Town Outdoor Market open for the season. Produce, baked goods, crafts and more! Thursday's 4-7 p.m. and Saturday's 10 a.m.-1 p.m. next to the bike path parking

lot at the corner of Rt. 12 and Rt. 202, Winchendon.

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Thursday August 9

EDUCATION DONATIONS: The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 193 is doing an education donation drive on Thursday, Aug. 9-6 p.m. at the American Legion, 295 School St. Acceptable donations include: books, backpacks or book bags, loose paper, notebooks, folders, three-ring binders, pencils, pens, erasers, highlighters, crayons, colored pencils, markers, pencil boxes or cases, scissors, glue or glue sticks, rulers, calculators, craft supplies, tissues, paper towels, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, monetary donations, sports equipment and games, and Box Tops 4 Education. We will also accept clothing and patriotic items. Help us help our local schools and students!

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Friday August 10

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Saturday, August 18

OWC: Operation Winchendon Cares will be held on Saturday, August 18 from 9:00-10:30 am for drop off of donations!

SEPPY'S IS OPEN! The ice cream shop at the rear of the Isaac Morse House, 135 Front St., is open 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Thursday August 23

PICNIC! The Beals Memorial Library celebrates with a family picnic and movie on the library lawn. Bring you blankets, picnic baskets and your loved ones to a fun and relaxing night of music, munching and a movie. We'll be watching the film, A Wrinkle in Time, and free popcorn will be served.

TRIVIA NIGHT: Sons of the American Legion host Trivia Night beginning at 8

p.m. at the American Legion. Gather a team and challenge your friends. Hosted by questions master Ryan Murphy.

OPEN HOUSE: come sit on the porch and relax at the Murdock Whitney House museum 6-8 p.m. Tour the house, walk across the street and get ice cream at Seppi's. Free evening, every Thursday throughout the summer.

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Saturday August 25

CURIOUS ABOUT GHOST HUNTING SHOWS ON TELEVISION, BUT MAYBE YOU'RE NOT SURE WHERE OR HOW TO TRY IT YOURSELF? This is your chance! The Winchendon History and Cultural Center is now hosting "Novice Nights". No equipment or experience needed - we will supply everything you need. You will receive a short tour and history of both properties - the Murdock-Whitney House and the Isaac Morse House. WE'LL TELL YOU OUR GHOST STORIES. THEN WE'LL TURN YOU LOOSE TO SEE WHAT YOU CAN FIND!

COURIER CAPSULES

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
ROCHESTER NY — Nicole Fleming, a junior majoring in American Sign Language at the University of Rochester, has been named to the Dean's List for academic achievement for the spring 2018 semester. Fleming, a resident of Winchendon, is the child of Katrina Fleming and Mark Fleming, and a graduate of Worcester Academy in Worcester.

LEWISTON, ME — Camille Belletete, of Jaffrey graduated after majoring in environmental studies at Bates College. Belletete, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Belletete of Jaffrey is a 2014 graduate of Northfield Mount Hermon School.

SYRACUSE, NY — Mariah Slomcheck, a nursing major from Winchendon has been named to the Dean's List at Le Moyne

College for the Spring 2018 semester. To make the list, students must achieve a 3.5 or above.

SCHENECTADY, NY — Jillian Guthrie, of Templeton was named to the 2018 Dean's List at Union College. Guthrie is a member of the Class of 2021, majoring in physics and mathematics. Comprised annually, the Union College Dean's List honors students who have a grade point average of 3.5 for the entire academic year and meet certain other requirements.

WORCESTER — Benjamin Leveillee of Templeton, a member of the class of 2019 majoring in civil engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense, hands-on research through the WPI project center in Thessaloniki, Greece. The project was titled Identifying Perspectives of Technology for Use in

Community Gardens in Thessaloniki, Greece. In their project summary, the students wrote, "Our project explored the interactions between PA technology and community gardeners in Thessaloniki, Greece. We found that motivations for gardening, gardening practices, and community dynamics influenced attitudes toward the technology." At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to addresses an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of students complete a project at one of the university's 40-plus off-campus project centers, which are located around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives and make a difference before they graduate.

Gobi Office Hours

Tyler Wolanin, District Aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) will be holding abridged office hours in towns in the Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, and Middlesex senate district during the month of August. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with Tyler to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Attendants should RSVP to Tyler at tyler.wolanin@masenate.gov, or by phone at 508-641-3502. Town attendance is not restricted to residents of those towns.

Monday, August 13: Ashburnham Town Hall, 7-8 AM

Tuesday, August 14: Athol Senior Center, 12-1 PM; Templeton Town Hall, 1:30-2:30 PM; Monson Town Hall, 6-7 PM

Wednesday, August 15: Sturbridge Senior Center, 11 AM-12 PM; West Brookfield Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM

Thursday, August 16: Spencer Senior Center, 11 AM-12 PM

Monday, August 20: New Braintree Town Hall, 12:30-1:30 PM; Hubbardston Town Hall, 5:30-6:30 PM

Tuesday, August 21: Warren Senior Center, 9:30-10:30 AM; Brimfield Senior Center, 11 AM-12 PM

Tuesday, August 28: North Brookfield Senior Center, 11 AM-12 PM; Rutland Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM

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Medium," Tyler Henry, Page said she doesn't need to hold objects owned by those who have passed on to help her contact their spirits, nor to do the kind of scribbling Henry is famous for.

"Objects certainly hold onto the energy of those who possessed them," she said, "but I don't need those. If a

spirit wants to contact me, it contacts me. If they want - or need - to communicate, they will."

In addition to her work as a medium, Page is also a practitioner of Reiki or, as she calls it, the "laying on of hands."

"It really does provide healing for people," she said. "It reduces stress and promotes healing. And because it's a gift from God, some people find it brings the closer

to experiencing God and the angels."

Page has a studio in Leominster, hosts The Medium Next Door - which can be seen on Leominster Public Access Television and on YouTube, and also writes the Ask the Psychic column in the Fitchburg Sentinel. In October, she will present a one-night event, Messages From Heaven, at Mount Wachusett Community College.



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Lancaster locals skeptical about track plans

BY JERRY CARTON
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LANCASTER — Officials from the Stronach Group delivered a sales pitch to Lancaster residents Monday about the racetrack they want to build about a half-hour from Winchendon but their proposal was met with a wide variety of questions from skeptical attendees.

Opponents of the plan to turn about 100 acres of a 400-acre parcel off I-190 into a thoroughbred racetrack expressed concerns about environmental issues as well as worries about the impact the project might have on residential real estate values, traffic, and nearby wetlands in addition to adding to noise pollution.

Tim Ritvo, who represented the Stronach Group as its chief operating officer, was nonetheless positive.

“I don’t think the townspeople asked any questions townspeople wouldn’t ask. I don’t think there are a lot of

things we can’t resolve. It’s always a question of ‘what do you want in your backyard?’ We would be respectful of that,” he said.

Southborough-based The Capital Group had submitted plans last week on behalf of the Stronach Group and Ritvo said Monday nothing is etched in stone.

“One of the planning board members said the property will be developed one way or the other, so we wanted to give them options of what’s going to be there. If they embrace us, great; if not, we’ll try to find another location. But we feel positive,” said Ritvo.

He envisioned a 30 day race meet over about an eight-to-ten week span but speculated the season could be expanded to between 45 and 60 days.

“Our pro-forma is built on 30 days because that’s what we think we can afford. It’s not so much the days you run; it’s how much the stabling and

maintaining the backside (barn area) costs for that period of time. Those are crucial in the beginning but if we were to grow the market it would work. Anybody can see what we’ve done in other jurisdictions. If it works and it makes money, why wouldn’t you do it?” he asked.

Ritvo said the project will cost between \$30 million and \$50 million and talked to the skeptical crowd about the Stronach Group’s work in other states. The company owns major racetracks in California, Florida, and Maryland. Ritvo noted the Stronach group also has its own racing and breeding operation.

But local opposition isn’t the only hurdle the project would likely need to scale to become reality. The Stronach Group would want assurances the state’s Race Horse Development Fund, which is growing thanks to casino revenue, will still be used in part to pay out purse money and pay as well some

operating expenses. Legislative efforts to divert the money have so far fallen short. It’s that casino revenue which might be a crucial element to getting the entire project launched.

“To be successful, you need inventory (horses) and there is a horse shortage,” Ritvo acknowledged, but added, “with slots revenue to build a product, you have a chance.”

“To build a new track, you would need almost a 10 year guarantee and a 10 year horsemen’s agreement s at least you know when you build your pro forma, you feel secure for the period of time you’re invested in. We’ve had ten year agreements in Maryland and they’ve been very successful,” he said.

Ritvo is hopeful the state legislature will also green light legalize sports betting.

A second informational meeting date in Lancaster has not yet been scheduled.

Second District GOP race has three contestants

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Sometimes you get it wrong and when you do, you say so. The Courier (this writer) got it factually wrong last week. There are, in fact, two Republicans seeking their party’s nomination to oppose Second District Rep. Jim McGovern. They are Tracy Lovvorn, the founder and owner of Evolution Physical Therapy in Grafton and Kevin Powers, an energy businessman from Millville. The district includes precinct 1A in Winchendon.

Powers is accusing Congress of ripping off elderly Americans.

“Social Security is insurance we paid into against old age and need. It is not welfare. It is not a gift. Congress pay back the \$2.6 trillion you stole from it.

It will then be solvent,” runs one campaign ad.

But Powers is focusing on energy independence, saying the country is under attack from oil price fluctuations.

“This has got to stop,” he insisted. “My plan will reduce costs to consumers for fuel and energy while protecting our environment and keeping America safe from the never-ending turmoil in the Middle East.”

He added, “I remember as a young boy sitting in the back seat of my mother’s 1966 Pontiac Bonneville waiting in line for hours to purchase gas. As a youngster, I didn’t realize how vulnerable the United States is under OPEC control. For years, we have been electing politicians who have turned a blind eye to the oil cartel which has the power to do real damage to our economy.”

Powers also supports term limits, saying three terms totaling six years in the House is enough for any politician.

Grafton-based Lovvorn agrees with the term limits proposal but stresses her “number one priority is to bring greater attention to and focus on the health and safety of our youth. We are a generation in the United States that may be witnessing for the first time a state where our children are at risk of having a lower life expectancy than their parents.”

“As a mother and health care professional, I bring to the table heartfelt concern and the ability to work towards defining and addressing root causes which can ultimately result in the development of solutions.”

When pressed regarding the opioid crisis, Lovvorn said, “We need

to crack down on the people who are fueling and profiting from this crisis at all levels, including on the street as well as in the pharmaceutical boardrooms. We need to eliminate perceived governmental incentives for Medicare reimbursement based on pain measures in ALL settings of care.”

