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Students, staff adjusting well to grad realignment

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

LEICESTER – Back to school time was a lot more complex this year than usual, but students and staff were well prepared for the changes.

The school district's grade realignment plan took effect over the summer, and students were introduced to the new configurations last week. The Leicester Primary School building, which was renamed Leicester Elementary School, now serves students in grades serves grades 5-8, and the high school now houses preschool students on the first floor.

Construction took place over the summer at the high school to prepare the building for its much younger occupants. Staff members made several extra efforts to ensure that everything was ready to go on the first day.

"Construction was completed on time and within budget. The new administrators have worked really hard all sum-

K-4. Leicester Middle School mer to make the transition as smooth as possible," said Leicester School Committee member Scott Francis.

Last year, the School Committee decided to close the memorial school and reconfigure the district's grades. Officials cited several benefits to closing the school, which was the lone school located off the town's main educational campus. With the realignment, all students in the dis-

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Historical, Cemetery Commissions team for gravestone preservation workshop

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

EAST BROOKFIELD - For those interested in not only learning about history, but preserving it, the perfect opportunity is coming up later this month.

East Brookfield The Historical Commission and the East Brookfield Cemetery Commission are teaming up to host a gravestone preservation workshop. Set for Sunday, Sept. 29, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the event will be led by Ta Mara Conde, of Historic Gravestone Services. Having preserved and restored gravestones for the past 21 years, Conde will introduce guests to several best practices.

The event will also be infor-

to care for the stones."

Over the course of time, gravestones often fall over and inscriptions either wear away or are covered by natural growth. By learning professional strategies for cleaning and restoring gravestones, residents can help preserve critical pieces of town history. It's especially important to learn the proper techniques, officials said, to avoid causing additional damage or discoloration.

The cost of the workshop will be funded in part by the Historical Commission. Participants will each pay a \$25 fee, which includes a 45-minute overview, instruction in cleaning and resetting stones, and a session for hands-on practice.

Kevin Flanders Photo

Heavy machinery is put to the test during the tractor pull competition during the Spencer Fair. For more photos from this year's Fair, see page A5.

mative for those seeking a glimpse into the town and its early inhabitants.

"Gravestones are an essential part of the history of any town," said Heather Gablaski, a member of the East Brookfield Historical Commission. "The inscriptions give clues to the values and daily life in the history of a community, especially in the older sections of our town cemeteries, where there are no longer family members

Rather than simply schedule an informational event. organizers wanted to provide the hands-on component for residents. They are excited to welcome a longtime specialist to town to provide in-depth information for guests.

"I went to a presentation this summer hosted by the New Braintree Historical Society.

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Historical Society Museum offers a glimpse into the past

BY KEVIN FLANDERS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Thanks to extensive creativity and the hard work to go along with it, the town's rich history is at the forefront.

The new-look Spencer Historical Society Museum was unveiled at the library last month, and guests were thrilled about its collection. Located on stopped in. the third-floor mezzanine of Richard Sugden Public Library, the museum provides a central place for residents to take a glimpse into the past.

During the museum's reopening on Aug. 24, which coincided with the Spencer Street Party, several longtime residents and newcomers to town

"We had many visitors, great conversations, and some folks who said they had items they wanted to donate in order to pass along their history," said Spencer Historical Commission member Mary Baker-Wood, who played a pivotal role in readying the museum's collection.

The museum is operated by the Spencer Historical Society, a volunteer nonprofit group. Significant work has been done to procure new items and highlight the town's most treasured relics. Efforts are also being made to expand opportunities for residents to connect with their town's past.

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Courtesv Photo

The new-look Spencer Historical Society Museum has plenty of fascinating items.



Kathy Sullivan and her dedicated volunteer staff work to pack grocery bags to donate to those in need.

Spencer Cable Access to host Food Drive and Open House

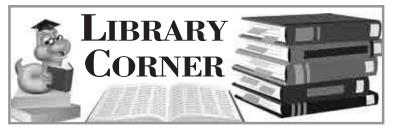
SPENCER — Spencer Neighbors" is held every Cable Access (SCA) is proud to host "Feeding Our Neighbors", a food drive and production studio open house to benefit the Spencer Food Pantry, on Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the SCA Studio, 310 Main St., and in the parking lot of the adjoining David Prouty High School.

Our "Feeding

year to help the local Spencer Food Pantry. Donations of non-perishable food items, toiletries, and financial contributions can be made at the event. Checks may be made out to "Spencer Food Pantry". SCA will match monetary donations up to \$1,000. Visit SCATV.org/food for additional information and updates. There will also be a special check presentation by Klem's Department store which has coordinated a "register round-up" campaign in support of the Spencer Food Pantry.

"Each year, we at Klem's run a program whereby our customers can make a contribution

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Richard Sugden Library

8 Pleasant St., Spencer (508) 885-7513

Tonight! Thursday, Sept 12 Get up and move with Deb Hudgins' music and move-ment program "Now I Know My ABCs." This program is open to all toddler and pre-K children and their families. Meets in the Richard Sugden Library Community Room from 10:00-10:45. This program is sponsored by Community Connections and the Friends of the Richard Sugden Library.

from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Private Timothy Donnelly died with General George Armstrong Custer and the 7th Cavalry at the Battle of Little Big Horn in 1876. Patrick Townsend and Patricia Glennon will entertain us in this living history program on this Donnelly family's ancestor from Spencer's Upper Wire Village! Patrick Townsend and Patricia Glennon have co-authored the book: To Ride with the 7th, a part-fictional, historically accurate story about Private Timothy Donnelly. Books will be available for purchase (\$10.00) and author signing

Living History: Re-visit

Custer's Last Stand with Private Timothy Donnelly.

Adults and teens are invited

after the performance.

September 16

Community Connections parent/caregivhosts а er & child playgroup from 10:00 am-11:30 am for infants through age 5 every Monday! These free programs are provided by a grant through the Department of Early Education and Care.

Haunted History Walk Rehearsal! Teen Mania will act out a brief history of some of the people who are buried in the Congregational Church Cemetery. Meets Monday from 3:30-4:30. Rehearsals will consist of researching, script writing, acting, and costuming.

September 18

Pause: Mindfulness Mediation is held on the Library's Main Floor on Wednesdays from 8:30 am-9:30 Drop-in and learn about am. mindfulness. We will practice mindfulness, and discuss using these tools to enhance our relationship with ourselves and

others.

Mark Your Calendars Monday, September 23

Women of '76. The Richard Sugden Library & Senior Living at Prouty present: Meet some of the women, both patriot and loyalist, who changed the course of the American Revolution. Adults (Grades 8+) are invited at 6:00 pm. Performed by Rita Parisi of Waterfall Productions. Sign up for a reminder by visiting, or calling the library at (508) 885-7513, or online at www. spencerpubliclibrary.org. Sponsor: This program is supported in part by a grant from the Spencer Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

September 26

Secrets of the Quabbin Watershed. Adults and Teens are invited to this free program from 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm. Listen to stories & view photographs of animals at the

Quabbin. Dale Monette shares his beautiful photographs from eagles & loons to otters, bears & more, along with scenic views of the 18-mile-long Quabbin Reservoir. After the presentation, Dale Monette's book, Secrets of the Quabbin Watershed, will be available for purchase (\$25.00) and author signing. The book contains 130 of his best photographs. Sponsor: Friends of the Library.

Toddler and Pre-K Story times start Tuesday October 1st. Stop in and sign up or call the library at 508-885-7513 ext.2 to get the e-mail reminders about Story Time programs.

October 16

Metal Jewelry Class. Adults and Teens (Grades 9+) are invited to attend from 6:00 pm -8:00 pm. Design original metal pieces. Signup required. Space is limited. Sign up by visiting, or calling the library at (508) 885-7513, online at www.spencerpubliclibrary.org.

Spencer Cultural Council seeks funding proposals

SPENCER — The Spencer Cultural Council (SCC) is seeking funding proposals from individuals, schools, and other organizations that support cultural activities in the community. Eligible projects can include performances, exhibits, festivals, field trips, shortterm artist residencies, workshops, lectures, and more. This year, the council will distribute approximately \$8,800 in grants. The application deadline is Oct. 15.

For the first time, the SCC will distribute funds to recipients prior to the execution of their projects. The new funding process, introduced on a limited basis by the Massachusetts Cultural Council last year, replaces the previous system of reimbursing recipients after they completed their project.

According to SCC Chair John Green, "The council voted unanimously to adopt the new system because we believe that receiving funding in advance may enable more people to deliver programs to the community.

Application forms and more informa-

drug charges

tion about the Local Cultural Council Program are available online at www. mass-culture.org. For more information about the Spencer Cultural Council or the application process, call 774-479-8797.

The SCC is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences, and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

The SCC is actively seeking new members. Volunteers meet several times a year to distribute funds in support of programs that enhance our community. Anyone interested in serving is invited to complete a volunteer application form on the town website or to contact the town clerk.

Second Chance helping pets affected by Hurricane Dorian

NORTH BROOKFIELD — Second Chance Animal Services traveled to Delaware on Labor Day on a mission to help pets being affected by Hurricane Dorian. The team delivered critically needed crates for pets being evacuated ahead of the Hurricane Dorian and brought back 17 homeless cats that were evacuated from a shelter in Hilton Head, S.C.

Animal shelters in southern states have been relocating homeless pets to make room for displaced pets in impacted communities. The cats that came to Second Chance were airlifted from South Carolina to Delaware through a joint effort by the ASPCA and Wings of Rescue, and made the trip to Massachusetts Tuesday.

The travel-weary cats are currently resting at the nonprofit's Almost Home Transport Facility while they complete their 48-hour state-mandated quaran-

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tine, after which they will get a thorough check up. Second Chance vets will take care of any medical needs before they go to the Adoption Center in East Brookfield to begin the next chapter of their lives.

'Second Chance was able to take two cats with tougher medical needs. With our hospitals, we have the medical resources to help these pets," said founder and CEO Sheryl Blancato who was part of the transport team. "We've been told one cat has serious heart and digestive issues. We'll work to treat this guy so he can have his second chance too."

Second Chance remains on standby to help in any way needed. Anyone wishing to help with the cost of transport and medical care can donate at secondchanceanimals.orgor through the special fundraiser set up on their Facebook page.





SPENCER - A Spencer woman is facing several drug charges following an arrest earlier this month.

Garimar Gonzalez-Rivera, 34, was arrested on a warrant after a Sept. 2 traffic stop. She is facing charges of trafficking in cocaine; distribution in cocaine; and distribution of heroin and

Gonzalez-Rivera was not present

Spencer woman facing

when a search warrant was executed at her apartment on Aug. 16. Police believe that she deliberately hid with a

After booking, the suspect was transported to East Brookfield District Court for arraignment, where she was held on



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Thursday, Sept. 19 - In the Town of Brookfield at the Town Hall 10 - 10:45 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 19 - In the Town of East Brookfield- Senior Center - 11-11:45 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 19 - In the Town of Spencer at Howe Village Hall, 12:30 -1:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 26 – In the Town of West Brookfield at the Senior Center Noon – 12:45 p.m.

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

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North Brookfield Savings Bank announces successful school supply drive



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North Brookfield Savings Bank is proud to support Palmer and Three Rivers students of Old Mill Pond Elementary School with the Back to School Supply Drive. Shown are North Brookfield Savings Bank Palmer Branch Manager Jennifer Plassmann and Three Rivers Branch Manager Rachael Slozak delivering the second round of school supplies donated by NBSB and generous community members to Old Mill Pond Elementary Principal Mike Leander and Assistant Principal Allison Petit.

NORTH BROOKFIELD — North Brookfield Savings Bank is committed to excellence and the support of their local communities, which is exactly why the Bank hosts the annual Back to School Supply Drive fundraiser in order to help children from their local communities to excel in school. With the fundraiser coming to a close, and the children returning to their school classrooms, North Brookfield Savings Bank is pleased to announce the fundraiser was a resounding success! In fact, because of the Bank's contribution and the overwhelming support of local neighbors and community members, many of the children had a special backpack full of supplies to help start their school year of right.

"We frequently hear that our customers love this fundraiser and we love it too! Back to School season is such an exciting time of year and we are so happy to work with our community members to support our local children," said Andrea Healy, Senior Vice President of Human Resources. "I think we all agree that each and every child, regardless of income or circumstances, deserves the opportunity to be as prepared as possible to receive their

Students named to Dean's List at Western NE University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates more than 500 students named to the Spring 2019 Dean's List. Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Jacob Glass of Brookfield, working toward a BA in Communication/Media Theory & Prod Concentration.

Derrick Mensah of East Brookfield, working toward a BSE in Mechanical Engineering.

Kayla Bolduc of Leicester, working toward a BS in Health Sciences. Troy Johnson of Leicester, working toward a BSBA in Sport Management. Emma Schultz of North Brookfield, working toward a BS in Biology. Andrew Fountain of West Brookfield, working toward a BSBA in Business

Analytics & Information Management. Celebrating its Centennial in the year 2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

education and start the school year feeling positive. It is so wonderful to be involved and help make that possible."

Throughout August, North Brookfield Savings Bank employees, customers and community members showed their kindness and generosity by making thousands of donations. Many supporters visited the branches donating multiple backpacks and overflowing shopping bags of supplies, including pencils, notebooks, erasers, pencil cases, folders and lunch boxes. When the fundraiser came to a close, more than 6,000 school supply items were collected to be distributed to the children of local schools.

School supply donations were delivered directly to local elementary schools where the welcoming staff divided up the collected supply items and prepared them for children who would benefit from them in the coming first days of school.

"The School Supply Drive fundraiser is one that both the givers and the receivers experience joy from." said Caitlin O'Connor, Assistant Vice President/Marketing Manager. "We are overwhelmed and grateful for the continued generosity shown by the members of our communities. It is clear that we all want the children to have a positive and successful school year. Our sincerest thanks to everyone who showed their support."

To learn more about North Brookfield SavingsBank'scommunitygivingefforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit www. NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com.





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Leicester Harvest Fair 2019

An Old-Time Country Fair

Saturday, September 21, 2019 Leicester Town Common

10:00am - 4:00pm

Home Brew Competition • Crafters • Artisans Demonstrators • Food Vendors • Entertainment • Hay Rides & More!

Live music will entertain throughout the day including "Slo Grass," "Doolin' Lads," and "Yankee Notions." "Doolin' Lads," is being sponsored by Cornerstone Bank.

<u>Exhibits & Contests</u>: All entries must be brought to the town hall on Friday Sept. 20 between 4-7:30pm. Photography, flowers, fresh vegetables, canning of jams, jellies, pickles and relishes, fiber arts including quilting, knitting, rug hooking, weaving, needlepoint, spinning, tatting, crocheting, embroidery, and sewing and baking. The competitions are for both adults (18 years and over) and youth (under 18).

Silent auction – foods, baked goods, and floral arrangements may be donated to the Harvest Fair for a silent auction to help defray costs of the fair.

Something for everyone includes crafters, artisans (including a basket weaver, a cooper, needlework, blacksmith, tinsmith), demonstrators, food vendors.

For the kiddies we will have Children's games, face painting (sponsored by LHS art club), pumpkin decorating (sponsored by Country Bank), as well as turtle races, sponsored by The Art Club.

There will be a hay ride sponsored by Country Bank.

For more information call 508-410-5177



Runners lace up for Devin Kravitz Memorial 5K

Kevin Flanders Photos

LEICESTER – Runners from throughout the area laced up for the 13th annual Devin Kravitz Memorial 5K.

Held on Aug. 31, the race drew runners of all ages to the Senior Center. All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association and Myocarditis Foundation. The event is held annually in memory of Devin Kravitz, who died at 22 of viral myocarditis. The event not only raises money each year, but also awareness of the disease.



Cody, Janet, and Liz Kravitz enjoy a sunny race day.



Members of the Dufour clan, of Leicester, brought the whole family out for the event.



Racers take their positions on the road.



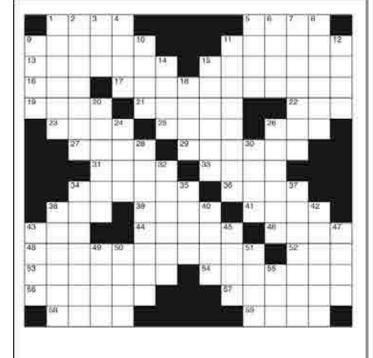
Racers from several teams cruise by.





Leicester athletes are eager for the event to begin.





