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Fur-Friends of Auburn making progress

BY KIMBERLY MASCHI
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The excitement grows nearer as the Fur-Friends of Auburn come closer to their goal. A new dog park is in the works and the fundraising committee is working hard to complete their objectives. Fundraising Director Nancy Sarkisian states that the committee will be sharing their preliminary plans and sketches with the town officials on Oct. 11.

The grant for the 30,000 square foot dog park will not be written until the Fur-Friends reach a goal of \$15,000. They are only \$2,000 from their goal and are hosting a spaghetti supper in hopes to reach the amount needed.

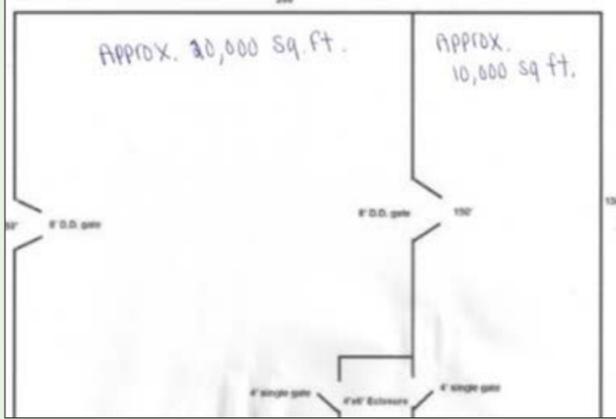
The spaghetti dinner will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at Pakachoag Church at 203 Pakachoag St. Town planner Matthew C. Benoit will be serenading all in attendance with his musical talents. Benoit has played multiple concerts at Pappas Park. Purchase tickets by going to furfriendsofauburn@gmail.com and help support this new addition to Lemansky Park.

"Our goal is to have a beautiful, well-maintained, ADA compliant & friendly, fully fenced area(s) for dogs to interact and exercise safely off-leash," states the committee's proposal.

The park is planned to have shade from trees, dog water fountain, waste



Park will include:
Trees for shade (donor committed)
Dog water fountain, waste stations + receptacles,
benches with awnings, signage with rules



Illustration

This graphic shows the planned location of the dog park

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Electronics recycle on for tomorrow

It's time to recycle all those old electronics! Clean out your basement or garage and bring your items to an open-to-all-towns electronic recycling event!

On Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Faith Church, 22 Faith Ave.

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Keyboards, car batteries, cell phones, circuit boards, no fee.

Staying grounded with stones

KIMBERLY MASCHI
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There are various ways to heal your body, but crystals help to heal the body, the mind, and the soul. Tiffany Myers from Whole Body Healing in Auburn taught a group of local residents the proper way to use crystals for their healing influences. A group of curious and open minded women came to the Oxford Public Library to learn what crystals are, how they are used, and how they can use them in the comfort of their own homes.

"Crystals help to clear your chakras and keep you grounded," says Myers as she passes out bags of precious stones to those in attendance. When Myers uses the stones during her sessions, she finds that it helps the person she is supporting reach an inspirational calmness.

"I call it mellow Jell-O," says Myers, most of her clients end up falling asleep, being so calm and comfortable that they feel like Jell-O. There are numerous techniques that Myers utilizes in her practice. These methods can be done with the stones to help heal in numerous ways.

"We are so busy every day, running around after our kids, working, and stressing," says Myers. "Our chakras can get out of balance and this can cause sleep problems, pain, and an overall unbalanced feeling."

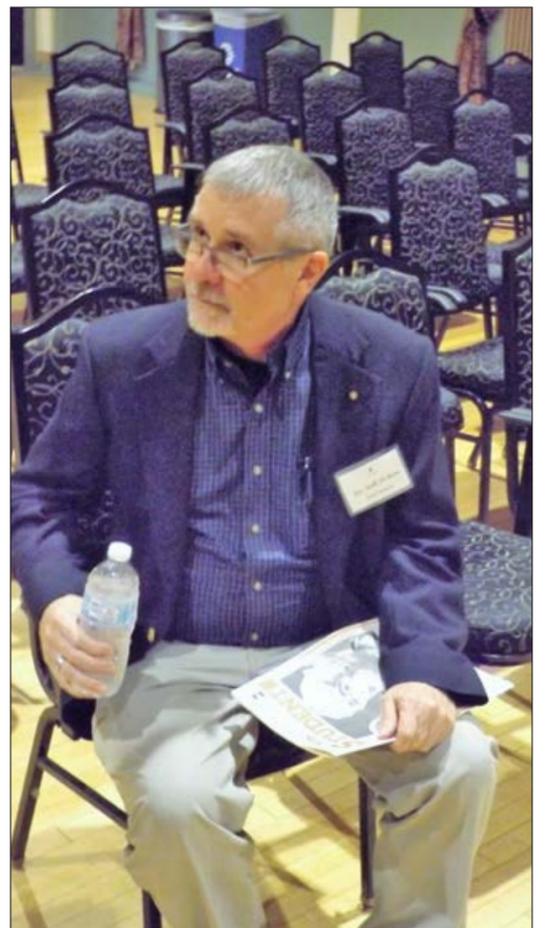
Myers explains how to balance your chakras and return to a sense of peace. There are seven major chakras. The Root, 1st Chakra is at the base of the spine, 2nd is the Sacral which is just below the navel. Solar Plexus is 3rd and located around the



Kim Maschi photos

Tiffany Myers during her presentation and lesson.

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Gus Steeves photo

Prof. Jeffrey McKee

History in the mirror: Nichols looks at apartheid

BY GUS STEEVES
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – It's almost a truism to say that understanding the world requires living elsewhere for a while.

But most people who do that don't get to experience events that are truly historic, like Dr. Jeffrey McKee did.

Speaking to a few dozen Nichols College students last week, the Ohio State professor related his decade in South Africa, when he saw the collapse of the brutal apartheid regime while doing field work at one of the most famous locations in anthropology.

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Frost continues voting record

BOSTON — State Representative Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn) has kept his 100% voting attendance record through 22 years in the House of Representatives, finishing the 2017-2018 legislative session having participated in all 521 roll calls, for a grand total of 6,387 votes cast since first taking office in 1997. Frost, appointed Assistant Minority Leader Whip in 2015, holds one of the longest voting streaks of active House members, second only to the House Minority Leader Brad Jones.

The House of Representatives voted on a number of key policy issues this session, including legislation to expand opioid prevention and treatment options; protect consumers from data security breaches; establish a fund for law enforcement training; enhance veterans' benefits; reimburse municipalities for costs associated with the state's early voting law; and authorize cities and towns to offer a means-tested senior property tax exemption.

"Paul has been a staunch advocate for the residents of the Seventh Worcester District while serving in House leadership, and that commitment is evident in his perfect voting record and the legislation he has championed," said House Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R-North Reading). "Paul worked closely with Governor Baker and the family of Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino to pass a law making it a felony to assault a police officer, and he was a strong proponent of creating a Municipal Police Training Fund to provide our public safety officials with enhanced training and professional development. Paul continues to prioritize the needs of his district when it comes to local aid, while working to protect the interests of the state's taxpayers. The residents of Auburn, Charlton, Millbury and Oxford are very fortunate to have him as their representative on Beacon Hill."



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Latest auction news

There has been plenty of auction news since my last update in this column. A collection featuring over 700 pieces of Abraham Lincoln memorabilia is among the important items soon coming to auction. The Smithsonian.com reports that the Lincoln memorabilia belonged to Historian Harold Holzer. One of the first items Holzer purchased for his collection was a franked letter

by Lincoln. As a Congressman, Lincoln used his franking privilege to sign the envelope and not have to pay postage. One of the auction highlights is an 1860 portrait of a beardless Abraham Lincoln. A 1907 bronze relief plaque that was used as the likeness of the penny will also be featured, as well as a bust by artist Sarah Fisher Ames. A period painting believed to be by

John C. Wolfe has the highest pre-auction estimate at \$12,000 to \$18,000.

Other important historical artifacts will also be coming to auction when 5,500 pieces of Titanic memorabilia are offered, according to CNN. Items include a bronze cherub from its grand staircase, sets of china from the dining room and a section of the hull. Premier Exhibitions, which owns and exhibits them in 4 cities, filed for bankruptcy in 2016. The Titanic sunk after hitting an iceberg in 1912. Individual items have brought strong prices at past auctions. A letter written by a man during the Titanic's final hour sold for \$166,000 and a violin played by the band leader as the ship sank went for \$1.7 million in 2013. Three hedge funds have offered an opening bid of \$19.5 million for the collection, which is being sold as a group.

Some newer items are also making news in the auction world. Architectural Digest reports that memorabilia from the estate of Frank and Nancy Sinatra will be auctioned in December. There are a wide range of items being offered from Baccarat crystal and Dodie Thayer pottery to fine art. Two AKG microphones owned by Frank Sinatra will be included. The auction will also feature paintings by Pablo Picasso and Childe Hassam. One of the auction highlights is a painting of Frank Sinatra by Norman Rockwell.

A valuable car also made auction news, according to Barron's. The 1962 Ferrari 250 GTO considered to be the "Holy Grail" of the car collecting world recently sold at auction. The car with chassis # 3413, was the third of 36 built that year. The car was first driven as a test car by Phil Hill in the 1962 Targa Florio road race in Sicily. It then went on to win first place in its class at the race for the next 2 years. The bidding started at \$35 million before the win-



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WAYNE TUISKULA

ning bidder took the checkered flag at \$48 million, making it the most valuable car ever sold at auction.

My "Evaluating your antiques" class will take place at the Bay Path Evening School in Charlton on October 15th. Our live multi-estate antique and collectibles auction will be held on October 25th. I'll be appraising items at the Winchendon History and Cultural Center's antique appraisal event on October 28th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events.

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Check your battery. There is nothing worse than your car not starting on a snowy winter morning. Most batteries need to be replaced every 4-6 years. Inspect the cooling system. The cooling system of your vehicle is like the circulation system. It must flow clean and easy to prevent damage to the engine. In New England we need a proper mix of water and anti-freeze to protect the engine. Make sure the concentration is correct and that the fluid is clean. Now is a great time to have your car prepared for the adverse conditions it will face over the coming months. Our techs can check the cranking power of your battery and determine if it is time for a new one. They can flush your cooling system and make sure it is ready for the cold. They can even help get the right tires at the right price. **We can service all makes and models so make your appointments now.** See why Place Motor is the Right Place since 1923.

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Cultural Council seeks proposals

The Auburn Cultural Council announces that grant applications are now available for the 2019 monies to fund art, humanities, science and historical endeavors to benefit town residents.

This year the applications are available only online on the Auburn Cultural Council Facebook Page, or online at: <http://mass-culture.org/auburn>.

The deadline for submission is Oct. 15. This past year the Auburn Cultural Council voted to award 16 grants totaling, \$5,535 from monies distributed by the state of Massachusetts to the town of Auburn. Nearly 2,000 students from grades Kindergarten through high school were enriched and positively impacted by these awarded grants. Other grants were awarded to the Auburn Public Library, local Scout groups, as well as many individual artists, historians and musicians.

The applications for the 2019 grants are due Oct. 15. Any questions contact the Auburn Cultural Council on our Facebook page.

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LeClaire is an Auburn High graduate and former Sally Johnson McDermott dancer (of Auburn). She grew up in the dance and fitness world, holds a Zumba license, and Master of Education in creative arts in learning from Lesley University. As a journalist, Amy is thrilled for the opportunity to blend her dance and fitness background with her own choreography which, she admits, tells a story through movement.

Amy's classes target all fitness levels and include international and national rhythms, such as Salsa, Cumbia, Reggaeton, Merengue and jazz. Most of all, her workouts are all about having FUN while participating in a GREAT work out.

Feel free to email Amy at amyle-claire@hotmail.com with any questions about her classes.

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Owl Prowl this weekend in Uxbridge



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Courtesy of Park Ranger Viola Bramel

A tiny screech owl is introduced.



The hooded eyes are protected as the birds fly low through trees for prey.



Touching is part of learning

BY KIM PALMUCCI
TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

This weekend will really be a hoot in Uxbridge, because the annual Owl Prowl at West Hill Dam is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 29, at 7:00 p.m.

According to Park Ranger Viola Bramel, who has hosted the event since the early 1990s, nesting season has ended and this year's fledglings will be seeking mates. September is an interesting month to observe owls as the new ones have not established a territory, and mated owls will wander outside their range.

"I started this event in 1992. I started with my personal tape recorder, an old megaphone, and a handmade tape in a Massachusetts Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary," said Bramel. "This is important as we gain the respect of visitors who help protect habitats near their own homes, too, and some of the best pictures and reports come from visitors."

The tour will start by observing animal mounts of the three species of resident owls—the great horned owl, the barred owl, and the screech owl—and listening to the calls they make. Then, visitors can sit near the wetlands or other park areas and listen for owls responding to a series of tapes, which Bramel said are approved by permit only.

Bramel added that the screech owl is typically the most vocal and reactive each year, but some migrate for food this time of year. However, with the recent hurricane, this year will boast an interesting owl prowling.

"I host this event year to see what the resident wildlife are doing for reproduction. Also, education is the best tool we have for the recruitment of stewards and caretakers for all generations to come," she said.

Animals adapt by meeting their basic needs of food, water, and shelter; Bramel added that hopefully, the owl prowling group will be able to observe the resident great-horned owl and new fledglings seeking mates.

Bramel said in past years, owls have dive-bombed at the tape recorder, and the group has even had a barred owl land above them in the trees and call back and forth with them for a lengthy amount of time.

"I finally apologized saying we aren't your mate, and we left," Bramel said. "Owls get used to my tapes; I try to make new ones every year, so some years we get no response. Last year

was mostly screech, but only in the distance."

Only heavy rain would warrant a cancellation of this two-hour event; the group will meet at the large picnic shelter on Saturday at West Hill Dam.

Interested parties are encouraged to bring a flashlight, dress for the weather, and be prepared to walk a distance of about a ¼ mile to suitable habitat. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult; the program is not recommended for children under eight.

"[Visitors] really enjoy this event, bring children and grandchildren, and some have been coming for more than ten years to see what the owls have been doing during droughts, flood events here, and more through the years."

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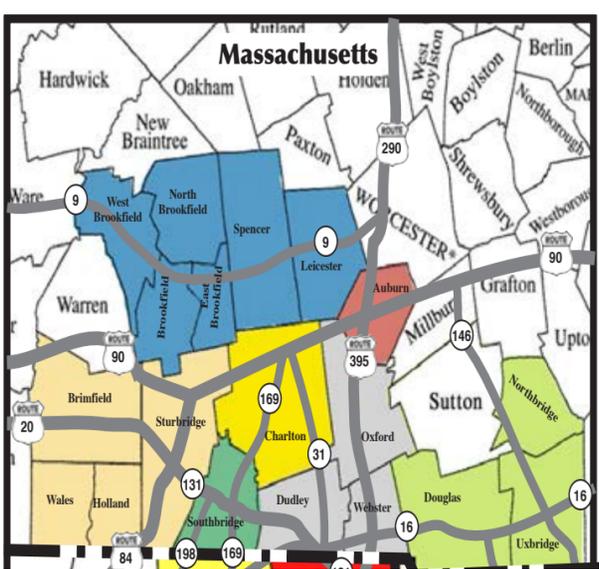
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Are Open Houses a good strategy to sell your home?