The primary is September 4.

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“Our old mill buildings are an iconic piece of our history, but they can also be part of our future...These buildings offer prime redevelopment opportunities, whether it’s in new housing or new businesses like local breweries and distilleries. We could even reclaim their original purpose of using our rivers to produce clean, renewable energy for local communities.”

Gobi’s amendment directs the task

force to formulate a plan on how best the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can assist these structures in being re-developed, rehabilitated, and revitalized to encourage economic activity.

The membership of the Mill Building Task Force, to be appointed by the Secretary of Housing and Economic Development, would consist of: the Secretary of Housing and Economic Development, who will serve as chairman, the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, the chairs of the Legislature’s Joint Committee on Economic Development

and Emerging Technology, two members each of the House and Senate who represent communities with mill buildings, the Director of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, two owners of old mill buildings (one active and one inactive), one representative of Massachusetts utilities, one representative from an economic development organization, and three representatives of state planning organizations; one from the western region, one from the central region and one from the eastern region.

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the agreement meant the town was unable to recoup the costs of water and power which were extended in the Hillview Business Park, site of Mylec’s new home. The TIF was signed, in part, to entice LaPerriere to relocate his business into the park from the former White’s Mill complex in Winchendon Springs.

“The water and power was brought out by the town to create an industrial park,”

LaPerriere responded. “It wasn’t brought out for me. If you recall, there were six or seven other businesses who signed up but, for reasons I have nothing to do with, they’re not there.”

“We put up jobs against the town getting grant money for water and power,” he continued, “and the state accepted those jobs, and at one point we were up 10 jobs.”

He then went on to list several retailers which carried his products – including Sports Authority, Total Hockey, and Sports Chalet – that have gone out of busi-

ness in the past several years. LaPerriere said he has been doing his best to increase online sales and to increase sales internationally.

Board member C.J. Huselbee said he would have difficulty voting to rescind the agreement because the increasing specter of international trade wars would likely make it more difficult to increase sales and therefore jobs. He also noted the recent passage of legislation designed to increase the state minimum wage and health benefits.

Selectman Barbara

Anderson, while complimenting LaPerriere on his involvement in the community, said she was philosophically opposed to TIFs “because all they do is create resentment.”

The board voted to have Hickey and LaPerriere explore the possibility of renegotiating the TIF. Any change in the agreement would ultimately require the approval of voters at a town meeting.

BEALS

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care of,” said King, “and we’d like some idea of when this thing is actually going to get done.”

Work on the project, designed to bring Beals into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, actually got underway shortly before last June’s groundbreaking. The \$1.5 million enterprise includes

the installation of a new elevator, entrance canopy, handicap accessible bathrooms, and the new main entrance and staircase. The work required extensive exterior work on the south side of the 115-year-old building; basically, cutting a large hole in the structure.

It was first thought work would be completed by December of last year.

The accessibility project was designed by Abacus Architectural of Boston.



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VIEWS

Opinion and commentary from Winchendon and beyond

EDITORIAL

Definitions of a political entity

In an age of political correctness, we cringe at certain words. We do not wish to offend, or at least some of us don't.

Others just let that freak fly. But that is for a different essay. Which is why we read the letters to the editor with a very jaundiced eye. Sure we believe in free speech, but come on. Why should we allow the name calling that sometimes deteriorates to the level of the sand-box? Really? These pages are for thoughtful, approximately intelligent exchange of ideas. We are great with opposing viewpoints. We are not happy with gutter sniping.

When you bring up a letter, talk about the politics, not the letter writer. Make your point, move on. 'Nough said.

But back to the original purpose of the whole thing.

There are debates, real, genuine intent debates, about whether the words 'illegal' or 'undocumented' should be part of the lexicon for the people now in the country improperly.

Yes, they absolutely are here illegally, because they overstayed a visa, crossed a border without the right paperwork, were brought here by parents without the right paperwork, had paperwork lost or stolen, or for whatever reason; they do not have what they need to stay here correctly. And because of that, yes, they are here illegally and obviously without the right paperwork, they are undocumented.

So both terms work. The argument is over whether one term or the other is more derogatory, and whether one is less dehumanizing.

People, say the advocates of undocumented, cannot be 'illegal'. Their actions might be, but people can't. It is in their eyes, an incorrect term.

But, those who don't like undocumented say it is too 'soft' for those who have come here and are intentionally by definition committing a

crime. Derogatory terms for immigrants isn't new.

FOB: fresh off the boat. Didn't matter from which country, and isn't interesting that someone not wanted could easily be FOBbed off.

WOP: with out papers. That's right, while it was usually associated with people of Italian descent, the derogatory term was originally applied to many groups who arrived without proper documentation, illegal immigrants. But in the earlier days of such migration, paperwork was less important, and in fact, harder to have.

What the country might very well need are a series of Ellis Islands once more. Centralized places where everyone comes through the same place.

We've seen scenes from such historic films as the Godfather, where a small Italian child w-o-p, and in fact ill, is placed in quarantine but eventually is reunited with family. This is in the early 1900s, and we are complaining about it happening now?

History is circular. We don't learn very well from our mistakes. Crossing invisible lines and protecting ourselves from ourselves has been happening since the first cave family decided not to share their campfire.

The words we use to say we don't like how we feel about one another or how someone else feels or thinks hasn't changed much either. Different time, different language, same nonsense.

We become enraged over those who think differently than ourselves, how dare they not understand our way is best? How can't they see what we see? Don't they see it our way?

Apparently, they don't. And we can't see it their way either.

We actually think that is a good thing, we're back to the beginning here: opposing viewpoints is a good thing.

How stale a world it would be without variety.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IUC: recognizing volunteers

To the Editor:

The Winchendon Ingleside Utilization Committee would like to recognize all the volunteers who turned out on Saturday, July 28th to clear the multipurpose trails at the Winchendon Community Park: Barbara Anderson, Don Boucher, Kellie Broome, Keith Bussiere, Bobby Curley, Jack Ladeau, Jane LaPointe, Ken LaBrack, Vicki LaBrack, Rick Lizotte, Nancy Monette, Tracy Monette, David Romanowski, Dylan Romanowski, Tony Ruschioni, Don Sambroom, Luke Simon, Madison Simon, Stephanie Simon.

This multigenerational group was able to remove eight truckloads of invasive bushes and trees, opening up the trail system to all for walking, biking, snowshoeing and cross country skiing. We also christened our two new pic-

nic tables.

The trails and tables are available to be used by all between dawn and dusk any day of the week. Please come and discover for yourselves how special this place is and what opportunities we have available for the future.

There is still plenty of work to be done. Our next Community Action Day is being planned for some time in early September. Any and all help would be deeply appreciated.

If you are looking for information or would like to be added to our volunteer list, please contact us at: iuc@townof-winchendon.com

Thank you and best regards.

DAVE ROMANOWSKI
CHAIR, IUC

For or against. Why not both?

"You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today." – Abraham Lincoln



...AND
ONE MORE
THING...
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GREG
VINE

The conventional wisdom heading into this fall's elections is that Democrats, if they are to retake the U.S. House, must do more than simply run against Donald Trump. I've been one of those who have said so more than once.

The more I have thought about it, however, Democratic candidates for the House – and the Senate, for that matter – have a responsibility to express their opposition to the current occupant of the White House and his questionable policies.

The simple fact is this: The Founders created a system of checks and balances. The whole purpose of the legislative branch of government is to act as a check on the potential of a runaway executive. In other words, congress was created as a check on the powers of the president. But, since January 2017, the House and the Senate have failed miserably in this responsibility.

fairness and decency. Unfortunately, the Republican-controlled congress, far from acting as a bulwark against these attacks, has aided and abetted them. In the minority in both houses, Democrats have been impotent to oppose them.

So, while Democratic candidates must indeed let voters know what they are for, they must also let us know what they are against; namely, President Trump and his policies of division.

They need to speak out against immigration policies that separate young children from their parents, tax policies that heavily favor corporations and the already-wealthy at the expense of the poor and middle classes while at the same time ballooning an already out-of-control federal deficit, tariffs that threaten to damage the economy and

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NOTES OF
CONCERN

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JACK
BLAIR

Summer is winding down. August is upon us. I am hoping all my readers have had a good summer.

Since I spend three or four months out of the country, I depend on news and weather information I find on the internet. Based on what I have been reading this summer, it indeed seems to be sweltering in many parts of the States, with other

parts experiencing heavy and regular rain. Not being a scientist, meteorologist, or weather activist, I don't know if this is global warming effect or not. I do know it is different.

Weather affects so many of the things people love to do. It can ruin their outings, or it can provide them with great and memorable times. My wife likes to bike ride and to kayak. Both sports are affected by wind. This summer each of those activities has been lessened by wind. So her enjoyment has been cut down, and she has tried to make up for it with long walks. Even on

returning from them, she comments on having to fight the wind.

Skiers have faced the vagaries of weather, too. A great season can be followed by a terrible one. Resorts can make lots of money one year and go out of business the next one.

By now, you probably realize that the folks hurting the most with weather patterns are outdoorsy activists. Those of us who have chosen the more sedentary activities like cards, board games, reading either by an open fire or under a ceiling fan, are called "couch potatoes." The adjectives applied

to the active folk are complimentary. No one thinks "couch potato" is a compliment.

But with the huge source of reading materials and documentaries and the availability of online library access, couch potatoes can have a great time. For instance, when I retired, I set a goal for myself of reading 40 books a year. When I was working, I read mostly biographies, trying to learn from others. Now I have broadened my scope and exposed myself to many more genres. And between Netflix and Amazon Prime, I am seeing some really good documentaries along

with the occasional "feel good" offerings.

But I remind, you couch potatoes can be happy 12 months a year.

Activists are entirely dependent on the whim of Mother Nature.

The real winners are those of you who can find happiness in both of the above — indoor and outdoor activities.

I will label you the "smart and realistic."

There is something new to do and to learn on every one of the hazy lazy days of summer as well as in the depths of winter. Broaden those horizons.

Weather related

Her birthday, again. That school, again

Tomorrow is August 11 and in a just world it would have been Courtney's 25th birthday. Because I was 40 years older, we once agreed that when she reached 25, we would acknowledge her reaching a quarter century and me reaching official old age by having her rent a car and we'd drive off to a place of my choosing. Needless to say, we'd have been in Saratoga Springs, NY tomorrow, which would have been a sacrifice on her part since she never embraced my passion for horses and racing. Then again, sports, aside from her own softball career, was most assuredly not her thing. Some years ago, when the Ravens and Patriots were meeting up for the AFC title and a Super Bowl berth, I, because back then I was still invested in the NFL, asked if she wanted to watch the game with me. Her reply was something to the effect of 'football is stupid'. I very much doubt she knew Tom Brady from Greg Brady and didn't care anyway. She was becoming about bigger things, things that mattered, or maybe she'd just rather watch a rerun of 'Dance Moms', so a journey to Saratoga wasn't likely to thrill her. But she'd have done it for the old man and it

would've added to our trove of memories.

