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School Committee cancels partnership with Nexamp

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

The Dudley Charlton Regional School District will be seeking a new partnership after agreeing to cancel its contract with a solar energy company that would have provided the town net metering credits.

The regional school committee heard an update from the district's director of finance and operation Richard Mathieu on March 14 at which Mathieu recommended the committee end its partnership with Nexamp Solar Energy Solutions after the company failed to do its part in the agreement and offer any value to the towns of Dudley or Charlton.

"The district entered a net metering credit arrangement with Nexamp in May of 2013. They've never fulfilled their commitment on that contract and we do have an opportunity to basically substitute a new program for this one at the same 30 percent level," Mathieu told school officials.

"It's the suspicion of mine that Nexamp never enacted it because that 30 percent was so generous. Most of these arrangements are around the 30 percent level. I don't have proof of that, but if we can swap one or the other that would appear to be a live opportunity rather than holding out hope that at some point in time Nexamp would fulfill their obligations."

Superintendent Gregg Desto confirmed the district had sought legal counsel on the matter and the district

was in the clear if they chose to end the agreement.

Mathieu also confirmed this, stating the district could have ended the partnership a long time ago if they wished. "It could have been canceled 18 months after it was signed if they hadn't provided a facility," Mathieu said. "We held out hope, because it was a very favorable rate for us, that we'd be able to get in at their next one and it just never worked out. They've offered us no contract whatsoever."

The school committee voted unanimously to cancel the contract and explore new options. Mathieu brought a possible new vendor to the table during the meeting.

"The new vendor would be Seaboard Solar and they do have an arrangement with the Dudley Housing Authority currently. They're actively trying to finish up the sale of their credits, so they can have the facility built and they expect to be online within a year," Mathieu said.

The school committee made no motion on such a partnership during the meeting.

No discussion took place on where a solar array would be erected or how the specifics of the deal would work if a partnership between Seaboard Solar and the school district were to come to fruition. The school district has worked closely with solar companies in the past, most recently allowing for the building of a solar farm adjacent to the entrance-way for Charlton Middle School and Shepherd Hill Regional High School.



Amy Paul photo

Managers and assistants at Camp Marshall are already gearing up for the coming summer.

Camp Marshall readying for warmer weather

BY AMY PAUL
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

Camp Marshall in Spencer is not just a location for summer camps anymore. Though the staff promises plenty of the same excellent programming and staff for summer camp programs, they are also very enthusiastic about hosting new and exciting programs for the upcoming Spring-Summer 2018 season.

Three new staff members and themselves long-time veterans of Camp Marshall's programs have joined Camp Marshall's management team.

Jordan Desilets from Spencer is Marshall's new assistant to the director, helping to create and manage camp programs.

Tori Wojcicki of Charlton has been hired as the new administrative assistant, in charge of summer

camp staff, the Lit, and the CIT program.

Finally, Taylor Timcoe of Quincy, a graduate of Norfolk County Agricultural High School in Walpole who studied animal science and equine hails as the new equestrian and barn manager.

The well-rounded and experienced team is very much looking forward to being able to serve the public and campers and their families with enthusiasm and innovation.

Also new this year is April Vacation Camp, running from April 16-20. Children between the ages of 6-15 are welcome to attend the 8am-5pm day camp, where a different selection of programming is offered each day. Cost of atten-

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Getting from here to there if buses don't run...

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WORCESTER – Outraged by the proposed cuts to public transportation services, residents and legislators from throughout central Massachusetts descended on City Hall last week for a rally.

Reduced services have been proposed for several Worcester Regional Transit Authority bus routes, while others have been slated for elimination to save money. Among the proposals is an option to cut all bus services west of East Brookfield District Court on Route 9, while another option could bring an end to weekend bus routes.

At the March 20 rally outside City Hall, several legislators and residents spoke out against the proposed cuts. For thousands of residents in central Massachusetts, an elimination of bus routes would prevent them from getting to work and school.

"Not everyone has their own vehicle, and it is unacceptable to be looking at cuts to public transportation," said State Representative Natalie Higgins, of Leominster, who represents the Fourth Worcester District.

The state's 15 regional transit authorities are short roughly \$8 million for fiscal year 2019, according to projections released by Governor Charlie Baker in



Kevin Flanders photos

Gubernatorial candidate Setti Warren addresses guests during the rally.

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DC school officials to meet with State Auditor Bump

BY JASON BLEAU
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY- The town of Dudley will hold a long-awaited meeting between local officials and the office of the state auditor.

Superintendent of Schools Greg Desto confirmed the meeting during a school committee discussion in mid-March noting the conversation could have significant implications on the future of education funding in the commonwealth, an issue that has struck the towns of Dudley and Charlton hard in recent years.

Desto confirmed this meeting will be open to officials from both communities and could provide a forum for voicing concerns about different funding struggles the district continues to face.

"The Dudley Board of Selectmen, led by Town Administrator Greg Balukonis, have secured a meeting with a representative from the state auditor's office," Desto said. "Representative of both town have been invited to that meeting (including the school committee)."

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss ideas for long term funding solutions for communities like Dudley

and Charlton, which share a school district and face different hardships than other districts and independent agencies in the commonwealth. Desto said he feels the state auditor has an awareness for the difficulties districts like theirs continue to face and would like to find a solution.

"As everybody on this committee is aware, auditor Suzanne Bump came out with a report on funding regional districts. With that as a jumping off point we're going to try to work together with her office," Desto said.

In January, Bump submitted a request for full funding of regional school transportation and in October 2017 her office released a study highlighting challenges facing regional school districts calling for a "modernization" of the structure of such districts throughout the commonwealth. In that release she stated, "Ensuring student success in our regional school districts will require modernization of funding, governance, and operating structures, and will demand collaboration between state and local educational officials, and lawmakers."

With Dudley facing a contentious

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Berry Corner Road water line project on schedule

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The Charlton Water & Sewer Commission received an update on the Berry Corner Road water line project during a meeting on March 19 as commission members learned everything is in line and on schedule.

Engineer Jeff Faulkner represented Tighe and Bond during the discussion and presented updates to the commission for consideration that showed the project remains within budget and, mostly, on schedule despite some setbacks due to other projects planned as part of Exxon Mobile's commitment to Charlton to resolve water line contam-

inations associated with the company. Faulkner said bids are currently being accepted and work could begin this summer.

"The project is currently out to bid," said Faulkner. "We've worked with (town officials) for the last six months or so with several design meetings and input from everyone on how to proceed with this project. Contractors are reviewing the plans and design documents being prepared to send a bid on April 12 to the town of Southbridge."

The purpose of the project is to extend the water system to take care of contaminated private wells along several roadways. The project will stretch

from the intersection of Berry Corner Road and Southbridge Road running to the intersection of North Ayers Road and south onto H. Foote Road to right about the town line. It will also include Eleanor Lane. The project will total about 1,900 linear feet or 3.4 miles of work. Eighty parcels have signed up to fully connect to the main. Parcels that don't sign up will receive a stub to their property, so they can connect in the future if they wish. The project will also involve decommissioning the 80 private wells and servicing the houses all the way to the foundation with a new meter attached to those homes.

"The goal would be to go out to con-

struction around Memorial Day and get the roadway work done in this calendar year," Faulkner said. "The actual turnover of the services will depend on the other project that is in the vicinity, which is the pump station on Southbridge Road. That's another project through the Exxon Mobile initiative. We learned at this point that project will probably not be ready by the end of this calendar year so the actual turnover of these 80 houses to the public water supply is likely in the spring of 2019."

When asked about the budget,

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Central Mass South Referral Group announces quarterly speaker series

The Central Massachusetts South Referral Group is a venue for networking, enhancing public speaking skills, exchanging business referrals and marketing ideas and sponsoring guest speakers who share their knowledge of the latest developments in business.

The 2018 quarterly speaker series begins Friday, April 27. Robin Samora,

marketing and public relations expert, will present on "7 Ways Social Media Can Get You More Customers, Sales and Profits."

The meeting will be at The Barn at Wight Farm, 420 Main St., Sturbridge. Robin's presentation will include:

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no charge to attend.

Samora works with small business owners and entrepreneurs who want to turn prospects and loyal customers into raving fans. She helps clients increase branding and visibility online and offline by cutting through the clutter, so they can get noticed and sell more products and services. Using social media, email marketing, speaking and free publicity strategies, Robin creates a user-friendly roadmap to enhance her clients' credibility, reputation and leadership position - even without a PR budget.

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At April's Fun at Five networking event on Monday, April 9 at 5:00 p.m., all are welcome to join the Chamber of Central Mass South for tasty treats, fresh brews, chances to win valuable drawing prizes and the opportunity to mingle with local professionals in a very cool and relaxed setting!

Register for Fun at Five by email or phone. 508-347-2761 info@cmschamber.org. The cost is \$10 for members who pre-register, \$15 at the door, or \$20 for non-members. We hope to see you there! Rapsallion Brewery & Tap Room is located at 195 Arnold Road, Fiskdale.

Thank you to our April Fun at Five Sponsor! Opacum Land Trust. Your local land trust - protecting almost 2,000 acres of land in our 13-town service area stretching from Southbridge to West Brookfield and Monson to Charlton.

Meet the Opacum Land Trust Board of Directors and learn about their new bike event - TourOpacum, Ride for Land Conservation. Last year, the first TourOpacum drew 91 riders and the goal is to grow into a major regional bike event, drawing hundreds of riders to Sturbridge and the Opacum service area. Many riders commented on how beautiful this part of the region is. Working with their partners Rapsallion Brewery, Hyland Orchard and Southbridge Bicycles, Opacum Land Trust seeks to enhance the quality of life in our communities while protecting important habitat and open space for the benefit of wildlife and the public. Mark your calendar for July 8th for TourOpacum. More information and registration at Bikereg.com. Visit Opacum Land Trust online at www.

OpacumLT.org.

The Chamber's Fun at Fives are casual get-togethers held monthly at outstanding venues throughout our area. The events start at 5:00pm and feature networking, cocktails, fantastic hors d'oeuvres, cool drawing prizes, your chance to meet and get to know local professionals and perhaps make the deal of a lifetime.