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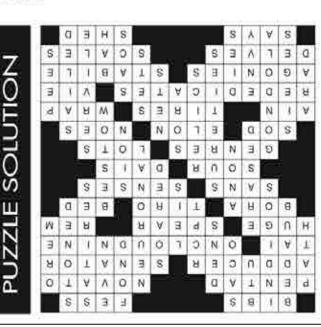
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Paula Edmonds, right, and Keri Hoenig spend the morning with Hazel the dog.

Notice to the Residents of THE TOWN OF EAST BROOKFIELD

> Hydrants will be flushed September 9, 2019 through September 25, 2019 This may result in brief periods of rusty water. Board of Water Commissioners

Pet of the Week Sponsored by Leicester Veterinary Clinic, LLC

Name: Tukka Breed: Labrador Retriever/ Mix Age: 2 yr 6 mos Gender: Male Size: Medium

we'd be a good fit!

Size: Medium Hi there, my name is Tukka! I am a super sweet boy looking for my forever home. I still have some puppy energy, but I've mostly grown out of my jumping and chewing phase. I love going for walks, and I am always ready for pets. I am not a fan of other dogs or cats, so I do need to be an only pet, but I promise I will provide all the love you need! Please come and meet me if you think

Second Chance Animal Services Inc. East Brookfield, MA• (508) 867-5525 www.secondchanceanimals.org



Members of the Central Mass. Striders get ready to run.



The Duval family is excited for the race to get underway.



The Lockhart and Mason families get registered for the event.

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A day at the Fair

SPENCER - For more than 100 years, families from throughout the area have celebrated the end of summer at the Spencer Fair. This year, with the full cooperation of the weather, families enjoyed a full slate of shows and activities. From musical performances to demolition derbies and agricultural events, there was something for everyone on the fairgrounds.



Chrissie Belliveau (back right) spends the day with Ashley Forrest and five-year-old Summer Valerio



Michelle Davoren and Max Masters represent Cutco.



Spencer's Bill Constantine with his cow, Sir Loin.



David Prouty High School students raise funds in support of the Marching Panther Band.



Mandi Al-beik, of Worcester, with her seven-year-old daughter Hayley.



Some of the biggest pumpkins in the area are on display.





Dixie Hubbard spends the day with her cousin, Brandon Cheney, both of Princeton.

Spencer's Annie Forget greets guests at her table.



Donna Cutler, of Spencer, watches an agricultural show with her nephew, Matthew Card.





Hazel the horse made the trip from Domnarski Farm in Ware.

TOWN OF BRIMFIELD BUILDING COMMISSIONDER/ZONING **ENFOREMENT OFFICER PART TIME POSITION VACANCY** THIS IS AN ANNUAL APPOINTED POSITION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen is seeking interested individuals to fill the position of Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Summary of Position Responsibilities:

The Building Commissioner exercise considerable independent judgement and initiative in the performance of highly responsible work of a complex and technical nature relative to th enforement and interpretation of the Massachusetts Building Code, the Town Zoning By-law and other applicable laws, regulations, codes, and provisions relating to building construction and design. Errors would result in property damage, personal injury, and have legal and financial reprecussions, and/or cause adverse public relations for the Town. Minimum of 5 yrs experience in the superviosn of building construction, certification as a local building inspector, supervisory skills and use of computer office applications. Ability to obtain state certification as a Building Commissioner/Inspector of Buildings in accordance with MGL.143.3".

Description of Supervion/Supervisory Responsibilities:

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Full job description is available on the town website at www.brimfieldma.org or by emailing selectmen@brimfieldma.org. Applications, including resume will be accepted by the Board of Selectmen, 23 Main Street, Brimfield, MA 01010. Position will remain open until qualified candidate is chosen.



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East Brookfield seniors celebrate at Sheriff's Senior Picnic

SHREWSBURY Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis had the distinct pleasure of hosting over one thousand senior citizens from throughout Worcester County for the Sheriff's Annual Senior Picnic held on Saturday, Aug. 17 at SAC Park in Shrewsbury. The Sheriff's picnic has become a highly anticipated and beloved annual event for the county's senior community and this year drew a record crowd including a large contingent of over twenty seniors from East Brookfield.

"As Sheriff, hosting the Senior Picnic is one of the most special days of the year. It's a great honor to give back to our seniors who have given so much to their communities and it is wonderful to see the joy this day brings to so many people," said Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis.

"This is a wonderful day for seniors. Sheriff Evangelidis does so much to make this an incredible event and I am thrilled to volunteer every year at



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Rep. Donnie Berthiaume and Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis say hello to East Brookfield seniors from left to right - Jean Murray and Kathi Pratt as they enjoy the festivities at the Sheriff's Annual Senior Picnic held on Aug. 17 at SAC Park in Shrewsbury

his picnic as well as see so many great friends from my district," said Rep. Donnie Berthiaume (R-Spencer).

The picnic was sponsored by the Worcester County Reserve Deputy Sheriff's Association including donations by many local businesses and featured a traditional BBQ menu, cash bingo, raffle prizes, complimentary gift bags and music entertainment. More than 250 volunteers, including over 100 members of the Nichols College football team, were also on hand to assist with the high turnout. The Sheriff also provided inmate labor to assist with the set up and break down of the highly attended event.

'We are thrilled it has become such a beloved annual tradition and I am grateful to the team that puts this together and the volunteers that help make this day happen," said Evangelidis.

Leicester students receive Women's Club scholarships

LEICESTER - Six Leicester seniors received a Leicester Women's Club Scholarship for college this Fall.

Erin Socha, Taylor Fontaine and Megan Gaucher received an Elizabeth Swan Nursing Scholarship. The Swan family donated Scholarship Funds to the Leicester Women's Club in memory of their mother Elizabeth Swan, a nurse and past Women's Club president. Hannah DiPilato, Colleen Lamprey, and Lydia Petit received Leicester Women's Club Scholarships. This year, five of the six recipients are Leicester High graduates and the sixth is a graduate of Holy Name High School. Linda Granville, LWC President notes that although this past year all our recipients were girls, we do encourage boys to complete an application.

The Leicester Women's Club will be holding its annual theme basket raffle at the Leicester Harvest Fair, Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. to raise scholarship funds for 2020 seniors. Our 56 members are busy designing their baskets and will donate a variety of theme baskets to be raffled off. "This fund raiser is a lot of fun" and so worthwhile! We are very grateful to the community who have always been active participants for this important event, by purchasing tickets and placing them in their basket selections throughout the day. The drawing will be held that afternoon at 3:15 p.m., when winners will be announced. Come join us!



Students named to President's List at Western NE University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates over 300 students named to the Spring 2019 President's List. Students are named to the President's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.80 or higher.

Erin Butts of Brookfield, working toward a BS in Actuarial Science.

Shaylah Dorman of West Brookfield, working toward a BS in Health Sciences. Celebrating its Centennial in the year

2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

Loyola University Maryland welcomes Colin Nosek

BALTIMORE, Md. -Colin Nosek, from Spencer, is now a member of the class of 2023 at Loyola University

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trict attend school on the same campus. This improves efficiency and planning for bus routes and district-wide events like Evening with the Arts, officials said.

With one less school to run, the district will also enjoy a significant financial savings. This will enable the district to retain teachers and not have to cut programming, school leaders said.

Last year, School Committee members had several concerns about the reconfiguration, but a presentation from Superintendent Marilyn Tencza helped solidify a plan for all buildings.

The elementary school, middle school, and high school have a combined capacity of approximately 1.800 students. The district currently has a total enrollment of 1,458 students, so there are no concerns about overcrowding, officials said.

On Sept. 3, the first day of school, students and staff settled into their new locations. The move was a smooth one for all students thanks to an array of projects over the summer.

There was other construction work that was completed in the middle and elementary schools to accommodate the new classes that went into those buildings. This was very minor compared to the pre-K rooms," Tencza told the New Leader.

Alia ~ Age 9

benefit from being part of a 2-parent

family with or without older children in the home. The ideal family for Alia

would be patient and nurturing with the ability to keep up with her active nature. A family must also continue the services she currently has in place to address her emotional and academic needs. She does well with structure, routine and guidance and would like a family who is able to provide her with that. She would like to find a family with someone who is able to manage her hair, or willing to learn! Alia shares close relationships with her birth parents, who she currently visits with individually on a bi-weekly basis, as well as two brothers she will need to remain in contact with after placement.

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

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Maryland.

As first-year students embark on their college experience, they will all take part in Loyola's living learning program, Messina. The common text for Messina is Heartland, by Sarah Smarsh. The book, an eye-opening memoir of working-class poverty in America that "will deepen our understanding of the ways in which class shapes our country.'

Established in 1852, Loyola University Maryland is a Catholic, Jesuit comprehensive university comprising Loyola College, home to the University's arts and sciences programs; the Sellinger School of Business and Management; and the School of Education. Loyola enrolls 4,000 undergraduate and 2,000 graduate students from across the countrv.

GRAVESTONE

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and we decided to host a hands-on workshop in East Brookfield," Gablaski added. "Our hope is that after a core group of people learn how to take care of the stones in our cemeteries, we would like to schedule two days a year when the work can take place.

Space for the event is limited to 20 participants. Guests will meet at Town Hall at 9 a.m. for an informational presentation. Participants will then travel to Evergreen Cemetery (you must provide your own transportation).

For more information about the gravestone preservation workshop, send an email



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<u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u>

pointed out as equal, but the claim of nose begins."

To the Editor:

I feel a need to write a letter in response to Mr. Rick Belton's editorial of Aug. 23.

False equivalence is a logical fallacy in which two completely opposing arguments appear to be logically equivalent when, in fact, they are not. This fallacy is categorized as a fallacy of inconsistency. A common way for this fallacy to be perpetuated is one shared trait between two subjects is assumed to show equivalence, especially in order of magnitude, when equivalence is not necessarily the logical result. False equivalence is a common result when an anecdotal similarity is equivalence doesn't bear because the similarity is based on oversimplification or ignorance of additional factors. False equivalence arguments are often used in politics, where the minor flaws of one candidate or party may be compared to major flaws of another.

The Left is about treating everybody with dignity and respect; however, of course, within limits. We don't owe or afford demagogues who wish to tear down others or deny others dignity with dignity or respect. To quote SCOTUS Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, "our right to swing your arms ends just where the other man's

Some people support the American value enshrined in the First Amendment that prohibits the government from establishing an official religion and giving rise to the modern secular state. Today, all first world countries are functionally secular with faith based governments being relegated to the third world. This is a settled issue worldwide except the notable exception of the United States where Christians still hold considerable power. The First Amendment prohibits giving preference to any religion regardless of how many adherents happen to be in the country, and it guarantees the free exercise of religion by individuals and private groups within.

The Left supports the First Amendment in the sense that it is intended to erect a wall between Church and State. Many on the right want that wall torn down, and consider their religious freedom to include imposing their religion on others. This can be seen with issues surrounding birth control, abortion, LGBT issues, public school curriculums, etc. The type of person that wants to impose their religion on me, my family, my friends, or my neighbors deserves no

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"The Historical Society has undertaken an ambitious project to create a digital catalog of all museum collections, which will provide control over our collections and storage areas – and allow us to produce modern exhibits, displays, brochures, and online catalogs," Baker-Wood added.

Spencer's historical artifacts have had many homes over the centuries. In the nineteenth century, artifacts were displayed in the basement library of Town Hall, then moved upstairs to a room on the building's second floor. The museum remained at Town Hall until Richard Sugden Public Library was opened in 1889. Artifacts were then displayed in the library's reading room and later moved to the basement during a renovation project in 1931.

Flash forward to the present, a tour through the museum provides guests with a more comprehensive look at Spencer history than ever before. The museum's current theme is a Victorian cabinet of curiosities, which recreates the style of the original museum. Later in the fall, new themes and interactive displays will fascinate guests of all ages. Moreover, the museum has always been known for several classic items. These include the Elias Howe collection; several Howe sewing machines; an array of boot-making artifacts and ledgers from the Josiah Green Boot Manufactory; military items; and an extensive local photo collection.

"The museum continues, as it has throughout its history, to be an integral part of the Richard Sugden Library," said Baker-Wood, who formerly served as the library's director. "Our current focus is on acquiring, displaying, and providing public access to our collections, which tell compelling stories about Spencer history."

Hours of operation for the museum are Mondays (5-7 p.m.); Tuesdays (10 a.m.-noon); and other times by appointment. You may sign up for appointments at the library's main desk.

Residents are also reminded that the museum accepts ongoing donations of items related to Spencer history. Stop in at the library for more information.

To learn more about the museum, or to sign up for library programs, call 508-885-7513.

FOOD DRIVE

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to the Spencer Food Pantry by simply rounding up their total to the nearest dollar. Last year, our customers collectively donated over \$5,000 and we are excited to see where we end up this year," said Jessica Bettencourt, President of Klem's Department Store.

"This event is very important for our community. It's a way to stand side by side and make a difference," said Aaron Keyes, SCA station manager.

A live broadcast on Spectrum channel 192 and 194 and streamed live at SCATV.org and on Facebook Live will feature donation updates, interviews with participants, and SCA studio tours and demos.

Spencer Cable Access has sponsored ten fall open houses and food drives gathering more than 15,000 pounds of food and more than \$15,000 in donations. SCA, which broadcasts local content on Charter Communications chan-

nels 191, 192 and 194 in Spencer and has operated since 1999, is seeking new volunteers. Spencer residents interested in learning about video and television production, editing, graphics, or audio and those willing to provide office support are encouraged to visit the studio during the Open House to learn about the wide range of opportunities. An SCA volunteer may perform a single task, for example videotape a sports event or a special town program or a volunteer may choose to participate regularly, taping Spencer board or committee meetings or staffing the station for two hours each week. A potential producer may suggest a new television show that the volunteer oversees from start to finish. Training in all aspects of production, including camera operation and use of the editing suite is provided. New volunteers are mentored and assisted by experienced staff. Anyone who cannot attend the open house may visit the SCA Web site, SCATV.org or email akeyes@scatv.org for additional information.

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Editorial

Extracurricular activities make for a better student

Day in and day out, we see high school students bust through the doors when the clock strikes 2:45 p.m. to make their way for home. Some students are headed to an after school job or to help out with the family business; however, those cases are few and far between. Some of the best learning actually happens after school due to the fact that any extracurricular activity you are a part of is by choice. Being a part of a sports team teaches teamwork, discipline, commitment, keeps you fit and healthy; not to mention, it's fun.

If your budding student isn't into sports, have no fear — there are a plethora of clubs and activities that go on after school that do not require a mouthguard or running shoes. The list of clubs is nearly endless — Spanish club, French Club, FFA, FBLA, Film and Art clubs, Odyssey of the Mind, TSA, to name a few. If you can think it, there's a club for it. Oftentimes, students aren't aware of the fact that they may excel at a specific sport because they have not yet been exposed to it. If there isn't a club your Sally or Johnny are interested in, have them form one of their own. To participate in just school during regular hours is to rob yourself from the full experience, it can also be viewed as simple laziness.

Extracurricular activities can help a student 'push their paradigms' as a wise teacher once said. High endurance activities train athletes to practice patience and resilience in the face of intense conditions and also teaches what it means to set and achieve a goal.

Leadership clubs such as YLTA fos-



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR America is a republic!

To the Editor:

These United States are republic, not democratic. The authors of the Constitution were radically republican, believing that the only legitimate form of government was one in which public authority derived entirely from the people, through their representatives.

Our system of government is republican in and through the Founders of the Constitution, understanding that the public is the only legitimate sovereignty of government representation through their representatives.

A republic is a government in which the extreme power resides in a body of citizens entitled to vote, and is exercised by elected officers and representatives responsible to the citizens and governing according to the law.

A democracy is a government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and is exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation.

When Benjamin Franklin was asked in 1787 what sort of government the Constituting Convention had created, he famously said "republic." During the American Revelation, Benjamin served in the Second Continental

Congress and helped draft the Declaration of independence in 1776. In 1787, Benjamin's final significant act of public service was as a delegate to the convention that produced the U.S. Constitution.

A republic constitution limits the power of the government, such as the Bill of rights; the right to vote and the power to amend the constitution are limited and cannot be changed by the sitting government without consulting the public directly.

The Democrats present themselves as a democratic republic governed by a Constitution. The democratic government can probably amend the constitution through acts of parliaments and referendums, as long as the Constitution continues to protect the people? I am not certain; I don't believe this will happen because the Democrats want to establish a socialist government country, and America is a republic nation.

Be careful people. Be wise. Do your research. Your life, the lives of your families and coming generations depend on it.