Today, as they were a year ago, some of her friends are on their way to Baltimore to spend part of her birthday at her grave. I cannot tell you how beyond grateful I am to them for their relentless remembering and their fierce loyalty, even 430 days after she left us. It's not just the fact they're going to visit on her birthday. It's that they're constantly talking about her, sometimes posting about her and to her. The bottom line is their love for her is as strong as ever and to me that is just amazing. She too must have been a hell of a friend to still command that kind of devotion.

But if she were here, she would be more than somewhat disappointed on this birthday. She would no doubt be angry at and ashamed of yet another too-slow and fumbling response from the administration at Smith. I've never seen a school where the gulf between academia and administration is so vast. If you don't know the story, last week



JOURNEY
OF THE
HEART
.....
JERRY
CARTON

an African-American student at Smith who was doing nothing more than eating lunch in the cafeteria had her right to be there challenged by a school employee. As I understand the narrative, the campus cops weren't much help either. Shocking. Or not. Yes, the employee

was reprimanded and placed on leave (whether it was with or without pay was not disclosed), but it took 48 hours for that to happen. Two days. Seriously.

Let me make something perfectly clear, okay? We have absolutely no qualms about having started the scholarship in Courtney's memory because what's going on in the classrooms is a galaxy removed from what the suits are doing. I have been assured for years the curriculum in the school of Social Work is rigorous, challenging and inclusive. Professors are acutely aware many of the future social workers they're teaching are going to be dealing with economically, educationally and socially disadvantaged families. Certainly that

was true during Courtney's brief time in the field and it's true of her cohort now.

"They don't get it," she would say of much of the administration in response to why she continually attended BLM rallies and was becoming involved in other social/political activism. My responses would tend to be: 'what did you expect from a place that has roots going back virtually to the Mayflower?' I'd add, 'you really do have to separate administration from academics. We had to do it ourselves in the AU of the 1970s. Some of you reading this were part of it. People before us did it at Columbia and Berkley. As long as your profs get it, that's what counts on campus for you'.

So I wasn't the least bit surprised last week. This is the same administration which was tone-deaf a year ago when it came to awarding her degree posthumously. To see them take their sweet time when it came to apparent on-campus racism should not have shocked anyone.

This is, God knows, not restricted to the administrations of elite northeastern Ivy schools. This is America in

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Local officials push for judicial accountability

BY SENATOR ANNE GOBI, SENATOR RYAN FATTMAN, CHIEF STEVEN WOJNAR, AND JENNIE CAISSIE

Our Constitutional Republic is founded upon the idea that government is of the people, by the people and for the people, not above the people. No one serving in elected or appointed office should be above this standard, including those in our judicial branch.

In the wake of recent tragedies and loss of innocent lives, we believe it is time for meaningful, bipartisan reform in judicial accountability in Massachusetts.

Judges are appointed for life in Massachusetts, and command a position of power and respect. The prestige of their position is reflected in their compensation, benefits, and retirement because the decisions they make carry great consequence, altering the lives of our citizens and society. But to whom much is given, much is required. And what is required today is far different than the process our Founding Fathers established in the Massachusetts Constitution in the 1780s for judicial accountability.

Judicial accountability only exists in two forms, the first of which is extremely rare, and the second of which is surreptitious: (1) impeachment as out-

lined by the Constitution (2) confidential judicial evaluations that are performed by the Supreme Judicial Court of each judge, shared with them, and then destroyed.

Under the first method of accountability, only three judges have ever been removed from office since the Massachusetts Constitution was enacted in 1780. The last judge removed by the Governor's Council was before the Civil War in 1821. Under the second method of accountability, we simply do not know the consequences for each judge as the process is not salient to the public.

In the near-term, more scrutiny and transparency is required in the judiciary. First, Massachusetts General Law Section 211 must be changed to allow this to happen. Judicial performances evaluations should not be confidential, and only reviewed by a small group of unelected judges. These performance evaluations must be public and available to the Governor's Council, the elected body responsible for vetting and appointing judges, and to elected members of the legislature serving on the Senate and House judiciary committees. This increased transparency on the conduct of life-time appointed judges will provide greater insight into our judicial system.

Second, the Governor's Council should be able to conduct open, transparent, and public hearings reviewing judicial performances.

Finally, there must be a constitutional amendment brought before the legislature to enhance judicial accountability that empowers the Governor's Council to review a trial court judge every five years, and by super majority, be able to unappoint said judge. This process will be lengthy, requiring citizens to collect thousands of signatures, two Constitutional Conventions of the Legislature over a four-year period where 50 members elect to vote affirmatively, and a vote on the ballot by the voters of the Commonwealth. Although arduous, it is a worthy and important endeavor we hope to lead.

Let us be very clear; we do not want to elect judges, nor do we want to encroach upon the founding father's vision of an independent judiciary. We understand the need to have a separate but equal judicial branch. But there must be a healthy balance between independence and accountability.

Are we to believe in a state that boasts of the world's oldest Constitution, that in over 200 years of existence, only three judges have been worthy of criticism so great they were due for removal? Recent tragedies where clear patterns

of direct and indirect judicial decision making irrevocably impacted the lives of law enforcement officials and families answer the question: no. Poor judgment as evidenced by poor outcomes, or poor behavior by a life-time appointed official, should not only call into question the opinion of said judge, but also question their very appointment.

Moreover, these efforts are not designed to impede upon the symbiosis of three independent branches of government, but to simply align democratic intentions and parity between officials dully appointed or elected in the Commonwealth. No one should be above the law, and while executive and legislative branches have continued to operate in the same continuum of rules and accountability set out in the original constitution, the judicial branch has not. It's time for that to change.

THANK YOU.

JENNIE CAISSIE, GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL, 7TH DISTRICT, MIDDLESEX
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BACK TO SCHOOL
SHEILA M. HARRITY EdD

The 2017-18 school year brought tremendous change to Monty Tech. While our students and instructors continued to demonstrate excellence in the classrooms and on the job site, several new initiatives and programs were introduced, infusing new energy and excitement across the district.

In October 2017, the school received approval for its 21st vocational-technical training program, veterinary science, and soon thereafter accepted a class of 22 outstanding young students into this new and exciting program. In December 2017, the school hosted, for the first time ever, the Wreaths Across America escort convoy. After our faculty and students welcomed the convoy, a touching ceremony was held, recognizing American Gold Star mothers, families, and spouses. It was a day our students and staff will never forget. In February 2018, more than 50 students and 10 chaperones traveled to Wharton, Texas to help rebuild homes lost during Hurricane Harvey. The school's Marine Corps JROTC program raised more than \$50,000, and received matching funds from the United States Marine Corps to support this community service project. While these students may be known for their out-

standing leadership and community service efforts across north central Massachusetts, their dedication to, and accomplishments during this project demonstrate a deeper commitment to civic engagement and community service than ever before. In May, we concluded the school's first-ever MCAS Review Camp, serving approximately 100 students. Students and staff worked closely together to identify challenging concepts in English, mathematics and science, and through close instruction and a variety of instructional methods, every student reached new levels of success. It is a model that will be replicated in the coming year.

That is what is so exciting about education – every year is new and different. While honoring the traditions and successes that have come before, it's so important to look ahead, introduce new ideas, encourage creative solutions, and seek ways to improve programs across the school. And so, to ensure that the 2018-2019 school year continues in this tradition, I am delighted to announce that when our students return in a few short weeks, they will be met with renovated instructional spaces, new lessons developed by hardworking teachers who have spent their summer months writing new curriculum, updated technology in their vocational programs, and talented, new instructors who

are eager to share their expertise with each and every student.

Students in the school's graphic communication and health occupations programs will see that their instructional spaces have been redesigned to replicate industry standards. With additional storage, a more open floor plan, and increased efficiency in its design, these new vocational instructional spaces are intended to support and encourage student learning and exploration.

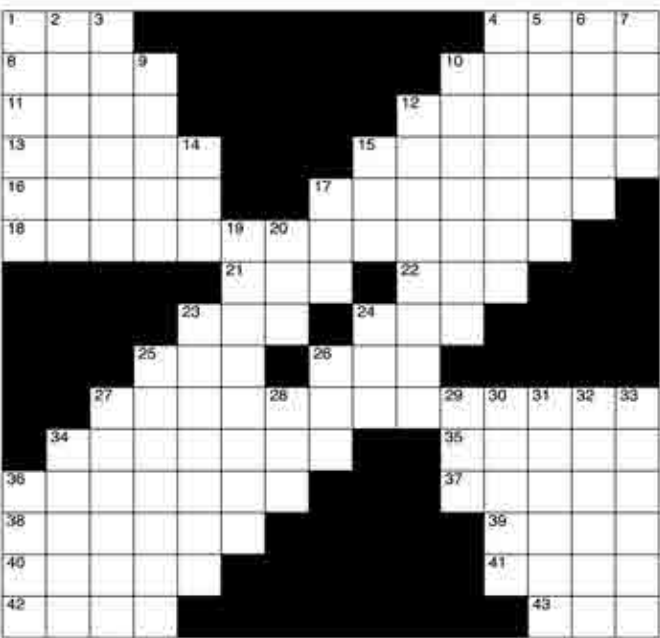
Having been the recipient of a \$500,000 Skills Capital Grant, we were able to purchase advanced technology and instructional materials to create two new, state-of-the-art learning laboratories, benefitting the school's electrical and CAD drafting & design programs. The A.R.M. (automation, robotics, and mechatronics) lab and an advanced rapid fabrication lab will include a variety of equipment and technology, used to train students interested in careers in advanced manufacturing and automation. Monty Tech students will now be trained in electronic system control and fabrication, and as a result, will be better prepared to fill positions at such as manufacturing technicians, robotics technicians, automation technicians, manufacturing production technicians, moldmakers, drafters, and CNC machinists at local corporations.