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Financial literacy a goal in schools, promoted by legislation

BOSTON — Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) and the Massachusetts State Senate unanimously passed legislation aimed at improving students' knowledge on saving, investing, insurance, banking, inflation, and other financial matters.

"Learning the value of money and proper management are important life-long lessons that can be taught at every level," said Senator Gobi.

The complexity of the American financial services market has made millions of consumers vulnerable to misleading and fraudulent business practices, which has bankrupted families, ruined communities, and contributed to the "Great Recession."

According to a recent report by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Center for Microeconomic Data, total household debt in the United States rose to an all-time high of \$13.15 trillion by the end of 2017. Mortgage debt constitutes \$8.88 trillion of total debt, while credit debt accounts for \$334 bil-

lion. 2017 was the fifth consecutive year of annual household debt growth with increases in mortgage, student, auto, and credit card debt.

"Every student should be given the opportunity to learn how to manage their personal finances," said Senate President Harriette L. Chandler (D-Worcester). "By passing this financial literacy legislation, the Senate has exemplified its commitment to providing Massachusetts' students with the comprehensive education they deserve."

S.2343, An act relative to financial literacy in schools, would allow personal financial literacy to be integrated within the existing mathematics, social sciences, technology, business, or other curricula where teachers have the capacity to teach financial literacy for all schools in the Commonwealth.

The bill directs the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to create and implement standards and objectives on personal financial

literacy for grades K-12. This would include information on loans, borrowing money, interest, credit card debt, online commerce, rights and responsibilities of renting or buying a home, saving, investing and planning for retirement, banking and financial services, balancing a checkbook, state and federal taxes, and charitable giving. The Student Financial Literacy Advisory Committee created in the FY13 budget will advise and oversee the development of such standards and objectives.

At least 20 states now require students to take a personal finance course or personal finance included in an economics course as a high school graduation requirement. By incorporating financial literacy in K-12 education, Massachusetts residents will be introduced to financial concepts earlier in life, and be better equipped to make prudent decisions based on their needs and budget considerations.

The bill now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration.



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Powers announces bid for Congress

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Powers is running on a platform of term limits, better jobs, protecting Social Security for seniors, and low cost and renewable energy with a plan for energy independence within 15 years. He is also a proud and strong advocate of animal welfare.

"As a small business owner, I create jobs. When I get into Congress, I will work to ensure that the Government doesn't get in the way of small businesses to create better jobs for you."

America is facing challenges like never before. Under the leadership of career politicians, the people have been let down. It is time to limit terms and return control of our nation to people who have actually had to create jobs, earn an honest paycheck, and pay a mortgage - people in touch with the difficulties created by the career politi-

cians we have been electing.

Kevin is a strong supporter of term limits stating that, "Congress has a 13% approval rating, but a 95% re-election rate. The root of this problem is that politicians are incentivized by the political system to care more about retaining their position than about doing what is best for the country. Our elected leaders can and do abuse their power to keep away challengers, transferring power from the hands of citizens to the hands of unaccountable career politicians. To help end this problem, I have signed the congressional term limits pledge."

U.S. Term Limits (USTL) praised Massachusetts U.S. House District 2 Candidate Kevin Powers for signing its congressional term limits pledge. STL President Phillip Blumel commented on Kevin's Pledge saying, "Kevin's support of term limits shows that there are people out there who are willing to put self-interest aside to follow the will of the people and the founding fathers."

"Our founding fathers never intended for public service to be a career. Rather, serving in Congress was designed to be a temporary sacrifice made for the public good."



Kevin Powers

That is exactly what Kevin will do; serve in Congress for no more than six years and then return to his life as a local businessman and entrepreneur.

If you would like to know more about Kevin Powers' platform, please visit his website at www.kevinpowersforcongress.com or on Facebook.

Kevin will be visiting your community soon and he looks forward to meeting you and your neighbors.

Spiewak announces candidacy

Greetings! My name is Karen Spiewak and I am a candidate for Seat 1 on the Charlton Board of Selectmen, presently held by Rick Swensen who is not seeking re-election. (Thanks for your 12 years of service Rick!)

I have lived in Charlton for 33 years with my husband Joe, raised our family here and have been active in the community, consistently, for more than 25 years. In short, I've had the pleasure of working alongside many of you to make sure Charlton remains a wonderful place to live, work, go to school, and play.

Together we've made quite a difference! To highlight just a few of our accomplishments - Dudley Charlton Regional School Committee meetings began to and are still being televised; thanks to our fund-raising efforts, we have a beautiful expanded and renovated library; and due to our advocacy efforts (and sign holding abilities) we have helped the town battle and settle with a huge oil company.

My years of service, particularly on the D-C Regional School Committee, Library Board of Trustees, and, most recently, the Government Study Committee, have given me invaluable insight into the budget process and enabled me to develop an excellent rapport with local officials, in Charlton and the surrounding towns, and with legislators. I've been to Beacon Hill on numerous occasions to advocate for better schools, libraries, and healthcare. My fund-raising and grant writing abilities have resulted in generating tens of thousands of dollars for our town.

The bottom line is I care deeply about the town of Charlton, always have and always will, and I'm ready to do even more. To do so, I need your vote, therefore, I respectfully ask for your vote on Saturday, May 5. Voting takes place at Heritage School, 34 Oxford Rd, from 8am to 8pm. Thank you!

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Be accessible, efficient, and compassionate

Top Priorities:
Local Economy
Local business is vital to the economic health of Charlton.

They provide a needed service, employ residents, and are frequently a generous community partner. Our town must continue to work to become a more viable and attractive place to run a business by continuing our efforts to improve our infrastructure: public water, roads, technology and transportation.

Education

Good schools lead to healthy and thriving communities, safeguard property values, and provide access to opportunity and self-sufficiency. Employers demand an educated workforce, and a stable workforce spurs industry and job growth.

I will provide unrelenting advocacy for the schools our children attend. It's imperative they have access to a high-quality education, including specialized skills training, so they are able to compete and succeed in a global marketplace.

Please take a minute to read this fact sheet regarding the Dudley-Charlton School District. Note our per pupil expenditure.

www.dcrsd.org/.../Budge.../Budget_Frequently_Asked_Questions.pdf

Public Health and the Environment
We must preserve the health of our residents by addressing pollution. We need to continue to work on cleaning up the areas in town that are polluted and ensure those found responsible continue to be held accountable. We must change from reacting and cleaning up pollution, to proactively addressing and preventing pollutants from affecting our residents in the future.

Solar Arrays: Residents have been voicing concerns over the 20+ large, ground mounted solar arrays especially those that clear cut woodlands. Many abutters are faced with small buffer zones, magnified noise from nearby highways, unsightly views, worries of groundwater runoff and contamination issues and reductions property values. I believe these are legitimate concerns that threaten our quality of life and more needs to be done to protect us.

Traffic safety: Work with State officials, recently appointed traffic commission and stakeholders to address traffic concerns in Charlton particularly along the Route 20 corridor.

For more information, please my Facebook page voteKSpiewak.



Karen Spiewak



April 17 is an important tax due date!

April 17, 2018, is the due date for filing your 2017 federal income tax return and for paying the tax you owe. The first installment of your 2018 estimated tax is due the same day. April 17 is also the due date for the first 2018 installment of estimated tax for corporations. Contact our office for any assistance you need.

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Water Main Flushing

April 3, 2018 until May 11, 2018

The Sturbridge Water Department will be flushing water mains to remove sediments that can cause brown and black water complaints. The flushing will take place from Tuesday April 3, 2018 until Friday May 11, 2018. We will start on the East end of Town. The flushing will begin at 8 AM and finish by 5 PM Monday through Friday each day. All customers should be aware that water main flushing can cause some temporary water discoloration throughout the community. The discoloration comes from small particles of iron and manganese that are removed from the pipe walls. The discoloration is temporary and typically clears in four to five hours. It is recommended that residents check the water before use, especially prior to doing laundry. DO NOT TRY TO BLEACH STAINED CLOTHES, AS THIS WILL SET THE STAIN PERMANENTLY. Customers can call the Water Department at 508-347-2513 for further assistance.

MassHousing announces down payment assistance program

BOSTON — MassHousing announced the launch of a new down payment assistance program designed to lower the barriers to achieving homeownership working households face. MassHousing's new down payment assistance program will allow qualified first-time homebuyers to finance up to 100 percent of the purchase price of their first home.

MassHousing is now the only entity offering a down payment assistance program for low-, moderate- and middle-income buyers throughout Massachusetts, and the only entity in Massachusetts offering a sustainable, conventional mortgage product allowing buyers to achieve homeownership without making a down payment.

"Record-low inventory levels, rising home prices, high rents, and student loan debt are all making it more difficult for the average Massachusetts household to afford to purchase a home," said MassHousing Executive Director Chrystal Kornegay. "MassHousing's new down payment assistance program will help ensure that homeownership remains accessible to working families, by allowing creditworthy homebuyers to buy their first home with little to no down payment requirement. By boosting the buying power of low-, moderate- and middle-income households,

MassHousing will support investment in neighborhoods, help the state's workforce remain rooted in Massachusetts, and advance the Agency's mission of confronting housing challenges facing the Commonwealth, to improve the lives of its people."

MassHousing is making down payment assistance loans available to first-time homebuyers with annual household incomes at or below the area median income, using MassHousing financing to purchase a single-family home or condominium unit. The area median income varies by county. Eligible households will earn \$103,400 or less in eastern Massachusetts, \$85,700 in Worcester County, and \$67,200 in Berkshire County.

Homebuyers accessing down payment assistance must still meet MassHousing's underwriting criteria, including minimum credit score and debt-to-income qualifications, and attend a homeownership education class.

MassHousing mortgages currently finance up to 97 percent of a home purchase price. The Agency's new down payment assistance program will finance up to an additional three percent of the purchase price, allowing for up to 100 percent financing for credit-worthy income-eligible borrowers.

Down payment assistance will be a fully amortizing 15-year, fixed-rate second mortgage, with an interest rate of one percent. The down payment assistance loan will carry no additional fees, and will be due in full upon the sale or refinancing of the property. Down payment assistance will be capped at three percent of the purchase price, up to \$12,000.

Down payment assistance loans will be internally subsidized by the strength of the agency's existing single-family portfolio. The program will not require any additional allocation of funds, or the diversion of funds from other agency uses. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations.