It all depends on what you expect that Open House to do. I did one time have someone drive by an open house on a waterfront home that was visiting a friend and not intending to buy a home and they bought that home on that day. It usually does not happen this way. An open house a great way to get everyone to come into the home at the same time so someone may buy due to seeing all the other interest and fear losing out. This strategy backfires when you have an open house and that interested buyer stays for 45 minutes

and no other buyers come and they start to wonder why they are the only one interested in the home. Lets say your home is beautiful but for whatever reason there is no way to get someone to see its true beauty online, this would be a great time to do an open house. This would bring in people that are sort of interested in the home but not interested enough to



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buyer that were not buyers before but may pull in some people on the fence. It will pull in many unqualified buyers and

setup a private viewing. An open house is also a way to bring people back that saw the home but still had not purchased another home but are not 100% on the home.

In summary, the open house is not going to bring you a buyer before but will pull in some people on the fence. It will pull in many unqualified buyers and

nosey neighbors. Sometimes the nose neighbors however will know someone who wants to move into the neighborhood. I have heard stats that only 1% of homes sell at open houses, which is about right based on our personal sales. So open houses can be a strategy but not the main strategy to sell the home. You want to hire a local expert that knows what strategy to implement in your market to sell your home and sell it quickly for the most money.

TIF approved for IPG

Oxford received news that the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council approved tax incentives for IPG Photonics Corporation, as the company plans an on-site manufacturing expansion. The incentive, known as Tax Incremental Financing (TIF), falls under the state's Economic Development Incentive Program, and will mean a combined existing and new tax revenue of \$8.6 million for the town over the next 15 years. IPG reached out to Business Development Strategies to assist with negotiating and securing the govern-

ment tax incentives. IPG is Oxford's largest employer, starting with just a handful of employees in the late '90s and growing to 1,550 employees today. The company plans a \$70 million expansion at its Oxford campus by constructing a 170,000 square foot, four story office, manufacturing, and research facility and a new 460,000 square foot parking garage. According to Lynn Tokarczyk, government incentives consultant and founder of BDS, securing the TIF was an important component of the company's corporate real estate decision to expand in

Oxford. IPG has relied upon the services of Business Development Strategies for almost two decades on this and several other projects. IPG is a world-wide leader in high-performance fiber lasers, which are used in the fields of automotive, aerospace, medical, defense, renewable energy, communications, and transportation. "IPG and the town of Oxford continue the symbiotic relationship they started over 20 years ago," said Oxford Interim Town Manager Dennis Power. "The TIF incentive will

enable IPG to continue to grow while providing the town with additional revenue, infrastructure improvements and many community benefits that, otherwise, would not have been possible." IPG plans to create 400 new jobs in Oxford. It is estimated that IPG and its employees spend more than \$2 million dollars annually supporting other local businesses. "The Webster-Dudley Chamber of Commerce was proud to support IPG Photonics and its request for a TIF from the town of Oxford. IPG is a world-class company and good

corporate citizen," said Dennis Luukko, president of the chamber, which is an affiliate of the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce. "There is no question the residents of Oxford recognize the value of IPG. Many voters turned out on a hot, summer night for a special town meeting and overwhelmingly voted to approve the tax incentive for IPG to keep them at home in Oxford," said Tokarczyk, who leads the BDS team, which for 15 years has helped more than 100 companies expand, retain, and create jobs in Massachusetts.



Stones given in class

"It can be overwhelming," says Myers on picking crystals out and using them appropriately.

When you have crystals, you need to clear and charge them. Clearing helps to rid the stone of everyone else who has touched them. Charging helps to empower the crystals and thus, empower you. When clearing your crystals, you are also charging them. This can be done in a variety of ways. You can smudge them with sage, leave them out in the wind, sun, and moon. You can also place them with a quartz cluster or use a salt water bath. Having a clear and charged stone is necessary when beginning any practice.

The participants during the class were eager to start practicing on their

own. Many asked questions on how they could help their children relax and gain some meaningful meditation. All those in attendance picked up each stone and examined them.

"The stones all have different properties and benefits," says Myers. Each participant was given a bag with eight stones. Red Jasper, for grounding. Carnelian, for courage. Citrine, for manifestation. Malachite, for wealth. Amethyst, for calming. Sodalite, for peace. Quartz, for energy, and black Obsidian for grounding and

protection. Everyone was excited to go home and clear and charge their stones and begin working to heal their chakras and space.

Tiffany Myers, Whole Body Healing is located on the second floor at 63 Auburn St. in Auburn. (508)341-3273. healing@wholebodyhealing.net. www.wholebodyhealing.net.

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stomach. 4th is the Heart, in the center of the chest. 5th is Throat and is located at the base of the throat. The Third Eye is between the eyes on the forehead. Lastly, the 7th chakra is the Crown located on the top of the head. Each chakra joins with a color. Root, red; Sacral, Orange; Solar Plexus, yellow; Heart, green; Throat, blue; Third Eye, indigo and Crown, violet. Myers offers Reiki and hot stone massage, aromatherapy, and angel card readings. Myers utilizes crystals and stones in a lot of her teachings and relaxation techniques.

"Crystals can hum, they can vibrate, they are living organisms," explains Myers.

Myers suggests going with your intuition when picking out your own crystals and stones. Pick them up, carry them around, go for what you are attracted to.

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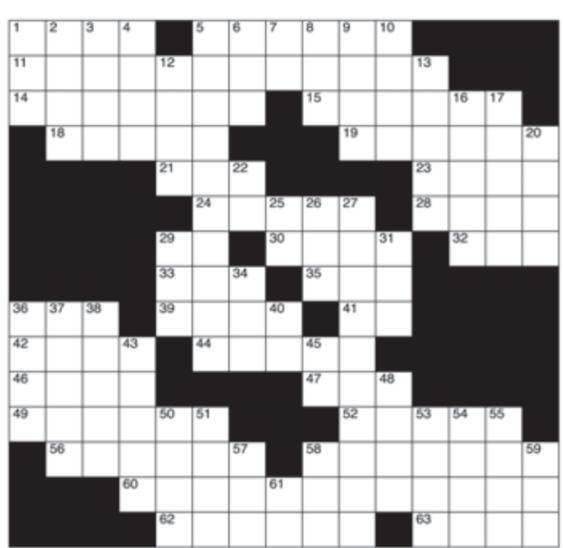
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pace because I have to be a good role model and be an adult and blah blah blah. It was difficult. But thankfully when you have kids you get to go on to all the kids' activities and live your life vicariously through them. It's a perk! A pumpkin patch perk!

I did lose my composure a wee bit, I really wanted to ride the wagon the tractor was pulling, but I wanted to be in the front. You know, where it bounces the most and tosses you around like a ride. So I whisper secretly to my daughter, 'hey Charlotte want to ride up front?' She of course, as a miniature me, obliged and I shrugged my best, 'well if she wants to go up there, I guess I have to go with her' shrug.

Good job Charlotte!
When frolicking though fall festivities, like Westview, I have some helpful tips.

First tip, enjoy your visit. The seasons are short and fall is one of the best ones, not too hot, not too cold, goldilocks would say it is just right. So, Enjoy!

Second, goats. Goats are awesome. Don't just go over to the goats and have expectations that they will do backflips or act like that famous goat that goes around flip kicking its friends all over the farm. Stoop down to their level, gaze into those weird looking eyes and really see the goat for what it is. A magnificent fall creature, here to amuse you with its bleats and tiny soft licks at your hands. Bring food for them of course, if you don't, well than don't expect them to stick around.

Third, take home the weirdest gourds and pumpkins. Take the ones that are deformed and dented. Pick up the ones with weird stony bumps all over them because we weird things need attention too. Trust me, people will love your peculiar pumpkin a lot more than some perfectly round boring, grown and aged right pumpkin. Put some pumpkin spice into your décor!

My last tip, wear jeans, I am still picking hay out of places I rather not discuss because I thought yoga pants were okay to wear! Wrong, so very wrong.

If you are a Fall Frenzied Family, like us, then you will appreciate all things autumn. So, go out there and pick those apples, drink that cider, and befriend a goat. Take your time, relax and breathe in that crisp cinnamon air.

On Sunday, the first official day of fall, I took my family to Monson to visit Westview Farms and bask in the delight of campfire smoke, churning ice cream, and crackling straw beneath my feet.

We finally land in Monson, after driving through the ever-exquisite antique shops along the way. I am happy to report that I did not make my husband stop the car so I could go into every open shop available.

I know, I am proud of myself too. We parked on the grass and walked towards the farm. Now, I had my children with me so I could not go total fall fanatic. Not yet at least. I had to hold my composure and keep it at a suitable



Courtesy photo

The Maschi family on the hay ride

Annual Waters Farm fest almost here



Courtesy photo

A hayride is a special treat.

Wrap up your fall festivals with a trip to Waters Farm on Oct. 13 & 14 where the past and present combine to produce a family-oriented weekend full of activities & educational experiences.

Waters Farm is a nonprofit, all volunteer run 501(c)3 living history center located on 120 beautiful acres in West Sutton.

This year's event is dedicated in loving memory of Dale Wentworth who passed away this year while on vacation. Dale and his wife Jan owned the Warren Farm and Sugarhouse in North Brookfield. They donated the antique maple sugaring equipment at Waters Farm used for the live demonstrations. Dale's friends will be with us this year to honor him, so please

stop by to purchase your favorite maple products.

Perennial favorites as well as new activities for children and adults include an expanded children's area with animals, petting zoo, face painting, bounce houses, games & more. Participate in many of our interactive opportunities including learn to show a cow with the 4H, amateur lumberjack contest on Sunday, Green Bean Workshop theater presentation on Saturday, Murphy Irish step dancing, and hand crafts.

Save \$2 per adult admission with your online membership. Exhibitors and volunteers are always welcomed. Craft vendor spaces are still available. Please visit our website at www.watersfarm.com.

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stations, benches, and signs explaining the rules of the park. There will be two separated spaces, one for large dogs and one for small. This addition is meant to give local furry friends and their

families a happy and safe place to roam and play.

The Fur-Friends sells collars, leashes, bracelets, and treats to help fund the park. There are also memorial brick sponsorships available. The forms can be found on the Fur-Friends of Auburn website.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 1 Newland Street, Auburn, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Kimberly M. Bridge a/k/a Kimberly Bridge to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Salem Five Mortgage Company, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, said mortgage dated September 24, 2012, and recorded September 28, 2012 in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 49701 at Page 128 and now held by M&T Bank by virtue of an assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Salem Five Mortgage Company, LLC a Delaware Limited Liability Company, its successors and assigns to M&T Bank dated July 3, 2014 and recorded July 14, 2014 in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52546 at Page 376, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on **October 15, 2018 at 10:00 AM** Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pipe which is located N. 43 degrees 25' 30" E. a distance of One Hundred (100) feet from a stone bound on the northerly side of Aurilla Street;

Thence, N. 43 degrees 25' 30" E. for a distance of 99.5 feet to a spike in the root of an 18 inch maple tree;

Thence, N. 44 degrees W. for a distance of One Hundred Sixteen (116) feet to an iron pipe;

Thence, S. 42 degrees 25' 30" w. for a distance of 49.5' feet to an iron pipe;

Thence, S. 47 degrees 53' W. for a distance of 50 feet to an iron pipe;

Thence, S. 44 degrees E. for a distance of 120 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 11,600 square feet of land, more or less.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated July 20, 2009, and recorded September 11, 2009 in Book 44829 at Page 384 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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Also Known As: William Wallace
Date of Death: June 25, 2017
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PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Karin S. Graves of Auburn MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Karin S. Graves of Auburn MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties

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September 28, 2018

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 4 Ashcroft Street, Auburn, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Mary E. Halvey to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation and now held by CIT Bank, N.A., said mortgage dated August 7, 2006, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 39560 at Page 19, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated January 20, 2010, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 45418 at Page 221, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated December 13, 2017, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 58337 at Page 216, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on October 12, 2018, at 2:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in AUBURN, Worcester County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, situated on the Northerly side of Ashcroft Street, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the northerly line of Ashcroft Street 282.56 feet westerly, measured by said line, from the westerly line of Oxford Street;
THENCE S 75° 56' W by said line of Ashcroft Street 75 feet;
THENCE N 14° 04' W 176.48 feet;
THENCE N 82° 20' 15" E 75.47 feet;
THENCE S 14° 04' E 168.06 feet to the point of beginning.
CONTAINING about 12,950 square feet of land.

BEING Lot 3 on a plan of Sunset Knoll recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 154, Plan 16.

TOGETHER with the right to use, for all street purposes, in common with others entitled thereto, that part of said Ashcroft Street which is adjacent to the granted premises and which runs thence easterly to Oxford Street.

SAID premises are conveyed subject to restrictions recited in deed from Croteau et ux to Raymond C. Maurice dated September 10, 1948 and recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 3145, Page 515.

BEING the same premises conveyed to Shirley A. O'Neill, Trustee by deed of Mary E. Halvey dated January 17, 2002 and recorded in Book 29254, Page 312. SEE also Deed of Life Estate into Mary E. Halvey recorded in Book 29254, Page 314.

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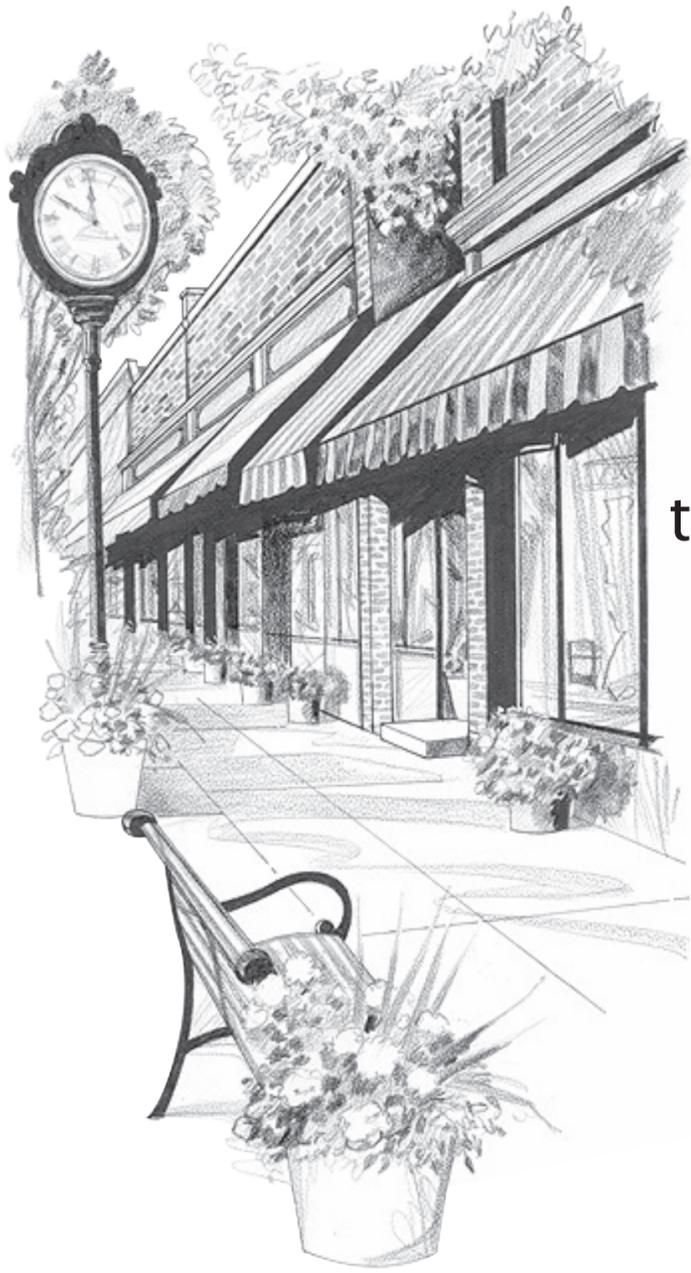
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EDITORIAL

The angst of it all

In 1967 there was a rather large party, an after party really, at a large apartment complex in a military town. This was after there had already been a fun evening at a local dance and drink establishment where soldiers and airmen were encouraged to congregate, were charged a small cover charge, but local young women were allowed in without that charge to encourage them to come, an enticement to get those soldiers and fly-boys in the door.