Throughout the summer, so many teachers have been working to develop new lessons, but one teacher's dedication to his craft and commitment to his

students led him to travel to the west coast, where he completed four weeks of training in Project

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Monty Tech is ready and willing



CLUES ACROSS

1. Political action committee

4. Where sauces cook

8. Type of horse

10. Heavy sword (Brit.)

11. ___ Nui, Easter Island

12. A type of burner

13. Spanish island

15. Rapid alteration of a musical note

16. Where priests work

17. Most impoverished

18. Tom Petty's band

21. Luke's mentor ___-Wan

22. No longer is

23. Mandela's party
24. Legislator (abbr.)

25. A type of "zebra"

26. The common gibbon

27. American icon

34. Hunting expeditions

35. What a princess wears

36. Switched gears

37. Protege to Freya (Norse myth.)

38. Serves

39. Darken

40. Fencing swords

41. Middle English letter

42. Go slowly

43. A type of flute

CLUES DOWN

1. One who is rejected

2. Suitable for crops

3. Per ___, each

4. Indulges

5. Preoccupy

6. NIN frontman Reznor

7. Posted

9. Infamous Ukraine village

10. Bizarre

12. One who loves to read

14. The products of human creativity

15. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand

17. Famed Chinese American architect
19. These can be used to burn trash

20. Corpuscle count (abbr.)

23. Pokes holes in

24. Peter's last name

25. Offered as a prize

26. French river

27. Young woman

28. A pot has one

29. Of the ears

30. Full of parasites

31. Dole out incrementally

32. Citrus fruit

33. Hearty

34. External form

36. Turn violently



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8	1	9	2	3	7	6	5	4
2	5	1	6	8	4	7	3	9
4	3	8	9	7	6	5	1	2
9	8	7	6	2	1	3	5	4
7	2	9	8	1	4	3	6	5

ANSWER:

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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POLICE LOG

Editor's Note: The information contained in this police log was obtained through public documents kept by the police department, and is considered to be the account of the police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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

TUESDAY, JULY 31

12:23 a.m.: loitering (Central Street), returned to home; 12:31 a.m.: suspicious/other (Teel Road), unable to locate; 1:04 a.m.: open door/window (Spring Street), spoken to; 2:02-2:35 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:59 a.m.: burglary/b&e (Central Street), dispersed gathering; 6:19 a.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), accidental alarm; 7:10 a.m.: fire/CO incident (Mason Street), services rendered; 8:44 a.m.: suspicious mv (Mellen Road), no service necessary; 10:38 a.m.: summons service (Spring Street), advised officer; 10:40 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), advised officer; 10:41 a.m.: summons service (Front Street), advised officer; 11:48 a.m.: investigation (Central Street), services rendered; 12:30 p.m.: mental health issue (Central Street), services rendered; 1:33 p.m.: assist citizen (Glenallan Street); 2:13 p.m.: investigation (Madison Street), report taken; 2:34 p.m.: investigation (North Street), services rendered; 3:35 p.m.: property found (Gardner Road), info taken; 3:53 p.m.: mv fire (Harris Road), extinguished; 5:48 p.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), advised legal help; 6:13 p.m.: accident (High Street), mv towed; 8:08 p.m.: fire alarm (Hale Street), false alarm; 8:33 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), unable to locate; 8:41 p.m.: larceny (Central Street), report taken; 10:04 p.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), returned to home; 10:19 p.m.: suspicious mv (School Street), secure; 10:34 p.m.: suspicious mv (Linden Street), spoken to; 11:05 p.m.: burglar alarm (Eli Drive), secure.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

12:50 a.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), spoken to; 1:08 a.m.: ambulance (East Street), transported; 1:22 a.m.: erratic operation (Baldwinville State Road), spoken to; 2:01-3:32 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:32 a.m.: ambulance (Center Lane), transported; 9:29

a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Central Street), no service necessary; 9:43 a.m.: info/general (Baldwinville Road), advised officer; 10:40 a.m.: vandalism (Lincoln Avenue Extension), report taken; 11:02 a.m.: investigation (Spring Street), spoken to; 11:40 a.m.: ambulance (Lincoln Avenue), transported; 11:41 a.m.: warrant arrest (Webster Street), Trisha L. Jewell, 40, 545 Dublin Road, Jaffrey; 12:06 p.m.: info/general (Monadnock Avenue), assisted; 12:38 p.m.: ambulance (Pinewood Drive), transported; 12:55 p.m.: investigation (Poland Avenue), spoken to; 2:10 p.m.: animal complaint (Hale Street), referred to ACO; 2:24 p.m.: info/general (Alger Street), info taken; 2:39 p.m.: 911 non-emergency (Gardner Road), secure; 4:07 p.m.: assist other PD (Central Street), referred; 5:15 p.m.: fire alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 6:12 p.m.: tree down on wires (Ipswich Drive), referred; 9:57 p.m.: harassment (Front Street), spoken to; 11:02 p.m.: noise complaint (Joslin Road), no service necessary; 11:14 p.m.: suicide threats (Pearl Drive), report taken; 11:23 p.m.: ambulance (Ready Drive), transported.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

12:37 a.m.: intoxicated person (Railroad Street), protective custody; 4:40 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 6:54 a.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), spoken to; 7:25 a.m.: animal complaint (Murdock Avenue), canceled; 7:39 a.m.: assist other PD (Central Street), referred; 8:10 a.m.: animal complaint (Glenallan Street), referred to DPW; 8:22 a.m.: property damage (Memorial Drive), report taken; 8:31 a.m.: animal complaint (Alger Street), referred to ACO; 9:03 a.m.: tree down (Baldwinville Road), referred; 9:28 a.m.: illegal burn (Mill Glen Road), spoken to; 9:57 a.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), spoken to; 10:24 a.m.: accident (Glenallan Street), report taken; 12:04 p.m.: ambulance (Vaine Street), transported; 1:51 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Beachview Drive), no service necessary; 2:16 p.m.: mv stop (Baldwinville Road), verbal warning; 3:22 p.m.: officer wanted (School Street), spoken to; 3:58 p.m.: animal complaint (Eli Drive), referred to ACO; 4:29 p.m.: suspicious person (Railroad Street), spoken to; 4:42 p.m.: officer wanted (Railroad Street), spoken to; 5:30 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:43 p.m.: erratic operation (Mill Street), spoken to; 6:12 p.m.: unwanted party (Front Street), spoken to; 7:04 p.m.: officer wanted (school

Street), spoken to; 7:26 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Gardner Road), spoken to; 6:39 p.m.: investigation (Baldwinville State Road), unable to locate; 8:14 p.m.: ambulance (Pearl Drive), transported; 8:26 p.m.: investigation (Cedar Terrace), unable to locate; 8:35 p.m.: investigation (Baldwinville State Road), unable to locate; 8:45 p.m.: investigation (Maple Street), services rendered; 9:02 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), advised officer; 10:02 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), protective custody; 10:18 p.m.: unwanted party (Cedar Terrace), gone on arrival; 11:20 p.m.: trespass entry notice (School Street), info taken; 11:30 p.m.: ambulance (Maple Street), transported; 11:36 p.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), unfounded.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

12:59-1:42 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:45 a.m.: burglar alarm (Maple Street), assisted; 9:40 a.m.: assist other PD (Central Street), referred; 9:56 a.m.: trespass entry notice (Front Street), services rendered; 10:45 a.m.: summons service (Mill Glen Road), advised officer; 11:30 a.m.: ambulance (Front Street), transported; 11:40 a.m.: welfare check/child (Brown Street), services rendered; 1:35 p.m.: accident (Willoughby Road), report taken; 2:28 p.m.: 911 hang up (Route 119, Rindge), referred; 2:44 p.m.: DPW call (Teel Road), referred; 3:42 p.m.: mv stop (School Street), citation issued; 3:43 p.m.: officer wanted (Spring Street), spoken to; 3:44 p.m.: ambulance (Pearl Drive), transported; 4:36 p.m.: DPW call (Teel Road), referred; 4:43 p.m.: road rage (Spring Street), info given; 4:50 p.m.: animal complaint (Front Street), referred to ACO; 4:51 p.m.: officer wanted (Lakeshore Drive), spoken to; 5:02 p.m.: animal complaint (Joslin Road), referred to ACO; 6:33 p.m.: flooding (Glenallan Street), secure; 6:35 p.m.: lightning strike (Lakeview Drive), unable to locate; 6:38 p.m.: accident (Gardner Road), report taken; 7:28 p.m.: unwanted party (Gardner Road), report taken; 7:34 p.m.: tree down on wires (Mill Street), referred; 8:23 p.m.: investigation (Lincoln Avenue), report taken; 8:27 p.m.: larceny (Central Street), report taken; 8:51 p.m.: tree down on wires (Laurel Street), unable to locate; 9:11 p.m.: burglar alarm (Beachview Drive), report taken; 9:26 p.m.: repossession of mv (Maple Street), unable to locate; 11:34 p.m.: noise complaint (Baldwinville State Road), spoken to.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

1:41-2:49 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:01 a.m.: registration check (River Street), info taken; 3:36 a.m.: warrant arrest (River Street), Anthony J. Duval, 30, 253 Front Street, #4, Winchendon; 7:52 a.m.: DPW call (Elmwood Road), referred; 8:00 a.m.: DPW call (Teel Road), referred; 11:44 a.m.: trespass entry notice (Central Street), services rendered; 11:51 a.m.: assist other agency (Central Street), referred; 3:10 p.m.: property lost (Hill Street), info taken; 3:16 p.m.: animal complaint (Mill Street), referred to ACO; 3:24 p.m.: open door/window (Holly Drive), report taken; 3:42 p.m.: larceny (Goodrich Drive), report taken; 4:00 p.m.: animal complaint (Alger Street), referred; 5:03 p.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), unable to locate; 5:07 p.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), verbal warning; 5:44 p.m.: ambulance (Ready Drive), transported; 6:29 p.m.: alarm/type unknown (Spring Street), referred; 7:07-7:15 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:29 p.m.: keep the peace (West Shore Drive), report taken; 9:03-9:04 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:22 p.m.: animal complaint (Spring Street), report taken; 9:49 p.m.: noise complaint (Brown Street), gone on arrival; 9:55 p.m.: suspicious mv (Gardner Road), gone on arrival; 11:05 p.m.: unwanted party (Polly's Drive), unable to locate.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

1:23-1:38 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:54 a.m.: suspicious mv (Gardner Road), spoken to; 2:02-2:22 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:37 a.m.: ambulance (Hale Street), transported; 7:46 a.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), services rendered; 8:00 a.m.: animal complaint (Spring Street), referred to ACO; 8:38 a.m.: burglar alarm (Railroad Street), false alarm; 8:56 a.m.: property found (Glenallan Street), returned to owner; 9:13 a.m.: ambulance (Joslin Road), transported; 11:04 a.m.: assist other PD (Central Street), referred; 12:30 p.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 1:49 p.m.: fire alarm (Brown Street), services rendered; 1:55 p.m.: summons service (Mill Glen Road), served; 4:12 p.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), referred; 4:13 p.m.: animal complaint (Beaman Court), unable to locate; 4:16 p.m.: noise complaint (Teel Road), unfounded; 4:18 p.m.: welfare check/general (Railroad Street), gone on arrival; 4:54 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), transport; 5:49 p.m.: ambulance (Royalston Road

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Tips to beat the heat!