MassHousing finances home purchases through a network of more than 160 banks, credit unions and mortgage companies. Down payment assistance will launch alongside a simplification and consolidation of the agency's mortgage products. The new mortgage products, including down payment assistance, are available to consumers immediately.

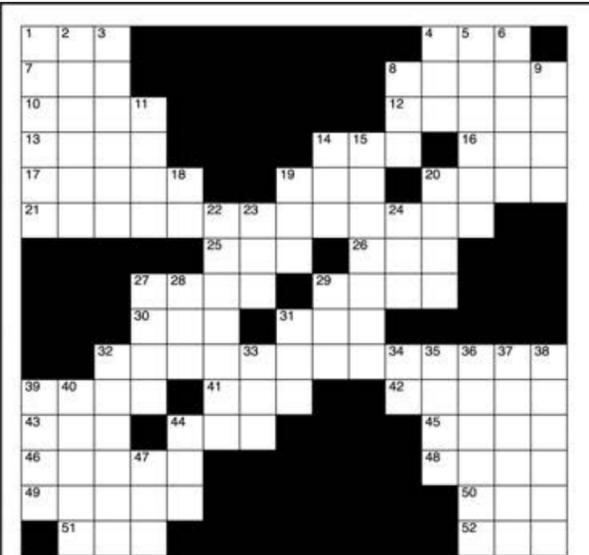
The new down payment assistance program for low-, moderate- and middle-income households complements MassHousing's ongoing efforts to support workforce housing. The agency has also created a \$100 million work-

force housing fund to spur the creation of 1,000 new apartments affordable to middle-income renters. In partnership with the Baker-Polito Administration's Housing Choice Initiative, MassHousing is advancing measures to boost the production of new housing, and deliver 135,000 new housing units by the year 2025.

MassHousing (The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency) is an independent, quasi-public agency created in 1966 and charged with providing financing for affordable housing in Massachusetts. The agency raises capital by selling bonds and lends the proceeds to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, and to developers who build or preserve affordable and/or mixed-income rental housing. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations, although it administers some publicly funded programs on behalf of the Commonwealth. Since its inception, MassHousing has provided more than \$22 billion for affordable housing. For more information, visit the MassHousing website at www.mass-housing.com, follow us on Twitter @MassHousing, subscribe to our blog, watch us on YouTube and Like us on Facebook.

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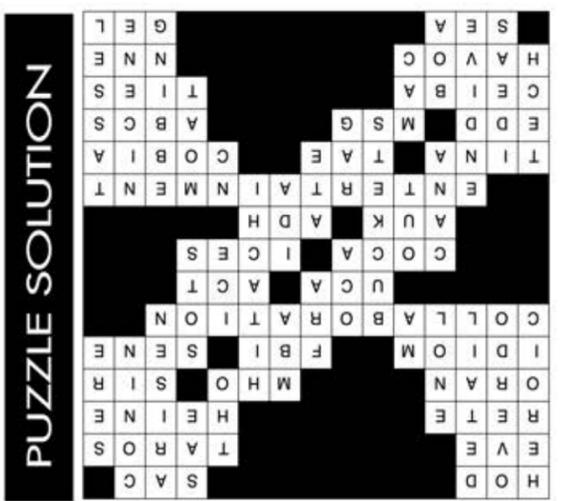


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Builder's trough
- 4. Pouch
- 7. Adam's partner
- 8. Zelda soldiers
- 10. Network of nerves
- 12. Heinrich __, poet
- 13. Algerian port
- 14. Reciprocal of one ohm
- 16. Title of respect
- 17. Form of expression
- 19. Hoover's office
- 20. Samoan monetary unit
- 21. Cooperation
- 25. Fiddler crabs
- 26. Portion of a play
- 27. Tropical American shrub
- 29. Frosts
- 30. Short-winged diving seabird
- 31. Chemical compound used as a hardener (abbr.)
- 32. Diversion
- 39. __ Turner, rock singer
- 41. __-bo: exercise system
- 42. Large, edible game fish
- 43. Doctor of Education
- 44. Where the Knicks play
- 45. Basics
- 46. Tall tropical American trees
- 48. Men wear them
- 49. Widespread destruction
- 50. Midway between north and northeast
- 51. Vast body of water
- 52. Hair product

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Very brave
- 2. Go too far
- 3. Individual feature
- 4. Drug trials term (abbr.)
- 5. Has emerged
- 6. Helped the Spanish conquer Mexico
- 8. Northern Vietnam ethnic group
- 9. Dried-up
- 11. Reactive structures (abbr.)
- 14. Licensed for Wall Street
- 15. Japanese conglomerate
- 18. Home to the Celtics
- 19. Title given to Italian monk
- 20. Drunkards
- 22. Cylindrical containers
- 23. South American plants
- 24. Frozen water
- 27. Town in Galilee
- 28. Not in
- 29. Journalist and suffragist Wells
- 31. Consumed
- 32. Edible Mediterranean plant
- 33. Poke fun of
- 34. "First in Flight" state
- 35. Fortifying ditch
- 36. Receding
- 37. Christian liturgical creed
- 38. Used to decorate Xmas trees
- 39. High-__: complex
- 40. Thoughts
- 44. __ and cheese
- 47. Constrictor snake



Can I just sell my home AS IS?

You absolutely can and I highly recommend against it unless you are in a financial position where you cannot make necessary repairs in order to sell your home. Even then I would explore borrowing from a family member or maybe getting a home equity line to pay for the improvements. Most of the time people will ask me if they can just sell as is and most of the time if they put 10-20K into the home based on my recommendations they are going to get 50-60K back on the sale. There are 2 big reasons for this. First the buyers are unable to typically envision the finished product and second depending on the repairs they may not be able to obtain bank financing without the repairs being made and then you may be stuck selling to an investor who will pay pennies on the dollar because they need to make a profit.

Some of the most common things people want to leave for the buyers to do is paint and carpet because they are concerned that the buyer may not like the colors of the paint or they will want to rip out the carpet and add hardwoods. This is



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the logical but people buy based on emotion rather than intellect and old carpets and beat up walls tell people the home needs work and they want to discount for the upgrades but the possibility of unseen repairs as well. I highly recommend making these improvements as well as refinishing hardwood floors and stripping wallpaper and painting. Another difficult one is landscaping because a nicely edged lawn with no overgrown trees and shrubs and mulched beds will make the home pop and is worth every penny when getting the home ready because it again gives the buyer the feeling that this home is well cared for and they don't have to do any work. Buyers are willing to pay a premium to move right in and not have to do any work.

I recommend as soon as you decide you are going to move to have a Realtor come evaluate your home and give you a list of the recommended repairs to get the most money for your home. Keeping in mind it could take months to get your home ready for it to be sold.

CHARLTON CAPSULES

SIR GEORGE & THE DRAGON: Charlton Lions Club presents Jon McDonough's Pumpernickel Puppets on Saturday, April 7 at 2 p.m. at the Overlook Community Center. Free community event; refreshments and complimentary eye screening provided. For information contact thecharltonlions@gmail.com.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Charlton Brownie Girl Scout Troop will be hosting a drive through clothing drive at the Charlton Elementary School on Earth Day, Saturday, April 28 from 10 am - 1 pm.

CHARLTON GARDEN CLUB

Come and join us! The Charlton Garden Club's Monday, April 9 meeting will feature John McKinney, former National Park Service Ranger. He will speak on Birding for Everyone. Charlton Garden Club meetings are open to all interested in gardening and related themes. Whether you're a novice or accomplished gardener, the Charlton Garden Club is a great place to meet other gardening enthusiasts, learn about plants and planting, and to share your gardening tips and experiences. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Charlton Federated Church. A \$5 donation is suggested for non-members. If interested in joining the Garden Club, please contact Co-Presidents, Virginia Charette at (508) 248-7300 or Marcia Liedigk at (508) 434-0507.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Charlton Helping Hand Society Inc. is again happy to announce two \$500 college scholarships. These will be awarded to a graduating senior from Shepherd Hill and Bay Path. The Bay Path scholarship could also be used in tools of the senior's chosen trade. Applications are now in the Guidance Office at both schools. These scholarships are available to Charlton students. It is the society's pleasure to lend a helping hand to our students.

CANDIDATES NIGHT PLANNED

The Charlton Candidates Forum will be held this year on Wednesday, April 18 at 6:30 in the Library in Dexter Hall (top floor). All candidates have been invited to attend. Steve Coleman has graciously, once again, agreed to moderate.

Everyone should park in the back of the building and enter from the lower level back entrance as this is an after hours event. The front doors remain locked after the library closes at 5:00.

HONORING THE RIVER

The French River Connection is pleased to invite the public to a presentation by Larry Spotted Crow Mann, award winning writer-poet-native American cultural educator-traditional story teller, speaking on Honoring the Mannexit(French) River" Mr. Mann's most recent book is *Drumming & Dreaming*, and presents tales of the Algonquin Tribes, primarily the Nipmuc. The event will be on Wednesday, April 11 at 7 p.m., at the Wintergarten, the easily accessible historic meeting hall above Kretschman's Brewery, located along the French River at 9 Frederick St. in Webster.

The street is between the Post Office and the Police Station. The Brewery will be open and available to patrons.