> GOD BLESS AMERICA! ROLAND BLAIS BROOKFIELD

What can a financial advisor do for you?



What does investing mean to you? If the word makes you think of transactions - buying or selling stocks and

bonds - you're looking at just part of the picture. To work toward all your goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you need a comprehensive financial strategy. And for that, you might need to work with a personal financial advisor. But what, specifically, can this type of professional do for you?

Here are some of the key services a financial advisor can provide:

Help you invest for your retirement – An experienced financial advisor can look at all the relevant factors – vour current and projected income, age at which you'd like to retire, desired retirement lifestyle – to help you deter-mine how much you need to invest, and in which investment vehicles, to help you reach your retirement goals. To cite just one example, a financial advisor can review your employer-sponsored retirement plan and help you determine how to use it to your greatest advantage.

Help you save for college - Higher education is expensive, and costs are rising every year. If you'd like to help your children – or grandchildren – go to college someday, you need to save and invest early and often. A financial advisor can suggest appropriate college savings vehicles and strategies.

Help make sure you're well-protected - If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult chil dren for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs. Help you adjust your financial strategy - Not much will stay constant in your life - and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of events - a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination - can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the factors influencing the financial markets - economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed - and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other. While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you'll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you'll want to pick someone who understands what's important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you'll want someone who will be with you in the long run someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

Thanks to all who supported our Summer Reading program

To the Editor:

As school starts and the laughter, hustle and bustle, and creative din dies down in the Children's room, we say goodbye to our summer reading program. "A Universe of Stories" was sponsored by the Richard Sugden Library, the Massachusetts Regional Library Systems, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The children of the Richard Sugden Library read over 1,000 books this summer! Since we surpassed our summer reading goal, Cornerstone Bank has provided \$100 to give to a charity. This year, we donated to WildAid.

It was great to have the children's room full of families having fun. A free program like this thrives only with community support. Many thanks to Cornerstone Bank for being our major sponsor. Thanks to the Museum Of Science for bringing their Night Sky program to us. Thanks to the Friends of The Richard Sugden Library and Cornerstone Bank for helping to fund a music and movement program with Julie Stepanek. Thank you to Cornerstone Bank for funding Dungeons and Dragons with Masters of Adventure, and Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins. Also thanks to the Spencer Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, for grants for the kick off performance of Lindsay and her Puppet Pals and the grand finale performance by magician Stephen Brenner.

Thanks to the Spencer Subway and the Spencer McDonald's for scavenger hunt prizes, and to the Price Chopper/ Market 32, for donations to help with our Ice Cream Social.

Thanks also to all the parents and caregivers who brought their children to our programs and encouraged them to read. Thanks to volunteers Morgan Kates, Grace Kates, Desiree Cantelli, Eliana Barnett, Elizabeth Cabana, Monique Cournoyer, and Lynn Dobson, for helping out. Finally, thank you to Fiona Halloran our super helpful library page, and Amy Paul, mv cheerful, hardworking assistant!

ters management and delegation skills and debate clubs can teach students how to gain more confidence for public speaking

When a student is involved in extracurricular activities, they expand their social circle. It presents a chance for students to spend time with those who share similar interests. Time management skills are honed due to the balancing act that being more involved in hobbies requires.

Students who branch out into other facets of school life are more likely to settle into a career they are passionate about. When they expose themselves to different things the chance becomes higher that they will meet a diverse group of students as well as formulate their own ideas on their future.

According to one study, students who are involved in extracurricular activities surpass their peers in the classroom and maintain a sense of be-longing and overall well being. Clubs play a large role in developing a student's self-esteem and also allows them to feel like they're contributing to a larger cause.

Colleges hold students who are more involved in their school community in higher esteem. The clubs and sports they are involved in gives a clearer picture of what the student is like and what they can offer the university.

Schools should require every student to be involved in at least three different extracurricular activities by the time they graduate. Oftentimes, parents will give in to their child's lack of motivation; however, adolescence is when they need our guidance the most. If you raise the bar, they will reach it.

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Word & idea combat

To the Editor:

We've heard a lot from and about the faux five and the silly six (including our own Diogenes, Mr. McRae), but all of it seems to be missing the point.

Perhaps they are faux, as you say; perhaps they are real - but really, what difference does it make? You say you enjoy the challenge of word/ idea combat, but when faced with formidable opponents, your response was to start researching them for ad hominem attacks. Who is "we," anyway; are you part of a team of letter writer authenticators? How did you (plural) get access to voting records, tax records, licenses, permits, excise taxes, etc. anyway? How can you be sure your sources were exhaustive?

Many authors use pen names for variety of personal reasons, and it does not invalidate the content of their work. I find it hard to believe that anyone writing in to this paper doesn't live here - why and how would anybody else read or care about this publication?

How is the identity and address of the author relevant to the ideas presented? Is it that the content of the letters and ideas presented are impossible or difficult to answer, leading to the witch hunt instead of firing back?

We are all entitled to our personal political beliefs and all I ask is that we be honest with each other, but most of all honest with ourselves. Ad hominem attacks do nothing to advance your own cause. If there is a counter-point to be made, make it! If there isn't a counter-point to be made then let that author's point sink in before you attack their charactar! If you are defending the indefensible (which so frequently occurs with President Trump) then be honest with yourself and others - you consider him the lesser of the evils and explain why!

If you truly enjoy the challenge of word/idea combat, then go to war on the battlefield of ideas.

> RICHARD TAYLOR Spencer

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Things that need to happen in Spencer

To the Editor:

Three things that I would like to see happen in Spencer:

The town hall should be open one evening a week. Last year I had some business to conduct at town hall, and I had to go back a second day. So, I had to take parts of two days off from work. A Spencer resident should not have to take time off from work to conduct routine business with the Town of Spencer.

The Hazardous Waste Day should be advertised in the New Leader for the two weeks prior to the event. One year I forgot about it, and I had to hold

onto my hazardous waste for an additional year. Also, it would be better if the town would work with North Brookfield to hold two Hazardous Waste Days per year.

The library should be open on Saturdays. It is a day when practically all kids and adults have available time. If we don't have enough money to open the library five days per week, change the days of operation from M-T-W-Th to W-Th-F-S.

> ED SMALL Spencer

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<u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u> Unitary executive

To the Editor:

When President Trump doctored a National Hurricane Center map with a marker, many took it as proof positive that the President ignores reality and stretches the truth to serve is own purposes, whatever they may be.

The President's stubborn fixation on the issue and then ultimate validation from NOAA (a federal agency consisting of federal employees he can fire at will) only proves the point.

The media rightly covered this story, and rightly criticized the President. Presidential lies like this demand a response. We all have an obligation to call the president out when he states an untruth — especially those in the media. This is why we have freedom of the press – imagine if the press reported to a federal agency!

But in all the back and forth over "Sharpiegate," we've missed the much more important story. This isn't just about presidential lies and delicate egos. It's about presidential power and the "unitary executive theory," which posits that the president has unilateral and plenary authority to enforce the law as the president sees fit.

In taking a permanent marker to the official map, the president wasn't just trying to shore up political support or save face; he was actually changing reality, at least as it's understood for the purpose of policymaking within his administration. This is perhaps the most sweeping, and most breathtaking, kind of executive authority. And it's real cause for worry.

This isn't the first time Trump has exercised this kind of presidential authority. Coming into office, he altered the facts, established by national security experts in the executive branch, to justify his Muslim travel ban as a national security measure. As President, he continues to ignore and adapt facts, established by environmental experts in the executive branch, to decimate federal environmental protections. Most recently, he and his administration simply made up a justification (compliance with the Voting Rights Act), flatly contradicted by voting-rights experts in the Justice Department, in a failed quest to add a citizenship question to the census.

In these and many other areas, Trump has a well-established track record of unilaterally fashioning his own false reality within the executive branch, and shaping policies around it.

This power may seem outsized. But it shouldn't surprise anyone paying attention to shifts in presidential power over the last couple of decades.

In particular, supporters of robust presidential authority have gained substantial traction for their claim that under the Constitution, the President is a "unitary executive."

Under that theory, in order

to enforce laws as he sees fit, the President has absolute authority over the entire executive branch, including the bureaucracy and even independent agencies. These include agencies like the Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and offices like the special counsel — all familiar targets of Trump's political ire.

The unitary executive theory had a breakout appearance in 1988 in a lone dissent by Scalia, since deceased. In Morrison vs. Olson, Scalia argued that the then-applicable independent counsel law impermissibly intruded on the President's "unitary" power. Because the President couldn't summarily fire the independent counsel, Scalia wrote, the President couldn't fully control that office.

Since then, proponents of the unitary executive, largely political conservatives, waged a legal campaign to transform Scalia's lone dissent into a mainstream Constitutional position (except when it didn't suit their politics). Today, Scalia's dissent, and the unitary executive theory it articulates, may well garner a majority on the Supreme Court.

Under the strongest version of the theory, the president, and the president alone, can control every action within the executive branch — including amending findings and conclusions on national security, the environment, voting rights and even altering a National Hurricane Center map.

In other words, when the president reworks or even outright falsifies the work of an agency, he isn't so much changing the work of the executive branch. He's actually doing that work — by himself, without oversight, as the unitary executive. That's a kind of unilateral and unchecked power that no responsible democracy can countenance.

Trump may not understand the unitary executive theory. But we know from so many of his actions — including his efforts to thwart Congressional oversight, his use of his office for personal gain, and his moves to politicize the executive branch that he behaves like he understands the theory. Trump's excessive unilateral approach to the presidency is the logical extension of the theory, and he's the natural result of decades of work to promote it. He's also the best reason to abandon it.

Sharpiegate is yet another example of presidential lies and dissembling. And for that reason, it matters. But it matters, too, for a far more important reason, one that's been drowned out in all the Sturm und Drang over the doctored weather map — unrestrained presidential power.

> EDITH MILLER LEICESTER

To the Editor:

I am really hoping that our local Trump zombies defend the latest controversy, #sharpiegate. If we don't hear a response from them next week, the silence will tell more than words ever could.

The Trump administration presents a series of unanswerable moral riddles. What's worse —Trump's outrageous acts? His gaslighting? His willingness to lie about even things that offer him no benefit? His followers' eagerness to join him in coverups and lies? All three were on display this week in perhaps the most absurd yet inconsequential controversy yet ended in him committing a crime (18 U.S. Code § 2074.False weather reports) to preserve his bizarre ego.

At the time of this writing, Hurricane Dorian is a still classified as a category 1 hurricane, a tropical warm core weather system, battering Newfoundland, Canada (unusually warm waters and climate change, anyone?). Last week, it was a category 5, one of the strongest on record, and destroyed every structure on the island of Grand Bahama and was headed for the U.S. East Coast.

Trump cancelled his trip to Poland to mark the 80th anniversary of the start of WWII (he sent Pence and congratulated Poland, which is bizarre – either they should be proud they got invaded by the Nazis, or he didn't understand what the anniversary was for). He stayed home to 'monitor the storm,' but of course went golfing and on Sunday falsely tweeted that Alabama was going to get hit by the hurricane and much harder than anticipated. By that time, no weather forecaster was predicting that Dorian would impact Alabama whatsoever, and the 8 National Hurricane Center forecast updates over the preceding 24 hours showed Dorian steering well away from Alabama and moving up the Atlantic coast. The National Weather Service contradicted Trump minutes later saying that "Alabama will NOT see any impacts from Dorian." Of course, Dorian went up the east coast to Canada and did not impact Alabama.

Trump doubled down that he was right, and was ridiculed in the press. Then he tripled down. On Thursday, he showed a five day old forecast map in the Oval Office to reporters that he had modified with a black marker to include Alabama. Modifying official government weather forecasts is illegal in the USA.

Trump said he didn't know how the map was modified and defended his claims, stating he had a "better map." He later tweeted a map from the South FL water mgmt. district that was seven days old showing a 5 percent chance of tropical storm force winds affecting one county of Alabama. Trump continued to insist he was correct, unleashing a tsunami of ridicule on Twitter under #sharpiegate showing things like "the wall" drawn on a picture in sharpie, a map with Greenland that had USA written on it, Trump's face drawn on Mt. Rushmore in sharpie, stick figures drawn on the picture of his inaugural crowd, etc.

The White House confirmed that the modification was made with a Sharpie marker, one of which was on Trump's desk when the cameras were in the room.

The National Weather Service reports to NOAA, which reports into the Commerce Department, which reports to Trump. On Sept. 6, NOAA published a statement in support of Trump's claim, disavowing the accurate NWS tweet and contradicting its own accurate Sept. 1 statement. This NOAA statement read like a forced confession from North Korea. It was political, utterly disgusting and disingenuous, and with no scientific basis.

The way this unfolded was remarkable, something out of a bad movie. On one hand, we've made too much about this because it's just a line on a map. It is also Trump being Trump. He is refusing to admit an error, forcing his staff to pretend no error had been made, and spreading false information to protect his ego. What is indefensible is that the responsibility of the president is not to make himself look good, it is to protect the country.

Another bizarre twist is the sentimental spot Alabama seems to have for Trump. He had his first rally in Mobile, he returned after the election to thank Alabama. In his love for Alabama, he ignored the suffering and human tragedy in the Bahamas and ignored his constituents in important swing states like Florida and North Carolina.

We all knew Trump generated fake news, but fake weather is a new one.

This is so bad on so many levels. First, he didn't even need to address the NWS correction - they were correct, and the experts. Next, he could have admitted a mistake, or at least said he was wrongly told to deflect blame. Then he became obsessed with being "wrong," as the skies were sunny over Alabama, and focused the presidency on (illegally) creating fake news instead of the actual crisis on the east coast. He then (illegally) modifies official documentation with a marker. Finally, he forced a federal agency, NOAA, to 'disavow' the NWS's accurate statements from 5 days prior and contradict its own accurate statements.

How can anybody, regardless of politics or ideology, support this imbecile? I challenge the local Trumpers to explain why this is OK.

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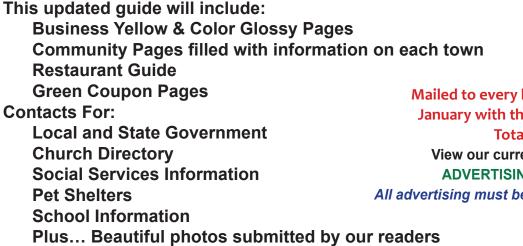
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Dudley man arrested attempting to flee police

BY KEVIN FLANDERS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD - A teenage suspect was arrested last month after fleeing police and crashing his car into a home on Wickaboag Valley Road.

The Aug. 30 incident began at approximately 5 a.m. when West Brookfield Police Officer James Early noticed a white sedan operating erratically on Cottage Street. The vehicle struck the granite curb on the northbound side of the street before making a U-turn, then striking the curb on the southbound side of the street.

Officer Early attempted to



stop the vehicle, which proceeded away at a high rate of speed, police said.

'Officer Early caught up to the vehicle on Lake Street and activated his emergency lights," read a statement from the West Brookfield Police Department. "At that point, the suspect vehicle accelerated and lost control as it headed south on Wickaboag Valley

The house was heavily damaged, but its occupants were not injured. Following the collision with the home and then a tree on the property, the driver exited the vehicle and ran from the scene. After officers from several departments set up a search perimeter and a State Police \overline{K} -9 unit responded, the suspect eventually walked out of the woods and surrendered to police.

The suspect, Owen West, 19, of Dudley, was arrested and charged with operating under the influence, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, fail-

Road, striking the residence at 6 Wickaboag Valley Road." ure to stop for police, leaving the scene of a property damage accident, and reckless operation.

> West was transported to Ware's Baystate Mary Lane Hospital, where he was treated for minor injuries and released. He was arraigned last week at East Brookfield District Court.

> Additional responding agencies included West Brookfield Fire, West Brookfield Rescue, Brookfield Police, North Brookfield Police, Hardwick Police, the State Police K-9 and airwing units, and the CEMLEC accident reconstruction team.

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respect. Imposing your sincerely held beliefs on others is not equivalent to fighting for the rights of individuals to live their lives as they see fit.

Many on the right will not use the succinct term "White Nationalist" but the greater pattern of their beliefs, writings, and actions leads to no other conclusion. Xenophobia is a spectrum disorder - there are some which are a little apprehensive of social contact with minorities on one end and then outright genocide on the other. Most Nazi party members were not fully aware of the genocide in Europe. Most

wanted to make Germany Great Again, restore German pride, restore order and regimentation to society, deal with 'problematic' minorities which were scapegoated, etc. The Nazi party won a democratic election before it turned dictatorial. My point is that America likes to think it is better than 1930's Germany, but given the history there and recent history here, we know it is not.