Recent nearly triple digit temperatures found young and old alike literally losing their cool! If the rising mercury puts a damper on your "hot fun in the summertime," read on for a medley of both old (previously shared) and new (recently discovered) tips to help you beat the heat!

Cool down tips for the home:

*If you have mini blinds and find that closing them to keep the house cool keeps out too much light, try angling them upwards. This way, the light is reflected up and into the room, but the heat of direct rays are kept away.

*Pulling the shades down in east and west windows during a heat wave can lower an inside temperature as much as 20 degrees, as compared to unshaded windows!

*Using a window air conditioner? To boost its efficiency, use a fan with your a/c to circulate the cool air throughout the home. Fans are best placed on north facing, shaded windows, if possible.

*Never place lamps or TVs near your air conditioning thermostat. The heat from these appliances will cause the

air conditioner to run longer.

*Electronics, such as TVs and computers not only emit phantom energy but they produce heat even when shut off. Unplug these devices whenever possible.

*Compact fluorescent lights not only use less energy than incandescent bulbs, but they burn much cooler, preventing an unnecessary source of heat.

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Hints to keep cool:

*Natural fabrics such as cotton keep you cooler than synthetics. Breathable fabrics such as organic cotton helps to wick moisture away from your body, helping you stay cool and dry. And be sure to wear loose fitting clothes on hot days to allow air to circulate and keep you cool naturally.

*Want sweat free slumber? Sleep on 100% cotton sheets. And swap out synthetic pillows for cooler feather ones. Better yet, switch to a buckwheat pil-



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low, which is the coolest of them all!

*Cool down quick by taking mini baths or showers throughout the day when possible. Tepid water works best to refresh.

*Cool off instantly by placing a cold compress on your forehead or an ice bag on your head or on the

back of your neck.

*Drink plenty of chilled, non-alcoholic fluids during a heat wave. Experts advise avoiding caffeinated, sweet, or alcoholic beverages as they act as diuretics and can play havoc with your body temperature.

*On hot summer days, you'll sweat less if you eat foods high in water content, such as fruit and vegetables. Also avoid heavy meals that are harder to digest.

*If you are exercising or are performing physical work during a heat wave, be sure to drink two to four eight ounce glasses of water an hour. When possible choose sports drinks instead.

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

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OBITUARIES

Elaine L. (Frantz) Gaspard, 87

WINCHENDON — Elaine L. (Frantz) Gaspard, age 87, of Winchendon and formerly of Ashburnham, died peacefully Thursday evening, August 2, 2018 in Wachusett Manor Nursing Home, Gardner.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre, PA on Nov. 27, 1930 and lived in Ashburnham and later in Winchendon for many years.

Elaine was a graduate of Robert E. Fitch High School in Groton, CT, Clark University and she received two graduate degrees from Worcester State College and Fitchburg State College. She was very active in the Unitarian

Universalist Church and had worked as principal of Massachusetts Correctional Institute in Shirley.

She was the wife of the late Ronald E. Gaspard and leaves a brother, Frederick T. Gaskill of South Pasadena, FL; three nieces and two nephews.

Burial in New Cemetery, Ashburnham will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to Beals Memorial Library, 50 Pleasant St., Winchendon, MA 01475.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central St., Winchendon is directing arrangements.

Patrick A. Hebert, 84

ASHBURNHAM — Patrick A. Hebert, age 84, of 20 Cross Street, formerly of Braintree, died peacefully Sunday, August 5, 2018 at his residence, with family at his side.



He was born in Boston on June 11, 1934, son of the late Thomas and Agnes (DeWolf) Hebert. Raised in South Boston, he was a long time resident of Braintree until moving to Ashburnham in 2012. Pat was a graduate of South Boston High School.

Pat worked for Boston Edison for 35 years as a cable splicer until his retirement. He was a parishioner for over 40 years of

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Braintree. Pat proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army. An avid boater and fisherman, he was a member of Dorchester Yacht Club. A fan of country music, Pat enjoyed line dancing. He was a terrific handyman.

He leaves three children, Ann Marie Fitzgerald and her husband Henry of Braintree, Patrick A. Hebert Jr. and his wife Mary of Woburn and Maribeth Janssens and her husband Leo II, of Ashburnham; a brother Thomas Herbert of Canton, MA; 8 grandchildren, Shawn, Katie and her husband Darren, Jacob, Kellie, Stephanie, Molly, Kelsey and Patrick III, and 50 nieces and nephews. Pat was predeceased by 9 brothers and sisters.

Calling hours in Mortimer N. Peck Funeral Home, 516 Washington Street, Braintree will be Friday, August 10, 2018 from 4 to 8 P.M.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 10:30 AM in St. Francis of Assisi Church, 850 Washington Street, Braintree.

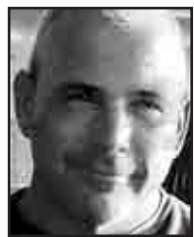
Burial, with military honors, will be Monday, August 13, 2018 at 2 P.M. in Mass. Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Winchendon.

Memorial donations may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon is handling arrangements.

Christopher James O'Grady, 48

ORLANDO FL — It is with great sadness that the family of Christopher James O'Grady announces his sudden passing on Sunday, July 29, 2018, at the age of 48 years. He died at his residence in Orlando, Florida.



Chris will be forever lovingly remembered by his son, Shamus Michael O'Grady of Santa Rosa, FL; his stepmother, Alma (Yoss) O'Grady of Bedford, NH; his Sister, Erin (O'Grady) Hennigar and her husband Mark of Westport; his sister, Kathleen (O'Grady) Blacquiore and her husband Gary of Winchendon; niece Briana (Hennigar) Lounder and her husband Darrick of Gilsum, NH; niece and Goddaughter, Katelyn (Hennigar) Maleham and husband Mark of Ossipee, NH; niece Pheonix Faye Nicholas of Winchendon; nephew, Dana Patrick Nicholas of Winchendon; stepsister, Cindy (Kwasny) Correll and husband Ken of Fitchburg; stepsister, Betty (Kwasny) Cote and her husband Paul of Winchendon, and wife Alyssa Meric Davis O'Grady of Stuart, FL. He will also be forever fondly remembered by aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, friends, church family members and colleagues. Chris was predeceased by his father, Patrick Joseph O'Grady; mother, Anita (Skoglund) O'Grady Kwasny; sister, Patricia (O'Grady) Brooks; brother-in-law Rodney Brooks and stepfather Michael Kwasny.

Chris was born in Brooklyn, New

York on July 13, 1970; grew up in Baldwinville and was a 1988 graduate of Landmark High School in Beverly. After graduation, he began his construction career in Florida doing stucco, eventually owning a property maintenance company that provided clients with many different construction resources including general contractor services. For the last two years, he worked as a construction supervisor for Empire Construction Corporation of Tennessee based in Knoxville, TN.

Chris loved the outdoors and was an avid boater, fisherman and skier. He loved deep sea fishing down in the Florida Keys as well as off the Maine-New Hampshire Coast with his nephew Dana and best friend Michael Tolman. He loved skiing in Colorado and traveling abroad. He was especially moved by a recent trip to Greece and hoped to return there some day. Chris had a strong relationship with Christ and loved to do missionary work with his church. Many family and friends were greeted by Christopher's daily text messages that included proverbs, Bible passages and quotes as he began each day. He had a big heart, a big smile, big hugs and so many who loved him and grieve his loss.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, August 11, 2018 from noon to 2 p.m. followed immediately by a memorial service at Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central St., Winchendon.

A private burial will be held at a later date.

Grace E. (Henegan) St. Thomas, 92

WORCESTER — Grace E. (Henegan) St. Thomas, age 92, of Worcester died in the presence of her loving family on August 5, 2018 in St. Vincent Hospital. Born in New York City, Grace was the daughter of Stephen F. and Grace (Kane) Henegan. She was predeceased by her brother Paul Henegan, and two sisters, Stephanie Barry and Eileen Sullivan. Grace was a graduate of South High School and lived her entire life in Worcester.



She was the loving wife of Oscar "Buck" St. Thomas who died in 2012, after 63 years of marriage. Grace was inundated with the love of her family, the fruit of the love with which she blessed them throughout her life. Grace leaves four sons, Stephen and his wife, Susan, of Wellesley, Thomas and his wife, Susan, of Bridgewater, James and his wife, Judy, of Cumberland RI and John and his wife, Jillene, of Richboro PA; four daughters, Mary and her husband, Dave MacAdam, of Millbury, Joan and her husband, Edward Petry, of Worcester, Grace Cheffers of Winchendon and Anne and her husband, Jon Slate, of Woodstock CT. Grace

leaves 37 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. Grace was pre-deceased by her loving grandson Allen Cheffers.

Grace was a life-long parishioner of Our Lady of the Angels where she and Oscar sang in the choir together for many years. She will be remembered for her love for her church, family and friends. Grace was a woman of dignity, kind and always respectful.

Grace was an avid reader, a lover of words, and a life-long learner. Her memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Our family thanks all of Grace's friends and staff at the Willows in Worcester. She loved her home there and she loved you all. Special thanks to everyone on 36 North at St. Vincent Hospital for the wonderful care of our mother.

Grace's funeral was held on Thursday August 9 from the Mercadante Funeral Home & Chapel, 370 Plantation St. with a Mass of Christian burial in Our Lady of the Angels Church 1222 Main St. Worcester. Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery Leicester.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to EB Research Partnership at ebresearch.org.

Patricia A. (Alden) Carr, 79

WINCHENDON — Patricia A. (Alden) Carr, age 79, of 131 Lincoln Ave., died peacefully Tuesday afternoon, August 7, 2018 in Heywood Hospital, Gardner, with her family at her side.



She was born in Dover, NH on August 29, 1938, daughter of the late Albert and Lena (Laurette) Alden and had lived in Winchendon since 1962.

Pat worked many years ago at the Winchendon Dress Shop. She was an active sister in Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Gardner and had been successful in recruiting many individuals in to its membership. She was an avid Bible student, reading and cross referencing its scripture. She enjoyed decorating and spending time with her family.

She leaves her husband of 63 years, Richard E. Carr; five sons, Robert Carr of Winchendon, David Carr and his wife Nancy of Winchendon, Daniel Carr of Orange, Timothy Carr and his wife Laurie of Lunenburg and John Carr and his wife Bobbie-Lee of Winchendon; a brother, Albert Alden of Worcester; six grandchildren, Kyle, James, Timothy Justin, Ryan, Jaymisen and Kailey, and two great grandchildren, Macy and Brayden.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018 at 2 p.m. in Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 101 West Street, Gardner, MA 01440.