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Tri-Valley, Inc. - April 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Beef Stew Steamed Rice Green Beans Pineapple	3 Vegetable Cheese Bake Broccoli & Red Peppers Corn Yogurt	4 Chicken Milano Wild Rice Tuscany Blend Vegetables Mandarin Oranges	5 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit	6 Breaded Fish Tartar Sauce Lemon Seasoned Potato Scandinavian Vegetables Fruited Ambrosia
9 Chicken Sausage Jambalaya Rice Pilaf Green Peas Cookie	10 Meatballs w/Onion Gravy Bowtie Pasta Scandinavian Vegetables Mandarin Oranges	11 Marinated Pork Loin Herb Seasoned Potatoes Oriental Blend Vegetables Fresh Fruit <i>Minestrone Soup</i>	12 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Beans & Corn Sour Cream/Pita Bread Pineapple	13 Fish with Crumb Topping Potatoes O'Brien Broccoli Gingerbread Diet=Small Piece
16 PATRIOTS DAY NO MEAL SERVED	17 Salmon Boat with Dill Sauce Mashed Potatoes Peas & Pearl Onions Peaches	18 BBQ Chicken Red Bliss Potatoes Summer Corn Salad Cantaloupe	19 Cold Roast Beef S/W Lettuce & Tomato Potato Salad Beet Salad Pears	20 Lasagna & Meatballs Corn Niblets Cheesecake Mousse
23 Roast Pork with Gravy Mashed Potatoes Jardinière Vegetables Fresh Fruit <i>Split Pea Soup</i>	24 Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Coleslaw Mixed Fruit	25 Beef and Bean Chili w/ Cheese Baked Potato Sour Cream Mixed Vegetables Peaches	26 Chicken Cacciatore Penne Pasta Italian Blend Vegetables Birthday Cake & Plain Cake	27 Haddock w/Picatta Sauce Garden Blend Rice Broccoli Brownie Diet=Half Piece Brownie
30 Chicken Mornay Couscous Roman Blend Vegetables Tapioca Pudding & Diet	Dudley 508-949-6640, Franklin 508-520-1422, Milford 508-478-8102, Northbridge 508-234-2002, Oxford 508-987-6000, Southbridge 508-764-1469, Spencer 508-885-3904, Sturbridge 508-347-5063, Sutton 508-234-0703, Upton 508-529-9094, Uxbridge 774-482-6174, West Brookfield 508-867-1411 Tri-Valley receives federal financial support under the Older Americans Act furnished by the Central Mass Agency on Aging and the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.			

New networking connection with Tri-Valley benefits seniors

Tri-Valley, Inc. is now part of the National Council on Aging's network dedicated to helping people with Medicare improve their financial outlook by enrolling in programs to help them afford health care, prescriptions, food, and more.

Nationally, half of all people with Medicare live on incomes less than \$26,200 per year, and they often lack the resources needed to meet basic living expenses. Federal, state, and local programs exist to help these individuals, but many people do not know how to apply for assistance.

Tri-Valley, Inc. has a strong history of helping vulnerable residents in 25 towns located in South Central Massachusetts (Bellingham, Blackstone, Brookfield, Charlton, Douglas, Dudley, East Brookfield, Franklin, Hopedale, Medway, Mendon, Milford, Millville, Northbridge, North Brookfield, Oxford, Southbridge, Spencer, Sturbridge, Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, Warren, Webster and West Brookfield)," said Susan Salisbury, director of community services. "We're proud to be part of this national network of organizations that, since 2009, has helped more than 850,000 low-income older adults and younger adults with disabilities achieve economic stability."

Tri-Valley, Inc. is one of 69 Benefits Enrollment Centers funded by NCOA to serve low-income Medicare beneficiaries in 36 states. BECs are supported by funding from the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act, administered through the U.S. Administration for Community Living. Tri-Valley's BEC will cover the agency's 25-towns listed above plus 36 additional communities in Central Massachusetts.

BECs use NCOA's free online BenefitsCheckUp(r) tool (www.BenefitsCheckUp.org) to screen lower income older adults, and younger adults with disabilities, for more than 2,500 benefits-including Medicare Savings Programs, Part D Extra Help, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and to help them apply for and use those benefits.

To see if someone you know qualifies for assistance, call Tri-Valley at 508-949-6640.

Tri-Valley is a private, non-profit agency. The agency receives funding from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Executive Office of elder Affairs and from the Federal government, under the Older American's Act, processed through the Central Mass Agency on Aging. Funds are also received from other public and private sources. All donations are welcome and memorials may be established.

S.C.M. Elderbus offices

All S.C.M. Elderbus offices will be closed on Monday, April 16, 2018 to observe Patriot's Day



Courtesy photo

CASA Project's Development Associate Carolyn Hoey; Cornerstone Bank's Chairman and CEO K. Michael Robbins; CASA Project's Executive Director Robb Zarges and Cornerstone Bank's Vice President of Marketing Lori Kowal.

Cornerstone Bank donates to the CASA Project

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank is proud to announce its recent donation of \$2,500 to the Court Appointed Special Advocate Project in support of its Child Court Advocacy Program.

Now in its 37th year, the CASA Project provides advocacy services to children living in the foster care system. The organization trains volunteer citizens to become court-appointed special advocates to represent the best interests of abused or neglected children in the juvenile court system.

The funds donated will be used to help support the recruitment and training of additional CASA volunteers, and thereby allow CASA to serve more victimized children within Worcester County as part of the Child Court Advocacy Program.

"The CASA Project is crucial to Worcester County's children who find themselves in a situation where they need a responsible advocate to ensure their safety," stated Chairman and CEO of Cornerstone Bank K. Michael Robbins. "CASA's mission to expand their services and serve the victimized children in the area is noble, and we are happy to be able to support them in this worthy endeavor."

For more information on the CASA Project, visit casaworcestercounty.org or call: (508) 757-9877.

Cornerstone Bank is an independent, mutual savings bank serving the residents, businesses, and communities throughout Central Massachusetts from offices in Charlton, Holden, Leicester, North Oxford, Rutland, Southbridge, Spencer, Sturbridge, Warren, Webster and Worcester. Deposits are insured in full by a combination of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Depositors Insurance Fund. The bank is an Equal Opportunity Employer, Equal Housing Lender, and SBA Preferred Lender. For more information, visit online at cornerstonebank.com, on Facebook or call 800-939-9103.

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LEARNING

Charlton Middle School announces honor roll

CHARLTON — The following students have earned a place on the honor roll for the second term at Charlton Middle School.

FIFTH GRADE

High Honors: Nicholas Adler, Anthony Avoglia, Connor Belanger, Kyomi Black, Chase Bourassa, Rachael Ciani, Maeve Costa, Mikayla Crocker, Jenna DeFosse, Andrew Desrochers, Bella DiGregorio, Carly Donohue, Fiona Duke, Donovan Ennis, Conor Gadbois, Alexander Gessner, Brianna Hicks, Ryan Jaworski, Alanna Kelly, Rosalie Knowlton, Nathan Lashua, Kathryn LeBlanc, Scott Lehmann, Courtney Lolax, Eva Lombardi, Kyle Mazur, Nolan McGonagle, Isabel McLam, Paul McManus, Lillian Murillo, Ava Murray, Catherine Pavone, Gabriel Prado, Nicholas Ramsey, Owen Reece, Colin Resener, Kaylie Richard, Madison Rizzo, John Shields, Sara Shocik, Raymond St. Francis, Leela Start, Shawn Sulkowski, Jillian Terlizzi, Cassandra Tinsley, Alison Welton, Jacob Wojcicki and Sophina Zacek

Honors: Christopher Adams, Kaelen Anderson, Bryce Andre', Sawyer Ayotte, Kasey Blanchette, Kendall Bond, Camden Bousquet, Liam Burke, Nathaniel Burlingame, Mary Butler, Aria Champney, Calvin Costello, Ryan Dawson, Jaden Deauseault, Francisco Diaz, Michael Doktor, Madison Dolan, Nina Falcone, Connor Fox, Jackson Fromm, Nicholas Fry, Shea Germain, John Gordon, Matthew Guerin, Aniela Hardy, Daniel Harris, Alexander Hedge Hughes, Joshua Hemingway, Thomas Hennessey, Brady Holden,

Ava Iozzo, Sarah Jalbert, Julia Johnson, Jayden Kelleher, Norah Larson, Emma Leclair, Alexis Leoni, Garrett Lucht, Daven Matta Russell, Brayden McCoy, Ayla McGraill, Jed McManus, Chloe Monahan, Nathan Nguyen, Isabella Pettinelli, Jeffrey Popsuj, Joseph Roman, Delaney Rose, Adam Schwarzenberg, Aryanna Sheehan, Kalli Sheehan, Thomas Sousa, Benjamin Streeter, Dulce Sullivan, Reid Szela, Kathryn Szretter, Colleen Thomas, John Tighe, Isabella Tolomio, Lukas Trevarthan, Anthony Villanueva, Alexis Warren, Mara Weber and Sadie Wilber

SIXTH GRADE

High Honors: Jacob Bowser, Kelsy Brown, Rachel Carpenter, Jianna Clouthier, David Cranney, Troy Dandridge, Logan Daniels, Dylan DeJesus, Kaelyn Donovan, Arlo Dzik, Jacob Fredette, Grace Garon, Chloe Graves, Caleb Green, Patrick Harrington, Kyra Hennessey, James Heywood, Rebecca Joesten, Athena Karas, Harry Kennan, James Kokernak, Jalynn Krasnecky, Alexander Lanpher, Sevin LaVoie, Emily LeBrun, Vincent Messier, Maggie Mullaly, James Palfreman, Madelyn Parker, Peyton Parrettie, Jayden Remillard, Adrien Roach, Chase Rupert, Daniel Russell, Ronan Shaw, Matthew Smolski, Ava Sousa, Victoria Tinsley, Jack Ugrinow, Akshat Viswanath, Gavin Wallace, Thomas Wilk, Hailey Williamson and Emma Yaede

Honors: Drew Aubin, Emily Barker, David Bashi, Caleb Bergstrom, Alex Beshiri, Chase Buniowski, Natalie Burdett, Caitlyn Burke, Owen

Burlingame, Kirsten Cristo, LeeAnn Dagnese, Hayden Davis, Nicholas Dell'Ovo, Troy Fernandes, Kacey Flanagan, Rachel Gormley, Joshua Harrison, Bridget Hast, Hadley Heaphy, Emma Horner, Luke Hurlley, Olivia Kowalski, Julianna LaForce, Juliana Lancette, Evan LeBlanc, Leigha Lemoine, Abigail Linde, Carter Lindsey, Samantha Lotter, Nicole Martinez Merino, Luke May, Cecilia McDonald, Conor Newman, Alix Norrman, Alyssa Palermo, Kayla Pospesel, Natasha Ramirez, Jacob Reed, Emily Routhier, Bishop Salib, Peyton Sanborn, Steven Santos Menjivar, Caterina Schiappa, Connor Sentence, Adriana Stanley, Andrew Sullivan, Trent Szela, Christopher Verdolino, Gianna Verdolino and Agatha White