Trump falls into the category of deserves no respect because he is actively trying to harm others for political points, he is scapegoating whole groups of people, and his words are simply dangerous and have a body count.

When I use the term "Zombies" I

am referring to people who will follow/ defend Trump regardless of his words or actions. It's as if "nothing matters anymore". Look at how he has remade the Republican party in his image! It bears little to no resemblance from the Republican Party before him. Please re-read my letter of Aug. 9 - "zombies" are very appropriate. Perhaps you'd be more comfortable with "robot," 'sheep," "flunky," or "sycophant"?

Let's stop name calling? I'm trying to fight a match with fire. Trump speaks at a fourth grade level and hurls schoolyard taunts and it shockingly worked for him. Perhaps a college educated version of fact based name calling is just what the public needs.

We all want a better, safer, and more prosperous America. We need to treat everybody with dignity and respect unless they interpret that to mean imposing on others or committing human rights violations on others. This country is backsliding and drifting apart rapidly. The only way God is going to bring us together is if he actually exists and starts striking evil people with lightening and making his wishes clear. The longer this goes on, and the worse it gets, the more proof we have that there is no God. No God would allow this to continue.

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SPORTS A win for Rockets, a positive first game experience for David Prouty

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPOND

AUBURN — After seemingly sleepwalking through the first half of its game with David Prouty Regional, the Auburn High boys' varsity soccer team scored two goals in a four-minute span early in the second half and proceeded to defeat the Panthers, 2-0, at Memorial Field on Monday, Sept. 9.

With the win Auburn improved to 2-0-1 overall and 2-0 in the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL). David Pouty, making its 2019 season debut after two games had to be rescheduled, is 0-1 overall and in the SWCL.

"We didn't play great today; we played well enough to pull it out," Rockets' head coach Chris Bailey said. "The first 25-30 minutes we were very, very flat, and then we started moving the ball. We were going up over the top early; we weren't playing our possession game, our ball movement game. Once

we started doing that we were fine."

Senior Mike Breen staked Auburn to a 1-0 lead in the ninth minute of the second half, scoring on a header off a rightto-left crossing pass from classmate Sam Almeida.

'Mike Breen is a tremendous athlete. He's a really good soccer player, but even more so he's just a tremendous athlete." Bailey said. "He starts for us in the back and he doesn't score a lot of goals, but he comes up into the offensive end on corners and set plays and this was a set play.'

Breen's goal seemed to stagger the Panthers.

"You could see our posture change when they scored," David Prouty head coach Jed Prouty said. "So, we're going to work on our mentality this week. I want to make sure my guys stay in the game when they get behind the eight ball."

While it's a no-brainer to say that scoring the first goal of a game is big, it seemed even

Jason Mckay photos

bigger in this game because the upstart Panthers, a Division 4 school, were fighting the Division 3 Rockets tooth and nail into the 49th minute.

"Right before Mike scored one of my players came to the sideline and said, 'if we can just get one we can probably take the wind out of them," Bailey said. "That's exactly what happened.'

Junior Drew Lemanski extended the Auburn lead to 2-0 four minutes later, scoring off an assist from classmate Fidel Castro

"Drew's goal came after some good ball movement by us," Bailey said. "We had three or four touches in a row in the middle — our runs usually come in the middle — and Drew got a good shot because of that ball movement.'

Senior Coleman Picard posted the shutout in net for the Rockets, making three saves. Picard has not allowed a goal to be scored on him — or the Rockets — this season.

David Prouty received excellent play in net, too, sophomore Dan Blazejewski making 15 saves, nine coming in the first half.

"Dan is a young keeper and he did an outstanding job," Prouty said. "We got a new keeper coach for him this year and I think that has made a big difference. Dan was real good last year and we expect great things from him in the future."

Coach Prouty was disappointed with the loss, but remained upbeat after the game.

"We knocked the rust off a lit-tle bit today," he said, referring to his team's first game of the season. "I thought some of our young guys played well. I like a lot of what I saw today. I'm not disappointed with the guys; they played hard.

"As far as I'm concerned we were in the game the whole way," Prouty continued. "A I was pretty happy with our couple of stupid little mistakes overall performance." cost us a couple of goals, but



Erik Mikkila of David Prouty kicks the ball in from the sideline area



David Prouty's Brennan Ogert attempts to dribble on Auburn's Bryan Cavanaugh.



Kaden Wells of David Prouty gains some leverage on an Auburn defender while corralling the ball off his chest.



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Evan Fournier of David Prouty hustles after a loose ball while Auburn's Zack LaPointe gives chase.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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Brookfields Lions Club First place (58): Bill Herrick, Maura Herrick, Ron Jette, Anne Jette

Second place (60): Peter O'Neil, Bob Towle, Brett Dion, Paul Clifford

Third place (61): Mark Kokanski, Peter Davis, Lex Varney, Justin Howard

Fourth place (61): Dick Lappierre, Mike Befford, Branden Fullam, Bill Bowels

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First place (+9): Mark Laprad and Ed Regin

Second place (+5): Ron Barnes and Rich McMaster Third place (+4): Dennis Rice

and Mike Toomey

Pit's Crew

First place: Bill Herrick, Ron Jette, Russ Emerson, Bob Ford;

Second place: Bruce Gillis, Bruce Stevens, Ken Maclean, Jack Gordon; -7

Third place: Tony Neggers, Phil Courchane, Hector Vasquez, Rick Lavergne; -7

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Friday Night Couples (Aug. 30)

First place: Lois and Brian Shorten, 37 (+1)

Second place: Lisa Kularski and Jeff Smith, 38 (+2)

Third place: Lucille and Andy Newton, 38 (+2)

Friday Night Couples Finale (Sept. 6)

First place: Cheryl and Tom Barber, and Lucille and Andy Newton, 34 (-2)

Second place: Wendy and Rich Hebert, and Lois Fijol and Willy Kittredge, 35 (-1)

SPORTS

Now healthy, Rodrigues a key component toward Tantasqua's season and opening victory over Indians



Tantasqua's Brandon Rodrigues hopes to make a move around Bartlett's Dexziel Arvelo.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE—Brandon Rodrigues scored a pair of goals in the first six minutes of Tantasqua Regional's boys' varsity soccer game with Bartlett High on Thursday, Sept. 5, and then added two second-half assists to lead the Warriors to a rousing 7-0 victory over the Indians in the season-opening game for both teams.

Before the majority of the fans on hand at the Cage out on The Reservation had settled into their seats, the junior put Tantasqua ahead, 1-0, scoring in the fourth minute off an assist by senior teammate Roger Leland.





Tantasqua's Ethan Eroh keeps his head up, looking for an open teammate, while approaching the ball.

Leland started the goal-scoring play by taking a right-side free kick from about 20 yards out. Instead of taking a shot directly at the goal Leland sent the ball to the left of the net, where Rodrigues gathered it in and then booted it right-to-left past Bartlett goaltender Taven Phanthavong (12 saves) and into the far side of the goal.

Rodrigues pushed the Warriors' lead to 2-0 just two minutes later, taking a left-to-right crossing pass from classmate Ethan Eroh and pounding it into the back of the Indians' net.

"I got great passes from my teammates; they set me up perfectly. I was happy I was able to finish off those scoring opportunities," said Rodrigues, who missed most of last season because of injury. "I'm looking to stay healthy this season and I'm excited to be back playing again. I was really looking forward to getting out there for this game and I'm definitely looking forward to the whole season."

Tantasqua head coach Matt Guertin broke into a wide smile when asked about Rodrigues.

"Brandon is a great player; he is very highly skilled and he does a lot of good things," Guertin said. "He plays a lot of high-quality soccer. He has a high soccer IQ. We just want to keep him healthy this year. We know if we do that he will do good things for us. He's a great player to have." Tantasqua led 4-0 at halftime. The Warriors' other two goals in the first 40 minutes were scored by Leland, on a direct kick, and junior Spike Austin, off an assist from senior Sam Valcor. Leland, who finished with two goals and an assist, increased Tantasqua's lead to 5-0 in the fifth minute of the second half, scoring from about 25 yards out on a rocket of a shot that was still rising when it slammed into the back of the net. Eroh (goal, two assists) pushed the Warriors' lead to 6-0 with 30 minutes left in the game and then junior Abel Lidonde closed out the scoring three minutes later.

Rodrigues assisted on the final two goals, sending a pair textbook right-toleft crossing passes to his teammates.

"We work on crosses a lot," Rodrigues said. "I look to get crosses in from the right side every chance I get."

After the game, Guertin was pleased by his team's performance.

"The guys were doing good things with the ball, especially moving the ball, which is what we wanted to do because possession is what we work on all the time," Guertin said. "It paid off; we got some good looks and the guys capitalized on their shots today. It was a good start but this only Game 1"

Bartlett's best chance to score came in the third minute of the game, senior captain Jacob Vosburg just missing curling the ball inside the left post on a shot from the right side. The Warnious'

Tantasqua keeper Braylon Casinghino moves in to try and secure the ball.

defense pretty much shut the Indians down after that.

"That was a good opportunity for us," Bartlett head coach Ryan Renauld said. "I thought we had a decent buildup early, but we just couldn't finish. Then, falling behind 2-0 changed what we were trying to do.

"The quick start by Tantasqua knocked us back on our heels," Renauld continued. "We're a pretty veteran team, but as far as their experience in the positions they're playing right now, it's a learning experience for some of them. But it's a long season; we'll be OK. We'll get there."



The Quaboag Regional junior registered three goals and added two more assists in the Cougars' 10-0 victory over Palmer High in Quaboag's season-opener on Thursday, Sept. 5.

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Thursday, Aug. 29

Tantasqua 168, Quaboag 228 — In the first golf match of the season, played at Hemlock Ridge, the Warriors dispatched the Cougars. Will Pieczynski was the medalist for Tantasqua, carding a 3-over par 39.

Friday, Aug. 30

East Longmeadow 163, Tantasqua 168 — The Warriors' varsity golf team squared off against East Longmeadow at Hemlock Ridge for their annual, pre-Labor Day weekend match. Medalist honors went to Will Pieczynski of Tantasqua, who shot a 2-over par 38 despite the team loss. Tantasqua is now 1-1, and East Longmeadow is 1-0.

Thursday, Sept. 5

Sam Smith of Tantasqua boots the ball away from an incoming Jacob Vosburg of Bartlett.

Quaboag 10, Palmer 0 — The season-opener for the Cougars' varsity field hockey team was a good one, as Darian Shepherd led the way with a three goal and two assist output. Other scorers for Quaboag included Isabelle Burgess, Paisleigh Atwood, Abby Bouchard, Lauren Cook, Hannah Dumas, Kiara Gauthier and Vanessa Ricci. Atwood (two), Burgess, Bouchard, Dumas and Gauthier also picked up assists. The goaltending duties were split between Caitlin Rice and Arianna Masterjohn for the combined shutout.

Tantasqua 6, Bartlett 1 — In boys' junior varsity soccer action, the Warriors topped the Indians. Owen O'Brien, Shawn Bradway and Josh Baldracchi all scored two goals for Tantasqua, while Bradway also had two assists and Gavin Lataille added a helper. Matt Schirm and Bradway manned the goaltending duties.

SPORTS

Balanced effort helps Bay Path blank Pirates, 3-0



Colin Richardson of Bay Path shields Oxford's Vincent LaRonde-Navin with the ball incoming.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD — Devin Hanlan scored one goal and assisted on another to help lead the Bay Path Regional boys' varsity soccer team to a 3-0 road win over Oxford High on Friday, Sept. 6.

Three different players scored for the Minutemen (2-0). Junior Matt Livsey and freshman John Guerin were also able to put the ball in the back of the net.

'We like to spread it around," Bay Path head coach Dave Martinson said. "That worked out nice."

The Minutemen jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the sixth minute of the game. Hanlan, who was surrounded by three Oxford defenders in the middle of the field about 10 yards in front of the goal, managed to slip the ball to his left to Livsey. Livsey

gathered the ball in and drilled a shot, which zipped past Oxford goalie Calib Goyette.

Bay Path doubled its lead to 2-0 at the midway point of the first half, senior tri-captain Colin Richardson feeding Hanlan with a long breakout pass about 40 yards from the Pirates' goal. Hanlan did the rest after getting control of the ball, dribbling down to within 10 yards of the goal before faking to his right and shooting left, the ball easily nestling into the far corner of the goal.

Guerin scored the final goal of the game, with 10 minutes to play before halftime, off an assist from senior tri-captain Andrew Makowiecki.

"I thought it was a good win for us," Martinson said. "We worked hard on trying to keep control of the ball and keep them away from their attacking zone. By doing that we gave

ourselves some opportunities and we capitalized on them. They were fast, though. They had a couple of good opportunities but [goalkeeper] Aiden [Sabatinelli] came up big for us, especially on their scoring chance right off the bat in the first half."

Sabatinelli finished with four saves.

"Paul [Oxford head coach Paul Frykberg] does a good job with his kids," Martinson said. "They've come a long way in the time he's been coaching them."

Less than a minute after Bay Path went ahead 1-0 Oxford had a chance to score the equalizer, but a shot off the foot of Tyler Constantine banged off the left post and bounced harmlessly away. Constantine had another solid scoring chance later in the first half, but Sabatinelli was able save the hard-hit shot.

The Pirates also had a quality scoring opportunity in the opening minutes of the second half, but two Oxford attackers were unable to connect on a pass that seemed like it would have led to a good scoring chance.

"One of our keys to the game today was in the first five minutes of each half to come out flving, to come out strong.' Frykberg said. "I think we did a pretty good job of that. In the future I just think we need to do a better job of finishing those opportunities rather than kicking the ball over the bar or right at the opposing goalie."

Frykberg said Bay Path's harassing defense bothered his offensive players.

"Their defenders were a bit more physical than we were. They did a really good job of bodying our guys off the ball and using their bodies to keep us out of the attacking zone, Frykberg said. "They used their physicality well. Once my guys adjust to the physicality they'll be able to use their speed to get to goal pretty easily. That's the game plan, anyway."



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Bay Path's Devin Hanlan gets the inside edge on an Oxford defender while dribbling toward the goal.



Colin Gagne of Bay Path extends his right leg in order to kick the ball away versus Oxford.

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I've mentioned in WAYNE TUISKULA previous columns that most furniture isn't selling well, but

tion in this article.

I've discussed items that are selling well

and those that aren't in several past columns. Our August auction showed that

many of the antiques and collectibles that have sold well over the past decade continue

to do so. I thought I'd share some of the

mid-century modern furniture is an exception. Mid-century pieces sold very well last month. A pair of Conant Ball club chairs attributed to Russel Wright sold for \$300. A dining room set with sideboard also attributed to Wright sold for \$500. A mid-century Danish Teak dining set and sideboard by Bernhard Pedersen brought \$1,000.

Older artwork drew strong bidding at auction. A small painting by listed artist Edward Potthast sold for \$1,000 to a telephone bidder. An early 18th century folk art painting of a little girl went for \$3,000.

Better collectibles and ephemera drew plenty of bidder interest. A 1960's "Great Gorloo" battery operated toy went for \$270. A Victorian era trade card album sold for \$275 and another from the same estate brought \$400. Older superhero comics continue to sell well. The Incredible Hulk comic book issues 3, 5, and 6 brought \$675, despite being well read and worn copies. A group of nine 1878-CC Morgan silver dollars topped the coins being offered when they sold for \$3,100.

Sterling silver prices have been trending upward and flatware brought figures well above silver melt prices. A small ornate Stieff partial flatware set went for \$925. A larger International Silver Wedgwood pattern set reached \$2,700.

Also noteworthy in our August auction was a 1979 Datsun 280 ZX with a little over 64,000 miles. After telephone and in-house bidding, it reached \$6,500.



Jewelry was the top selling item in our auction last month. A 14-karat white gold estate jewelry pin shaped like a bee sold for \$275. A platinum and diamond ladies watch went for \$650. Quality loose diamonds and diamond rings led the way at auction. A ring with 3 diamonds brought \$2,000, despite having been appraised as clarity enhanced. An approximately 2-carat pear shaped diamond had considerable wear but still sold for \$2,900. A brilliant cut .95 carat loose diamond reached \$3,000. A deep cut 1.46 carat diamond ring fetched \$4,000. A loose 2.3 carat diamond that we sold had a chip. The appraisal report recommended it be recut to a smaller size because of the chip. Despite the flaw, it sold for \$8,500 proving that diamonds continue to shine at auction.