Memorial donations may be made to Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses World Wide Work, care of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 101 West Street, Gardner, MA 01440.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.

Francis J. 'Fran' MacDonald, 81

FRANKLIN — Francis J. "Fran" MacDonald, age 81, of Franklin, died peacefully on Friday, August 3, 2018 at his home surround by his family after a long battle with Alzheimer disease. He was the beloved husband of Mary T. (Cotton) MacDonald since 1960. Born in Newton on April 30, 1937, he was the son of the late



Edmund and Catherine (McCormick) MacDonald.

Fran was a resident of Franklin for the past 37 years. He grew up in the Nonantum section of Newton and attended Newton public schools. Before his retirement, he worked as a warehouse receiver at Arnold Industries in Canton for many years and had previously worked at W.H. Nichols in Waltham for many years. Fran was an avid New England sports fan and was also a big fan of his children and grandchildren's sports activities.

In addition to his wife, he survived by three sons, Frankie MacDonald of Attleboro, Daniel MacDonald and his wife Karen of Northborough and Scott MacDonald of Bellingham and two grandsons, Danny and Kenny MacDonald. He is also survived by his sister Mary Sandstrom of Winchendon and several nieces and nephews. He was the brother of the late Henry Abie, Jack, Eddie and Paul MacDonald, Kathleen Wood, Margie Newfell and Ellie Rossetti.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend his funeral from the Ginley Funeral Home of Franklin, 131 Main St. (www.ginleyfuneralhomes.com) on Thursday, August 9 followed by a funeral Mass at St. Jude's Church in Norfolk. Burial followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Franklin.

In lieu of flowers donations in Frans memory may be made to Salmon VNA & Hospice, 37 Birch St., Milford, MA 01757 or the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452.

Douglas E. 'Ned' Schultz, 63

WINCHENDON — Douglas E. "Ned" Schultz, of Winchendon passed away on Saturday, August 4, 2018 at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, in the loving company of his wife Dianne M. Schultz, son Justin D. Schultz and daughter Lindsey M. Jolley. Doug was born in Greenville, Maine on August 17, 1954, son of



Joan Corinna McBrierty Schultz and Douglas E. Knowles.

Doug spent his childhood living in Maine, Alaska and ultimately Massachusetts. He spent the majority of his childhood in Tewksbury, where he attended and graduated from Tewksbury High School in 1972. There he met the love of his life, Dianne M Doucette. They were married for 43 years, "all in a row", as he would affectionately say.

He went on to attend Wentworth Technical Institute and earned a degree in architectural technology, graduating in 1974. He was self-employed for 37 years, working as a draftsman designing buildings and parking garages all over the country. Three years ago, he went to work for Dailey Precast, an affiliate of Peckham Industries, Inc. where he worked as a drafter/checker.

Doug took the utmost pride in his work and always gave 110% to every job he ever did. When he wasn't working, what brought him even more joy was spending time boating and fishing at his lake house in Maine, hunting, golfing and watching his grandchildren

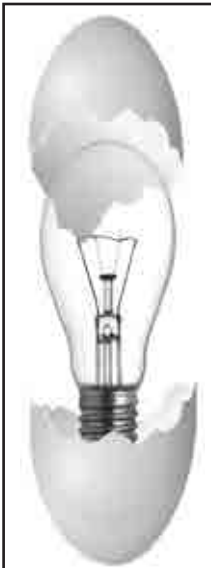
play the sports they loved. Ned was an avid Red Sox fan. He enjoyed watching the games on NESN and traveling with Dianne to many of the baseball parks across the country.

Doug is survived by his loving wife, Dianne Schultz of Winchendon. Doug is also survived by his children Lindsey Jolley and her husband Bill of Sutton, and Justin Schultz and his wife Sarah of Rindge. Grampa Ned was the loving grandfather of his 4 grandsons, Hunter Schultz, Owen Jolley, Gavin Schultz and Andrew Jolley. They were his ultimate joy and the children always lit up when he walked in the room. He was also survived by his brother Kevin Schultz and his wife Barbara and his sister Brenda Warren and her partner John Monteiro. He has many adoring aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Doug was son of the late Joan C. Schultz and brother of the late Alan T. Schultz. His family and friends will all miss him and his contagious laughter.

The family has planned a celebration of Life at the Cathedral of the Pines, 10 Hale Hill Rd., Rindge, NH on Sunday August 12, 2018. The service will start at 3:00 PM, followed by a reception from 4:00-6:00 pm. Relatives and friends respectfully invited.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like you to consider making a donation to the Prostate Cancer Research Fund at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, c/o Glenn Bublely, 330 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215.

McGaffigan Family Funeral Home, 37 Main St., Pepperell, MA is assisting the family with arrangements. Please see www.mcgaffiganfuneral.com.



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SPORTS

Little League field gets upgrades

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Even the best ballfields, and Winchendon’s American Legion facility has long drawn rave reviews from visitors, sometimes need sprucing up. The Jimmy Padini Memorial Field hosts a lot of games and inevitably takes a beating. Add to that the beating it takes from nasty New England winters and it’s easy to understand why work needs to be done to keep the place looking good.

Cue the generosity of the Robinson Broadhurst Foundation which awarded \$40,000 for new dugouts and other more than superficial changes and it’s no wonder project manager Tony LaPointe, a former Winchendon Little League president, is appreciative.

“After 30 years or so, Mother Nature won out and it was time to address the situation. Robinson Broadhurst really came through,” he said.

There really are brand new dugouts, longer, better lit, and even a bit wider since today’s baseball and softball players tend to show up carrying pretty big equipment bags. New dugouts though, meant digging up the old ones and then there was the weather.

“We had days of torrential rains, that in turn caused delays in the schedule,” recalled LaPointe, adding, “Additionally, we had some cost overruns given some unforeseen construction challenges. In the end, we as a team overcame them to get the field playable by late spring.”

“I have to highlight John LaPlante and his co-worker Jeff did some amazing work for us throughout the project. Without them I doubt we would have completed it in the same time frame nor would the field look as great as it does. Lawton Electric helped a lot. And the town was really cooperative for which we’re grateful. We avoided a lot of red tape and that made a difference. Our long time sponsor, Belletetes, was there for us again.”

That field has been an important part of Little League in Winchendon for a



Courtesy photos

A new dugout, with fencing added to safeguard the players and the public.

long time and has not only been the home field for a trio of state softball championship teams (2002, 2008, 2010), it has been the host venue for state tournaments multiple times as well.

“A lot of coaches and parents who’ve come here have told us how impressed they are” with the facility, noted LaPointe. Unlike many fields, Winchendon’s is able to be used for night games which added to the attraction.

Besides the new dugouts, fencing along the first and third base lines were raised and extended, eliminating congestion around dugouts which has been an issue in the past.

LaPointe acknowledged the volunteer hours put in, sometimes through wildly fluctuating weather patterns by a dedicated core group which included (alphabetically) Ron Drapeau, Chris Gauthier, Dean Iannacone, Steve Gauthier, Adam LeBlanc, league president Kevin Southwell, and Danny and Randy Tenney.

“I can’t say enough about how hard they worked during the winter in snow and sub-zero temperatures to get the roofs on. That was true dedication, all for the kids in town who play Little League,” he remarked.

Keeping fields going is, of course, something of a never-ending project and further improvements are already underway.

“We’re doing everything we can to make sure Winchendon Little League players will continue to have a first-class facility,” LaPointe summarized.



A bright blue is the theme at the newly upgraded American Legion fields.

Gearing up for back to school: dates to remember

Save the date! The first Murdock home football game of the 2018 season will be on Friday night, Sept. 14th. Plans are under way for a Family Fun night with kids’ games, food and fun beginning at 6:00 at Alumni Field. Kick off is at 7:00. Come out and cheer for your Murdock Blue Devils! More information to come!

Upcoming events:
Freshman student orientation: August 21, 9:00 a.m.-noon.

6th grade orientation: August 22, 10:00 a.m.-noon

Freshman parent orientation: August 22nd, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

2nd Annual Soccer Marathon at the Clark Memorial Field House – sponsored by Murdock soccer teams. Aug. 24-25, beginning at 6:00PM on August 24th and going through the night if sufficient teams. Anyone interested in submitting a full team or individuals/

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groups interested in playing, please contact Coach Jason Marshall at drjasonpmarshall@gmail.com

Murdock Sports Boosters Fundraiser in conjunction with the Epilepsy Foundation. Collecting donations of clothing, linens, shoes, bags (back packs, purses, etc.) and books (please no encyclopedias or textbooks).

All items will be given to the Epilepsy Foundation, who in turn will reimburse the Boosters per pound of donations. Call 978-257-5671 to arrange pick up, or once school has started, items may be dropped off at door D9 at the high school. Any winter coats, boots, etc. will be donated to Kiwanis coat drive in October.

Registrations for fall sports should be made ASAP by logging into FamilyID.com.

Have a great week!

LOGS

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North), transported; 5:53 p.m.: animal complaint (Central Street), referred to ACO; 6:33 p.m.: ambulance (Ipswich Drive), transported; 7:29 p.m.: ambulance (Brown Street), transported; 8:14 p.m.: burglary/b&e (Front Street), report taken; 8:34 p.m.: wires down (Mechanic Street), referred; 9:14 p.m.: ambulance (Joslin Road), transported; 9:33 p.m.: burglar alarm (Brown Street), secure; 9:40 p.m.: hazardous material spill (Baldwinville State Road), referred; 10:05 p.m.: warrant check (Central Street), info given; 11:35 p.m.: suspicious person (Spring Street), info given.

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12:20-1:11 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:20 a.m.: assist other PD (Central Street), referred; 1:29-1:35 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:38 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 3:08 a.m.: info/general (Central Street), info taken; 3:19-3:32 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:35 a.m.: ambulance (Glenallan Street), transported; 4:06 a.m.: mv fire (River Street), extinguished; 5:25 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 5:53 a.m.: traffic hazard (Spring Street), gone on arrival; 7:30 a.m.: DPW call (Central Street), referred; 8:28 a.m.: officer wanted (Lakeshore Drive), info taken; 9:09 a.m.: sex offender registration (Walnut Street), info taken; 9:30 a.m.: ambulance (Front Street), transported; 9:42 a.m.: assist citizen (River Street); 9:49 a.m.: building checked, secure; 10:30 a.m.: sex

offender registration (Central Street), info taken; 10:33 a.m.: animal complaint (Route 202 South), info taken; 10:49 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (River Street), info taken; 10:52 a.m.: vandalism (Monadnock Avenue), info taken; 11:44 a.m.: dog bite (First Street), report taken; 11:56 a.m.: investigation (Grove Street), services rendered; 12:27 p.m.: larceny (Gardner Road), report taken; 12:40 p.m.: threats (Locust Street), report taken; 12:56 p.m.: harassment order violation (School Street), report taken; 1:00 p.m.: property found (River Street), services rendered; 1:59 p.m.: investigation (Poland Avenue), services rendered; 2:38 p.m.: animal complaint (Spring Street), referred to ACO; 3:15 p.m.: summons service (West Monomonic Road), advised officer; 4:20 p.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 4:28 p.m.: investigation (Baldwinville Road) services rendered; 4:48 p.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 4:52 p.m.: neighbor dispute (West Monomonic Road), report taken; 5:09 p.m.: property found (River Street), services rendered; 5:17 p.m.: animal complaint (Old County Road), referred to ACO; 6:04 p.m.: mv b&e (River Street), info taken; 6:35 p.m.: mv b&e (River Street), info taken; 7:33 p.m.: larceny (Central Street), report taken; 7:42 p.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 9:13 p.m.: suspicious person (Central Street), report taken; 9:45 p.m.: mental health issue (Ready Drive), transported to hospital; 11:07 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), report taken; 11:14 p.m.: ambulance (Pearl Drive), transported.