SEVENTH GRADE

High Honors: Katherine Alicea, Samuel Audunsson, Austin Ayotte, Olivia Beaudette, Sofia Beaulieu, Ryan Berk, Kennedy Bernard, Emma Bousquet, Jacob Brodeur, Madison Brousseau, Samantha Bullen, Taylor Burdett, Caitlyn Bussiere, Ellen Butler, Julia Canty, Augustus Cederman, Victoria Chamberlain, Braden Clifford, Jillian Cloutier, Isabella Coleman, Kenerson Cronin, Colleen Cumming, Connor Daniel, Christopher Davey, Ryan Davis, Danielle Doiron, Brady Donahue, Brenna Donohue, Emma Drake, Elizabeth Dreitlein, Aidan Dugan, Adam Faucher, Dara Gadbois, Hanna Gamelli, Haleigh Garrepy, Zachary Gessner, Angelina Hargrave, Abbigael Hill, Luke Hill, Madeleine Johnson, Kellen

Kirwin, Alicia Kirwin, Olivia Krukonis, Camille Larson, Leah Leclair, Abigail Lombardi, Luke Miller, Joseph Montville, Nicole Moore, Emery Mullen, Colleen Murphy, Colin O'Brien, Angelina Ramirez, Zachary Rivas, Sydney Roland, Abraham Routhier, Ivana Stenman, Alice Torres, Emma White, Ashley Wojcicki, Kaitlyn Woodson and Raleigh Zacek

Honors: Alyssa Adams, Jack Barrows, John Begg, Brenna Behan, Austin Borggaard, Braden Bullard, Joslyn Butler, Jamie Calkins, Joshua Carignan, Joshua Carroll, Shaylan Cashman, Alishba Chaudhry, Kaylie Christian, Nathaniel Chute, Olivia Cranney, Ryan Davis, Emma Dickinson, Lauryn Dyer, Marlee Eckbold, Ashley Erickson, Kaylee Fox, Evan Frost, Alexander Gaither, Christopher Galli, Alexander Gammetto, Liam Groh, John Guerin, Barry Hanson, Lillian Henry, Grace Jones, Abbigail Liberty, Rachel Lolax, Sara Malaney, Rachel McMenemy, Kyle Moddy, Jonathan Norrman, Brady O'Neill, Madison Poirier, Emily Riopel, Matthew Rousakos, Kieya Santerre, Joy Schultz, Jazmine Sullivan Ray, Caliyah Thibeault, Brayden Thompson, Francisco Torres, Brook TwoFeathers, Lucas Welton, Ashlee Zaleski and Nevada Zamis

EIGHTH GRADE

High Honors: David Abbott, Olivia Acquaaah Harrison, Yanelle Andino, Justin Barton, Julia Butler, Emma Cederman, Connor Cluett, Marisa DeJesus, Beau Desrosiers, Nathan Dreitlein, Aislinn Ennis, Kailey Jones, Andrew

Kania, Taylor Kochinskas, Jack Levesque, Rhiannon Mansur, Bridget McGonagle, Madigan McManus, Connor Montville, Olivia Morin, Kyle Norberg, Lily O'Brien, Paige Osche, Devin Phillips, Gabriel Roach, Adeline Smith, Jessica Smith, Isabella Tanacea, Anna Thomas, Trevor Wallace and Oliver Weiland

Honors: Aidan Adler, Jack Albright, Mariam Ayoub, Kody Bartkus, Connor Barton, Jordan Beeman, Jayde Berthiaume, Delaney Bodamer, Olivia Briggs, Dylan Butkus, Adriana Carignan, Juliana Castaneda Groccia, Kaitlyn Chase, Connor Clardy, Joshua Cook, Spencer Courville, Samantha Cox, Opal Cronin Loggie, Samantha D'Arcangelo, Jacob Davis, Joseph Dumas, Lillian Dunkerton, Kiley Hanlan, Elizabeth Harris, Haevyn Hazzard, Jack Hensel, Colin Hughes, Brett Johnson, Chloe Jordan, Cole Komssi, Matthew Kustigian, Margaret Landry, Kayden LeBoeuf, Alec LeDuc, Avery List, Joshua Martin, Sofia Martocci, Brayden Michaelson, Jovanni Morales, Erin Moran, Jaclyn Morrison, Samuel Murillo, Aidyn Murphy, Hanna Nystrom, Jordan Ouellette, Gabrielle Packard, Meghna Patel, Jackson Phillon, Hunter Pociis, William Reece, Alyssa Rupert, Amanda Sampson, Micah Sanborn, Halle Sanchez, Reis Smith, Ethan Stanley, Natalie Szabo, Jeffrey Tighe, David Trevarthan, Jillian Tucker, Sofia Vangel, Mark Wassef and Harrison Wright

Trinity Catholic announces honor roll

SOUTHBRIDGE — The following students have earned a place on the honor roll for the second trimester at Trinity Catholic Academy.

GRADE 4

High Honors: Makayla Capillo and Frances Dyer.
Honors: Charles Congdon,

Brandon Donnell, Anika Ferrantino, Zoe Forget, Brandon McGlone, Vorapat Voraraj, Harrison Wilson

GRADE 5

High Honors: Shane McGlone, Casey Renaud, Havish Swadia, Manaali Vaidya, Katharine Vennink.

Honors: Alexander Brouillard, Gregory Downie, Luisa Henao, Ava Simon, Ed Simon

GRADE 6

High Honors: Kirsten Congdon, Sean Gasperini, Zachary Hebert
Honors: David Adorna, Brody

Carlson, Zachary Cournoyer, Teresita Del Valle, Margaret Lucey, Avelyn O'Brien, Laci Pollone

GRADE 7

High Honors: Lauren Lemire, Victoria Symock, Caroline Vigneault
Honors: Alexandra Cloutier,

Ella Favreau, Tori Fontaine, Ethan Kenny, Gianaleze Lopez, Terry Simon

GRADE 8

High Honors: Connor Gonyea, Nathan Kowal, Rohan Vaidya
Honors: Tiffany King and Elizabeth Valley

Nursing program ranked one of best in New England



Academy is ranked as the number five practical nursing program in the state of Massachusetts.

The ranking assessed 18 practical nursing programs in Massachusetts focusing on how well a program supports students towards licensure and beyond. The National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nurses pass rates for the previous five years were analyzed and weighted by year. Bay Path received an overall score of 91.10, a stellar performance on PracticalNursing.org's 2018 ranking list to secure the number five rank. PracticalNursing.org prides themselves for being the leading LPN/LVN advancement and ranking agency, publishing their annual rankings list since 2014.

"Congratulations to our entire team on this outstanding accomplishment," said Practical Nursing Academy Director Gretheline Bolandrina, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN. "We would not have been able to maintain high standards in nursing education without the full support of Bay Path RVTHS, from the faculty & staff to our Superintendent, Mr. John Lafleche and the school committee."

Bay Path practical nursing is a 40-week, 10-month, full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a practical nursing certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam.

The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is fully approved by the: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health Board of Registration in Nursing. The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is accredited by the: Commission on Occupational Education.

A desire to give results in comforting warmth

It all started with an empathy for those in need, a desire for a selfless service project and a willingness to learn new skills with old and new friends working together.

About 20 women, from teenagers to seniors, who share a bond of membership in the North Brookfield branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and who live in surrounding communities from Barre to Southbridge, the Brookfields, and from Leicester to Ware, gathered on Saturdays and evenings, sometimes in the church building and many times in the home of the project's designer, Pat Young of Sturbridge, to develop their knowledge of sewing and quilting skills and to use those skills to benefit others by making the comfort quilts.

Now, six months later, more than 170 brightly colored, cuddly, three-by-four feet, hand-crafted comfort quilts have been donated to local fire departments, emergency medical squads, and police departments for distribution to victims of car crashes, house fires and other traumatizing, life-changing events. The soft and cheerful fabrics are intended to provide a bit of warmth and solace as the victims face difficult times.

Making quilts is a task involving the joining together of things that are separate and disparate. Two layers of fabric, unlike but each benefiting from the color, pattern and tones of the other,

form the top and bottom of the quilt. Batting (a soft layer of inner strength, added between the top and bottom) provides warmth and cushioning hidden from view.

Unity of purpose, commitment to the task, and a love for others are among the elements essential to successfully stitch together the small quilts. The symbolism of the relationship of the elements involved in making the quilts, to the elements needed to restore a person or family who is feeling fractured by a life trauma is not lost on the whose hands make the quilts.

The project's leader, Pat, when asked what particular joy she found from her involvement, replied, "I have always been a volunteer since I was in Girl Scouts in the 6th grade through high school, and then as an adult scout leader for 17 years. It always makes me feel good when I am able to do for others, and this project was definitely a labor of love. Thinking of people who have experienced accidents or fire, losing everything, and then having someone put a quilt around their shoulders to bring them comfort is what spurred me and the others onward."

Being engaged in doing service for others, particularly in circumstances where those served are unlikely to even know where the gift of service came from, is a special experience. It gives a perspective to life and an increased sense of being able to make a

difference in this world. Plus, for this group of new and old quilters, there was a lot of fun and camaraderie in the process.

Among the agencies and departments receiving the comfort quilts to be distributed as needed are: Sturbridge Police and Fire Department, Charlton EMS, Southbridge Fire Department, Holland Police Department, Brimfield Fire Department, Spencer Fire Department, North Brookfield Fire Department, Brookfield Fire Department, West Brookfield Fire Department, East Brookfield Fire Department, Barre Fire and Police Departments, Warren Police and Fire Departments, Bourne Police Department, Quabog on the Common Nursing Home, Shriner's Hospital for Children, Springfield.

When asked if she had a concise way to express the feeling of accomplishing an important purpose, Pat quoted a favorite scriptural passage, "I tell you these things that ye may learn wisdom; that yea may learn that when you are in the service of your fellow being ye are only in the service of your God."

After a brief hiatus over the holidays and the coldest weather, the project will start anew in a few weeks. If you are interested in being part of it, feel free to contact Pat at patyoung1@charter.net for more information.

New behavioral health center opens



Courtesy photo

The new behavioral health center is located in Putnam.

Harrington HealthCare System is expanding its access to behavioral health treatment by opening a new office in Putnam, CT.

Located at 17 Kennedy Drive, the building will offer adult recovery services and child and family counseling.