I hope to meet some of you at my 'Evaluating your Antiques' class at the Bay Path Evening School in Charlton on Sept. 17. I'll be lecturing at the Auburn Public Library at 10 a.m. on Sept. 21 and I'll be back again on Oct. 5 for appraisals. My next appraisal event takes place at 1 p.m. on Sept. 21 for the Finnish Heritage Society Sovittaja in Rutland. I'll be lecturing at the Worcester Senior Center on Oct. 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Another appraisal event takes place at the Shrewsbury Historical Society on Oct. 23. Please see www. centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other events.

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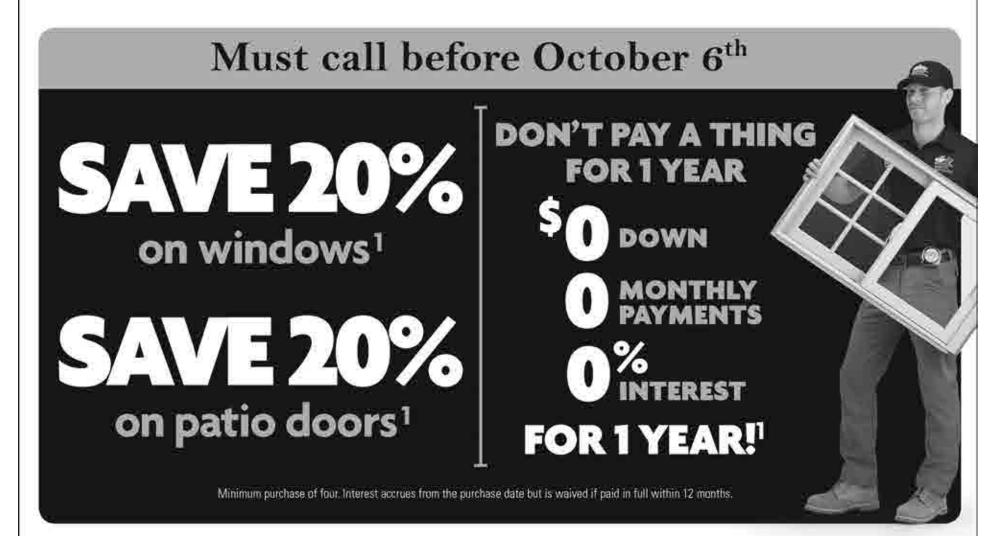
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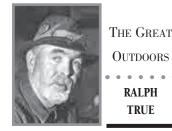
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Fall stocking begins



Mass. Fish & Wildlife will be stocking trout in numerous lakes and ponds throughout the state, starting in the next two weeks. The state has 60,000 Rainbow trout and 4,000 Brown trout available for this year's fall stocking. Rainbow trout are not as easy to catch in the fall after they are stocked. It takes a few days and sometimes weeks to become acclimated to their new home. It is a great time to fish freshwater, as most anglers are gearing up for hunting season, leaving the freshly stocked trout to only a low number of anglers.

A few of the local ponds to receive a fall trout stocking are Wallum Lake, Webster Lake, Singletary Lake, Pratt Pond. For a complete list of ponds, click on to the Mass Fish & Wildlife Web site. Rivers and streams are rarely stocked with trout in the fall locally. but many of them do have hold over trout. It is worth giving them a try, but this year's spread of EEE require anglers that fish the streams and brooks to take necessary measures to protect themselves from the life threatening disease.

It is almost time to purchase a surplus deer permit in Mass. starting at 9 a.m. each day! On Sept. 24, surplus antlerless deer permits for zone 11 will go on sale. Zone 10 permits go on sale Sept. 25. Zones 9, 13, and 14 will go on sale Sept. 26. Log onto the MassFishHunt Web site. Type in your last name and birth date. Click the license sales button at the bottom of the screen.

From the menu, select surplus deer permits. Next, click add next to surplus antlerless deer permit. Click next to the zone for which you would like to purchase a surplus permit. Click check out on the bottom right of the screen and proceed to checkout. Do it early as the permits are sold out very quick. Remember all above mentioned permits go on sale at 9 a.m.!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field day on Sept. 21. The annual event draws a good number of people to the club grounds to enjoy good food, music and entertainment. Clams, Lobster, Chowder, Chicken BBQ, along with hot dogs and hamburgers, will be available to all in attendance. Call the club to reserve your tickets prior to the event to ensure you are not left out on lobsters and clams.

Nine local bear hunters from the valley returned from Maine recently with seven harvesting their bear, including Jerry Gareri of Uxbridge. The other two had shots, but missed their target.

Fresh water bass fishing is slow, but one angler made up his own fishing lure and landed a 6.8 lb. largemouth bass from Hopedale Pond last week. This



week's picture shows Bill Philips with his huge largemouth bass which was weighed in at Jerry's Bait & Tackle shop in Milford. The huge bass was kept alive and released into Hopedale Pond. Hopedale Pond has its share of big largemouth bass and it is a favorite fishing hole for many local anglers.

On the saltwater scene, this week's picture shows a large seabass that was caught by a Mass. Marine Fisheries Analyst Nichola Meserve during a 2018 pilot study to identify Black Seabass" hot spots." Black Seabass can grow up to 25 inches, and can live up to 25 years, and weigh up to eight pounds!

Unfortunately, commercial fishermen in Massachusetts & Rhode Island. have open and closed seasons for seabass, resulting in a wasted resource when they are catching them and throwing them back during the closed season. As I mentioned in one of my columns recently the seabass that are caught during the closed season most often die from stress after they have been caught and returned to he ocean during the closed season. Stripers are also wasted after be released by commercial anglers fishing with nets.

Now the Mass. Marine Fisheries Biologist are contemplating a plan to ask Charter boat Captains not to fish in areas where there are high haddock and cod populations. They have made a map for recreational anglers and Rod & Reel anglers on charter boats to fish in that have a good population of haddock and very few cod, hoping to cut down on mortality of the released cod which stands at 15 percent or higher. Reeling in cod from depths of 100 feet to as much as 200 feet often



results in mortality of the species, when released. I have seen bladders of fish often coming out of their mouths when reeled in from these depths.

Have the commercial and recreational anglers keep all of there catch on numerous species. Allowing a daily limit of 10 fish per day of cod or haddock for recreational anglers, should help stop this crazy waste of our fish stocks. Commercial limits on poundage for trawlers including there bycatch, needs to be implemented. The sooner they catch their quota of fish, the sooner they stop fishing, resulting in less fishing being caught and wasted. Just an idea. Something needs to be done, and soon.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Fall Foliage: Facts and Tracks

(Each year Mother Nature puts on a spectacular show across New England. Blazing colors paint the landscape as lush crimson and gold canopies line the winding roads of our region. People travel from across the nation (and the world) to view the majestic foliage that is uniquely "New England."

While the highly anticipated show of colors typically arrive in mid to late September through October, it's impossible to accurately track the path of nature's paintbrush. Factors that affect the timing of autumn leaves changing colors include biology of the trees and environmental influences such as rainfall, sunshine and nutrients in the soil. In the spirit of planning this year's leaf peeping jaunts, the following info is offered.

The Trees They are A Changin': The

USDA Forest reports Service the three most important influences on fall foliage is a tree's particular leaf pigment, the length of night hours, and the weather. As fall approaches and the nights are longer, production of chlorophyll (which accounts for the green in leaves) is slowed and eventually halted. It's during this time that the carotenoids (yellow, orange and brown) and anthocyanins (red) in the leaves are exposed. Autumn is when most of the anthocyanins are produced as the plant responds to sunshine and the stored plant sugars. Other factors also affect the leaves' coloring, including the amount of rainfall in a season. According to the Forest Service a late spring or summertime drought can delay the time it takes for leaves to change color while a warm period during the autumn season can result in muted hues. In addition, heavy winds and rains can cause leaves to fall before they've changed color. So what are the best weather conditions for show-stopping fall foliage? "A warm wet spring, favorable summer weather, and warm sunny fall days with cool nights should produce the most brilliant autumn colors," the Forest Service reports. It's obvious that different species of trees typical-

ly turn a particular color. Most anticipated in New England is the Sugar Maple, which explodes in brilliant orange hues. Red Maple trees turn scarlet as Aspens and Poplar add a rich gold color to the landscape. Oak trees offer bronze and brown leaves as Black Maples burst with bright yellow foliage.

During "peak" leaf peeping season, New England back roads, strewn with colorful fallen leaves is a sight to behold. Thankfully, such scenes have been captured via a myriad of snapshots, picture postcards and calendar scenes.

Tracking the Trees: Timing when the



junction with Rt. 119. Head east on Rt. 119 through the Willard Brook State Forest in Ashby and Townsend. G r e a t e r Springfield/ F r a n k l i n

County: The

secondary roads of Rt. 116 and Rt. 9 wind through rolling countryside and hill towns. Rt. 116 passes through the picturesque towns of Conway and Ashfield; Rt. 9 leads through the village centers of Cummington and Goshen and the college towns of Northampton



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trees will change color in New England has been a favorite pastime for generations of leaf peepers. Thanks to the internet, there are several "leaf tracking" sites that can help you plan a scenic autumn road trip.

*foliagenetwork.com: This website is an interactive foliage tracker that logs information from "foliage spotters" twice a week. It's a reliable tool to check before you head out on a sightseeing journey.

*yankeefoliage.com: From Yankee Magazine, this interactive website offers a "real time" foliage map that is updated even during off season. A peak foliage prediction map offers a "heads up" for leaf peepers. A foliage driving tour includes visuals that are live during peak foliage season. Want more? You can download Yankee's Leaf Peeper App for iPhone and Android for free!

* jeff-foliage.com: For those who need a "fall foliage fix", this website is all about the autumn landscape. From regional color updates and a fall foliage forum to spectacular landscape photography and foliage forecast, this is an informative and entertaining site.

*massvacation.com: As autumn nears, this site offers a foliage map of Massachusetts that highlights peak dates for statewide regions. A "must see" for those serious about viewing the color show at its peak.

Scenic Routes: The Massachusetts Bureau of Travel and Tourism has rounded up top foliage destinations that include the following scenic routes that are a comfortable drive from the Our Town region.

Central Massachusetts: Enjoy superb color at a relaxed pace when you drive along the less frequently traveled routes to the Quabbin Reservoir: From Rt. 128, follow Rt. 117 to Stow, in the heart of apple country, then Rt. 62 South and West to Princeton. Turn north on the unnumbered route to Wachusett Mountain Reservation. There you can drive, hike or take a "skyride" to the summit for a sweeping view of the countryside. Return to Rt. 62 and head west to Barre, then south on Rt. 32 to Old Furnace Rd. Follow the unnumbered road west to Hardwick. Turn north on Rt. 32A, which runs along the Quabbin Reservoir to Petersham. At Petersham follow Rt. 101 East through Templeton, Gardner and the Ashburnhams to the

and Amherst. Scenic routes 143 and 112 travel through rolling New England countryside in the towns of Goshen, Chesterfield, Worthington and Huntington.

The Berkshires: Follow Rt. 7 North from Sheffield to Williamstown. Rt. 8 runs from Sandisfield to Dalton and is a superb route between two state forests. Rt. 183, from Great Barrington to Lenox, follows the Housatonic River and passes through small villages. Take Richmond Rd., off Rt. 183, just south of Tanglewood, and stop at the overlook for views of Stockbridge Bowl and the southern Berkshire Hills. Rt. 43 East, off Rt. 7, is the lower road to Williamstown, and passes through lovely farmland. Rt. 23, from Great Barrington to Monterey, and then right onto Tyringham Rd., takes you through the Tyringham Valley and eventually to Lee.

Mohawk Trail: The Mohawk Trail, which runs 63 miles along Rt. 2 from Orange to North Adams, is one of the state's most popular foliage routes. Excellent "up-country" viewing sites include: the Whitcomb Summit; the hairpin turn before North Adams; the 10-mile drive to the summit of Mt. Greylock; the French King Bridge, Millers Falls; the Bissell Covered Bridge, Charlemont; and the enchanting Bridge of Flowers, Shelburne Falls.

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

Is your oil tank or oil supply line older than "Woodstock?"



BY DANA GEORGE REED

If the answer is yes, or "close enough," now is a good time to give some professional attention to that often overlooked fuel-supply section of a regular heating equipment cleaning and tune-up. With another early morning 50F reading on the outdoor thermometer at our home, it was a pleasant and gentle reminder that August was waning and the fall not far away. Americans, in particular, also recently marked the 50th anniversary of the historic Woodstock Music Festival, the three-plus day event of a generation on August 15-18, 1969 in Bethel, N.Y. America had a new and 37th President, Richard M. Nixon, and we had just put the first man on the moon nearly a month earlier, fulfilling the late President John F. Kennedy's vision. I was seven years of age then, no awareness or interest yet in the political, social or cultural upheavals of that turbulent decade. However, I do remember watching the historic moon landing on our Black and White tube-type TV set with a 30-foot-high roof-mounted antenna and electric antenna rotator. No "Cable TV" back in the day! Fast forward to 2013 and later. My challenging experiences with our older oil-fired heating system, a Burnham warm-air furnace (Model BOL-96) and the oil tank/supply linewhen it all reached that half-century or more of age, prompted me to share my findings and offer some professional advice to other owners of aging residential and commercial oil-fired equipment. For background, I became interested in the many different types and manufacturers of oil burners and associated heating systems as a young teenager in the 1970s, those installed at our home and those of relatives and friends. Nonetheless, my undergraduate education and career took a different path. More recently, I took classes and studied for-and passed-the Massachusetts Oil Burner Technician License exam, to take an avocational interest "next level" to professional.

Cleanliness, safety, reliability and efficiency of heating oil: Whether it's newer heating equipment with advancements in efficiency, oil-burner and primary-control/safety technology, or most of the older equipment still remaining in service-regularly cleaned and tuned for its best efficiency while maintaining a smoke-free flame, burning oil is typically a clean, safe, comfortable, reliable and efficient experience for oil heat customers. The emissions from residential oil burners properly maintained and tuned are so clean they are not even regulated by the U.S. Government! Contrast and compare to vehicle engines powered by gasoline or diesel, or U.S. power plants. One gallon of No. 2 heating oil contains approximately 139,000 British Thermal Units (commonly expressed as either BTU or Btus). For reference, 1 BTU is the amount of heat required to raise 1 pound of water 1-degree F. Some brief comparisons: Kerosene yields nearly 132,000 Btus per gallon; Propane 91,330 Btus per gallon; Natural Gas averages 1,027 Btus per cubic foot and about 135 cubic feet equals one gallon of oil; One full cord of Wood has the heat value of between 95 and 140 gallons of oil (this wide range is likely due to the many different kinds of wood that is burned and significant combustion-efficiency differences in a variety of wood-burning appliances); Anthracite Coal yields 12,000 Btus per pound, and about 12 pounds of coal equals the heat content of one gallon of No. 2 oil, and lastly, Electricity yields 3,412 Btus per kilowatt hour (kWh), so 40.6 kWh equals one gallon of No. 2 oil. (NORA Oilheat Technicians Manual, 2008 Edition/ Silver, at Glossary VIII). Oil heat has a remarkable reliability record despite wars, embargoes, political unrest and natural disasters; oil heat keeps its customers warm. (ibid. at 2-3). This reliability is partly due to the variety of places where crude oil is found, the resourcefulness of everyone from the refiners to the local oil dealer, the flexibility of the delivery system, and the stability and safety inherent in heating oil. (ibid.). Heating oil has a fairly low "flash point" (ASTM specified for No. 1 and No. 2 oil is 100 degrees F minimum) where hydrogen flashes off but the fuel will not continue to burn, and a much higher ignition point—over 500 degrees F for No. 2 oil making it relatively safe and stable (ibid. at 2-4, 2-5), as compared to gasoline and propane and their vapors, or natural gas. They don't make them like they used to: That oil furnace mentioned above that came with our home was installed around 1963 under a previous owner. I oversaw its necessary removal and replacement in May of 2016. An increasing hole or breach was discovered in the heat exchanger from an unpleasant but temporary "diesel" odor at oil-burner startup. This is a potentially dangerous operating condition. The furnace lasted an amazing 53 years in service. but probably had a smaller breach of the heat exchanger that wasn't obvious several years earlier. It could have been replaced a little sooner based on

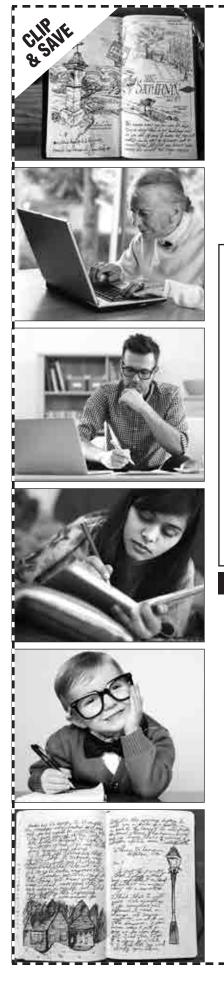
age alone, but being proficient with tune ups and routine cleanings over the decades, I squeezed a few extra years from it. Typical heating season oil consumption, with some minor amount of wood burning in the outer great room, was typically two to two and a half tanks of heating oil. Not bad for a Kennedy-era heating system and over 1,400 square feet of living area to heat. The Burnham furnace fired up to 0.85 gal/hour at 96,000 BTU output, a little more than necessary for the home, but they oversized them typically in the old days. It still had the original lower-speed Crane Oil Burner (Burnham Model 55J) with a cast-iron head. The new furnace fires up to 0.75 gal/hour at 85,000 BTU output, still more than enough for this home. It came with a newer high-speed flame-retention-head oil burner, the ubiquitous Beckett AFG that more efficiently burns the oil in the combustion chamber at a higher flame temperature. While this replacement scenario/equipment upgrade is very common over time with furnaces (warm air output), water heaters and boilers (boilers produce primarily either hot water to circulate for heat, or steam), what often receives less attention on an annual basis is the fuel tank and supply line, oil condition and good filtration for oil purity. For purposes of this article, I am focusing primarily on these oil-supply components and the importance of maintaining a clean and leak-free supply of oil to the burner for efficient smoke-free operation and reliable performance on especially those cold winter days and nights. This applies whether you are using older or newer oil-fired equipment. With our newer furnace and flame-retention oil burner, we now use between 1.75 and 2 tank loads of oil per heating season, a fuel savings of approximately 17 to 20 percent annually.