It worked. The place was always jumping.

So back to the story. A few people found themselves at an apartment; with beer and snacks. Not ready to call it a night yet.

There were some willing partnerships, but some weren't quite so willing; and sometimes there was some pressure to be "more willing" than certain people wanted to be.

Depending on who needed a ride home, that could be pretty daunting.

And scary.
 And downright dangerous.

To be real, some of those people weren't even using their names, only nicknames.

We were lucky, the one or two of us who really, really wanted to leave found a way to do so.

It was not the last situation, or even the worst situation women have found themselves in.

Being hugged a little too tightly, kissed a little too knowingly, leered at, innuendos, "teasing" in an unpleasant manner, overbearing and condescending language; even wolf whistles in the street.

Unwanted attention is just that. Unwanted.

It is a frightening experience. And very, very hard to handle at the time it happens.

It is often unexpected, coming without warning from someone we thought we could trust; who had shown no signs of being covertly disdainful of us in the past. But suddenly there is an opportunity and that person becomes someone different.

We not only react badly, both frightened, and unnerved; but wonder what happened. Where did this behavior come from?

The excuse of drinking, or "only teasing" or a myriad of other reasons doesn't hold water.

Yet we are so astonished our first reaction, besides fear and surprise, is to blame ourselves and worry about reactions of others.

It's a woman thing.
 Women will understand.

So the brouhaha over whether something should have been said 40 years ago is valid. Absolutely it is. But we do understand too why something wasn't said.

The first reaction would have been, "But this isn't like him! What the heck, what is going on? Stop it! Get away!"

And then shame, worry, fear, and agonizing over whether or not it really happened (it did), whether you had somehow done something yourself (she didn't), or whether he meant to do it (yes, he did, he just didn't have the courage to do it right when not drinking).

Drunken stupors aside; and age of people involved as well, the right of a woman of any age to be safe in an environment should be a given.

We will give one caveat however to the entire scenario. Why didn't she contact Kavanaugh through private channels, or his lawyers or representatives; or other people involved in this entire procedure to present this and try to quietly present her case? It did not have to be as sensational as it has become. It has indeed been 40 plus years. If Kavanaugh has been free of incidents since that time, it was indeed a one-off and not a pattern of behavior for his entire life, then this investigation could have been one and done. People doing the vetting could be informed as part of the entire process, it would have been informational with ALL the facts.

If in fact he is guilty of many breaches of conduct, this then would have been discovered and then a bigger case made at that time; and most likely be more plausible because the investigation would already be done.

Instead, we have a tempest over the woman's behavior instead of his, and questions over the timing instead of the reality of the incident.

How and to whom the query was made were not well planned. We have to ask whether that was done intentionally to cause the sensationalism or whether someone was just that dumb.

Bryn Mawr is excited for new year

The students and staff at Bryn Mawr School are excited to begin the 2018-19 school year. As I begin my 9th year as the proud principal of Bryn Mawr, I am pleased to share some of the important initiatives and events happening at our school.

As a member of the Auburn Public Schools, we are fortunate to have a comprehensive and actionable Strategic Plan in place. In collaboration with community members, staff, teachers, parents and students we have developed a plan that guides our decision-making process throughout the district. As a result, we are truly working as a cohesive team making decisions related to Teaching and Learning, Technology, Community Partnerships, Health, Wellness and Safety and Student Transitions. Thus, we are all working together with a common mission and goals.

Most notably, in the area of Teaching and Learning, has been the acquisition of Elevate Science as the new K-5 science program. This comprehensive program will provide students with hands-on experiences with science topics connected to the recently adopted science standards. We are so excited to bring this to our students. Additionally, our technology teacher collaborates with classroom teachers to connect technology to the science topics presented. Technology continues to play an integral and appropriate role in the daily learning of our students. We understand the ever-increasing role technology plays in our lives, and we recognize the importance of learning that is experienced without the use of technology. As in all of our curricula areas, a balanced approach better enables us to meet the needs of

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all learners. Health, Wellness and Safety are part of the foundation of everything we do with students. Whether teaching children how to be a better friend, how to appropriately wash hands, or the routine of a fire drill, we take great care to help our students understand how to take care of their emotional and physical selves. Safety, emotional and physical, is of paramount importance to the work we do each day.

The beginning of any new school year can be challenging transition for students, families and staff. We recognize this challenge and work diligently to help everyone acclimate to a new school year. Structured, organized and efficient routines in the classroom and at the school level help to ease anxiety and bring a quiet order to very busy days. Already, the school has settled into a quietly energized rhythm. Students are excited to learn and know what is expected of them. Teachers continue to reinforce expectations and they are deep into the daily curricula. Families have adjusted to the shift from summer schedules to the structure of the school year. All of this, so that we can help develop our future: our future leaders, teachers, firefighters, police officers, engineers and so much more...the opportunities are endless. It is going to be a great year!

To contact Dr. Chamberland to share an idea, a concern or to ask a question, she can be reached at 508-832-7733 or via e-mail at echamberland@auburn.k12.ma.us. Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the Auburn Public Schools!

Understanding risk tolerance is essential for investment success



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To succeed as an investor, you might think you need to know about the economy, interest rates and the fundamentals of companies in which you'd like to invest. And all these things are indeed important. But it's most essential to know yourself. Specifically, you need to know how much risk you are willing to tolerate to achieve your goals.

Of course, you've lived with yourself your entire life, so you probably have a pretty good idea of your likes and dislikes and what makes you comfortable or uncomfortable. But investing can be a different story.

Initially, you may believe you have a high tolerance for risk, but if the financial markets drop sharply, and you see that you've sustained some sizable losses (at least on paper - you haven't really "lost" anything until you sell investments for less than what you paid for them), how will you feel? If you find yourself constantly fretting over these losses, perhaps even losing sleep over them, you might realize your risk tolerance is not as high as you thought. In this case, you may need to scale back the part of your portfolio devoted to growth in favor of a more balanced approach.

On the other hand, if you believe yourself to have a low risk tolerance, and you start off investing in a conservative manner, you may indeed minimize short-term losses - but you also might find yourself frustrated over the slow growth of your portfolio. So you may decide that being highly risk-averse carries its own risk - the risk of not making enough progress to achieve your long-term financial goals. To reduce this risk, you may need to tilt your portfolio somewhat toward more growth opportunities.

In short, you may have to invest for a while before you truly understand your response to risk. But even then, don't get too locked in to one approach - because your risk tolerance may evolve over time. When you are first starting out in your career, and for many years after, you are probably investing primarily to accumulate assets for retirement. Consequently, you may need to include a relatively high proportion of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, in your portfolio. While stock prices will always fluctuate, you will have many years, perhaps decades, to overcome short-term losses, so you can possibly afford to take on a greater risk level in exchange for the potentially higher returns offered by stocks and stock-based investments.

However, things can change once you reach retirement. At this stage of your life, your overall investment focus may shift from accumulation to income. This means you will need to start selling some investments to boost your cash flow - and you won't want to sell when prices are down. (Remember the first rule of investing: "Buy low and sell high.") To help avoid these "fire sales," you may want to adjust your investment mix by adding more income-producing vehicles and reducing your holdings in growth-oriented ones. By doing so, you will be lowering your overall risk level. Keep in mind, though, that even in retirement, you will need some exposure to growth investments to help you stay ahead of inflation.

Become familiar with your own risk tolerance - it can play a big role in your investment decisions.

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The Vote in the Cemetery

In that great time, searching for truth became a revolutionary act.

The barrage of lies and half-truths, the understanding that names and identities and pictures and films could all be faked, could be made to seem real but were not, all of this seemed to make falsehood and truth indistinguishable.

Everyone seemed to have an agenda. Some media in particular had helped this confusion along by mixing opinion and facts, by complacently accepting that all points of view were worth listening to. But this bow to the idea of fairness gave a podium to the hateful and uncaring...those who would re-write history and ignore science.

How did we get here?
 He walked into the Veteran's Cemetery slowly, reading the names and dates on each grave site, unconcerned that he did not know each individual, less concerned with where he or she had served, how they had died, what their last words to themselves were as the dark closed in...

And then he saw "Marine, Iwo." He knew that slaughterhouse only from books and films: chaos, terror, shouts, explosions, the decision to move, friends falling with a groan...and all the while knowing that there was no rhyme or reason to who lived or died. You just could not let your buddies down, you could not stop to weep or ponder or say goodbye. If you lived, there would be a lifetime for that.

You were up and off, killing them before they killed you. No matter what anyone said, when your time was up, your time was up. Frightened, but trained, you moved on. Only later would you worry about what you had done in order to survive, what you might have become. And only if there was a "later."

And then the shock, the surprise, body and mind as one, falling, falling hard.

Were there flashes? Her smile in close up, her laughter, the boy standing for the first time, his first step, that slow dance music, the dog rushing to greet him...

Or did the shock and fear and adren-



IN THAT GREAT TIME

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PATRICK MOON

aline shroud memories in a blanket of fog? Row on row of sacrifice: all that someone was or might have been.

Each past, present and future...gone.

Good people were now convinced that democracy had gone down too, that an oligarchy ruled the country. A rich few had unusual sway over public discourse. Money wrote greed into law. Ambition muted conscience. A smooth corporate voice offered platitudes and false hope and distracted many good people from...what exactly?

These public voices were wrong about so many things: the importance of character; the unimportance of race or gender or religious belief to define citizenship; protecting the vulnerable; looking out for your neighbor; considering the future not just for a few years, but for a few generations; a work ethic that would strive to leave a better place for those that followed; a deep understanding that the courage to do the right thing accumulated in small increments, like confidence.

And those who scoffed at voting, seeing it as a waste of time because the powerful would do as they please? His message to them was simple: the dead had sacrificed everything...but they handed each of us a promissory note that came due Election Day. Vote character. Vote conscience, not party. Mistakes would be made because we are human. But we could not evade our obligation to the sacrifice.

At that moment, he decided that any politician who would scorn this sacrifice was not worthy of consideration. And anyone who supported that scorn, who enabled that disrespect, was unworthy of his vote.

There were excuses on Election Day. Good people were working hard to make ends meet, dealing with personal pain or illness, confronting a sudden life change. But Absentee Ballots were available.

To his fellow citizens who had pondered the sacrifice, he offered a reminder:

Not to vote was to spit on those graves.

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Goodbye Mel; fishing will not be the same



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This past week my brother Merrill "Mel" True Sr. passed away at the Providence Hospital from numerous complications at the age of 81. He had heart trouble for many years, and when it seemed as though he did not have long to live, a new heart was found after a long wait. The donor of the heart was not revealed, but we were all appreciative of the new heart, and it gave Mel 17 extra years of life, which he enjoyed to the fullest.

When he became well enough to use his boat again he called it Second Chance. His love of fishing and hunting never stopped him from enjoying his favorite pastime with his two sons Jamie and Mel Jr. Mel Jr. left his job a few years ago to pursue his love of fishing, and is now a boat captain in Massachusetts! His boat is named Fishnet Charters, and has become well known on the ocean and on the internet. Mel Jr. often brought along his dad to fish alongside many of the charter fishermen and women, giving him the opportunity to continue fishing. This week's picture shows my brother Mel a few years back with a 40 lb.

striper he caught while fishing with his son Mel Jr.

I also fished alongside of my brother Mel in our younger years when our dad took time off from his job at the Whitin Machine Works to fish for trout on opening day. Fishing Prentice Brook and Johnsons Brook in Whitinsville back in the day did not take long for us to catch our limit of brook trout. We were back home in time for school, but my dad was a bit late for work.

When we got out of school we both grabbed our fishing rods and bicycles & fished both Meadow Pond and Arcade Pond. Our report cards reflected our failure to do our homework, but we could not do both, so fishing took up most of our time. I showed one of my report cards to my granddaughter. A big smile said it all!! If I had it to do all over again I would not change anything. I know my brother would do the same. In our early years, we were a different kind of millionaire with little money, but enjoyed a great childhood growing up in Whitinsville enjoying life.

Catching stringers of yellow perch, blue gills and calico bass, which were brought home for my dad to make fish chowder at least once a month. I have not had a good fish chowder since his passing many years ago.

When we got out of church on Sundays, we quickly grabbed the fishing rods and left the neighborhood to do some fishing, but it was not long before

my mother realized that we had gone fishing. My mother was very upset, as a Dutch Deacon of the church would take a walk along the shores of our favorite fishing spots every Sunday after church. God forbid he spotted us and reported our fishing activities to my mother. Our mother would instruct my dad to get in his 1937 Pontiac and try to find us. The poor guy would slowly drive up and down the road at Meadow Pond trying to locate us, but we would stop fishing as he drove by, and he could not see us crouching against the embankment of the pond.

As soon as he went by we started to fish again. Being a good Dutch family back in those days was really tough. There was no fishing, no reading Sunday papers, no movie theaters, etc. Our family was very religious which was not a bad thing, and our parents were trying to do their best to raise us that way.

I will miss my brother's weekly phone calls updating me on the fishing he and his son enjoyed the previous week, and the visits he and I had in my back yard weekly. Rest in peace brother.

A spay and neuter clinic in Boston's Angell Memorial Hospital offers low cost dog & cat services, as well as low cost veterinary care in some cases. There are also low cost pet services at some of the major pet shops in the area. This is a follow up on my recent column about high cost veterinary bills



Courtesy photo

Mel True Sr. with a 40 pound striper caught while fishing with his son Mel Jr.

for pet owners which drew a substantial response from our readers. They also offer adoption to responsible residents looking for a pet. Check them out on line for more information and other low cost care for your pet at www.mspca.org/medical-centers/angell-animal-medical-center-boston/ Fishing on the saltwater has been sporadic, but anglers that are putting in their time have had some great fishing. Now that the hurricane threat is over for now, things should get back to normal, although this week's weather forecast had a lot of wind and rain for most of the week.