"We recognize that patients across our region continue to struggle to access mental health and substance use treatment," said Harrington vice president of behavioral health services Greg Mirhej. "We are happy to be in a position where we can provide the 395-corridor a place to receive counseling, medication management and therapy groups."

The building is expected to open April 1 and will be staffed by several mental health and recovery clinicians, as well as Dr. Lowell Kallen, who spent the last three years as a child and family psychiatrist with Day Kimball Healthcare.

Recovery Services will offer individuals 18 and over intake evaluations, therapy groups, counseling and overall behavior management. Should patients need more complex treatment options, they will have access to Harrington's comprehensive continuum of care, which includes inpatient and intensive outpatient services and step-down programs located in Webster and Southbridge.

Child & Family Services provides mental health support for ages 4-24 and their family members. Independently-licensed clinicians are specialized in a variety of treatment include trauma-based and cognitive therapy. The model is meant to offer support to the entire family to provide continuity and inclusive care. Age-specific counseling groups, one-to-one therapy and medication management will also be available.



Dr. Lowell Kallen

New psychiatrist joins Harrington practice

Lowell Kallen, M.D., has joined Harrington Behavioral Health Services at their new location at 17 Kennedy Drive, in Putnam, CT as a child and family psychiatrist. With more

than 30 years of experience in child and adolescent mental health therapy, Dr. Kallen has spent the last three years at Day Kimball Healthcare. His familiarity in the Putnam area will provide comfort for patients looking to transition or make a new appointment for psychiatry in the northeastern Connecticut community.

Dr. Kallen received his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University, in Baltimore, MD. He completed a res-

idency in pediatrics and a residency in psychiatry at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Oakland, CA. He completed his fellowship in child psychiatry at Langley Porter Institute, University of California, in San Francisco. He is board certified in pediatrics, psychiatry, and neurology.

Dr. Kallen will be providing psychiatry management to children and adolescent experiencing a range of disorders including:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- ADHD
- Conduct disorders
- Trauma
- Mood disorders

Services at 17 Kennedy Drive will include psychiatric intakes and long-term medication management, in conjunction with onsite therapy services provided by our team of independently licensed clinicians.

Flower Power

The months of March and April bring with them the anticipation of sunny days to come. And for New Englanders, the long awaited warm weather promises a new season of flowers. From altering moods to increasing productivity, tending to flowers can serve as a valuable form of garden therapy. Read on for some inspiration to plan spring and summer gardens this year!

Don't have a garden? Don't fret – simply being in the company of flowers can have a profound therapeutic effect. The mere sight and fragrance of flowers can trigger the release of endorphins, the "feel good" hormones that increase joy and well being.

In fact, research by Rutgers College, New Jersey established flowers have a positive impact on moods and can even decrease bouts of mild depression. According to the ten month study, flowers have an immediate impact on happiness. The research also showed flowers have a long-term positive effect on moods and study participants reported feeling less depressed, anxious and agitated after receiving flowers, with a higher sense of enjoyment and life satisfaction.

Want more? Studies on the effects of flowers by Virginia Polytechnic Institute revealed the presence of flowers enhances communication, restores mental fatigue and promotes a good sense of self esteem! According to various medical reports, all it takes is three to five minutes looking at views dominated by trees, flowers or water to begin to reduce anger, anxiety and pain and to induce relaxation. And research by Dr. Roger Ulrich, PhD proved patients recovering from sur-

gery healed quicker and needed less pain medication when they had flowers within view. These patients also had shorter hospital stays than their flowerless counterparts!

Need a nudge to bring more flowers into your life in 2018? Here are some eye opening facts on the virtues of flowers!

"Flower Power" takes on new meaning when you understand fresh flowers have the capacity to alter our energy and emotions. Why not take the benefits of the flower garden one step further and plant specifically to improve both body and soul?

*Lavender: Want to relax? Plant lavender. The scent of lavender prompts calmness. Studies report that the smell of lavender triggers alpha waves in the part of the brain associated with a relaxed state.

*Roses: No flower is more sentimental than the romantic rose. And it's no wonder. The scent of roses evokes nostalgia, which can recall happy memories from the past.

*Violets: Research shows violets enhance learning speed by 17%, and also improve concentration when used in study rooms.

*Lilies: Need an energy boost? The scent of lily has been proven to increase wakefulness and help you stay alert.

Legends and Lore of the Blooms: Flowers have long played a role in our everyday lives and according to folklore, perhaps even our futures. The "magical" power of blooms is legendary, as the following superstitions suggest:

*Daisies: Perhaps the most familiar floral "predictor" of love is the daisy. Plucking off petals one by one while reciting "He (or she) loves me, he

loves me not,"



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has long served as an amusing indicator of required love.

*Bachelor Buttons: Folklore may explain how these bright blue and purple cornflowers earned their name. Legend has it that young suitors would place freshly picked flowers in their pocket while courting. If the "bachelor buttons" remained fresh and unwilted for the duration, it was a sure sign the relationship is on a steady course of success!

*Roses: Romantic lore claims rose petals helped young ladies of earlier eras choose between two or more suitors. Writing the name of each prospective husband the petals and tossing them to the wind, it is said the last petal to hit the ground holds the name of the one she shall marry.

*Primrose Etc.: Superstition has it that bouquets of flowers should always contain an odd number of blooms, lest bad luck be lured. This belief especially applies to primroses, as the English believed the flowers should be only be brought into the house in groups of 13 to ensure good fortune.

*Daffies: Perky yellow daffodils can be an instant mood booster, but according to Welsh folklore the flower can also bring wealth. It is said the first person who spots a spring daffodil will be rewarded with prosperity throughout the year!

*Roses: To bring good luck

into a home in days of yore, rose leaves were tossed into the fireplace flame.

*White Flowers: White blooms are beautiful, but they can carry a melancholy message, according to age old folklore. Think twice before you send a bouquet of white flowers to a sick friend in the hospital as legend claims whites with a strong fragrance can worsen a sickness or even bring on death! Ditto for white flowers that show signs of wilting. And never pair white and red flowers in a bouquet for a sick person, as the combination is said to bring bad luck.

*Day Lilies: These bright orange flowers, common to the New England landscape, were considered a lucky health charm when worn. It was believed wearing a lily would lighten one's worries and lessen distress.

*Poppies: While wearing a poppy in the lapel on Veteran's Day has long been a tradition to honor those who served and died for their country, poppies were also worn in the belief they help dispel worries and anxiety.

Students in the Northeast gifting the flowers to each other during the Irish holiday.

Paired with seasonal greenery, the colorful green carnation is a popular St. Patty's Day centerpiece.

Easter Lily FYI: Easter Lily symbolizes innocence, purity and virtue as the gorgeous white flowers reflect the spiritual aspect of Easter. Legend tells of lilies growing in the garden of Gethsemane – springing up where Christ's drops of sweat fell during his final agony.

Each year at Easter, pots of white lilies grace the alters of Christian churches and the

homes of believers.

While the Easter Lily is a symbol of the holiday, the seasonal perennial flower can be planted and enjoyed for years to come.

After the plant is done blooming, trim off dead foliage and plant it outside when ground is thawed. Lilies like a sunny area with well drained soil. Give the plant plenty of water and add an all purpose fertilizer. It probably won't flower again until the next year, but replanting the Easter Lily rewards the gardener with years of beautiful blooms!

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint, c/o Stonebridge Press, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdr@atol.com.

CHARLTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

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

Arrests/Summons:
March 11-17

Joshua Quinones of Southbridge: Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license
Unnamed Juvenile Female from Charlton: Distributing material of a nude child
Andrea Brousseau of Charlton: Larceny under \$250, Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, Operating a motor vehicle with a revoked registration

The fire at the clock factory was the tock of the Town. The arson investigator was overcome for a minute by the second hand smoke, but he was able to save face when the cuckoo arsonist wound up coming back four seconds. Hands down, it was his finest hour.

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Sounding off: it ends now

A few years ago, before the advent of Facebook news and faceless media trolls on the Internet, a different editor and others at Stonebridge Press adopted an idea. It wasn't entirely new, it had been done elsewhere, but it was taken as our own.

The premise was, some people were afraid to express their opinion, afraid of repercussions from, well, take your pick: politicians, the police, neighbors, whomever this person or that thought might not agree and would take offense in some hostile manner.

So it became a policy, you could call in and leave a voicemail, or you could mail an anonymous letter, and be assured it would get into the pages.

But there were some major problems with this in the long run. We couldn't know just who it was that was sending us these gems. We couldn't know if they were "on the up and up" for one thing, whether the people were who they claimed to be.

And there wasn't a lot we could do about their information. We couldn't ask them where they found their information, what it was based on, who they had spoken to, whether other steps had been taken... really whether any of what they purported to say was even truthful.

We couldn't know.

But we printed them.

We've had second thoughts. As our publisher Frank Chilinski eloquently put it, "In this era of the internet, social media, news online that goes unchecked and unchallenged, it is a much different world than the world of 15 years ago."

And in the last week or so, we've had some varied responses to some harsh anonymous contributions.

With that in mind, while there are some responses in this week's opinions, be assured there will no longer be anonymous letters to the editor in our pages.

We may, if the writer chooses and can prove a need, withhold a name of a writer upon request, but the writer must provide us with their contact information first, so we can verify their information with them if we have questions. That's the only way we can do it and be as balanced as possible on all fronts.

We hope this helps clarify our position, and makes us a bit more responsible.

On another note, while debating the pros and cons of gun controls, First Amendment rights of various groups debating those rights and the newest demonstrating Children Who Have Discovered Voices; we nearly missed a huge issue much, much closer to home.

Every one of the towns served by a Stonebridge Press newspaper is affected.

While we who drive Massachusetts highways and byways continue to pay for the Big Dig, the Massachusetts Turnpike, the airports and the non-existent-to-us train services beyond the I-495 corridor, the Governor who gets driven to work has chosen not to fully fund transportation services out here.

That it doesn't do enough already, and if anything should be expanded in most areas, the idea of a cut in services is ludicrous.

We can't conceive of the words to condone this idiocy. People who need this service, who must get to work, to health services, to get to schools, even to shop or to enjoy a little time away from home depend entirely on the bus runs. Many rural areas still don't have regularly scheduled runs now; they should be expanded not contracted.

This one thing is enough to change our minds about Charlie.