Keeping an older-but-tight oil tank: Our indoor 275-gallon oil tank is very old, but still working with no leaks. Nameplate indicates "Wachusett Tank and Welding Corp., Leominster, Mass.' How old is it? The fuel gauge atop has the manufacturer's address listed as "Rochester 10, NY." That's right, it pre-dated zip codes, so I place its age at least the same as the old failing furnace now replaced, and it may be even older! The important thing to remember is that older oil tanks, especially those installed outside and more exposed to the elements including wider temperature variations, will typically develop some amount of internal sludge and other corrosion/deposits (rust, sediments) depending on the environment they are subjected to. Water and condensation-even becoming ice in outside tanks and lines, quality of the particular fuel delivered over time and age of the fuel can contribute to a less-than-optimal internal tank environment and fuel quality that can cause problems, and often at an inconvenient time (e.g., bitterly cold weather). In extreme cases, heavy deposits in older tanks can cause the outlet, fuel piping or copper fuel line to become partially or completely blocked requiring service. Fuel oil also degrades over long periods of time if used infrequently to an empty r dence or building, or chiefly using other home heating sources such as wood, coal, or pellet stoves, solar, etc. A brief discussion about heating-oil additives: Some oil companies pre-treat their fuel with additives to provide a premium quality fuel product. Alternately, a homeowner can directly treat their oil supply using one of several high-quality fuel additives available today. It is nonetheless important to follow the instructions for adding same, and pay particular attention to not over-treat the fuel volume. Use only the dosage recommended for the particular volume of gallons you will be treating. More additive is usually not better! Many additives are concentrated fuel-system cleaners and using too much can loosen and liquefy objectionable amounts of tank sludge that may now residually pass through the filter(s), fuel pump and get to the smallest orifice in the system-the oil-burner nozzle-where it can begin to solidify, clog and distort the proper oil-spray pattern required for good combustion. This undesirable process can escalate rapidly at the combustion chamber environment due to the widely-varying temperatures the small oil-metering nozzle is often subjected to. Another and often better way to aggressively treat fuel oil from an older on-site storage tank, either in addition to using a fuel additive, or in lieu of same, is to have an independent licensed oil burner technician, or your oil company serviceman, install a high-efficiency oil filter. It is very cost effective compared to replacing the oil tank, although the latter has its benefits and is often the right decision, especially if the tank is leaking! Regardless, you may also benefit from upsizing an older, small cartridge filter design to a larger model and using the newest (tighter) filter-element media technology available for it, and/or you can have one or more high-efficiency spin-on fuel oil filters installed inline to further assist in removing the smaller particles and "fines" of sludge and other impurities as small as 10 microns in size. In extreme cases of transitional sludge and repeated oil burner nozzle fouling, using 2-3 high-efficiency oil filters in series between the tank and oil-burner fuel unit (oil pump) is not too many if replacing an aging tank is not desired, or in your budget. This is known as multi-stage filtering and the result is a very clean and impurity-free fuel oil to the burner. The only normal downside is the cost of replacing more than one filter element every year, or

whenever they are deemed ready to ly have these devices. I have observed be replaced. An increasing vacuum reading across a filter during burner operation, over time, indicates increasing flow restriction and the element should be replaced. Finally, although some such services and equipment are available, I don't generally recommend attempting to have a very old oil tank manually cleaned of sludge and deposits, for reuse of original purpose. Leaks have been reported following such cleanings. That type of direct cleaning of an older age-weakened steel tank can actually expose smaller pin holes, especially at the bottom of the tank where the water/condensation will end up and corrosion will often manifest (water is heavier than oil—it goes to the bottom of the tank).

Benefits of replacing the tank: It must be emphasized if an oil tank (indoor or outdoor) of any age is leaking, it should be professionally inspected and remedied immediately, or replaced if necessary. Installing a new oil tank with fresh heating oil rather than transferring any unused oil that may remain in your older tank is the better and more complete way to eliminate a sludge problem-by avoiding re-introducing any contaminated oil. Use it all up first from the older tank, if you can. Also, outdoor above-ground oil tanks can often leak undetected by their owners due to the leak fumes directly vented to the outdoors. Even smaller oil leaks are generally more noticeable from indoor or basement oil tank installations due to their enclosure within a contained space/room. Although new oil tanks come in several different styles and can feature other material besides steel, the ob-round steel configuration used for decades is still the most common tank. You can spot newer oil tanks as they have the outlet port at the very bottom of the tank, not on the side of the tank. Oil is drawn from the bottom of the tank to reduce the amount of condensation (water) and sludge build-up in the tank. Again, water is a contaminant that can form rust in the steel tank and fuel system, bacteria and increase sludge. If large amounts of water are found in an oil tank, or evidenced elsewhere in an oil burner fuel system, the likely source must be identified and the situation corrected as soon as possible to prevent any further tank and fuel-system damage.

A Reminder—Oil Lines and Massachusetts legal requirement to upgrade: By Sept. 30, 2011 and as a result of a then-new law to address oil leaks from home heating systems, Massachusetts homeowners of 1- to 4-unit residences who heat their homes with oil were (are still) required to upgrade the oil supply line by either the installation of an oil safety valve (OSV) or an oil supply line with a protective sleeve, on systems that do not current-



some Bay State residences in non-compliance well after the date above using older, un-sleeved copper line on or beneath a basement concrete floor. This law's other major provision requires insurance companies that write homeowner policies to offer coverage for leaks from heating systems that use oil. Either device must be installed by a licensed oil burner technician. It is important to note that heating oil systems installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990 most likely are already in compliance as state fire codes implemented these requirements on new installations at that time. Exemptions apply if 1. The oil burner is located above the oil storage tank and the entire oil supply line is connected to and above the top of the tank, OR 2. An OSV or oil supply line with protective sleeve was installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990, AND 3. Those changes comply with the oil burning equipment regulations; a copy of the oil burner permit from the local fire department may be used to demonstrate compliance. Beyond the legal requirement, homeowners who take these preventative measures can avoid the disruption and expense that can be caused by heating oil leaks. A leak may result in exposure to petroleum vapors in your home. If the leak reaches the soil or groundwater beneath your house, then a cleanup must be performed to restore your property to state environmental standards. Further, leaks that affect another property or impact drinking water supply wells can complicate the cleanup and increase the expense dramatically. The cleanup cost for a "simple" leak can be as much as \$15,000. In cases where the leak affects groundwater or is more extensive, the cleanup costs can reach \$250,000 or more. Finally, the typical and relatively small cost of installing either an OSV or oil supply line with a protective sleeve ranges from \$150-\$350, including labor, parts and local permit fees. (Homeowner Oil Heating System Upgrade and Insurance Law fact sheet, February 2011, Mass. Department of Fire Services/MA DEP).

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POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Logs

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 12:18 a.m.: residential alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 12:38-1:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:43 a.m.: school alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 9:17 a.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), welfare check; 10:13 a.m.: suspicious persons (West Main Street), welfare check; 10:23 a.m.: fraud (Northwest Road), scam call; 11:04 a.m.: animal complaint (North Brookfield Road), injured dog; 11:06 a.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 11:07 a.m.: officer wanted (Hebert Road), 209A status; 11:37 a.m.: mv complaint (Charlton Road), erratic operation; 12:31 p.m.: suspicious persons (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:34 p.m.: fraud (West Main Street), scam call; 12:35 p.m.: fire (McCormick Road), referred; 1:24 p.m.: animal complaint (Bay Path Road), woodchuck in house; 1:48 p.m.: warrant service (Old East Charlton Road), Jarrett L. Armstrong, 50, 97 Old East Charlton Road, Spencer, arrest; 3:44 p.m.: multiple LTC issued (West Main Street), a sisted; 3:45 p.m.: FID card issued (West Main Street), assisted; 5:21 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 5:28 p.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 6:14 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: mv sale; 6:43 p.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Road), spoken to; 7:34 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), welfare check; 7:49 p.m.: medical/general (Smithville Road); 8:08 p.m.: parking complaint (Church Street), spoken to; 8:38 p.m.: animal complaint (Charlton Road), bear on property; time and entire inci-dent redacted from police log.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

12:19 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:24 a.m.: suspicious mv (Smithville Road), spoken to; 12:34-1:10 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:15 a.m.: suspicious persons (Charlton Road), spoken to; 1:25 a.m.: building checked, secure; 3:25 a.m.: mutual aid (Chestnut Street), assist DCF; 7:03 a.m.: disturbance (Pleasant Street), noise complaint; 7:09 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), tx light malfunctioning; 9:45 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 10:13 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), dog found; 10:57 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 11:13 a.m.: burglary/ residential (Main Street), report taken; 1:40 p.m.: officer wanted (Buteau Road), spoken to; 1:51 p.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 2:35 p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick Road), people chasing horse; 2:43 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 3:58 p.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), bullying; 4:06 p.m.: mutual aid (Maple Street), assist DCF; 5:44 p.m.: medical/general (Meadowbrook Road); 8:06 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Steven Miller, 55, 16 Maple Street, Spencer, unlicensed operation, fugitive from justice, arrest; 8:53 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), spoken to; 9:28 p.m.: 911 call (Sherwood Dive), accidental; 9:56 p.m.: accident (Chestnut Street), report taken; 10:00 p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick Road), loose cats; 10:42 p.m.: disturbance (Roys Drive), neighbor needs assistance; 11:24 p.m.; suspicious persons (Main Street), services rendered. FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 12:12-12:42 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:45 a.m.: mutual aid (Leicester), suicidal ideations; 12:47-2:24 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:08 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 3:57 p.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street), noise complaint; 4:08 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Paxton PD bolo; 6:02 a.m.: warrant/search (Bixby Road), Kamiel, Rivera Marrero, 23, 19 Bixby Road, Spencer, trafficking in cocaine, possession Class B drug, possession w/ intent to distribute cocaine, possession of heroin, conspiracy to violate drug laws, arrest; Joel Hernandez Sierra, 34, 19 Bixby Road, Spencer, trafficking in cocaine, possession Class B drug, possession w/intent to distribute cocaine, possession of heroin, conspiracy to violate drug laws, arrest; 7:40 a.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), neighbor blocking d/way; 8:04 a.m.: medical/ general (North Spencer Road); 8:47 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 10:22 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 11:55 a.m.: animal complaint (Oakland Drive), bear in area; 11:56 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:02 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 1:03 p.m.: medical/general (Wall Street), lift assist; 2:17 p.m.: RV complaint (Northwest Road), Dustin Michael Kelly, 25, 185 Northwest Road, Spencer, warrant arrest; 3:19 p.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), erratic operation; 4:08 p.m.: medical/ general (West Main Street); 4:17 p.m.: DPW call (Smithville Road), no water pressure; 5:42 p.m.: accident (Charlton Road), report taken; 5:52 p.m.: citizen complaint (Main Street), pedestrian line-of-site blocked by sign; 6:57 p.m.: fraud (Oakland Drive), identify theft; 7:26 p.m.: animal complaint (Lake Street), barking dogs; 8:12 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:12 p.m.: officer wanted (Route 9, Leicester), mv blocking road; 8:20 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), workplace harassment; 9:03 p.m.: disturbance (Woodside Road), gunshots heard; 9:16 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), minivan/no lights; 9:25-9:40 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:48 p.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 10:13 p.m.: mv stop (West Main Street).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

12:04 a.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), report taken; 12:38 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:44 a.m.: suspicious mv (Howe Road), spoken to; 12:56-2:08 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:13 a.m.: medical/general (Hastings Road); 7:56 a.m.: officer wanted (Sherman Grove), spoken to; 9:48 a.m.: medical/general (North Spencer Road); 10:14 a.m.: 911 call (Donnelly Road), hang-up; 10:45 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 11:31 a.m.: 911 call (Jolicoeur Avenue), acciden-tal; 11:35 a.m.: RV complaint (Lyford Road), dirt bikes; 1202 p.m.: fraud (Donnelly Cross Road), scam call/ Amazon; 12:56 p.m.: fraud (Treadwell Drive), unauthorized use/cc; 2:55 p.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village), services rendered; 3:28 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Meadow Road), no contact; 3:31 p.m.: animal complaint (Thompson Pond Road), poss. rabid porcupine; 4:11 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 4:20 p.m.: disabled mv (Church Street), assisted; 5:21 p.m.: 911 call (Chickering Road), accidental; 5:43 p.m.: 911 call (Bixby Road), accidental; 6:27 p.m.: medical/general (Mechani Street); 6:51 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 7:25 p.m.: officer waned (West Main Street), question re: court order; 8:22 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: children on motorcycles; 8:59 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 9:25 p.m.: animal complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), loose dog; 9:25 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), male slapped female; 9:37 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (South Spencer Road), no emergency; 10:55 p.m.: disturbance (Elm Street), yelling/screaming; 11:26-11:59 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