The early goose hunting in the valley was extremely poor this year, but hopes are high

for the start of the second opening day scheduled for Oct. 9, at which time ducks also become fair game. Waterfowl hunters are reporting a significant number of ducks in the area, with many wood ducks and mallards. By the time you read this column, trout stocking by MFW should be underway.

Pheasant hunting opens on Oct. 13 in Massachusetts! More next week!

"Correction" The 200 Sportsmen's Club will hold their chicken & rib barbecue on Oct. 13 and is open to the public starting at 1 p.m.!!!! Plenty of good food there.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!!!!

Cleaning strategies that cut time, effort & money

Autumn has officially arrived and fall cleaning is an annual chore that's almost always initiated with reluctance. With so many tasks to complete, it's no wonder we often procrastinate when it comes to the most dreaded household tasks. The good news is, today's dismissal of the strict cleaning rules of generations past means "a good cleaning" has been replaced with "a good enough cleaning." (Who really wanted to eat off of anyone's floor anyway?) That said, your seasonal deep cleaning efforts don't have to fall short - thanks to savvy shortcuts and strategies geared to save time, effort and money.

Priority and Purpose: prioritizing your cleaning efforts is probably the most important step to successful house cleaning. Tackling rooms in their order of importance means you'll see results quicker and gain inspiration to finish the rest of the house.

The Detergent Association's (SDA) reveals consumers rate the following rooms as priority areas: Kitchen (37%), Living Room (19%), and Bedrooms (14%). Nearly one quarter of responders, 23%, claim the kitchen cleaning is their most rewarding task. Cleaning the garage was rated as the least rewarding cleaning chore.

Wherever you decide to begin, cleaning pros advise working in one room at a time, and to avoid moving to another until that first room is complete. If you stick to cleaning one area, you will likely remain motivated to finish it. Always start in one corner of the room and work clockwise from the ceiling down. Working from top to bottom prevents repeat cleaning of surfaces and ensures you only have to do it once. You'll be amazed at how quickly the job goes when you work around a room with priority and purpose in mind.

Save steps and stress by dragging around a plastic garbage bag as you clean, so you won't have far to go to throw away clutter. Hook the bag on the doorknob of the room you are working on. Also keep two other bags handy, one for laundry and the other for items that belong in other rooms. The cleaning will go quicker and you can toss out, wash and sort out the items in the bags when the room is completed.

Another great tool to have at your fingertips is a cleaning kit, which saves time and steps. Make one up by stuffing a bucket with cleaning supplies, rags, paper towels, etc. You can tote the kit around easily as you clean. Wrap a tool belt around the outside of the bucket to carry small items from room to room. Or recycle a cardboard six pack to use as a disposable tote to hold cleaning bottles, rags and towels.

The SDA survey cited above revealed the kitchen is the number one priority for spring or fall cleaning in most households, and that's no surprise because as the hub of family activity, the kitchen is typically the busiest (and dirtiest) room in the house.

Kitchen Tricks: washing large windows, such as sliders to a deck can be grueling chore. Once you get them clean (use a squeegee to speed up the chore) keep them cleaner longer by treating the glass with Rain X, a water repellent sold in auto supply stores. Dirt, as well as water, won't be attracted to the glass which means less cleaning. Another

area of the kitchen that can benefit from post treatment is painted walls behind the kitchen stove. After cleaning (with a degreaser) apply a generous coating of furniture polish. Buff it in well. The next time grease splatters on the area, all it will take is a swipe of a paper towel to clean it up.

For a sparkling glass oven door, wipe the window with household ammonia and let it set for several minutes. Scrape away grease with a spatula (or for stubborn stains try a straight edge razor blade) and wipe the window clean to a quick shine. Grease can also seep in between the glass in the door window. Cleaning this area requires a bit more finesse. Open the drawer under the oven to access the view of the bottom of the door. Some models have open slots through which you can reach the inside of the glass with a rod and a cleaning cloth. Otherwise, remove the bottom of the door (check with the manufacturer, as doing so could render the warranty invalid). Wrap a paper towel sprayed with cleaner around a thin dowel or straightened coat hanger to clean the area, then repeat with a dry towel. The microwave oven is another appliance that is a magnet for grease and grime. The easiest and fastest way to clean the inside of a microwave is to heat up a cup of water in the oven and allow it to sit so the steam can loosen the grime.

If your dishwasher drains through your garbage disposal, you can clean it effortlessly by switching it on while the hot soapy water is running through, to give it a thorough cleaning. Sink stains are a common challenge in the kitchen, but the secret weapon to battle stubborn stains on a stainless steel, porcelain or plastic sink is citric acid. The ingredient gives lemonade its tartness and is found in dry lemonade mix (Country Time, Kool-Aid and Tang). Fill up the sink with water, pour in a packet of the mix and allow it to sit overnight. In the morning, the stains will be gone or much easier to remove.

Whether you have wood floors, tile or linoleum in the kitchen, dust accumulates in the corners of the room. The quickest way to get into these corners is to attach is to attach a dryer softener sheet to your mop. The properties in the dryer sheet picks up the dust better than dry mopping (or Swiffering) alone. This trick also stalls the build-up of dust (which necessitates eventual scrubbing).



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The erasers can also be used to remove burnt food stains on a glass stove top and clean up any stains on porous porcelain sinks. To save money, try a knock off or store brand magic eraser, as they often work just as well as the real deal for less than half the price.

Bathroom helps: Prevention is the key to cutting cleaning chores, and the bathroom is a great way to practice this strategy. After cleaning grout and tile, rub liquid Turtle Wax car wax on, and polish when dry. It makes the tiles twice as easy to clean next time.

Daily shower cleaner sprays have all but alleviated hard scouring, but the popular commercial products are expensive to use. Thankfully a just-as-effective version can be mixed up for a lot less money. Here's how: Combine together in an empty spray bottle: one cup of white vinegar; one half teaspoon liquid dishwashing soap, and one quarter cup of dishwasher rinse agent (such as Jet Dry). To use, just spray down shower and tub walls after each use.

Around the House: rubbing alcohol does double duty as both a time and money saver. It's an inexpensive cleaner and disinfectant you can use all around the house. In fact, straight alcohol in a spray bottle quickly cleans windows to a streak free shine. It's also an effective disinfectant for counter tops, telephones and other surfaces you want to be germ-free. The alcohol disinfects as good as costly commercial disinfectants, but costs just a fraction of the price. Rubbing alcohol also shines up chrome trim with just a quick rub. If you buy the pine scented version it will leave a pleasant, clean smell behind.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn

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

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



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BY KEN POWERS
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AUBURN — Twos were wild for the Auburn High boys' varsity soccer team in its game with Ashland High on Thursday, Sept. 21 as senior captain Nick Gonyeya scored a pair of first half goals and junior goalkeeper Coleman Picard came up with two saves in the final minute as the undefeated Rockets beat the Clockers, 2-1, at

Memorial Field.

Gonyeya scored twice in a three-minute span midway through the first half for Auburn (7-0). Both goals were carbon copies of each other. Fellow senior and captain Collin Winkelmann started both goals with a perfect breakout pass along the right sideline. The speedy Gonyeya ran under the ball, gained control of it, raced down

the sideline, cut into the field of play and fired a right-to-left shot that curled inside the far post.

"Nick Gonyeya has been a monster for us all year," Auburn head coach Chris Bailey said.

Gonyeya scored the first goal with 24:05 left in the first half and then came back and made it 2-0 with 21:15 left before intermission.

"The first one started out with a goal kick, went through the team and Winkelmann gave me a great pass and I just finished it. He set me up on the sideline with a great pass. All I had to do was run under it, get control of it and take it to the goal. The second goal was the same combination and the same shot," explained Gonyeya, who acknowledged that the Rockets are rolling. "This was a great team win. We're on a great run right now and the energy on the team is great."

Picard said he enjoys watching Gonyeya work from his position in goal.

"Nick's been huge for us all year. Every time he gets the ball I feel like he's going to score because he's so dynamic.

He gets through all the time and gets scores for us when we need it," said Picard, who thinks his team is putting together something special. "The chemistry on this team is awesome and everybody is getting along great. I think we're going to have a really good run."

Freshman Tighe Geary scored for Ashland (0-5) with 3:15 remaining in the game to make it 2-1. Picard saved his best for last, however, diving to his right to push a would-be goal wide of the net with a minute to play and then another diving save — again to the right side — as the final horn sounded.

"Once [Ashland] scored they really pushed up hard, they didn't quit at all. But our defense has been strong all year and they played great again tonight," said Picard, who finished with 13 saves. "[Ashland] made some really good plays to get in deep and I got a hand on some of them. Making diving saves are all about reading it right; sometimes it goes your way and sometimes it doesn't."

Gonyeya never doubted that Picard would make those two big saves in the final minute.

"Coleman is a great keeper," Gonyeya said. "He didn't start as a freshman, but he came in as a sophomore and beat out some other guys for the position and he's just great to have back there for us."

Bailey agreed with his forward.

"Coleman has been outstanding for us for two years, but he's been phenomenal this year," Bailey said. "That's the first goal he's given up all year from the pitch. In seven games that's the first goal he's allowed from the pitch. There was one [penalty kick] scored earlier in the year, but those are tough."

Bailey is optimistic that



Jackson Sypek of Auburn throws the ball back into the realm of play.



Auburn's Jadon Latino looks down at the ball before launching a kick down the field.

the Rockets' early-season success will continue.

"I like the character of the team. I like the make-up; we play hard," Bailey said. "It's not perfect soccer by any stretch of the imagination, but we've got guys playing hard and it's fun. Nick and [senior] Jadon Latino are two guys that really know the game and can really play the game. Either one of them can be playing up front, but I brought Jadon back to control our midfield and the combination is great. They find each other real well."

"We've got a ton of speed on the outside in Collin Winkelmann and [senior] Marcus LaPointe; they're pretty solid," Bailey continued. "And our defense is made up of a lot of athletes — not necessarily guys who play a lot of premier soccer — but athletes who communicate."

That talking defense consists of juniors Joe Clougherty, Mike Breen and Nolan Kennedy, and senior Jackson Sypek.



Collin Winkelmann of Auburn sends a clearing pass up the field.



Auburn's Fidel Castro carries the ball and sprints up the field past an Ashland defender.

Auburn shut out by North Middlesex, 22-0

AUBURN — Memorial Field was the sight of a painful memory for the Auburn High varsity football team and its fans on Friday evening, Sept. 21, when North Middlesex Regional came in and posted a shutout of the Rockets, 22-0.

The Patriots improved to 2-1, while Auburn slipped to 1-2. Auburn hopes to get back on the winning track when they host Tantasqua Regional (2-1) back at Memorial Field on Friday, Sept. 28 at 7 p.m.



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Griffin Handfield of Auburn tries to evade a North Middlesex defender while carrying the ball.



Auburn's Jack Laperle rushes the ball and tries to escape the one-handed grasp of a North Middlesex defender.



Nathan Judice of Auburn catches up to North Middlesex's ball carrier and wraps his arms around him for a tackle.



Auburn's Manny Rosario charges ahead with possession of the football.

SPORTS

David Prouty's defense holds true in shutout of Minutemen



A gang of Bay Path defenders forces a fumble by David Prouty's Geo Martinez.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
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CHARLTON — The David Prouty Regional varsity football team played dominant defense throughout, along with 14 second half points, to complete a 14-0 shutout of Bay Path Regional on Friday, Sept. 21. Both the Panthers and Minutemen are now 2-1 on the season.

With 28 seconds remaining on the clock before halftime hit, Bay Path lined up for a fourth-and-goal play from the David Prouty five-yard line. Signal-caller Michael Keeler turned to the right and tossed a pass to Tyler Gillespie, who was swarmed by a bunch of Panthers' defenders.

"It was our best shot at it," Bay Path head coach Matt Fall said of scoring against Prouty. "It was a missed assignment and we tried to make the correction at half, we ran the same play after the half and the correction wasn't made and it bit us. What we did good as a team last week we didn't do as a team this week."

David Prouty's defensive stand forced a scoreless tie at halftime and was the positive reinforcement they needed being on the road against a previously undefeated team.

"It was a great momentum swing," expressed head coach Pat Rossi. "It gave our defense a lot of confidence. We played a different scheme this week based on what they were doing and the guys bought in and were in the right spots. They played true to form and played their assignments the entire night. You can't ask for anything better than that."

To open the second half the Panthers drove down the field methodically — taking over nine minutes of game time — and eventually scored on a 19-yard touchdown strike from Braedon Wood to Geo Martinez. The Panthers were successful on the two-point conversion to make it 8-0 with 1:44 left in the third quarter.

"That was good to chew up a lot of clock," Rossi explained. "We had noticed a couple things they were doing defensively, so we wanted to make a couple adjustments to capitalize on that. We knew if we did that and controlled the third quarter we had a good shot to win this football game."

The Panthers' defense used the momentum gained from their stop to end the second quarter and just smothered the Minutemen's offense in the second half. David Prouty was getting multiple players to the tackle and brought many different looks to the line of scrimmage with their linebackers, which made it hard for Bay Path to move the ball efficiently.

"They changed up their blitzes," Fall stated. "Their defense is similar to ours, we had an idea it was coming. Their linebackers created a lot of chaos with our offensive line."

On Bay Path's final drive of the game, Keeler launched a ball down the left sideline that was intercepted by David Prouty's Sam Dubois. It not only sealed the win for the Panthers, but was also his second pick of the game. Dubois also was huge on their long scoring drive in the third quarter, catching three passes for 23 yards and two critical first downs



Bay Path's Christian Bowlin runs a short kickoff back up the field.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos

on the drive.

"Sammy is special," Rossi praised. "He had two picks today and a couple big completions and it is just week five of him ever playing football. I can't say enough about him, he works hard and is just a great human being. The kids

really put a lot of trust in him and he made a lot of great plays for us tonight."

Cam Dubey added a fourth quarter rushing touchdown for the Panthers to account for the 14-0 final score.



Tyler Gillespie of Bay Path prepares a stiff-arm maneuver to jaunt to the outside.

Strong second half showing boosts Beavers by Bay Path



Bay Path's Tyler Bohenko makes a play on the ball to settle it and send it up the field.

BY NICK ETHIER
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CHARLTON — After a pair of defensive breakdowns led to first half goals for the Blackstone Valley Tech and Bay Path Regional boys' varsity soccer teams at George L. Fowler Memorial Field on Monday, Sept. 24, the Beavers played a more inspired second half, scoring a pair of goals.

That effort was enough to get past the Minutemen, 3-1.

"I was definitely a lot happier with the second half — obviously the score, but also I do think that we were controlling

a lot more and making better passes. I'm glad that the results showed," said Valley Tech head coach Khalid Al-Haza'.

"They had control of the game in the second half," conceded Bay Path head coach David Martinson. "They were a little quicker than we were. We went a little flat."

The Beavers nearly took the lead in the 45th minute when Steven Makynen hit a 25-yard free kick that ricocheted off the Minutemen's defensive line, which altered the save that was made by keeper Aiden Sabatinelli.