OPINION

VIEWS AND COMMENTARY FROM CHARLTON, CHARLTON CITY, CHARLTON DEPOT AND BEYOND

Crumbling home foundations: are you affected, and how can I help?

ANNE GOBI

As you may have heard, thousands of our neighbors to the south in Connecticut have been dealt an unfortunate hand. Their home foundations and basement walls have begun to crack and become unsafe; the result of a rare mineral in the concrete mix degrading and expanding over time.

It has come to my attention that this may not be an issue unique to Connecticut, and that several of my constituents may be affected as well.

The damage, described as spider or web-cracking, is caused by an iron sulfide called pyrrhotite that begins to degrade when exposed to water and oxygen. When present in the aggregate material used to make concrete the building material itself can be compromised as water and air enters through small cracks and holes which allows the iron sulfides to start breaking down, cracking the concrete and allowing even more air and water to enter. As it continues to degrade the concrete will swell, crack and ultimately fail. While the mineral is rare, reports found that all the concrete in question originated from the same quarry and supply company, JJ Mottes Concrete and Septic Supply located in Strafford, CT. It is believed an estimated 34,000 homes in Connecticut alone are affected.

In working with my colleagues in the Legislature, Congressman Richard Neal, Connecticut State Representative Jeff Currey and Brian Luther from the Capitol Region Council of Governments in Connecticut, we understand that a comprehensive approach for damage assessment, repair and reimbursement must be in place and available for our constituents who are affected. How many Massachusetts homeowners are living with this issue is still unknown.

In an attempt to properly address this issue moving forward I do need your help, as the scope and severity must first be assessed.

If your home was built between the years 1983-2010 and you believe that your home may be affected I urge you to reach out.

To provide information you can:

- Fill out a survey at the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/fTPi579IrTT-Mcw2G3>

- Visit my website for more information and a copy of the survey link: www.senatorannegobi.com

- E-mail my staff member Derek Silver at derek.silver@masenate.gov

- Call my office at (617) 722-1540 for assistance

- Visit my Twitter (@AnneGobi) and Facebook for updates

Newer investors: don't panic if bear market returns

If you're in your twenties or thirties, you might be starting to focus more on investing to reach your financial goals. Because of this, you also may be more attuned to moves in the financial markets. Depending on your age, you may have only experienced the bull market of the past nine years, so you might not know what to expect – or how to respond – whenever the next bear market strikes.

Of course, just recently, you've witnessed a market correction – a drop of at least 10 percent in the major stock mar-



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ket indices, such as the S&P 500. This sudden plunge made big news and reminded many investors of how volatile the

financial markets can be.

But a full-fledged bear market usually isn't identified until the markets are down 20 percent from their recent highs. Plus, bear markets, unlike corrections, tend to linger for a while.

The last "bear" emerged from hibernation in October 2007 and stayed on the prowl until early March 2009. During that time, the S&P 500 declined by about 50 percent. Clearly, investors were not happy – but the market recovered and moved to new heights. This long and strong run-up may have obliterated your bear market memories, if you ever had them at all. And that's why you might want to familiarize yourself with some of the bare facts about bear markets:

Bear markets may provide good buying opportunities. When gas is expensive, you may just buy a few gallons at a time – but when the price falls, you're probably more likely to fill up your tank. The same principle can apply to investing – when stock prices are down, your investment dollars will buy more shares. And the more shares you own, the greater your ability to build wealth once the share price rises. In short, a bear market may provide you with a chance to buy quality investments at good prices.

Bear markets don't last forever. No one can predict precisely how long bear markets will run, but they've typically been much shorter than bull markets. So, while you might not particularly like looking at your investment statement during a decline, you can take some comfort in knowing such downturns are a normal feature of the investment landscape.

Bear markets don't affect all investments equally. If you only own U.S. stocks, your portfolio may well take a sizable hit during a bear market. But other types of investment vehicles may not be as directly affected – and some may even show positive results. Consequently, you could reduce the bear's "bite" if you also own a variety of other investments, such as international stocks, bonds, government securities, certificates of deposit (CDs) and so on. However, while owning this type of diversified portfolio can help reduce the impact of market volatility, it does not guarantee profits or protect against losses.

A bear market can be challenging. But by making the right moves, such as staying patient, looking for buying opportunities and maintaining a diversified portfolio, you may be able to prevent a market decline from becoming unbearable.

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Space memorabilia

Given the rich history and significant contributions in our region, it's no surprise that we have local connections to the space program.

Dr. Robert H. Goddard is considered the father of American rocketry. He was born in Worcester in 1882. Goddard graduated from



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Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1908. Dr. Goddard began his graduate studies the same year at Clark University. NASA's website states his 1920 treatise, "A Method of Reaching Extreme Altitudes," outlined the possibility of a rocket reaching the moon. On March 16, 1926, Goddard launched his first liquid fueled rocket on Pakachoag Hill in Auburn. NASA equates the historical significance of this event to the Wright Brothers first flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

A handwritten letter by Robert Goddard can bring four figures at auction. Letters with important rocket related content can bring even more. A typed letter signed by Goddard may even bring \$1,000 or more. Five photos of Goddard target shooting, in a car and performing other activities sold for \$375 in a 2006 auction.

The Worcester Historical Society website highlights local companies that contributed to the space program. NASA approached Allegro Systems, in Worcester, for help with a project. World leaders had written messages for the astronauts to carry to the moon. NASA needed them reproduced on some type of small surface to be left at the moon. Allegro created a 14/1000th inch disc to hold the messages that is easily readable with a microscope. It was left on the moon during the lunar landing in 1969.

Wyman Gordon Company, of North Grafton, produced more than 150 fittings that were used on the Saturn V booster rocket for Apollo II. More recently, Wyman Gordon forged the main landing gear for the U.S. Space Shuttle.

David Clark Company, in Worcester,



developed the anti-G suit for pilots during World War II. It helped prevent pilots from blacking out during high speed maneuvers. In the late 1950s, David Clark produced equipment for the space program. John Glenn wore a headset manufactured by David Clark when he orbited earth in 1962. When Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon, he also wore a headset made by David Clark. David Clark Company was also in the news more recently. Felix Baumgartner made a record breaking 24 mile jump from the edge of space wearing a David Clark spacesuit.

Auction records list David Clark high altitude suits for pilots selling in the thousands of dollars. Pressurized helmets also can bring four figure sums. A Gemini space suit thermal layer made for Gus Grissom rocketed to \$43,750 at auction.

There are other types of memorabilia that are more common. Signed astronaut photos are popular with collectors. Because Neil Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon, his autograph is especially desirable. His signed photos can sell for over \$1,000. For collectors on a budget, there are autographs by lesser known astronauts. A photo signed by Michael Rich Clifford, who was on three Space Shuttle missions, recently sold for just over \$1 on eBay. You can still find prices on some space memorabilia that aren't priced out of this world.

We will be offering space memorabilia from a David Clark Company executive in our fall live auction. Info will be coming soon on an online auction we'll be running in Sterling. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on this and other upcoming events.

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SOUND OFF

Sound Off: I agree

Just finished reading the Letter to the Editor and answering to what "Just Saying" wrote.

Thank you for writing this article. It has been on my mind for a long time but thought I was the only one that thought that. I am old now, but when I see the immigrants taking over my town that I lived here all my life. And getting sympathy, so they go on welfare, free housing, medical care, etc.

You wrote the honest thing that I have read in a long time. "Just Saying." I am proud that you wrote the truth. Believe me I have nothing against them especially the good ones, but since we been bringing them in all it has been in guns, drugs, robbing people, not to mention killing. I am afraid of going out, I feel I am becoming a recluse. Thank you again.



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Young singers take the stage at Bartlett



Charlton's Mirage choir gets into the groove of "Work This Body."

WEBSTER - The T-shirts on sale at Bartlett's Junior High Show Choir Festival Saturday pretty much said it all: "Warning: This person may start to sing and dance at any time."

Of course, that was the whole point. For several hours, kids from six school systems - Webster, Charlton, Dudley, Windsor Locks, Randolph and Tantasqua - got on stage to show off their stuff in half-hour sets, displaying an impressive range of talent.

From Tantasqua's Atlantis-based set looking at hubris and redemption to Charlton's Olympics-themed production to Windsor Locks' look at evil from "The Descendants,"



Gus Steeves photos

Soloist Madelyn Parker of Charlton belts out part of "The Climb," with its notable chorus "It ain't about how fast I get there. / It ain't about what's on the other side. / It's the climb."

the show choirs clearly had fun while wading into a wide range of themes.

Afterward, Bartlett's own Impressions choir gave them a taste of what they all could become in a few more years - a regional gold-award-winning and national third-place choir, with more ahead of them.

The final result: Grand champion was Dudley Middle School, first runner up was Charlton Middle School and second runner up was Tantasqua Middle School.



A victory declaration from Charlton.



Charlton's costume change brought out a different kind of sport-themed look, featuring balls, hockey sticks and other equipment. Here, soloists Hailey Carlson and Ben Lombardi have the stage all to themselves for part of "We're All in This Together."



The only Connecticut participant, Windsor Locks' Power Company choir, wows the crowd. Soloists Olivia Oeshe (in red) and Sydney Martineau (with microphone) sings about what it's like to be "Evil Like Me."



Emily Brill of Dudley solos in "If the World Only Knew."

Mya Harnois, who had just finished soloing in "We Are Broken," and her colleagues in Tantasqua's Maestros choir lament the disaster that is befalling the once-great Kingdom of Atlantis.



Dudley's Prestige choir "Shake, Rattle and Rock!" to kick off their 1950s sitcom-themed set "Pleasantville."



Dudley's kids switched back and forth from black, white and grey to the bright colors seen here, reminiscent of TV's own change to color and the teenager's discovery of love.



The kids depict Atlantis at its nadir in Tantasqua's music.

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SPORTS

Delgado's all-around effort leads to victory and MVP in SWCL All-Star Game



Photos courtesy Lina Gonzalez

The Southern Worcester County League girls' basketball all-stars, along with their respective coaches.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — Julitza Delgado enjoyed one final moment on the basketball court where she made a name for herself and, in the process, helped lead the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) All-Stars Home Team to a come-from-behind victory over the Away Team, 84-75, on Friday, March 16.