12:01-1:36 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:42 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 6:52 a.m.: animal complaint (Vernon Street), sick skunk in d/way; 8:26 a.m.: animal complaint (Pleasant Street), baby turkey in yard; 8:27 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 8:55 a.m.: animal complaint (Wilson Street), dog bite; 9:52 a.m.: officer wanted (Lake Street), spoken to; 10:58 a.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 11:02 a.m.: officer wanted (Bixby Road), spoken to; 11:30 a.m.: 911 call (Overlook Drive), no issue; 12:01 p.m.: medical/general (Meadowbrook Road), lift assist; 12:04p.m.: commer-cial alarm (South Spencer Road), services rendered; 12:14 p.m.: disabled TT unit (West Main Street), assisted; 12:15 p.m.: suspicious mv (Northwest Road), spoken to; 12:50 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 1:02 p.m.: officer wanted (Elm Street), visitation issue; 1:35 p.m.: officer wanted (Marble Road), neighbor issues; 1:42 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 2:37 p.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 2:44 p.m.: disturbance (Town House Court), neighbor dispute; 3:13 p.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street), rep. assault; 4:18 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 4:26 p.m.: disturbance (West Main Street), road rage/neighbor ; 4:27 p.m.: disturbance (West Main Street), death threats; 7:15 p.m.: mv complaint (Greenville Street), erratic operation; 9:52 p.m.: suspicious activity (Chestnut Street), spoken to. MONDAY, AUGUST 19 12:29-1:10 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:14 a.m.: suspicious persons (Valley Street), spoken to; 2:15-2:18 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:29 a.m.: animal complaint (Greenville Street), loose horses; 5:17 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Garimar Gonzalez-Rivera, 34, 19 Bixby Road, Spencer, warrant arrest; 5:39 a.m.: mv stop (Bixby Road); 7:49 a.m.: medical/sudden death (Ash Street); 8:40 a.m.: 911 call (Main Street), accidental; 8:59 a.m.: medical/general (Lakeview Drive); 10:17 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; time and entire incident redacted from police log; 11:28 a.m.: DPW call (Meadow Road), lg. branch in road; 11:54 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 12:04 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 12:19 p.m.: medical/ general (Lincoln Street); 1:08 p.m.: 911 call (Pearl Street), accidental; 2:22 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 2:27 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 2:29 p.m.: animal complaint (Mechanic Street), spoken to; 2:32 p.m.: medical/general (Chickering Road); 3:01 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 3:06 p.m.: fraud (Ash Street), S/S scam call; 3:34 p.m.: DPW call (South Spencer Road), lightning strike/utility pole; 3:39 p.m.: mv lockout (Mechanic Street), assisted; 3:46 p.m.: mutual aid (Church Street), Nat'l Grid/meter shutoff escort: 3:50 p.m.: disturbance (Summit Street), Angela L. Tom, 36, 8 Summit Street, Spencer, trespassing, arrest; 3:58 p.m.: medical/ general (Mechanic Street); 4:32 p.m.: multiple (11) LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 4:52 p.m.: 209A service (Sunset Lane); 4:58 p.m.: fraud (Paxton Road), scam call; 5:24 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), welfare check; 5:44 p.m.: animal complaint (Wilson Street), loose dog; 6:24 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 6:34 p.m.: RV complaint (Walnut Street), dirt bikes in road; 7:11 p.m.: medical/ general (Mechanic Street); 7:26 p.m.: suspicious persons (Hastings Road), spoken to; 7:34 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), dog in moving p/u bed; 7:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:04 p.m.: disturbance (Rustic Lane), domestic dispute; 9:23 p.m.: mv stop (Cherry Street); 9:25 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 9:33 p.m.: medical/general (Grove Street); 10:05 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 10:22 p.m.: juvenile matter (Maple Street), skateboarding in road; 11:17 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), bolo/erratic operation; 11:59 p.m.: suspicious mv (Oakland Drive), spoken to.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

12:17-1:43 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 5:54 a.m.: suspicious mv (West Main Street), services rendered; 7:44 a.m.: medical/general (Hastings Road); 7:56 a.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), DCF referral; 10:06 a.m.: medical/general (McCormick Road); 10:23 a.m.: mutual aid (Elm Street), welfare check; 10:53 a.m.: mv stop (Route 49); 11:03 a.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), injured porcupine; 11:46 a.m.: medical/general (Bixby Road); 11:59 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 12:10 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), altercation; 1:11 p.m.: officer wanted (Summit Street), escort/mv retrieval; 1:12 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 1:13 p.m.: firearms dealer license issued (West Main Street), assisted; 1:32 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 1:58 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 2:02 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), escort/property retrieval; 2:14 p.m.: DPW call (Salem Street), hanging wire; 3:00 p.m.: mv complaint (Greenville Street), erratic operation; 3:18 p.m.: mv complaint (Lake Street), spoken to; 3:29 p.m.: DPW call (Maple Street), wires down; 3:36 p.m.: animal complaint (Route 49), coyote; 5:06 p.m.: 911 call (Thompson Pond Road), accidental; 5:29 p.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), speeding; 5:34 p.m.: DPW call (Pleasant Street), brown water; 8:27 p.m.: fire alarm (Wall Street), services rendered; 8:28 p.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), neghbor dispute; 8:43 p.m.: officer wanted (Gold Nugget Road), re: phone call; 9:09 p.m.: mv stop (Route 49); 9:21 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 9:50 p.m.: medical/general (Robin Road); 10:29 p.m.: officer wanted (Marble Road), unwanted party; 11:44 p.m.: suspicious mv (Howe Road), spoken to; 11:58 p.m.: building checked, secure.

Leicester Logs

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

8:18 a.m.: ambulance (South Main Street), transported; 8:34 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), no action required; 8:37 a.m.: assist citizen (Charlton Street), report taken; 9:26 a.m.: summons service (Green Street), served; 10:11 a.m.: summons service (Cricklewood Drive), served; 10:20 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), served; 10:41 a.m.: restraining order service (Woodland Road), unable to serve; 11:22 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), no action required; 11:53 a.m.: disturbance (Soojians Drive), pease restored; 1:55 p.m.: assist other agency (Huntoon Memoria Highway), services rendered: 4:00 p.m.: my stop (South Main Street), written warning; 4:10 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 4:52 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Lexington Avenue), unable to serve; 5:30 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), no action required; 6:18 p.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 6:21 p.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 6:28 p.m.: suspicious my (Collier Avenue), gone on arrival; 6:50 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation, criminal application issued; 8:33 p.m.: ambulance (Peter Salem Road), services rendered; 11:52 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning. FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 12:30 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 12:42 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:51 a.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), investigated; 1:22 a.m.: m stop (Main Street), no action required; 2:36 a.m.: suspicious mv (Young Street), investigated; 6:03 a.m.: welfare check (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, inhaling glue/toxic substance, shoplifting by asportation, summons served; 6:42 a.m.: ambulance (South Main Street), transported; 8:39 a.m.: restraining order service (Woodland Road), served; 9:17 a.m.: animal complaint (Brown Street), report taken; 11:06 a.m.: traffic control (Burncoat Lane), message delivered; 12:38 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), spoken to; 12:59 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), spoken to; 1:07 p.m.: accident (Stafford Street), report taken; 2:11 p.m.: ambulance (Parker Street), assisted; 3:57 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:05 p.m.: ambulance (Marlboro Drive), services rendered; 4:36 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 4:51 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, op w/ revoked registration, criminal application issued; 4:56 p.m.: disturbance (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 5:11 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 5:49 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), gone on arrival; 9:18 p.m.: suspicious person (South Main Street), unfounded; 9:55 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:59 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), spoken

lance (Marlboro Drive), unfounded; 2:09 a.m.: assist other PD (Hammond Street), message delivered; 7:55 a.m.: ambulance (Parker Street), transported; 9:19 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), services rendered; 10:05 a.m.: investigation (Mulberry Street), services rendered; 10:29 a.m.: ambulance (Charlton Street), transported; 12:57 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 1:22 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 1:39 p.m.: assist other PD (South Main Street), no action required; 3:50 p.m.: mv stop (Gold Court), spoken to; 4:11 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, op w/revoked registration, mv towed; 4:36 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 4:54 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 4:59 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), spoken to; 8:57 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:10 p.m.: erratic operation (Pine Street), unable to locate.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

12:07 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 2:50 a.m.: suspicious person (Pleasant Street), unable to locate; 8:42 a.m.: assist citizen (Siani Road); 9:39 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), mv towed; 10:18 a.m.: mv stop (Burncoat Street), verbal warning; 10:54 a.m.: mv stop (Henshaw Street), citation issued; 11:59 a.m.: assist citizen (Stafford Street); 12:28 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), no action required; 2:01 p.m.: malicious mischief (Crestwood Road), spoken to; 2:19 p.m.: assist citizen (Hemlock Street); 5:12 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), mv towed; 6:53 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 8:02 a.m.: erratic operation (Mayflower Circle), unable to locate; 8:24 p.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), spoken to; 9:10 p.m.: disabled mv (South Main Street), assisted; 11:29 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 11:58 p.m.: v stop (Stafford Street), citation issued.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

12:30 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:45 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 7:34 a.m.: mutual aid (Temple Street, Worcester), transported to hospital; 8:18 a.m.: summons service (Sargent Street), served; 8:32 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 10:05 a.m.: suspicious person (Chapel Street), gone on arrival; 10:27 a.m.: ambulance (Ferncroft Road), transported; 11:33 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 12:59 p.m.: summons service (Main Street), unable to serve; 1:16 p.m.: summons service (Bond Street), served; 2:31 p.m.: ambulance (Mayflower Circle), transported; 2:49 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 3:36 p.m.: mutual aid (Park Avenue, Worcester), no action required; 3:51 p.m.: disturbance (Burncoat Street), unable to locate; 4:24 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:30 p.m.: ambulance (Ingram Road), transported; 5:18 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 5:34 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

1:22 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 2:04 a.m.: ambuStreet), written warning; 5:40 p.m.: ambulance (Mannville Street), transported; 6:13 p.m.: fire/unauthorized burning (Main Street), services rendered; 6:53 p.m.: accident (Paxton Street), report taken; 7:54 p.m.: ambulance (Pine Street), assisted; 10:24 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), no action required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

8:24 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 10:57 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 11:09 a.m.: animal complaint (White Birch Street), gone on arrival; 11:21 a.m.: residential alarm (Bond Street), false alarm; 12:16 p.m.: fire/unauthorized burning (Sargent Street), services rendered; 2:40 p.m.: property found (Main Street), message delivered; 3:22 p.m.: ambulance (Fairview Drive), transported; 3:36 p.m.: suspicious person (Church Street), unable to locate; 3:59 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:18p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Alexis Agyemeg Prempeh, 23, 199 Belmont Street, #2, Worcester, failure to appear upon recognizance, arrest; 4:28 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:42 p.m.: assist citizen (Auburn Street); 5:09 p.m.: assist citizen (South Street); 6:36 p.m.: restraining order service (Wasilla Drive), served; 7:28 p.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), citation issued; 9:19 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 11:03 p.m.: ambulance (Marshall Street), transported.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

12:46 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 12:58 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), no action required; 6:03 a.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), mv towed; 7:00 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street) verbal warning; 7:43 a.m.: assist citizen (Paxton Street); 8:52 a.m.: ambulance (Pine Street), transported; 9:21 a.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 10:17 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), served; 10:27 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), served; 11:05 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 12:29 p.m.: mutual aid (Main Street, Spencer), transported to hospital; 1:35 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 5:57 p.m.: ambulance (Keefe Court), transported; 7:00 p.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 7:10 p.m.: property foun (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 8:44 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), no action required.



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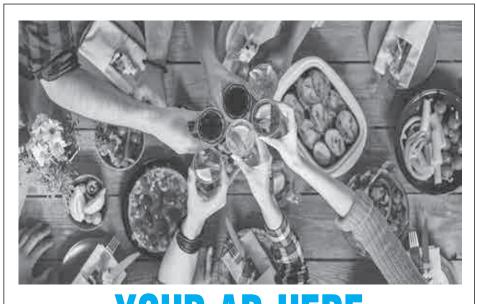
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OBITUARIES

Anna R. (Miller) Griffin, 76

Anna R. (Miller) Griffin, 76 passed away Tuesday, August 20,2019 at Marcus Daily Memorial Hospital in Hamilton, MT. She was the wife of Steven Griffin. Anna was born in N. Brookfield, the daughter of Lawrence and Winifred (McKean) Miller on May 12 ,1943. She lived in Spencer before moving to Montana in 1993. Over the years Anna had worked as a live in caregiver, a seamstress and worked at the Spencer Laundromat.

She leaves behind her husband of 38 years, a son Thomas Woodward and his wife, granddaughters Amanda and

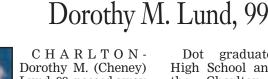
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Kylie all of N. Brookfield, 2 sisters, Ruth Campbell of N. Conway, N.H., and Sherry Ekstrom of Worcester, MA., 3 brothers, Edward Miller of Hamilton, MT., Larry (Butch) Miller of Spencer, MA., Ernest (Jim) Miller and his wife Margaret of Hamilton, MT. , And many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a son Daniel R. Woodward, 2 sisters Nancy Miller, Donna Clark , her parents and her cat Tinkerbell.

Anna loved her cat. There will be no services.





Lund, 99, passed away September 8, 2019 at Care One in Millbury. Her husband, Stanley O. Lund died March 1, 1989.

She leaves a daughter, Suzanne Lund

of Spencer, a son, Steven Lund of Watertown, WI., 2 grand-daughters; Shannon and Heather, 4 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews, including a niece, Linda Heller of Wilmington, MA.

Dot was born June 7, 1920 in Worcester, daughter of the late Clarence and Pearl (Johnson) Cheney and lived in Charlton most of her life.

She was also predeceased by brothers; Harry, Russell and Chester Cheney and sisters; Ruth Stockman, Eleanor Donnelly and Florence Ferguson.

ALENDAR

Dot graduated from Charlton High School and was a member of the Charlton American Legion Auxillary, the Helping Hand Society, was also Citizen of the Year in Charlton, an active member of the Charlton City United Methodist Church, Clara Barton Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, enjoyed baking and gardening.

There are no calling hours, funeral services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to: Charlton City United Methodist Church, 74 Stafford St., Charlton, MA. 01507.

ROBERT J. The MILLER-CHARLTON FUNERAL HOME, 175 Old Worcester Rd., in Charlton is assisting the family with arrangements.

To leave a message of condolence on line, please visit: RJMillerfunerls.net

Saturday, September 14

ST. JOSEPH-ST. PIUS X PARISH FAIR: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., rain or shine, St. Joseph's campus, 759 Main St., Leicester. Join us for a fun filled event featuring music by the Otters; Stephen Brenner, a balloon sculptor and magician with special guest Jack the Rabbit; a Kids' Zone with new games and activities, along with popular sand art and face painting; food, raffles, a craft table, baked goods, and vendors.

Wednesday, September 18

LEICESTER WOMEN'S CLUB: 6 p.m., Leicester Country Club. This evening's program is Joseph Majin, performing "Magic with Cards." Cost for dinner is \$18. Caul Maureen Whitney at (508) 864-6871 by Friday, Sept. 13 for reservations. New members always welcome.

Saturday, September 21

SEVENTH ANNUAL CRUISE FOR CRITTERS CAR SHOW: The 7th Annual Cruise for Critters Car Show is an event to benefit animals in need at Second Chance Animal Services hosted by Al Widlan's Service Connection. It will take place on Saturday, September 21, 2019, at Westview Farms Creamery. There will be plenty of food and several fun activities for families to enjoy, including raffles, a corn maze, pumpkin picking, and a vendor fair. Entering a car into the show costs \$20, and all spectators can enter for free. Bring the pups! All dogs must be leashed.

ilies and pets. Special featured events include a Costume Contest judged by the Barktacular King & Queen, Your Dog Can Paint with CC Lowell and an indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown. Free admission! Families and pets are welcome!

Saturday, October 19

FALL FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., First Congregational Church, North Brookfield. The Fair will feature plants, jewelry, baked goods, homemade items, attic treasures, and a drawing. Lunch will be served, and will consist of a number of different soups, assorted sandwiches, and apple crisp with ice cream. The public is invited.

ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP: The Economy Shop at the First Congregational Church of Spencer is open again as of Aug. 21. New regular hours are Wednesday 8 a.m.-noon, Thursday 8 a.m.-2 p.m., and Friday 8 a.m.-noon.

DEJA NEW: Art, Antiques & Collectibles Marketplace which is open in the St. Joseph's Rectory building at 759 Main Street Leicester. Hours are Tuesday 5-7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m.noon, Thursday 3-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, all proceeds going back into the town's Food Pantries, Hearts for Heat and programs for the needy. We are non-profit and run on volunteers. We are open May into December.

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

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

THRIFTY: St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish, 759 Main St., Leicester, 508-859-8083.New 2 You Thrift Shop. Hours: Tuesday 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to noon., Thursday 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. We have added Thursday hours.

FREE FOR MOM & KIDS: There will be free weekly parent/child programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettcpc@hotmail. com. SUPPER TIME: A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the band or musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www. emmanuelorthodox.org).

music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

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

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

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

Saturday, October 26

CHANCE ANIMAL SECOND SERVICES HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR: Halloween event bringing families and pets together to benefit Second Chance. Indoor and outdoor event activities including trickor-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle by Central MA Jump, dog massages and agility 'Try Its,' music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for fam-

EAST BROOKFIELD LIBRARY PROGRAMS: The East Brookfield Public Library is currently conducting their fall registration for children's programming. Rhythm and Rhyme is for toddlers aged 18 mos. to 3 years. This program runs from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and includes lots of music, finger plays, physical activities and a story with a related craft.

Preschool story time is geared for children aged 3 to 5 years old. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30a.m. Seasonal songs, poems, and gross motor activities are part of this program, as well as a story and craft that encourages fine motor skills. Both programs are held on Thursday mornings. Parents and caretakers are asked to remain with their children. For more information or to register by phone call (508) 867-7928. You can also like us on Facebook and visit our website @ www.eastbrookfieldLibrary.com. We look forward to seeing you!