Undeterred, Makynen set up the eventual game-winner two minutes later when he made a left-to-right and up-and-over crossing pass to Grant Van Dyke, who finished the job with a shot back into the opposite lower left-hand corner of the net.

Makynen capped off his stellar second half by drawing a penalty inside the box in the game's final minute. He then booted the PK past Sabatinelli to make the 3-1 final.

"He's my center attack, my senior captain. He's the one kid that I've had since freshman year on varsity," said Al-Haza'.

Makynen started his career as a defender and then moved to midfield and now attack throughout his four years.

"I'm proud of him," Al-Haza' said. "He plays defense for his club team, but I need him at attack."

Back in the first half, Van Dyke gave his team a 1-0 lead in the 10th minute with his first of two goals. A Bay Path defender couldn't clear the ball out of the box and it scooted over to Van Dyke, who slipped his shot into the far left-hand corner.

Martinson called a timeout just five minutes later to possibly jolt his team and to take an offensive approach upon the game's restart.

"We started flat, so the idea was to get the timeout and try to get them regrouped, and we changed our formation," he explained. "It gave us a little more offensive opportunity."

It worked, as Devin Hanlan scored in the 24th minute to knot the score at 1-1. Hanlan found the ball on his foot when keeper Zachary Brabham (two



Joseph Starr of Bay Path sends Devin Hanlan on his way down the sideline with a long pass.

Nick Ethier photos

saves) misplayed a clearing attempt. Hanlan then had an open net to shoot into as the game was tied at halftime.

But BVT's impressive second half improved their record to 4-2. The win was crucial for the Beavers, who have lofty seasonal goals.

"Our first goal this year is we want to win back our league. The last three years, since AMSA's been in our league, they've won it," Al-Haza' said of the Advanced Math and Science Academy, adding that qualifying for the State Vocational and District Tournaments are the team's other goals.

Bay Path, meanwhile, slipped to 4-3-1 as Martinson praised the play of Sabatinelli in net, who finished with 16

saves. "He did a great job, kept us in the game," said Martinson.

Martinson hopes that his team can avoid short stretches of flat play as the season reaches its second half.

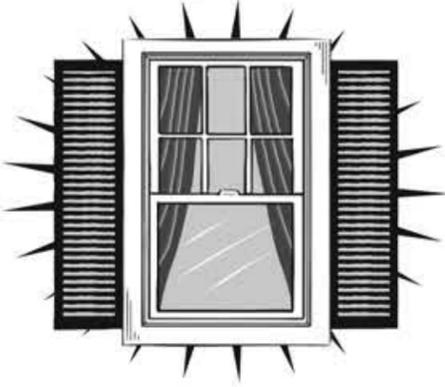
"That's been the case every game, we have a flat spot," he said. "It's just practice and getting prepared."

The Minutemen have a game against a new opponent — Pioneer Valley of Springfield, to be played after press time — and Tri-County at Homecoming (Saturday, Sept. 29). Martinson wasn't afraid to call those contests must-wins.

"We need the next two, it's not an option. It would be a disappointment if we don't make Districts this year," he concluded.



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Margarita is an early-blooming tulip variety that produces stunning double blossoms.

APARTHEID

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He almost didn't go at all. McKee said he originally declined the offer, but saw a Time cover on the anti-apartheid sanctions headlined "If not here, where? If not now, when?" and took that as a personal message to do it. Friends thought he was a little crazy, some thought he'd live in "a mud hut," and when he jokingly told some his gear had to travel by elephant, several believed him.

The reality was far different. McKee lived in one of the country's major cities, Johannesburg, and had a job at its most prestigious university, Witwatersrand, working with Dr. Phillip Tobias, "the leading expert in the world on human evolution in Africa." When he was in the field, McKee was mostly at the famous Taung site, where railroad workers in 1924 accidentally uncovered a 2.8 million year old child's skull, identified the following year by Raymond Dart as the first sample of Australopithecus africanus, one of humanity's ancestors. The Taung Child and various related fossils are now at Witwatersrand.

Getting there proved a minor challenge. At the time, everyone had to carry an identity book everywhere, and its key question was "What is your race?" When he applied, McKee wrote "American," and the South African authorities transcribed that as "white." But he later found the country had nine racial categories including black, white, colored and Indian, and the year he arrived many people were allowed to change their categories - but none went from black to white or vice versa.

To show how arbitrary they were, he showed a photo of four of his co-workers who look the same. Three were legally "black," but one was "colored." In reality, their distinctions were cultural - two were Tswana, one Zulu and one Ndebele.

"The South African government could have divided things that way," McKee observed. But the fact they did not proved the goal was to distinguish whites from others, he noted.

Ironically, the government did make such distinctions politically, creating a mishmash of tiny black tribal "homelands" (sometimes termed

"Bantustans") the government claimed were "independent," but no other nation ever formally recognized. McKee said that was the expression of "Grand Apartheid," in which blacks "were pushed out of the rest of South Africa" and forced to live in poor places most Americans have never heard of, including Transkei, Ciskei, Venda and the one Taung is in, Bophuthatswana. The latter, he said, was "the worst land possible, desolate land, and white South Africans thought that was a gift." Its president, like most of the homeland leaders, was notoriously corrupt; "his benevolence pretty much just went to his family."

Afterward, McKee agreed that the South African system looked a lot like our country's way of forcing Natives onto reservations, and he noted a similar kind of conflict can be seen today in places "where Christians attack Muslims or Muslims attack Christians." Others, including President Jimmy Carter, have called present Israeli treatment of the Palestinians a form of apartheid.

Bophuthatswana's people were seriously poor, "uneducated but bright," and mostly unemployed. The nearest village had once worked in a limestone quarry at Taung, but it had closed years before. When McKee arrived, he hired about 40 people to do field work.

He soon found they had an interesting belief system. While they were "basically Christian," they still maintained some ancient practices, including having shamans called sangomas and believing strongly in legends surrounding "the Snake," a creature that dwells in rivers and caves. When annoyed it "would move up and you'd have a tornado or a great big thunderstorm," McKee said. "Very strong grown men were deathly afraid of the Snake."

He saw that firsthand. He wanted to explore a cave for fossils and took three men with him. Two of them refused to enter for fear of riling the Snake, and urged him not to. He and the other man did, and on the way back to the village, a major storm developed despite the fact it was the middle of the dry season. The locals attributed it to his entering the cave, and McKee said he could have dismissed it, but accepted their criticism.

That and other acts - sharing his music and theirs, playing soccer with

them, and generally treating them with respect - eventually led them to tell him "nobody has ever treated us with as much dignity and respect as you."

At one point, while listening to a Zulu song about killing white people, they said, "Oh, no, Mr. Jeff. You are not a white man." That was the biggest compliment I got there." He's still friends with many of them, and visits them periodically.

Regarding apartheid itself, McKee said it was marked by extensive censorship, particularly of any reference to or photo of Nelson Mandela. Thus, when the government of F.W. deKlerk finally agreed to release Mandela after 27 years in prison, one of the biggest questions was what he'd look like. The major newspaper's headline for that day, Feb. 11, 1990, was a simple "Here he is," and a picture of him with deKlerk on the prison steps.

To get there took a lot of protest, some of which McKee joined. One of them, directed specifically at deKlerk (who was Minister of Education at the time and trying to impose caps on black students at Witwatersrand), involved much of the faculty speaking against the government (which they allowed) followed by a street protest (which they didn't). They faced off against cops in riot gear with guns, and although the school administration had reached a deal with the cops to let them do one more protest song then disperse, the cops started tear-gassing them. In the middle, he and some of the students sent the circling police choppers a rude message using the chairs.

McKee said that experience taught him two lessons: If you're going to a protest facing tear gas, bring cigarettes

and a lighter (the smoke helps clear one's lungs of tear gas) and "protests can change minds."

McKee said he thinks that and other protests encouraged deKlerk to release Mandela, and the two later shared the Nobel Peace Prize.

As a permanent resident, McKee was able to vote in the subsequent election that made Mandela president. He and his wife (a South African) stood in line for three hours.

"Everybody was all mixed together in line, like one great big party," he recalled. Afterward, Mandela's inauguration highlighted the change, with an air force flyover - "After 27 years in prison, he now had the entire military behind him. That meant a lot to South Africans, and now it means a lot to me."

The people had high expectations of what would happen with democracy, but soon found any one man couldn't possibly live up to them. McKee told his friends it'd "take a generation" to see real change "and they were crestfallen;" within six months, Johannesburg "became the crime capital of the world. That's what happens when you build up people's expectations and let them down."

McKee noted subsequent presidents have been inept and/or corrupt, although he said he thinks the current one seems more like Mandela.

McKee ended by noting what he saw as the biggest lesson he took home from South Africa: "There is nothing that can keep the human spirit down. Nothing can break human resiliency as long as they have dignity."

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Friday's Child



Felix and Felixiano
Ages: 7 and 9

Hi! Our names are Felix and Felixiano and we care a lot about each other!

Felix and Felixiano are brothers of Caucasian and Hispanic descent. They are very close and play well together. Felix describes himself as a caring, friendly, funny boy who likes karate and is a good sharer. He loves to eat and will try almost anything, including vegetables! Felix identified basketball as his greatest talent and when he grows up he wants to be a teacher or a firefighter. He is communicative, outgoing and likes to ask questions so that he knows what is going on around him. Felix enjoys school, and has a strong desire to learn. He particularly enjoys math.

Felixiano describes himself as a boy who does the right thing and likes to play catch with his friends. Felixiano also enjoys playing basketball, video games, giving hugs, superheroes, cooking and playing outside. His favorite color is red and his favorite food is pancakes. When asked what he wants to be when he grows up, he said to be a teenager. Others who know Felixiano say that he is a playful and curious boy who is eager to please, and is both endearing and imaginative. Felixiano is very smart and performs well in school. His teacher reports he is helpful in the classroom and gets along well with the other students.

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<p>Build Your Own Double Burger 22 Assorted Toppings, Condiments Cucumber Wedges Sweet Potato Fries Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells 23 Seasoned Rice, Buttered Corn Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Swedish Meatballs w/Choice of Sautéed Mushrooms 24 Buttered Egg Noodles Fresh Made Hummus w/Pita Triangles Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Ham & Cheese Quiche w/Bacon 25 Sautéed Squash Fresh Greens Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 26 Broccoli & Carrot Medley Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>Egg, Cheese & Sausage on a Croissant 29 Homefried Potatoes Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Southwest Chicken Quesadillas 30 Salsa, Sour Cream Seasoned Green Beans Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! 31 BBQ Pulled Pork Mashed Sweet Potatoes Cranberry Sauce Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week 31 October 15-19, 2018</p> <p>Available Daily! Mon. ~ Plain or Spicy Chicken Patty Tues. ~ Plain or Spicy Chicken Patty or Assorted Panini Wed. ~ Ind. 5" Pan Pizza or Chicken Patty Thurs. ~ Plain or Spicy Chicken Patty Fri. ~ Plain Chicken Patty or Chef's Special</p>	

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Breakfast Price \$1.75, \$3.30 Reduced and Free for those eligible.

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Auburn Middle School

Our entrée options will include:
1. Hot Lunch Entrées
2. Romaine Salad w/Chicken Entrée Daily
3. Fresh Deli Sandwich Options

Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>"KFC" Popcorn Chicken Bowl 1 Whipped Potatoes & Gravy Corn Niblets Sliced Red Peppers Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Chicken & Cheese Quesadillas 2 Broccoli & Cheese Sauce Refried Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Creamy Mac & Cheese 3 Vegetable Medley (Broccoli, Carrots & Cauliflower) Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National Taco Day 4 Taco's w/Shredded Cheese, Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice Fresh Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>World Smile Day 5 ½ Day of School No Lunch Breakfast will be served</p>
<p>Happy Columbus Day 8</p>	<p>Crispy Chicken w/Bacon on a NEW! Pretzel Bun 9 Lettuce & Tomato Slice Sliced Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Tomato Soup w/Goldfish 10 Toasted Cheese Sandwich on WG Bread Fresh Broccoli Trees Sweet Potato Puffs Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Chicken Stir Fry 11 Fried Rice Stir Fry Vegetable Medley Fresh Hummus & Pita Triangles Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup FUN! STICKER DAY</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 12 Broccoli & Cheese Sauce Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>National School Lunch Week 15 National Mushroom Day Swedish Meatballs w/Choice of Mushrooms Buttered Egg Noodles Fresh Made Hummus w/Pita Triangles Cucumber Wedges Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese, Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells 16 Seasoned Rice Fresh Carrots Savory Black Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Pasta Day 17 Rotini & Sauce Choice of Meatballs Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Seasoned Broccoli Garlic Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Double Cheeseburger on a Bun 18 2 Onion Ring Slices Condiments, Pickles Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Wild Mike's Pizza Bites 19 Marinara Sauce Cup Fresh Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups <i>Community Tasting Event at AMS 5-6:30 PM</i></p>
<p>WG Pancakes 22 NEW! Chicken Sausage Soft Warm Bagel Homefried Red Potatoes Assorted Fruit Cups or Orange Juice Cup</p>	<p>Southwest Chicken Quesadillas 23 Salsa, Sour Cream Seasoned Green Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Nacho Basket, Seasoned Taco Meat w/Cheese Sauce & Taco Chips 24 Buttered Corn & Carrots Mexican Bean Layer Dip Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Crunchy Chicken Parmesan Sandwich 25 Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 26 Broccoli & Carrot Medley Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>Bacon Turkey & Cheese Club Grinder 29 Fun Size Potato Chips Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese, Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells 30 Seasoned Rice Fresh Carrots Savory Black Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! 31 Crispy Chicken Tenders Dipping Sauces Sweet Potato Puffs Sliced Carrots Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week 31 October 15-19, 2018</p> <p>Available Daily! Sandwiches or Whole Grain Rolls & Condiments Mon. ~ Chicken Patty, Turkey Grinders Tues. ~ Hot Dog, Chicken Patty, Ham Grinders Wed. ~ Ind. Pan Pizza, Chicken Patty Thurs. ~ Chicken Patty, Hamburger, Cheeseburger Fri. ~ Chef's Special, Chicken Patty All entrees served with vegetables, fruit and sides of the day!</p>	

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Auburn High Pre-Kindergarten
Rocket Zone Café

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Hamburger Patty on a Bun 1 Seasoned Green Beans Lettuce & Tomato Slice Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Tomato Soup 2 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Fresh Sweet Potato Cucumber Wedges Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Chicken Patty Sliders 3 Potato Wedges Assorted Fruit Cup FUN! STICKER DAY</p>	<p>National Taco Day 4 Taco's w/Shredded Cheese Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice, Sliced Carrots Refried Beans Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>World Smile Day 5 ½ Day of School No Lunch Served</p>
<p>Happy Columbus Day 8</p>	<p>Tuna Noodle Casserole 9 Green Peas Sweet Potato Puffs Warm French Bread Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Cup of Chili w/Beans 10 Mac & Cheese Vegetable Medley (Broccoli, Carrots & Cauliflower) Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Breaded Chicken Drumsticks 11 Mashed Potato w/Savory Gravy Sliced Carrots Fresh Fruit Cup Pudding & Cream</p>	<p>Gill's Cheese Pizza 12 Broccoli & Cheese Sauce Fresh Greens Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup</p>
<p>National School Lunch Week 15 National Mushroom Day Cheeseburger on a Bun Sautéed Mushroom Cup Condiments Peas & Corn Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Crispy Chicken w/Bacon on a NEW! Pretzel Bun 16 Lettuce & Tomato Slice Sliced Carrots Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Pasta Day 17 Rotini w/Plain or Meat Sauce Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Seasoned Green Beans Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Chicken Nuggets 18 Sweet Potato Puffs Buttered Corn Fresh Hummus w/Pita Triangles Assorted Fruit Cup Jell-O & Cream</p>	<p>NEW! Nardone French Bread Cheese Pizza 19 Sliced Carrots Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup <i>Community Tasting Event at AMS 5-6:30 PM</i></p>
<p>Chicken Patty Slider 22 Condiments Cucumber Wedges Sweet Potato Fries Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells 23 Seasoned Rice Buttered Corn Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Swedish Meatballs 24 Buttered Egg Noodles Fresh Made Hummus w/Pita Triangles Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Ham & Cheese Quiche w/Bacon 25 Sautéed Squash Fresh Fruit Cup Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Cheese Pizza 26 Broccoli & Carrot Medley Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup</p>
<p>Egg, Cheese & Sausage on a Croissant 29 Homefried Potatoes Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Chicken & Cheese Quesadillas 30 Salsa, Sour Cream Seasoned Green Beans Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! 31 BBQ Pulled Pork Mashed Sweet Potatoes Cranberry Sauce Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week 31 October 15-19, 2018</p>	

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OCTOBER 2018
Bryn Mawr & Pakachoag School

Menus are available online at www.auburn.k12.ma.us and are emailed through One Call and sent home each month.

Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>NEW! WG Cinnamon Pancakes, Egg Patty 1 Potato Hashbrown Condiments Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Crunchy Chicken Nuggets 2 Dipping Sauces Sweet Potato Puffs Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Chicken Noodle Soup 3 Toasted Cheese Sandwich on WG Bread Fresh Broccoli Trees Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National Taco Day 4 Taco's w/Shredded Cheese Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice, Refried Beans Buttered Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>World Smile Day 5 ½ Day of School No Lunch Breakfast will be served</p>
<p>Happy Columbus Day 8</p>	<p>All American Hot Dog on a WG Bun 9 Condiments Seasoned Green Beans New England Baked Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Creamy Mac & Cheese 10 Fresh Broccoli Trees & Dip Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>NEW! Breaded Chicken Drumstick 11 Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Herb Texas Toast Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 12 Steamed Carrots Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>National School Lunch Week National Mushroom Day 15 Swedish Meatballs w/Choice of Sautéed Mushrooms Buttered Egg Noodles Cucumber Wedges Assorted Fruit Cups BUY LUNCH - RECEIVE A PRIZE</p>	<p>Juicy Hamburger on a Roll 16 New England Baked Beans Pickles, Condiments Baked Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Pasta Day Spaghetti w/Plain or Meat Sauce 17 Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Roasted Broccoli Cheesy Garlic Bread Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>NEW! Chicken Patty Sliders 18 Carrot Sticks w/Dip Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Nardone 5" Round Pizza 19 Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups Community Tasting Event at AMS 5-6:30 PM</p>
<p>Cheddar Cheese Omelet 22 Soft Warm Bagel Crinkle Cut Sweet Potato Fries Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Crispy Popcorn Chicken 23 Dipping Sauces Mashed Potato w/Gravy Fresh Hummus w/Pita Triangle Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! BBQ Teriyaki Asian Chicken 24 Fried Rice Veggie Stir Fry Assorted Fruit Cups FUN! STICKER DAY</p>	<p>Italian Mini Cheese Ravioli w/Tomato Sauce 25 Sliced Carrots Wheels Garlic Bread Stick Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 26 Broccoli & Cheese Sauce Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>Maple Glazed French Toast 29 Egg Patty Potato Hashbrown Condiments Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese 30 Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice, Refried Beans Buttered Corn Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! Scary Chicken Nuggets 31 Goey Dipping Sauces French Fry Fingers Out of this World Condiments Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week October 15-19, 2018</p>	

Students may select: 1. One entrée. 2. Pick 1 fruit and 1 or 2 vegetable sides. 3. Select a Milk choice of either Fat Free Chocolate Milk 8 oz., Fat Free White 8 oz. or 1% White Milk 8 oz. or 8 oz. bottle of water. 4. Extra items may be offered occasionally such as pudding, WG cookie or other items listed on the menu that do not qualify for a protein, fruit, vegetable or milk. Elementary students can select 8 oz. milk or 8 oz. bottle water with their lunch. If a student wants 8 oz. milk AND 8 oz. bottled water there will be a \$.50 cent additional charge. NOTE: Water is also available from food service dispensers for all children at no charge.

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OCTOBER 2018
Pakachoag Pre-Kindergarten

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>NEW! WG Cinnamon Pancakes, Egg Patty 1 Potato Hashbrown Condiments Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Crunchy Chicken Nuggets 2 Dipping Sauces Sweet Potato Puffs Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Chicken Noodle Soup 3 Toasted Cheese Sandwich on WG Bread Fresh Broccoli Trees Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Taco Day 4 Taco's w/Shredded Cheese Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice, Refried Beans Buttered Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>World Smile Day 5 ½ Day of School No Lunch Served</p>
<p>Happy Columbus Day 8</p>	<p>All American Hot Dog on a WG Bun 9 Condiments Seasoned Green Beans New England Baked Beans Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Creamy Mac & Cheese 10 Fresh Broccoli Trees & Dip Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Breaded Chicken Drumstick 11 Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Herb Texas Toast Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Gill's Cheese Pizza 12 Steamed Carrots Assorted Fruit Cup</p>
<p>National School Lunch Week National Mushroom Day 15 Swedish Meatballs Cup of Sautéed Mushrooms Buttered Egg Noodles Cucumber Wedges Assorted Fruit Cup BUY LUNCH - RECEIVE A PRIZE</p>	<p>Juicy Hamburger on a Roll 16 New England Baked Beans Pickles, Condiments Baked Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Pasta Day Spaghetti w/Plain or Meat Sauce 17 Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Roasted Broccoli Cheesy Garlic Bread Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Chicken Patty Sliders 18 Carrot Sticks w/Dip Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Stuffed Crust Pizza 19 Crunchy Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cup Community Tasting Event at AMS 5-6:30 PM</p>
<p>Cheddar Cheese Omelet 22 Soft Warm Bagel Crinkle Cut Sweet Potato Fries Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Crispy Popcorn Chicken 23 Dipping Sauces Mashed Potato w/Gravy Fresh Hummus w/Pita Triangle Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! BBQ Teriyaki Asian Chicken 24 Fried Rice Veggie Stir Fry Assorted Fruit Cup FUN! STICKER DAY</p>	<p>Italian Mini Cheese Ravioli w/Tomato Sauce 25 Sliced Carrots Wheels Garlic Bread Stick Fresh Fruit Cup Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Cheese Pizza 26 Broccoli & Cheese Sauce Assorted Fruit Cup</p>
<p>Maple Glazed French Toast 29 Egg Patty Potato Hashbrown Condiments Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese 30 Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice, Refried Beans Buttered Corn Fresh Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! Scary Chicken Nuggets 31 Goey Dipping Sauces French Fry Fingers Out of this World Condiments Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week October 15-19, 2018</p>	

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Swanson Road Intermediate School

Menus are available online at www.auburn.k12.ma.us and are emailed through One Call and sent home each month.

Monday	Tasty Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Maple Glazed French Toast 1 Egg Patty NEW! Hashbrown Rounds Ketchup Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Crispy Chicken Tenders 2 Dipping Sauces Sweet Potato Puffs Sliced Carrots Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Chicken Noodle Soup 3 Toasted Cheese Sandwich on WG Bread Fresh Broccoli Trees w/Dip Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>National Taco Day 4 Taco's w/Shredded Cheese, Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice Buttered Corn, Refried Beans Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>World Smile Day 5 ½ Day of School No Lunch Breakfast will be served</p>
<p>Happy Columbus Day 8</p>	<p>Sausage & Egg Patty on Buttered English Muffin 9 Potato Puffs, Ketchup Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressing Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cups FUN! STICKER DAY</p>	<p>Creamy Mac & Cheese 10 Crunch Garden Salad w/Asst. Dressings Fresh Carrot Sticks Soft Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>NEW! Breaded Chicken Drumsticks 11 Mashed Potato w/Savory Gravy Buttered Peas Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup School Made Cookie</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 12 Roasted Broccoli Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>National School Lunch Week National Mushroom Day 15 Tasty Swedish Meatballs w/Choice of Sautéed Mushrooms Buttered Egg Noodles Fresh Hummus w/Pita Triangles Cucumber Wedges Assorted Fruit Cup BUY LUNCH - RECEIVE A PRIZE</p>	<p>Crunchy Chicken Nuggets 16 Dipping Sauces Sweet Potato Puffs Buttered Peas Dinner Roll w/Butter Pat Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>National Pasta Day Spaghetti w/Plain or Meat Sauce 17 Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Roasted Broccoli Cheesy Garlic Bread Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>NEW! Chicken Patty Sliders 18 Carrot Sticks w/Dip Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup Pudding & Cream</p>	<p>NEW! Nardone French Bread Pizza 19 Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Assorted Fruit Cups Community Tasting Event at AMS 5-6:30 PM</p>
<p>NEW! Cheddar Cheese Omelet 22 Soft Warm Bagel Homefried Red Potatoes Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Taco's w/Shredded Cheese 23 Shredded Lettuce & Diced Tomatoes w/Taco Shells Seasoned Rice Fresh Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Crispy Popcorn Chicken 24 Dipping Sauces Mashed Potato w/Gravy Fresh Hummus w/Pita Triangle Assorted Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Rotini w/Marinara Sauce 25 Choice of Meatballs and Shredded Cheese Texas Toast Romaine Salad w/Asst. Dressings Glazed Carrots Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup Jell-O & Cream</p>	<p>Gill's Pizza Slice - Varieties 26 Roasted Broccoli & Cheese Assorted Fruit Cups</p>
<p>NEW! Cinnamon Pancakes 29 NEW! Chicken Sausage Hashbrown Rounds Sliced Carrots Assorted Fruit Cups</p>	<p>Popcorn Chicken Bites 30 Mashed Potato w/Chicken Gravy Corn Niblets Fresh Fruit or Fruit Cup</p>	<p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! Meatball Grinder 31 Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Roasted Sweet Potatoes Assorted Fruit Cup Jell-O & Cream</p>	<p>National School Lunch Week October 15-19, 2018</p>	

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OBITUARIES

Thomas E. Skebos, 61



OXFORD – Thomas E. Skebos, 61, of Dana Drive, died Monday, September 17, 2018, in his home. He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Nancy M. (Antos) Skebos of Oxford; his son, Daniel T. Skebos of Oxford;

his parents, Edward A. and Marjorie R. (Gustafson) Skebos of Spring Hill, FL; his sister, Nancy R. Roche and her husband Jack of Auburn; two brothers, David A. Skebos and his fiancée Robin Galkahis of Auburn, and Mark T. Skebos and his fiancée Deborah Buckles of Worcester; and many nephews and nieces. He was born in Worcester and was a lifelong resident of Oxford. He graduated from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School in Charlton in 1975.

Tom was an electrician throughout his life, working for various companies and as a self-employed electrician for many years. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Oxford. Tom was a Master Mason with the Oxford Lodge of Masons where he was raised in June of 1999. He served as Junior Steward, Senior Steward, Tiler, and Inside Sentinel. He was a member of the kitchen staff for five years where he cooked the monthly lodge fundraiser breakfast. Tom served as chairman of the Board of Directors for four years, chairman of the Angel Fund for ten years, and chairman of the Wheelchair Placement Committee for ten years, placing 28 wheelchairs and one bed during his tenure. He designed, built, and installed a 24-foot ramp for a boy in Oxford after receiving a donation of supplies from the Home Depot. In addition, he delivered food to the food pantry for six years.

Tom was member of the Scottish Rite where he was raised in November of 2008. He earned the Golden Passport in 2016. He set up and dismantled the stage for all of the plays, lighting, and sound for five years at both the Worcester and Boston Valleys of the Scottish Rite. He used his abilities as an electrician to re-wire all of the lighting and design new props – some of which existed since 1952. Tom completed all of the electrical work and maintenance in the Worcester Masonic Building since he joined the Scottish Rite. He supplied equipment and assisted cooking for their Family Life Campouts.

Tom was a member of the Shriners and served as 2nd Vice President of the Worcester County Shrine Club. He was co-chairman of the mini cars and owned 3 mini cars of his own which he proudly displayed in several parades each

year. He served as chairman of the Can Tabs Fundraiser and was a member of the Director's Staff and Ambassador to the 24th District. Tom was co-chairman of the Transportation Van and drove nearly 8000 miles transporting children to medical appointments at Shriners' Hospital. He participated in the Leprechaun Plunge for the Aleppo Shriners to raise money for Shriners' Hospital.

Tom served as secretary for the Aletheia Grotto for five years and helped design and build the smoker's room in the Boylston Lodge. He was DeMolay for the Worcester Chapter for 6 years.

Tom proudly served the Oxford community for many years. He was a member of the Police Cadet Program for 3 years and was promoted to reserve officer where he worked with drug enforcement for four years. He was a member of the Founder's Day Committee for 15 years and was responsible for lighting, sound, and electricity to each booth for the 3-day celebration. He was the assistant wiring inspector for Oxford for four years and worked on the old and new kennels for the Oxford Animal Shelter. He has been a trustee of the Oxford Dog Park Committee for two years. Tom worked in the old and new food pantry locations, building shelving, designing and helping to build the new location, and donating all of the lumber. He helped set up and break down the books for the semi-annual book sale for the Friends of the Oxford Public Library, raising thousands of dollars for the children's programs at the library. He was a Boy Scout leader for Troop 147 in Oxford for 12 years. He participated in the annual field day for Oxford schools for 12 years, where he was known as Mr. Hamburger for grilling food for the students at the elementary schools.

Tom had many dogs over the years that he loved dearly. He enjoyed growing up on his grandfather's farm in North Brookfield, and he missed the farm every day of his life. Tom earned his blackbelt in Tang-Soo-Do from McCoy's Action Karate and the Cheezic Federation.

Calling hours were Friday, September 21, 2018, from 3-7 p.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. A service was held at 7 p.m. at the conclusion of the calling hours with the Oxford Lodge of Masons and Rev. Dr. Samuel Young. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners' Hospital for Children, 516 Carew St. Springfield, MA 01104.

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Linda L. Buckley, 84



LEICESTER - Linda L. (Lehtinen) Buckley, 84, formerly of 30 Pleasant St., died peacefully, Monday, Sept. 24 at Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge.