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Here's some free unsolicited advice for Red Sox fans. Savor this season. You may or may not win the World Series. You may or may not even reach the World Series. Or the ALCS. October baseball is a crapshoot and any decent team can get hot for a week or even less. The '01 Mariners won 116 games. They didn't get to the Series. The '54 Indians went 111-43 in a 154 game season. Then they lost four straight to the Giants, a Series punctuated by Willie

Mays' famous catch. After the first game of the '69 Series, the Orioles had 113 wins. They too lost four straight to New York. It was to me decidedly not Amazin' at all. The point? Boston is having a season of so-far historic proportions. Fans should be eating it up and not worry about two months from now. The team with the best regular season record doesn't win the whole thing that often. Quite often the best team period doesn't get the trophy. Baseball ain't hoops and with all due respect, the Sox aren't the Warriors. So enjoy what you're seeing every night. Cherish the sweep of your arch rival (who themselves still have the third best record in the game despite all the injuries) and whatever happens in October happens.

Not winning the Series won't diminish a legendary regular season one bit. Even if you subscribe to the 'winning is everything' theory, seasons can and do have multiple winners. Savor the season? Yes. That goes as well for fans of the Phillies and Braves, both teams having seeming to arrive earlier than expected. Baseball is a marathon, so absolutely, savor it. As an O's fan, I noticed as I write on Wednesday that one more loss before any wins will drop the Birds winning percentage below 30-percent. The rebuild is fully underway. It took the Cubs and Astros three years each to start over and win a World Series. Nothing is guaranteed but starting over makes sense. Football is, well, who knows? The NFL is a mess. As I write,

players and owners still haven't reached an agreement on their anthem policy because the cowardly, overwhelmingly white rich owners are afraid of alienating DJT. There's still no agreement on what constitutes an illegal hit and so the officials will spend the pre-season presumably figuring that out though no one should expect any consensus once the season starts. Don't even get started on the definition of a catch. And Colin Kaepernick remains unemployed which in and of itself should be enough to ignore everything else. The NFL is a mess. Recently reports surfaced about the league's lawyers dragging their corporate feet regarding already agreed upon settlement money for retired players suffering from various ailments, espe-

cially head injuries. You wonder why participation in youth football is down? I look at all this and am relieved I no longer care all that terribly much who wins the Super Bowl. A lot of you still very much do. I'm not sure why. When you look at the big picture, are you really telling me you haven't lost any enthusiasm? Really? If so, you must buy into the nonsense spouted by the coach at North Carolina who insisted concerns about CTE are overblown. No, this clown did not go to medical school but he personifies the old school way of thinking and fortunately that mindset is becoming passe'. Of course when you say that at a basketball school, it gets less attention than had, say, Nick Saban uttered it. So be it. See you next week.

Time to put excess cash to work?

You'll always want to base your investment decisions on your own needs and goals. But there may be times when you might consider adjusting your portfolio because of risks and opportunities. Now may be one of those times. Here's some background: In recent months, the Federal Reserve has raised short-term interest rates several times, and given its generally favorable outlook on the economy, it has indicated it may continue bumping up interest rates gradually over the next year or so. The Fed doesn't control long-term interest rates, but these rates often follow the lead of short-term movements. However, longer-term rates haven't yet risen as much as shorter-term ones, which means the difference between short- and long-term rates is relatively small, historically speaking. This doesn't mean you should make drastic changes to your portfolio. You still need to stick with the asset allocation that's suitable for your situation,

which typically involves owning a certain percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, and a certain percentage of fixed-income securities, such as bonds. However, if you do have space in the fixed-income part of your portfolio, you may find the higher interest rates offered by short-term bonds and certificates of deposit (CDs) to be attractive. To take advantage of this opportunity, though, you will need to have the cash available to invest. Some people hold too much in cash, waiting for interest rates to rise, or as protection against the risk of a market decline. But holding excess cash involves its own risk – the risk of not investing. So, if you have your cash needs covered, you may want to consider investing any excess cash. To determine if you are holding excess cash, you'll need to review your entire cash situation. For example, do



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you have enough cash, or cash equivalents, to create an emergency fund of three to six months' worth of living expenses? This fund can be vital in helping you pay for things like a major car repair or an unexpected medical bill without dipping in to your long-term investments. And, of course, you need enough liquidity to provide for your lifestyle, including your regular spending needs – your mortgage, utilities, groceries and so on. Also, you may want to set aside enough cash for a goal you want to reach in the next year or so, such as a vacation. But if you have taken care of all these needs and you still have excess cash, you may want to consider putting this cash to work, possibly by investing in short-term fixed-income vehicles now being issued at higher interest rates. And keep in mind that regardless of where interest rates are going, bonds and other fixed-income investments

can offer some key benefits to investors. In addition to providing a source of regular income, these types of investments can help reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. While bonds can, and will, fluctuate in value, they typically can provide more stability to your portfolio and tend to behave differently than stocks over time. After years of historical lows, shorter-term rates now have risen to levels that are more attractive to investors. Take the time to review your situation, perhaps with the help of a financial professional, to determine if taking advantage of these rates may be appropriate for you. This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor. Please contact Caitle Kelley, your local Edward Jones Advisor at 1 City Hall Ave., Gardner 01440 Tel: (978) 630-8670 or caitle.kelley@edwardjones.com.

Harvest and preserve herbs for flavorful meals year-round

Add a flavorful boost to any meal with garden-fresh herbs. You'll quickly discover the difference fresh herbs make when preparing any meal or dessert. Harvest herbs whenever you need them for cooking or garnishing a favorite dish. Adjust the quantity of herbs used to allow for variations in flavor intensity and your family's preference. In general, you will need two to three times more fresh than dried herbs. So, if the recipe calls for one teaspoon of dried parsley use one tablespoon (three teaspoons) of fresh parsley leaves. Use a pair of garden scissors or pruners for harvesting. Make your cuts above a set of healthy leaves. The wound will close faster, and the remaining plant will look better. Rinse off the clippings and remove tough stems and any discolored or damaged leaves and start cooking. Store the extra, unwashed leafy herbs in a vase of water and loosely cover with a plastic bag. Keep basil on the kitchen counter and cold-tolerant herbs like parsley and cilantro in the refrigerator. Wrap thicker-leaved herbs like sage and thyme in a paper towel, set inside a plastic bag and place in a warmer section of the fridge. Don't be afraid to keep harvesting. Regular picking encourages new



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growth for future harvests. Just be sure to leave enough foliage to maintain plant growth. You can harvest as much as 50 to 75% from established annual herbs and one third of perennial herbs at one time. Clip off leaves and stems before the plant begins flowering to encourage more tender growth. You'll get the greatest concentration of flavor when the plant has formed buds, but before they open. However, don't discard the flowers if you've waited too long. Enjoy the beauty and added flavor of basil, lavender, lovage, monarda, oregano, rosemary, sage, sweet marjoram and thyme blossoms in salads, soups and other beverages. As the season winds down, consider preserving some of your favorite herbs to use all winter long and to give as gifts. Drying is one of the easiest ways to preserve your herbal harvest. Collect large amounts of basil, rosemary, marjoram and sage just prior to flowering. Cut the plants back about halfway in the morning after the dew has just dried off the leaves. Rinse – do not soak – the clippings and then remove any damaged or dried leaves. Gather the herbs into small bundles and secure with a rubber band. As the stems shrink, so does the rubber band. Use a spring-type clothespin to hang the

bundles from a clothesline or hanger. Store the bundled herbs in a warm, dry, airy place out of direct sunlight for drying. Some gardeners cover the drying herbs with a paper bag to keep them clean. You can also dry herbs in the microwave. Remove the leaves from freshly harvested herbs. Evenly spread two cups of washed herb leaves on a double thickness of paper towel. Microwave on high for four to six minutes, depending on your microwave. Fully dried herbs will be brittle and rattle when stirred. Store dried herbs in an airtight container for later use. Label the container with the name of the herb and date preserved. Then add these flavorful additions to your meals throughout the winter. You're sure to savor the flavor and memories these homegrown preserved herbs add to every meal.

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Finally, for two years, more than 100 students and 20 staff members have worked to build a 7,500 sq. ft. facility on our campus, housing the new veterinary science training program and community clinic. The building is now complete, and students enrolled in the veterinary science program will work and

learn in this beautiful, state-of-the-art facility, thanks to their hard work and the continued generosity and support of countless community members, state and local officials, and local philanthropists. Watching the foundation being poured, the walls and roof going up, and putting the finishing touches in place has truly been an honor, and a highlight of my years in education. While I am a life-long believer that a high-quality education makes a difference in the lives of our students, watching our talented instructors work with their students, sharing their skills and expertise, and carefully observing students take the lead in this building project has only affirmed this belief. This building is proof that a Monty Tech education is measured by more than just a paper and pen. A Monty Tech education is demonstrated in the work ethic of our students, in the technical skills they possess, and the commitment to community service they reflect in their daily lives.

I am honored to lead this fine district, and look forward to 2018-19, knowing the best is yet to come.

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lead to the loss of jobs, deregulation that threatens the despoliation of our environment, and a foreign policy that inexplicably seems to favor despots at the expense of alliances that have kept us secure for more than seven decades.

Quite frankly, even Republican candidates should let us know that they, too, oppose such policies. I mean, one has to ask: What has happened to traditional conservatism?

Conservatives, after all, have traditionally fought against increasing deficits, strongly supported our intelligence agencies, opposed the malign influences of Russia, strongly supported our NATO and Pacific allies, and been proponents of free trade. Donald Trump has shown

himself to be in opposition to all of these. How do conservatives, or those who claim to be conservative, continue to support him?