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SHARING **CUPBOARD:** The First Congregational Church of W. Brookfield Sharing Cupboard - serving West Brookfield, Warren and West Warren. Located at 36 N. Main St., West Brookfield, is open Wednesdays 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays 7-8 pm. Call the church for more information (508) 867-7078.

BINGO at the Knights of Columbus is now at the Spencer Senior Center, 68 Maple St. in Spencer, every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. We have 20 regular games; two winners take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payouts of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.

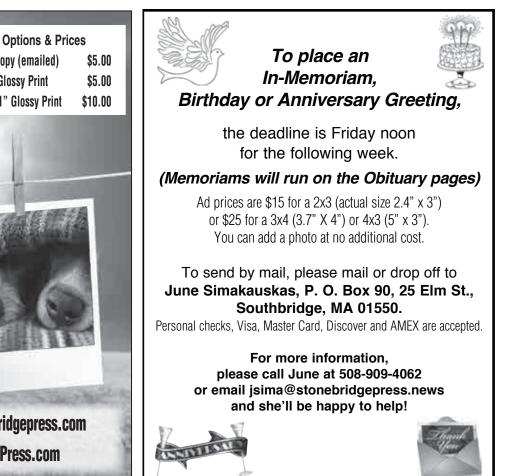
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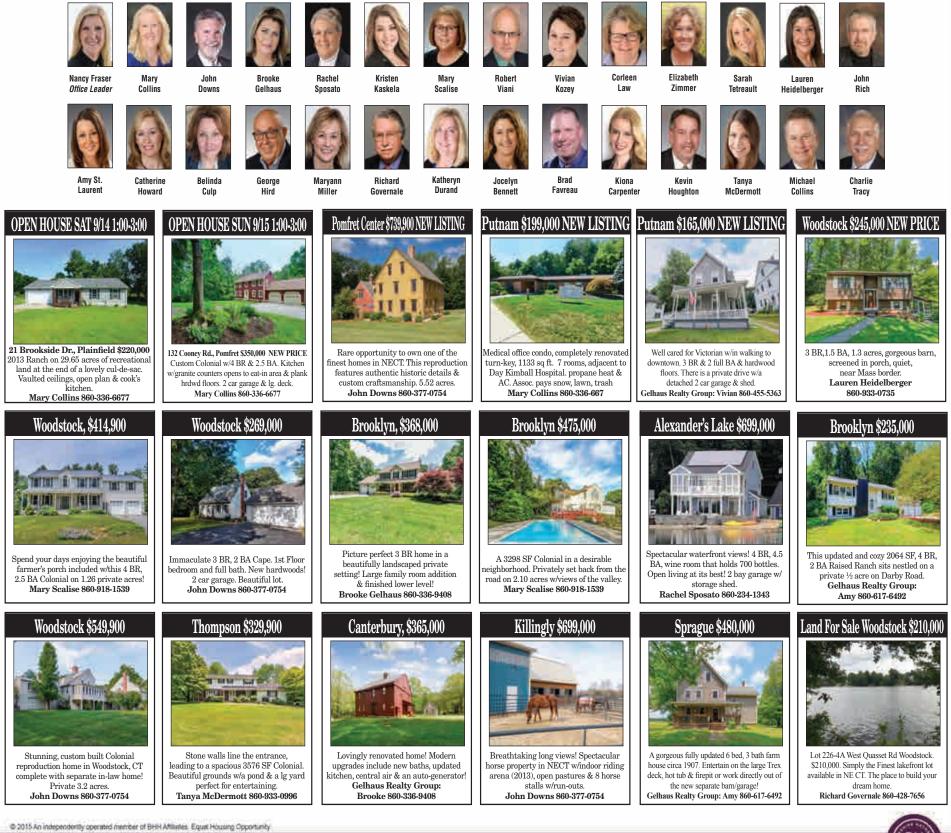
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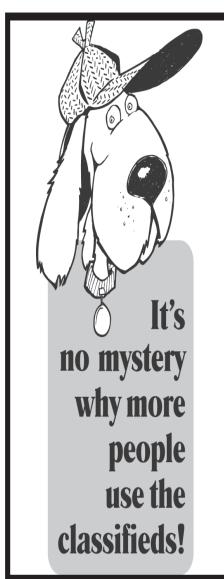
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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Pamela A. Paradis and Brenda L. Paradis to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Advanced Financial Services, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated November 9, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 42054, Page 205, subsequently assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Advanced Financial Services, Inc., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 51313, Page 260, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 58814, Page 21 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on September 20, 2019 at 12 Langevin Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon, situated on the north side of Langevin Street, in said Spencer and bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the southeast corner thereof, on the north side of said Langevin Street, it being a private street; and 115 1/2 feet westerly of the west line of Temple Street; THENCE N. 89° W., by the north line of said Langevin Street, 154-3/4 feet; THENCE N. 0-3/4° E., by land formerly of George Langevin, about 196-3/4 feet; THENCE S, 89° E., by land formerly of John F. Seeley, about 90 1/4 feet; THENCE S. 17° E., by land now or formerly of Felix Lemerise et all, about 207 feet to the place of beginning. CONTAINING about 90 square rods. For title reference see Deed from Pamela A. Paradis to be executed and presented for recording Book 42054 Page 203

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

TERMS OF SALE:

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

ter District) Registry of Deeds in Book 29419, Page 183; assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc its successors and assigns to GMAC Mortgage LLC dated March 24, 2009 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44032, Page 2 and assignment from RESCAP Liquidating Trust, as Successor in Interest to GMAC Mortgage LLC to Ditech Financial LLC dated December 12, 2017 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58177, Page 9, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 106 Haywood Drive, East Brookfield, MA 01515 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00 PM on September 23, 2019, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, County of Worcester, Town of East Brookfield, shown as Lot #10 on a plan entitled "Bay Pathe Estates" by John C. Miller, dated February 1979 revised August 1989 and recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 469, Plan 55 and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the most northwesterly corner of the premises herein to be described;

THENCE S. 77 degrees 43' 25" E., a distance of 180.00 feet to a point;

THENCE S. 12 degrees 16' 35" W., a distance of 125.00 feet to a point;

THENCE N. 77 degrees 43' 25" W., a distance of 180.00 feet to a point;

THENCE N. 12 degrees 16' 35" E., a distance of 125.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Lot #10 contains 22,500 square feet more or less.

Subject to a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants dated March 16, 1988 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds Book 11193, Page 254.

Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named mortgagor (s) by deed recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds herewith. INSTR. 21417

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 28835, Page 132.

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

lar, the premises as described in said mortgage: The land in East Brookfield, Worc. County, MA with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows: A lot with summer camp thereon containing 4,879 square feet designated as Lot #5A "Plan of a portion of the property of Harold P. Andrews, located near Lake Lashaway, East Brookfield, MA drawn by E.A. Chamberlain, August 15, 1930, revised to August 5, 1941" to be recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, being a portion of Lot #6 formerly shown on said plan now or hereafter recorded. Said lot No. 5A is bounded as follows: BEGINNING on the East side of a right way at the northwest corner of Lot #5 on said plan; THENCE North 71 degrees 30" East 100.00 feet by Lot #5; THENCE by the remaining part of Lot #6, North 24 degrees 45' West 50.0 feet and South 71 degrees 30' West 88.57 feet to land now or formerly of Charles Everett Andrews; THENCE South 10 degrees 50' West by said C.E. Andrews land 19.5 feet to the said right of way; THENCE by said right of way South 24 degrees 45' East 32 feet 7 inches to the point of beginning, with rights of way as shown on said plans and to and from the public highway. Meaning and intending to describe the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagor by deed from Gary E. Posson and Cheryl A. Begin, herewith recorded at Worcester District Registry of Deeds. 57741-89 Subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservation, restrictions, and taking of record, if any, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable. In the event of any typographical error set forth herein in the legal description of the premises, the description as set forth and contained in the mortgage shall control by reference. Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this sale. Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax sales, tax titles and other municipal liens and water or sewer liens and State or County transfer fees, if any there are, and TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) in cashier's or certified check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale as a deposit and the balance in cashier's or certified check will be due in thirty (30) days, at the offices of Doonan, Graves & Longoria, LLC ("DG&L"), time being of the essence. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale-date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date. The premises is to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, leases, tenancies, and rights of possession, building and zoning laws, encumbrances, condominium liens, if any and all other claim in the nature of liens, if any there be. In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder, providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein. If the second highest bidder declines to purchase the within described property, the Mortgagee reserves the right to purchase the within described property at the amount bid by the second highest bidder. The foreclosure deed and the consideration paid by the successful bidder shall be held in escrow by DG&L, (hereinafter called the "Escrow Agent") until the deed shall be released from escrow to the successful bidder at the same time as the consideration is released to the Mortgagee, whereupon all obligations of the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to have been properly fulfilled and the Escrow Agent shall be discharged. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Dated: August 28, 2019 Freedom Mortgage Corporation By its Attorney DOONAN, GRAVES & LONGO-RIA, LLC, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 225D, Beverly, MA 01915 (978) 921-2670 www.dgandl.com 55812 (RAMS-DELL) 09/06/19, 09/13/19, 09/20/19 September 6, 2019 September 13, 2019 September 20, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Division** 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18P3170EA Estate of: Francis E Balcom Date of Death: 08/20/2018 **CITATION ON PETITION** FOR ORDER OF **COMPLETE SETTLEMENT** A Petition for Order of Complete Set-

tlement has been filed by Steven F Balcom of Weeki Wachee FL

requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a detremination of testacy and heirs at law, the allowance of a final account, and first account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/24/2019.

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

Witness, Hon. Leilah A Keamy, First Justice of this Court August 29, 2019 Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate September 13, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO19P2836EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Rose M Falkowski Date of Death: 08/04/2019

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by William E Falkowski of Framingham MA and Carol A Falkowski of Worcester MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, **ORLANS PC** PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 19-002860 August 30, 2019 September 6, 2019 September 13, 2019

LEGAL NOTICE **MORTGAGEE'S SALE** OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Stephen Natale to Fairfield Financial Mortgage Group, Inc., dated January 27, 2003 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 28835, Page 134 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Ditech Financial LLC is the present holder by assignment from Fairfield Financial Mortgage Group, Inc., its successors and assigns to Mortgage Electronic Registration System, Inc its successors and assigns dated January 27, 2003 recorded in Worcester County (Worces-

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

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Ditech Financial LLC Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Natale, Stephen, 18-032165 August 30, 2019 September 6, 2019 September 13, 2019

NOTICE OF **MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lisa R. Ramsdell and George J. Lavalley to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for Stearns Lending, LLC dated September 15, 2017, recorded at the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 57741, Page 93; said mortgage was then assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by virtue of an assignment dated April 10, 2019, and recorded in Book 60252, Page 396; of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION at 03:00 PM on October 1, 2019, on the mortgaged premises. This property has the address of 111 Drake Lane, East Brookfield, MA 01515. The entire mortgaged premises, all and singu-

William E Falkowski of Framing ham MA and Carol A Falkowski of Worcester MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/24/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS

UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.

Date: August 29, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman,

Register of Probate September 13, 2019

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WORCESTER, SS **PROBATE COURT** 17P4100EA

To Carrie A. Rys, of Dracut in the County of Middlesex

A petition has been presented to said Court by Commonwealth of Massachussets Executive Office of Health and Human Services, praying said Court for payment of Claim and Sale of Real Estate as set forth in said petition and for such further relief as this Court deems proper.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Worcester

before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of September 2019, the return day of this citation. Witness LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire,

First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of August 2019.

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

September 13, 2019

Town of Spencer, MA **Tree Hearing**

A public hearing will be held at the Spencer Memorial Town Hall, Conference Room A, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 6:00p.m. to consider the proposed removal of the following trees: G H Wilson Rd. 6 trees various sizes,

and I Capen Rd. 1 tree. **Ray Holmes** Tree Warden September 13, 2019

September 20, 2019

Brookfield Planning Board

LEGALS

Notice of Public Hearing In accordance with M. G. L., Chapter 40A, and the provisions of the Brookfield Zoning Bylaws Section 4.D, Use Regulation Table 6.c; Section 8.C., Site Plan Approval; and Section 12.C., Special Permits; the Brookfield Planning Board will re-open a Public Hearing on an application for the construction and operation of a commercial Fuel Storage Facility (Propane) on property owned by Jeff Tasse, and located at 14 Post Road, a Business "A" District.

The re-opened public hearing will take place on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at the Town Hall, 6 Central Street, Brookfield, starting at 6:45 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard. A copy of the application may be inspected at the office of the Town Clerk at Brookfield Town Hall during normal business hours.

Sharon Mahoney, Chair **Brookfield Planning Board** September 13, 2019 September 20, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO19P2843EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: **Richard E Trudeau** Date of Death: 05/13/2019 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Matthew

J Trudeau of Southbridge MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that

Matthew J Trudeau of Southbridge MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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September 13, 2019

Town of Spencer Conservation Commission PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:

John Knight has filed an NOI with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace a culvert pipe located at Washburn Drive, Spencer, MA.

James Mullen has filed an NOI with the Spencer Conservation Commission to install a new septic system tight tank at 41 Oakland Drive, Spencer, MA

Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, September 25, 2019, at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 7:00 p.m., public hearings begin at 7:15 p.m. Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman September 13, 2019

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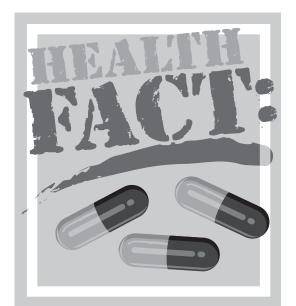
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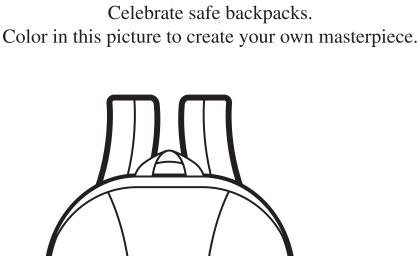
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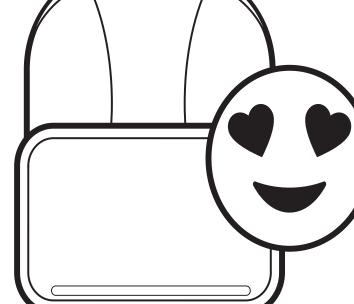


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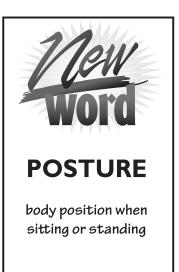




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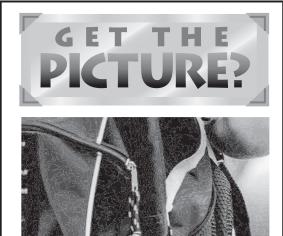
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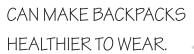
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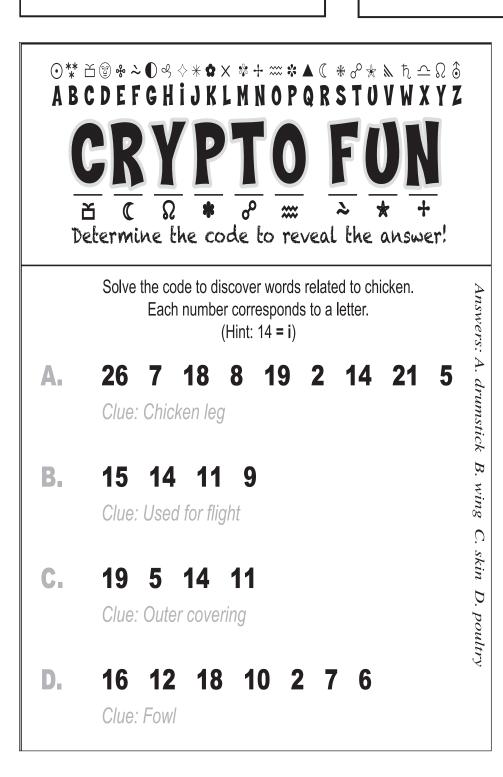
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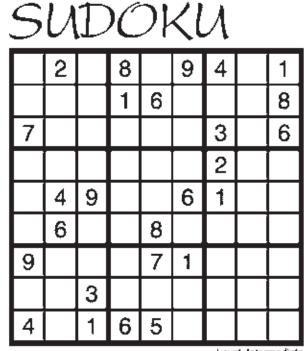




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ANSWER: BACKPACK





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