Her husband of 50 years, Thomas E. Buckley, Sr. died in 2000. She leaves her sons; Thomas E. Buckley, Jr. and his wife Linda of Leicester, James R. Buckley and his wife Frances of Auburn, Leon R. Buckley and his wife Terri, and Raymond W. Buckley all of Leicester, John E. Buckley and his fiancée Sharon Lynch of Jacksonville, FL., Francis K. Buckley and his wife Mary of Spencer, and Henry R. Buckley of Ft.Lauderdale, FL., her daughter Cheryl G. Tebo and her husband John of Rochdale, 17 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

Born in Worcester, she was the daughter of Thomas and Mary (Haapoja) Lehtinen and lived in Jacksonville

Beach, Fl. from 1978 to 1999 before returning to Leicester.

Linda was an accomplished Yahtzee and Monopoly player. She enjoyed her Word Jumbles and crossword puzzles.

The family would like to thank the staffs at Lanessa Extended Care and Harrington Memorial Hospital for their exceptional care of Linda while a patient at both facilities. "God speed, Mom!"

Calling hours were held on Wednesday, Sept. 26 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main St., Leicester. A prayer service concluded the visitation at 6 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date in Pine Grove Cemetery, Leicester at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to either the Leicester Library Renovation Fund (www.leicesterlibrary.org), 1 Paxton St., Leicester, MA 01524 or Jeremiah's Inn, 1059 Main St., Worcester, MA. 01603.

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Della A Tornblom, 66



SPENCER- Della A (Leonardi) Tornblom, 66, died peacefully on the morning of Thursday, September 6, 2018 at Rose Monahan Hospice Residence, Worcester. She was born in Worcester, the beloved

daughter of Mario and Stephania (Jatranski) Leonardi and had lived in Spencer for nearly 40 years.

Della will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 47 years, Jan P. Tornblom; her son Jason Tornblom and his wife, Angela of Grafton; her daughter, Heather Simmons and her husband, Kyle of Auburn; her sisters, Jeanne Macklin of Colorado, Kathy Whalen and her husband, Paul of West Boylston and Karen Ricketts of Florida; three grandchildren, Brayden, Lennox and Kase Simmons; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother, John Leonardi

and her sister, Joan Leonardi.

Della grew up in West Boylston and graduated from West Boylston High School with the class of 1969. She went on to work at Astra Pharmaceutical Co. in Worcester for several years before going on to work in Admissions at WPI. While at Astra she caught the eye of a coworker, Jan Tornblom and it was love at first sight. Della and Jan married in 1971 and lived in Greendale before settling in Spencer. During the 47 years that Della spent at WPI her coworkers and so many of the students became like family to her. She truly had a passion for helping students, consistently going above and beyond to help them establish a happy and healthy college career. Della also enjoyed cooking and caring for her garden, but above all she treasured being with her family.

The Tornblom family would like to extend their most sincere thanks to the staff at the Rose Monahan Hospice Residence for the exceptional care they gave to Della during her stay.

Don Ray MacDermott, 81

AUBURN- Don Ray MacDermott age 81 died at his home, Wednesday September 12, 2018. He leaves three sons Ryan MacDermott of Auburn, Jimmy Howard of CA and Carl Howard of Cape Cod, a daughter Carline LaPlante of Charlton and two grandchildren.

He was born in Worcester son of the late Ray MacDermott and Hildegard (Skantz) MacDermott, living Auburn most of his life. He was a retired con-

ductor for Amtrak also working for other railroads through the years. Don enjoyed shooting skeet. There are no calling hours. Services and burial will be private. The Shaw-Majerck Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Send all obituary notices to Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550, or by e-mail to jean@stonebridgepress.news



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday September 29

LIFE BEFORE REFRIGERATORS: On Saturday, Sept. 29 from 1-2 p.m. learn the History of Ice Harvesting. Learn what life was like before refrigerators. Visit the Little Red Shop Museum (12 Hopedale St., Hopedale) for a presentation with Auburn town historian Ken Ethier to learn about the cultivation of the ice field and the storage of ice. Ken will show you his collection of ice harvesting tools. This is event is presented as part of Blackstone Heritage Corridor's GO! program. To learn more, visit www.BlackstoneHeritageCorridor.org.

Friday September 28, Saturday September 29, & Sunday September 30

AUBURN ALUMNI WEEKEND: and Fall Festival at Auburn High School. On Friday night, Auburn football versus Tantasqua at 7 p.m. On Saturday, games against Tantasqua include girls' soccer JV & varsity at 10 a.m.; boys' JV & varsity at noon and field hockey, varsity at noon and JV at 1:30 p.m. Train rides, pumpkin decorating, food & craft vendors 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Golf tournament at 1 p.m. Saturday at Pakachoag golf course. Sunday morning breakfast at 9 a.m. at AHS followed by tours of the high school 8-10 a.m. \$5 for adults and \$3 for children younger than 8.

Saturday September 29-Wednesday October 31

PUMPKINS, GET YOUR PUMPKINS HERE! The Pumpkin Patch at the First Congregational Church, 128 Central St., Auburn will be open daily 10 a.m. (11 a.m. on Sundays) 'til dusk Sept. 29 through Oct. 31. There will be gourds and pumpkins of all sizes and prices – one for every need; be it for your fall decor, carving, baking – you name it! Taking in the beautiful sight of the pumpkins, in combination with the changing leaves and the backdrop of the church steeple – makes it worth the trip! If you have any questions, feel free to call the church office at 508-832-2845. The pumpkins are raised and harvested by the Navajo Indians on their reservation in New Mexico. The money they receive helps their schools and other programs and a percentage of the sales helps our church as well.

Sunday September 30

AUBURN FARMERS & CULTURAL MARKET: at the Pappas Recreation Complex 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Local farms & businesses, live music and entertainment, food, crafts, gifts and more. For information log onto www.auburnfcm.org.

Saturday October 27

HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Road, Spencer a Halloween event to benefit Second Chance is planned. Indoor and outdoor event activities including costume contest and trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle, Walk 'N Wag pledge raising trail walk with scavenger hunt, doggie games and contests, music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include indoor

RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown, guest appearance by the Pike's Adam Webster, CGC certification by 4 Paws Academy and agility 'Try Its'. FREE ADMISSION! Families and pets are welcome!

Saturday November 3

CRAFT VENDORS WANTED: Grace Ministries Harvest Fair, at Bethel Lutheran Church, 90 Bryn Mawr Ave., Auburn has outdoor spaces available for their fall fair on Saturday Nov. 3. An approximate 10x10 lawn space is \$35. Questions and a verbal commitment may be made to Judy Sampson at jas2155@charter.net or 508-987-5969. Verbal commitment is needed by Oct. 8 to hold a spot. Financial commitment is payable by Nov. 2.

Saturday December 15

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR: the sixth annual holiday craft fair, presented by the Auburn Recreation and Culture Committee is planned Saturday, Dec. 15 with a snowdate of Dec. 16; at the Auburn High School, 99 Auburn St., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 80 craft vendors to get you into the spirit, Santa will make an appearance, and other activities for the kiddos as well. Food available, schedule of events at www.auburnguide.com. ONGOING EVENTS

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

SUICIDE PREVENTION: Attempted

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STORY TIME: Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It's a great place for children and their grownups to listen to stories, share nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. For information, you call the library at (508) 832-7790.

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

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

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby

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low center and the flowers get even showier as they mature. Combine this variety with yellow daffodils for greater impact and a longer display.

Fill in the mid-spring garden with some classic Darwin Hybrid tulips such as Blushing Apeldoorn, Apricot Impression and Ad Rem.

Then create a grand finale of blooms by planting a few of the late spring double tulips. Include Crème Upstar with its sweetly fragrant pastel blooms that change from cream and pale yellow to apricot, pink and rose. It's an exceptional cut flower for your spring bouquets.

Or add an array of jewel tones with a designer collection of double late tulips. The Parade of Pink Mix includes four varieties of fragrant double late tulips in white, pink, rose and magenta.

Say a cheery goodbye to spring with the Yellow Pomponette/

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Check out Longfield Gardens' article (longfield-gardens.com/article/tulips-by-bloom-time) for a list of tulips by bloom time. Then make your selections so you can enjoy six weeks or more of tulip blooms in your spring garden.

Be sure to order early for the greatest selection of tulip and other spring bulb varieties. For best results, purchase large firm bulbs from a reliable source and store them in a cool dark place until you are ready to plant.

Grow tulips in a sunny or partially shaded location with good drainage. Keep in mind those shady spots in the landscape may provide sufficient sunlight for your tulips in spring before the trees leaf out.

Wait for the soil to cool to begin planting. This is usually mid to late fall after a hard frost and before the ground

freezes. Place the bulbs four to five inches apart on center and about six to seven inches deep in properly prepared soil with good drainage. Add a low nitrogen, slow release fertilizer and water thoroughly.

Then relax and enjoy your fall garden and all the beauty winter brings as you wait for the eruption of color in your garden and containers next spring.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Longfield Gardens for her expertise to write this article. Myers's web site is www.melindamyers.com.

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of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

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

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

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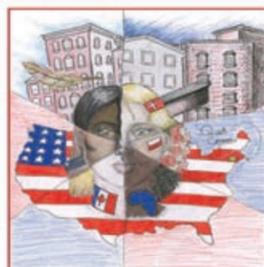
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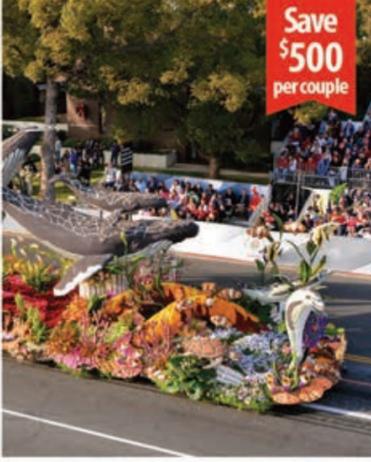
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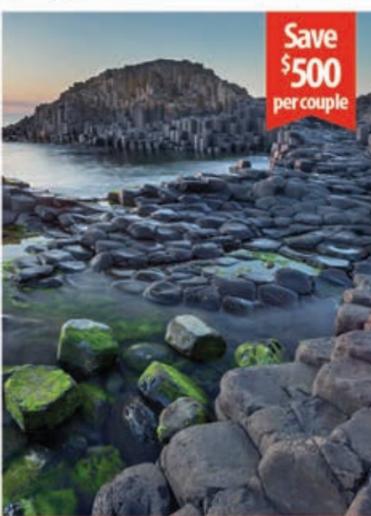
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DUDLEY - 24 Emerald Ave! 2 Family! 5/5 Rms! 2,600 sqft! Each w/in-line Kit w/Pantry, Fam Rm, Liv Rm, 2 1/2 Bdrms! Washer/Dryer Hookups! Hardwood Floors! 2 Car Detached Garage! Insulated Windows! New Furnaces! Incredible Flat Yard! Lead Certificates! Well Maintained! \$239,900.00



ON DEPOSIT
THOMPSON - Quaddick Lake! 52 Breaults Landing! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! Huge Level Lot/Lawn to the Water - .88 Acres! Open Floor Plan! 4.5 Room Ranch! 2 Bedrooms! 1.5 Baths! Appliances & Furnishings! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Round! LP Gas Heat & HW! Generator! \$229,900.00



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DOUGLAS - Charles Condominiums! 5 Rm Townhouse! 2 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Country Living! Freshly Painted Interior! Liv Rm w/Private Deck! Hardwoods! Kitchen w/Custom Counters! Spacious Din Area! Large Bdrms! Updated Baths, Full w/Dressing Area! Finished Walk-out Lower Level to Patio! C/Air! Easy Access! \$189,900.00



SOLD
WEBSTER - 17 5TH Ave! 3 Fam! 4/4/4 Rm! 2/2/2 Bdrms! Each w/Spacious Kites & Liv Rms! Full Baths! 1st & 2nd Flr Units Remodeled, Rented in Wood Const! 2nd Flr Vacate. Needs Cosmetics! Washer/Dryer Hookups Each Unit! C/Breakers & Landlord Meter! Separate Gas Heat & Water Heaters! Newer Roof! Nice Yard! Shed! \$249,900.00



ON DEPOSIT
AUBURN - 9 Lorna Dr! 2680' Split Entry! Appliance Oak Eat-in Is! Kit w/Corian Counters! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrwd! Sun Rm Cathedral to Trex Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hrwd! Frp! Fam Rm! 2 Full Baths! 4th Bdrm Office! Laundry! C/Air & Vac! Professionally Landscaped! 46' AC! Lot 2 Car Garage! \$389,900.00



NEW PRICE
OXFORD - 247 Main St! 10 Rm BUSINESS ZONED 2 Family! 4/6 Rm! Well Maintained! 4 Rms on First w/2 Half Baths! Perfect Office Location! 2nd Flr 3 Bdrm Apartment w/ Eat-in Kit, Dining Area, Liv Rm w/Hrwd & Sun Rm! Full Bath! Oil Heat, New Furnace! Full Basement! Ample Parking! Handicap Ramp! 2 Car Detached Garage! \$359,900.00



NEW PRICE
WEBSTER - 24 Oakwood Dr! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Spacious Center 1st Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! SS Appliances! Slider to Trex Deck! Din Rm w/Hrwd! Den! Frp! Liv Rm! 1/2 Bath! 2nd Level Master w/ Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Walk-in Shower! 3 Bdrms Total! 2nd Flr Tile Bath! C/Air! 3/2 Heat! Lot Office! \$425,900.00



SOLD
OXFORD - 19 Woodlock St! 6 Rm Cape! Well Maintained! Level Lot! Knotty Pine Sunroom w/Slider to Stone Patio! Applianced Eat-in Kit! Liv Rm w/Hrwd! Flr! 2 Spacious 1st Flr Bdrms w/Hrwd! Full Bath! 2nd Flr 3rd Bdrm w/WD Carpets! Full Basement w/Laundry! Attached Garage w/Workshop! \$229,900.00



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NEW PRICE
WEBSTER - 32 Canille Rd! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Fr Plan! Applianced Kit! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Frp! Cathedral Liv Rm! Den or Din Rm! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Master Bath! 2 Add Bdrms! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! LL, Fam Rm! Garages! Irrigation! Shed! \$349,900.00



SOLD
DUDLEY - 13 Pineview Rd! 7 Rm Colonial! Tiled Foyer! Kit w/Din Area & Slider to Composite Deck! Din Rm! Liv Rm! Den! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/Carpeted Bdrms & Full Bath! Master Walk-in Closet & Bath! Finished Lower Level w/Gas Frp! Patios! Fire Pit! Roof 2017! Attached 2 Car Garage! Town Services! \$359,900.00



SOLD
DUDLEY - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated 6 Rm, 3 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath Cape! 1 Acre! Lot! Cut-de-sac! Hrwd! Throughout! Open Liv Rm, Kit & Din Area! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Sl! Slider to Composite Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Master Bath! 2nd Flr w/2 Large Bdrms & Full Bath! Garage Under! \$309,900.00



NEW LISTING
SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! Expandable 9 Rm 2,150' Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Driv! New Granite Kit! Din, Liv & Frp! Fam Rms w/Hrwd! Yr Rd Sunroom w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! 2 1/2 Master w/Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 12x24 3 Season Porch! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage! AC! \$464,900.00