A number of elections on Tuesday clearly illustrate that Republicans are in trouble. In Ohio 12, it appears a GOP nominee has barely eked out a victory over his Democratic opponent in a district Donald Trump carried by 11 points in 2016. In the Washington state primaries – where the top two vote-getters move on to the general election regardless of party affiliation – Cathy McMorris Rodgers, the fourth-ranking House Republican, edged the Democratic hopeful by less than half of a percentage point. And these are just two examples of the GOP’s tenuous hold on power. In recent special elections for various public offices, Democrats have been victorious when they should

have barely been competitive.

The reason? Republican candidates have given a big, affectionate bear hug to an increasingly unpopular president.

Yes, all candidates for all offices should let voters know what they are for. But they should also be quite explicit in what they are against.

Democrats should not back away from loudly and proudly voicing their opposition to the man in the White House.

Republicans, on the other hand, should be careful of just how closely they align themselves with him. For those GOP candidates who think it will help them on Nov. 6 to toe the Trump line, the words of Betty Davis in the classic movie All About Eve come to mind: “Fasten your seatbelts. It’s going to be a bumpy night.”

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2018. One-time dog whistles have been replaced by open hostility towards minorities (and the media too) from the supposed moral leader of this country. Despicable. You bet I’m worried about the legitimacy of the November elections. When the ‘President’ is clearly beholden to the leader of an enemy, an

enemy which is intent on disrupting our electoral process, of course I’m worried. A lot of you are too.

I was, I suppose, somewhat complacent about the dangers. Courtney and her friends saw it up close, saw it with more clarity than I and got involved. I can think of no better way to honor her birthday by redoubling our own commitment to fairness and justice. Tangibly that means making sure you know every-

thing you possibly can about the election rules and requirements wherever you’re voting. Nothing is more important in the next two and a half months. Courtney had grown into an advocate and activist. She’d be imploring everyone to be a participating citizen. Let’s make sure we are just that. Those of us who loved and miss her owe her and ourselves that much for sure. Don’t we? See you next week.

LEGALS

MORTGAGEE’S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Steven G. Hosnander and Sheila E. Hosnander to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GSF Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, dated June 18, 2010 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 45932, Page 120 as affected by a Loan Modification recorded on November 29, 2016 in Said Registry of Deeds at Book 56379, Page 151, subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GSF Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 51420, Page 147 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on August 24, 2018 at 151 Spring Street, Winchendon, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land on the southerly side of and known and numbered as 151 Spring Street in Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the corner of Spring Street and a street laid out from said Spring Street to Ash Street, being the northeast corner of the lot; thence On line of second named street South 2° West 117 3/4 feet to the northeast corner of house lot now or formerly of Martin McCabe; thence North 68° West on the northerly line of said Martin McCabe’s house lot, 225 3/4 feet to a stake and stones; thence Northerly on line of land owned in common by Patrick McCabe and said Martin McCabe 80 1/2 feet to the southerly line of Spring Street; thence Easterly on line of said Spring Street to the place of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named mortgagor by deed recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds at Book 45932, Page 117.

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By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Ilene A. Breton to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Lend America, dated January 16, 2009 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 43796, Page 363 (the “Mortgage”), as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated December 18, 2013, and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 52085, Page 204, and further affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated December 22, 2015, and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 54855, Page 269, and further affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated September 19, 2016, and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 56141, Page 373 of which mortgage Selene Finance LP is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Lend America its successors and assigns to Selene Finance LP dated August 23, 2016 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 55960, Page 26, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 9 Orient Place, Winchendon, MA 01475 will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 AM on September 20, 2018, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land referred to in this policy is situated in the State of Massachusetts, County of Worcester and is described as follows:

COMMENCING AT A STAKE AND STONES AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE LOT, IN LINE OF LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF DENNIS MANGAN, AND ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF A STRIP OF LAND TWO AND ONE-HALF (2-1/2) RODS WIDE LAID OUT FOR A ROAD BY CHARLES L. BEALS, NOW KNOWN AS ORIENT PLACE; THENCE SOUTH 19 DEGREES WEST ON LINE OF SAID ROAD, FIVE AND 76/100 (5.76) RODS TO A STAKE AND STONES; THENCE NORTH 71 DEGREES WEST, SEVEN AND 84/100 (7.84) RODS TO A STAKE AND STONES IN LINE OF WILLIAM DOODY’S LAND; THENCE ON LINE OF SAID DOODY’S LAND, NORTHERLY FOUR AND ONE-HALF (4-1/2) RODS TO A STAKE AND STONES AT A CORNER OF SAID MANGAN LAND; THENCE ON SAID MANGAN LAND, EIGHT (8) RODS TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

ALSO ANOTHER LOT OF LAND ADJOINING THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LOT, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, VIZ: COMMENCING ON THE WESTERLY LINE OF A ROAD LAID OUT FROM SPRING STREET PAST THE D. MANGAN PLACE, NOW SAID ORIENT PLACE; THENCE ON LINE OF SAID ROAD, SOUTH 20 DEGREES 15 MINUTES WEST, SEVEN AND ONE-HALF (7-1/2) RODS TO A CORNER; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLE WITH SAID ROAD, WESTERLY ABOUT EIGHT (8) RODS TO THE WALL; THENCE ONLINE OF SAID WALL, NORTHERLY SEVEN AND ONE-HALF (7-1/2) RODS TO LAND FORMERLY OF DANIEL CALLAHAN, BEING THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LOT; THENCE EASTERLY ON SAID ABOVE LOT, EIGHT (8) RODS TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING SO MUCH FROM LAST DESCRIBED LOT AS WAS CONVEYED TO ATHERTON D. CONVERSE BY DEED RECORDED WITH WORCESTER DISTRICT DEEDS, BOOK 2376, PAGE 194.

For mortgagor’s title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5274, Page 209.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier’s or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee’s attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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August 17, 2018

Town of Winchendon Planning Board PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board, per Article 12 of the Winchendon Zoning Bylaw, will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Tuesday August 21, 2018 at 6:35 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 2nd Fl., 109 Front St., Winchendon, MA 01475, to hear the Formal Site Plan application submitted by Winchendon Ash Street Solar 2 LLC of 1550 Liberty Ridge Drive, Suite 310 Wayne PA 19087 for property iden-

tified as Parcel 9, Map 5D4, owned by the Winchendon School, Inc. 172 Ash Street Winchendon MA 01475 for the construction of a Ground Mounted Solar Energy Collection system. Said property is located in the R80 – Rural Residential Zoning District. All relevant materials, including site plans, may be viewed at the Dept. of P&D at Winchendon Town Hall. All interested persons should plan to attend. Meeting room is accessible. Alternate accommodations can be made by calling 1-978-297-3537 at least 3 days in advance.

BY: Guy C. Corbosiero,
Planning Board Chairman
August 3, 2018
August 10, 2018

Legal Notice Winchendon Conservation Commission

296 Beachview Drive; Assessor’s Map M-12, Lot 67 Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and the Town of Winchendon Wetlands Protection Bylaw, the Winchendon Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 16th, 2018 at 7:10 pm to consider the Notice of Intent filed by property owners Peter and Susan Avdoulos for proposed work within Lake Monomonac’s shoreline and 100-foot Buffer Zone at 296 Beachview Drive; Assessor’s Map M-12, Lot 67. The project entails construction of a forty (40) foot long retaining wall along the shoreline, a second elevated retaining wall between the road and shoreline, deck and walkway. The hearing will be held in the 4th Floor Conference Room of the Winchendon Town Hall, 109 Front Street. The Notice of Intent is available for public review at the Land Use Office, Room 10 (first floor) of the Winchendon Town Hall on Wednesdays and Thursdays during the hours of 9am – 12noon, except for 3pm – 6pm on meeting nights, or by calling the Conservation Agent for an appointment at 978-297-5402.

August 10, 2018

Legal Notice Winchendon Conservation Commission

53 Belmont Avenue; Assessor’s Map 5A-3, Lot 80 Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and the Town of Winchendon Wetlands Protection Bylaw, the Winchendon Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 16th, 2018 at 7:05 pm to consider the Request for Determination of Applicability filed by property owner Dean Lepkowski for proposed work within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands at 53 Belmont Avenue; Assessor’s Map 5A-3, Lot 80. The project entails the construction of a 26’ x 26’ (676 square feet) detached garage. The hearing will be held in the 4th Floor Conference Room of the Winchendon Town Hall, 109 Front Street.

The Request for Determination of Applicability is available for public review at the Land Use Office, Room 10 (first floor) of the Winchendon Town Hall on Wednesdays and Thursdays during the hours of 9am – 12noon, except for 3pm – 6pm on meeting nights, or by calling the Conservation Agent for an appointment at 978-297-5402.

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ond place; Michael Lesperance, third place.

Chili Verde: Mad Mike's Killer Chili, Mike Freedman, first place; Rowdy Red Bones, Patrick Cox, second place; Willie's Chili, Judith Omerza, third place (two-way tie); Matt McSheehy, fourth place.

Youth Red Chili: Kyriell Scheffield, first place; Anessa Hamilton, second place.

Red Chili: Roxanne Ballachino, first place; Dirty Kurty, Kurt Leithner, second place (two-way tie); Michael Lesperance, third place; This Ain't Your Mama's Chili, Anne Marie Malone, fourth place (two-way tie); Michael Alsop, fifth place.

Little Miss Chili Pepper: Kaylee Fitzpatrick.

Little Mr. Hot Sauce: Henry Fournier.



Little Mr. Hot Sauce Henry Fournier, age 2 and a half and from Winchendon, was thrilled to be chosen. He continued to laugh and hug the plaque even as his mom tried to give him lunch from the Kiwanis food booth.



Winchendon Selectman C.J. Husselbee and girlfriend Eden Chaveet were among those sampling Saturday's offerings of chili.



Little Miss Chili Pepper Kaylee Fitzpatrick age 3, whose mother is from Winchendon, was dressed for the weather to slog through the muddy fields with her dad.



Despite Saturday's rain, the Winchendon Kiwanis still served up their locally famous hamburgers. Debbie Smith of the Carriage House, and Bob Betourney of the Winchendon Lions Club lend their support.



Winchendon residents Ralph, Anessa, and Tony Hamilton manned the booth for the River's Edge. Anessa's chili earned the youth second place.



This young visitor to Saturday's chili cook off sports a firefighter's helmet, courtesy of the Winchendon Fire Department.



Heavy morning rains and a sloppy staging area may have been a hindrance from some potential visitors, but a number of intrepid chili fans managed to show up for Saturday's Family Fun Day and Chili Cook off sponsored by the Winchendon Kiwanis.

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