SOLD
WEBSTER - 14 Elaine St! 6 Rm Ranch! Level Tree Studded 12,023' Lot! Applianced Eat-in Kit! Bay Window Liv Rm w/Hrwd! The Bath! 3 Bdrms w/Hrwd! Lower Level Knotty Pine Plam! Large Attached Garage! Large Deck! Detached Garage! Updated Electrical! Town Services! \$199,900.00



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WEBSTER LAKE ACCESS! 2-A Lakeview Rd! View of the Lake & Your Dock! Short Walk to the Shore! Young, "2009", Spacious 7 Room Split Entry Cape with ELEVATOR! Ideal for Handicapped, Wheelchair Bound or Not Wanting to do Stairs! From Ground Level to the 1st Flr & On to the 2nd Flr! 750 lbs. Capacity! 1st Fr Open Fr Plan! Appliance Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Din Area, & Liv Rm! All w/Gleaming Wood Laminate Flrs! 2 1st Fr Possible Bdrms! Master w/Ceiling Fans & Huge Dble Closets! Full Tile Bath w/8" Vanity, Laundry & Linen Closets! 2nd Flr w/2 Spacious Bdrms w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets, Office & Full Bath! Lower Level w/Front & Back Opposite Side 12' Garage Doors! C/Air! Super Detached 30'x40' 2 Story Garage! 12x10 Dr! 12' 1st Flr Ceilings, 8' 2nd Flr Ceiling Height! 3 Car Lifts are Negotiable! Has It All! \$399,900.00



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WEBSTER LAKE - 210 Beacon Park! 5 Rm 1,100' Corner Garden Unit! Applianced Kitchen! Dining Room! Spacious Living Room! 2 Bedrooms! Master Bedroom with Master Bath! 1.5 Bathrooms! The Floors Throughout! Pool! Sandy Beach! Gazebo! Lakeside Pool! \$239,900.00



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DUDLEY - 9 Progress Ave! 6 Rm Cape! Move In Ready! Applianced Eat-in Kit! Din & Liv Rms w/Hrwd! 1st Flr Master w/Hrwd & 2 Dble Closets & Ceiling Fan! 3 Season Porch! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/2 Bdrms w/Hrwd & a Full Bath! Rooms 2013! Town Services! Quick Close Possible! \$254,900.00



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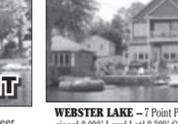
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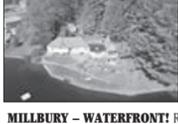
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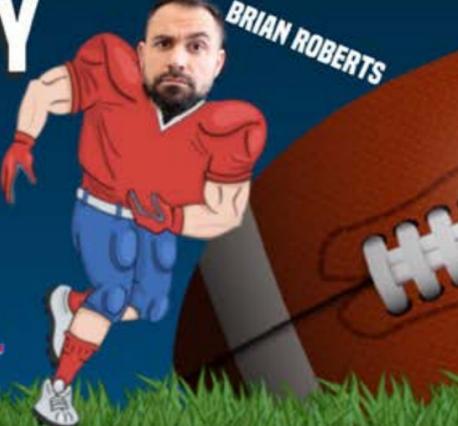


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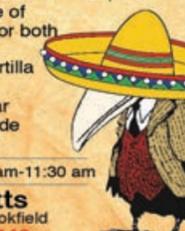
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Be Proactive

Catching lice early is vital in halting the spread of these itchy pests. It can take four to six weeks after infestation begins for itching to start, and not everyone develops this telltale symptom. Help the entire family to avoid an outbreak by acting quickly after exposure.

Steps to Take

- Check the child and ALL family members for lice using a nit comb. To check fine sections of hair with the comb, apply a 50/50 solution of conditioner/water to the hair to help facilitate combing. Work under bright light and watch for movement. Examine the comb after each stroke, wiping it on disposable towels or running it under water.

- Nits and scurrying lice are so small that they can be easily missed. It's likely other family members and friends have already been exposed to lice by the time an infestation is identified. If you don't find lice but are still concerned, switch the whole family to a daily lice defense shampoo. How is a daily lice shampoo different from a lice treatment shampoo? For starters, shampoo is a form and treatments

If you get a message from your child's school that there are lice in the class, don't panic, but take control.

come in many forms. This topic really deserves its own article, but there is one key difference worth noting. A daily lice defense shampoo is pesticide-free and can be used like regular shampoo to defend your family against a head lice infestation or control against re-exposure to someone who has not been successfully treated. A lice treatment shampoo is used to treat an active lice infestation, and most OTC products contain pesticides so they aren't ideal for a daily regimen. One gentle daily shampoo that offers ongoing control is Vamousse Lice Defense. It's been found in laboratory studies to kill lice with each use and is recommended for 10 to 14 days following the risk to help reduce the potential growth of an infestation contracted but not yet identified.

- Treat anyone who is infested. With lice increasingly resistant to traditional over-the-counter pesticides, look for a pesticide-free treatment that is proven effective against super lice. There are many new types of products, so read the instructions carefully. For example, Vamousse Lice Treatment comes in a convenient mousse format that kills lice and eggs before they hatch—in just one application. Lice eggs are rendered no longer viable with this treatment, so there's no waiting for them to hatch to treat again a week later, thus decreasing hassle and the risk of spreading lice throughout your family.

- If you are concerned about your home, vacuum, and then wash and dry any launderable items in high heat. For items that cannot be washed or soaked in 130° F soapy water, the company offers a powder that is the only one on the market proven to eliminate super lice in the environment.

Learn More

For further facts and tips, go to <http://vamousselic.com>.

Thirty Years Later—Laser Vision Correction Remains A Good Option For Many



Looking at LASIK? Work with a highly qualified ophthalmologist to learn if you are a good candidate for the procedure.

(NAPS)

2018 marks the 30th anniversary of the first laser vision correction procedure where, for the first time, people with vision issues had an option beyond glasses and contact lenses to see well. So far, more than 19 million LASIK procedures have been performed in the U.S., proving it is a popular alternative to the struggle many people have with their vision. In fact, the U.S. military relies on LASIK for its operation-ready personnel. While technologies and techniques have advanced the science of LASIK, not everyone is a good candidate for the procedure. On average, between 15 and 20 percent of patients are considered ineligible. While every patient is unique, there are general guidelines that surgeons use in determining if a patient is a candidate for LASIK eye surgery.

For adults over 18, LASIK can correct nearsightedness, farsightedness and

astigmatism, within certain prescription ranges set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. LASIK improves vision by reshaping your cornea—the surface of the eye that helps focus light to create an image on the retina. A thorough eye exam will confirm the vision correction needed isn't too extreme. Importantly, the prescription should be stable, meaning it has stayed the same for at least a year. During the exam, the thickness of the cornea is measured to make sure there is enough tissue for the reshaping required to achieve the desired amount of correction.

Certain health issues and medications may interfere with the healing process, making laser vision correction a poor choice. It is important that patients share their complete health history with their surgeon to ensure a recommendation for candidacy based upon all available facts.

Because many people are interested in LASIK, understanding that there is a process for becoming a candidate, accepting that the procedure has limits, and recognizing that there is a healing and recovery period involved is helpful in making an informed decision.

Knowing if you are a good candidate is important for considering any procedure, including LASIK. Finding and working with a highly qualified surgeon, having a complete evaluation of your eyes and vision, and doing your own research into the procedure are important steps in the process. Armed with the facts, both you and your surgeon will have the information needed to make the best recommendation for you and your vision.

To learn more about what to expect from a LASIK consultation, visit www.americanrefractivessurgerycouncil.org/blog.

Make Vision A Focus

(NAPS)—Did you know that more than 23 million American adults have never had an eye exam? May is Healthy Vision Month—and the National Institutes of Health's National Eye Institute (NEI) urges all Americans to make vision a focus.

Take steps to protect your vision today, so you can see the people and things you love for years to come.



To protect your vision, see your eye care professional.

Get an eye exam—Since many eye diseases and conditions have no early symptoms, an eye exam is the best way to find out how healthy your eyes are and if you are seeing your best. Talk to your eye care professional about how often you should have an eye exam.

Eat eye-healthy foods—The foods you eat can help you protect your vision. Eat a variety of fruits and vegetables—especially dark, leafy greens like spinach, kale, and collard greens—as well as fish that are high in omega-3 fatty acids, like salmon, tuna and halibut.

Give your eyes a rest—Spending a lot of time in front of a computer can tire out your eyes. Remember the 20-20-20 rule: Every 20 minutes, look away from your screen and focus on something that's at least 20 feet away for 20 seconds.

Know your family's eye health history—Ask your family members about their eye health. Because most eye conditions run in the family, knowing your family history can help you tell if you're at higher risk. If you learn that someone in your family has an eye disease or diabetes, talk to your eye doctor.

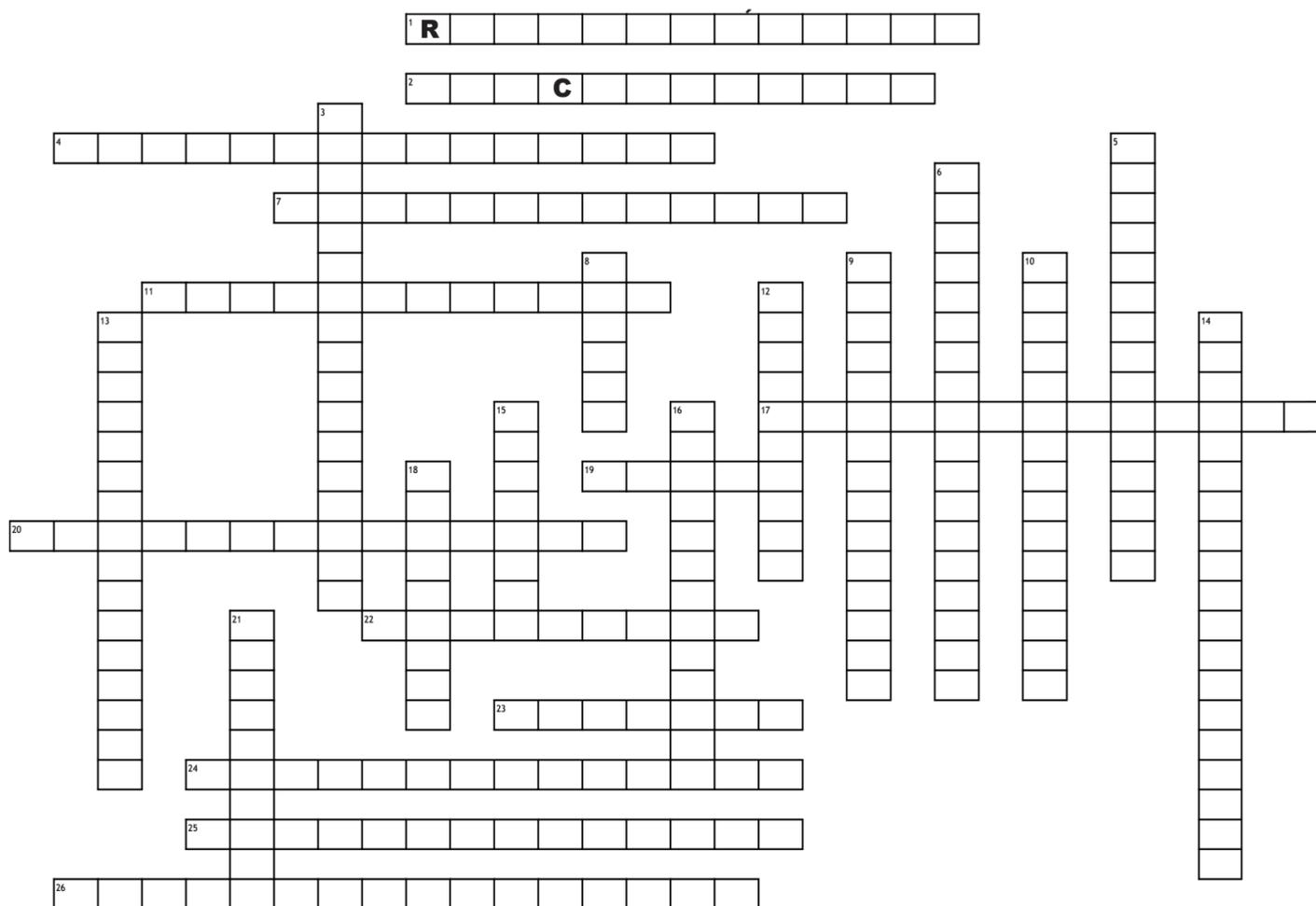
Wear sunglasses—even on cloudy days! Sunglasses can protect your eyes from the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays. When buying sunglasses, look for ones that block at least 99 percent of both UVA and UVB radiation.

Don't take your vision for granted—take steps to protect it! To learn more, check out the Healthy Vision Month website: <https://nei.nih.gov/hvm>.

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Reducing On-The-Job Stress Improves The Classroom Experience

(NAPS)

As with any helping profession, teaching can be a stressful job—but teachers say the rewards are worth it.

Why They Gladly Teach

According to a University of Phoenix survey, K-12 teachers most enjoy the interaction with children—with 68 percent citing seeing the growth of students and 57 percent citing working with children in general as their favorite part of the job.

How to Make Teaching Better

“Those who go into the teaching profession tend to have a passion for it. It’s hard work and sometimes thankless. Self-care is important,” said Pamela Roggeman, Ed.D., academic dean for the College of Education at University of Phoenix. She offers these tips:

1. Don’t be afraid to ask for help. Whether from the school principal, classroom parents or your colleagues, a support system is important.

2. Request donations for the classroom to relieve personal financial burden. Teachers often dig into their own pockets to pay for classroom supplies. Ask parents for assistance in collecting needed items.

3. Do small things every day to take care of yourself. Have snacks on hand for those days when your lunch break is interrupted. Look into short meditations or breathing exercises for times when stress levels are higher.

4. Take time to recharge. Career burnout can happen. Take a day off or a short break when you can and focus on something you enjoy.

5. Make your classroom



The teacher's self-care is an important tool for providing a better classroom experience for students.

a place where everyone can refocus. Remember that your state of mind will guide your students. Try things students can benefit from, too, such as mindful moments throughout the day or even aromatherapy.

What Else You Can Do

Staying up to date on current trends can also help reduce on-the-job stress. According to the survey, about half of the people who’ve been teaching for at least five years say there are more leadership role oppor-

tunities than in the past, but only 16 percent of all teachers gave themselves an “A” when it comes to educational technology, leaving room for growth in this area for many.

Many of those who feel that teaching may be their calling or are looking to advance their career in education may care for information about University of Phoenix teacher preparation programs, continuing teacher education and professional development

programs. They’re available on the University of Phoenix website at www.phoenix.edu/education.

Learn More

The University of Phoenix College of Education has been educating teachers and school administrators for more than 30 years. It provides bachelor’s and master’s degree programs for individuals who want to become teachers or current educators and administrators seeking advanced degrees to

strengthen their professional knowledge. With education programs available throughout most of the U.S., it has a distinct grasp of the national education picture and priorities for teacher preparation. It’s just one way University of Phoenix helps working adults. To learn about all the programs offered through the College of Education, visit www.phoenix.edu/education.

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