The Southbridge High senior poured in a game-high 18 points — 13 after halftime — pulled down five rebounds, served up five assists and made two

steals in the game. For her efforts, just a month after surpassing the 1,000-point plateau for the Pioneers on this very court, she was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

"This was really a lot of fun," said Delgado, who had both arms wrapped around her very large MVP trophy. "I really enjoyed the chance to play with some girls I haven't played with before. We all really seemed to work well together. I didn't feel like I had to do a lot of the work; I could just go out there and play."

As the years went on Delgado shouldered more and more team responsibilities during her time at Southbridge. By the time her senior year rolled around she was the Pioneers' main scoring threat, rebounder, ball handler and defender. In this game she was able to let some of her teammates take on some of those duties.

"I was able to just be a piece of the puzzle; I really like that," Delgado said. "I think playing in college is going to be like that, too, which is one of many reasons I'm looking forward to playing at the next level."

The SWCL All-Star Games — the boys' All-Stars played following the girls' game — was a yearly postseason highlight for the league for several years, but hadn't been played for some time until Southbridge High boys' head coach Victor Colon brought the event back to life last year.

The Home Team roster consisted of 10 players: Delgado and freshman Ashanti Morales from Southbridge; sophomores Shannon Reno and Morgan Cronan and seniors Samantha Brady and Jenna Nasuti from Millbury High; junior Kelly Moran from Northbridge High; junior Olivia Hicks from Uxbridge High; junior Allison Grzembski from Bartlett High; and junior Brooke Pepin from David Prouty Regional.

In addition, Northbridge senior Maria

Cray, junior Jackie Puda and freshman Hannah Lomonaco were selected for the game but were unable to attend.

Also scoring in double figures for the Home Team were Reno, who tossed in 17 points and hit three 3-pointers and Brady, who contributed a dozen points to the winning effort. Reno also co-lead the Home Team in assists with five, while Moran led the way on the boards, grabbing eight rebounds.

The Home Team trailed, 18-5 and 27-13, before outscoring the Away Team, 26-10, over the final five minutes of the first half to grab a 39-37 lead at intermission. The Home Team then opened the second half with a 14-7 run to extend its lead to 53-45 with 15 minutes left in the game.

The Away Team then went on a run of its own, outscoring the Home Team 16-6 to take a 61-59 lead. The Home team quickly bounced back, however, using a 10-2 lead to re-take the lead for good, 69-66, with six minutes remaining.

The Away Team roster consisted of nine players: Junior Lindsey Zak, sophomore Lydia Boland and freshman Ainsley Way of Tantasqua Regional; juniors Anya Kopyra and Jenna Gordon of Grafton High; junior Emily Fontaine, sophomore Maddie Hippert and freshman Alex Dufries of Leicestershire High; and junior Semran Sahota of Auburn High.

Tantasqua freshman Morgan Smith, Grafton junior Abby Rogers, Quaboag Regional sophomore Kiarra Dorman and Oxford High junior Gina Parmenter were all invited to play in the game but were unable to attend.

Sahota led the Away Team with a double-double, scoring 14 points and pulling down a game-high 15 rebounds. She also recorded a steal and an assist. Also scoring in double figures for the Away Team were Fontaine with 13 points (including three 3-pointers), Dufries with 12 (two 3-pointers) and Kopyra with 10 (two 3-pointers). Way was the team's second-leading rebounder, with 10, while Gordon pulled down eight boards to go along with a team-

high five assists. Hippert led the way for the Away Team in steals, with four, to go along with five points, four rebounds and an assist.

"I had a great bunch of girls and we had a lot of fun," said Leicestershire head coach Dave Padavano, who, along with Auburn's Nicole LePrevost, coached the Away Team. "The game was competitive. We cut a 14-point deficit to two at the half and even managed to have the lead for a little while in the second half, too."

"It was an All-Star game; there were a lot of points scored and not a lot of defense played, but we had a lot of fun," Padavano continued. "This was an awesome opportunity to coach bunch a girls from all over who really enjoy playing the game."

Millbury's Steve Reno served as the head coach for the Home Team.



Julitza Delgado of Southbridge earned the MVP of the SWCL All-Star Game.



Southbridge's Ashanti Morales lines up a free throw attempt.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Annual Chili Chowdown coming to Bay Path Regional

The Bay Path Regional baseball team's eighth annual Chili Chowdown will be held on Sunday, April 8 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the school café. The Chili Chowdown is run by the baseball team to offset the cost to play in the Rotary Classic Tournament on Cape Cod during school vacation week in April.

This year there are over 24 vendors dishing out their chili to help raise money for the team. The vendors include the following:

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Leicestershire's Madison Hippert releases a runner in the lane.

SPORTS

Determined Owusu shines at SWCL All-Star game, wins MVP



Photos courtesy Lina Gonzalez

The Southern Worcester County League All-Stars before their game.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — It was raining 3-pointers at the Southbridge High gymnasium on Friday, March 16, as the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) boys' basketball teams officially closed out the 2017-18 season with an All-Star game in front of family and friends.

The teams combined to hit 35 shots from beyond the arc — and score 227 points.

The Home Team, with five players

scoring in double figures and 10 recording at least seven points, won the game, 124-103.

Oxford High's McAddai Owusu led the Home Team — which connected on 21 of its 3-point attempts — recording a double-double, scoring 18 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. For his performance the junior was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

"This was a great way to end the season. It was fun; it was a great game played in a really nice atmosphere. I really enjoyed it," said Owusu, who drilled a pair of 3-pointers and recorded three assists. "I was disappointed I didn't get selected for this game last year so I worked hard during the summer so I could get selected for this year's game. Hopefully I'll get selected for the game again next year and that will give me a chance to repeat as game MVP."

David Prouty Regional senior Sage Maryyanek was the Home Team's top scorer, finishing with 21 points (five 3-pointers), four rebounds and an assist. Northbridge High junior Robbie Cannon added 15 points, six rebounds and six assists, while Bartlett High's Dylan Paddleford scored 14 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Northbridge junior Sean Rosenlund chipped in to the winning cause with 13 points (three 3-pointers), five rebounds and five assists.

Bartlett sophomore Logan Paranto scored nine points (two 3-pointers) to go along with four rebounds and four assists while Uxbridge High junior Harrison Mansfield, Bartlett senior Dom Palmerino and Oxford senior Klaytin Silva all scored eight points. Mansfield also grabbed six rebounds and served up three assists while Silva recorded eight rebounds and a pair of assists.

Northbridge junior Dillon Padula finished with seven points, two rebounds, an assist and a steal while Uxbridge junior Tyler Tedford — his playing time cut short when he reinjured his left ankle — scored three points and grabbed a pair of rebounds.

The Home Team — which was coached by Northbridge's Aaron Katz — put the game away early, outscoring

the Away Team 31-6 during a seven-minute span of the first half to turn a 16-15 deficit into a 46-22 lead. The run included a string of 14 consecutive points. Maryyanek scored eight points in the spurt, six coming on 3-pointers, while Owusu added five and Rosenlund four.

Northbridge senior Jared Richardson, Uxbridge senior Scott Kaeller and Oxford senior Jared Perkins were also selected for the game but were unable to attend. Auburn High seniors Tyler Judice and Matty Backlin were also originally on the roster, but both were forced to bow out of the competition due to injuries.

After the run the Home Team, which led 55-44 at halftime, led by double digits the rest of the way, its largest lead being 36 points, 89-53, on a 3-pointer by Padula with 13 minutes to play.

The Away Team, which drained 14 treys, was led by Southbridge High senior Jared Figueroa, who scored 20 points (two 3-pointers), grabbed eight rebounds, served up five assists and made three steals.

Grafton High's Will Herndon led the Away Team in scoring with 22 points. The senior also grabbed six rebounds. Tantasqua Regional senior Drew Peretti also scored in double figures, nine of his 13 points coming on triples. He also recorded six rebounds and three assists.

Tantasqua senior Evan Couture and Southbridge senior Justin Reyes each scored nine points while Leicester High senior Kyle Enberg added eight points (two three-pointers) and Millbury High senior William Nadeau tossed in six points on a pair of 3-pointers. Couture also grabbed three rebounds while Reyes had five rebounds and two assists, Enberg had two rebounds and an assist and Nadeau had five rebounds.

Rounding out the Away Team roster were Tantasqua juniors Hayden Peterson and Chase Freeland, Grafton's Kyle Sawtelle (senior) and Ryan Jack (junior), and Leicester seniors Kyle Padeni and Anthony Goodney. Quaboag Regional senior Zach McCann was also picked for the game, but he was unable to attend.

"I told the guys before the game that we were going to try to have a Grinnell type of game," said Tantasqua's Tom O'Neil, the Away Team coach, referring to the Grinnell (Iowa) College men's basketball team, which averages 120 points a game and subs five guys at a time every four minutes.

"I wanted us to try and run and score and put on a show for the fans," O'Neil

continued. "I just tried to let the kids play and do what they want. This is a game where it's all about them so I wanted them to go out and just let the offense happen. I wanted them to just go out there and have fun; that's what this game is about."

This All-Star Game, and the girls' game which preceded it, were organized — for the second year in a row — by Victor Colon, the Southbridge High boys' varsity coach.

"I thought it went great," Colon said. "I'm doing this for the kids so they have a chance to play together and play with the other guys. They seem like they're having fun, so why not keep doing it."



Dylan Paddleford of Bartlett saves the ball from bouncing out of bounds.



Northbridge's Dillon Padula launches a deep 3-pointer.



McAddai Owusu of Oxford was the MVP of the SWCL All-Star Game.



Southbridge's Jared Figueroa dribbles toward the basket.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Dudley/Charlton women's basketball looking for available players

There will be women's pick-up basketball happening at the Heritage School gym from 7-9 p.m. We play Monday evenings based on school schedule until June. There are no set teams and no fees, so no weekly commitment. Come when you can for some friendly competition and exercise. Must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact Deb at (508) 248-3600 or mzd531@charter.net for more information.

Sturbridge American Legion holding baseball signups

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Post, Main Street in Fiskdale. Players should bring a photocopy of their birth certificate when they register at signups to insure their eligibility. All players that live in Sturbridge and/or attend Tantasqua Regional High School are eligible for the Sturbridge team, also players from other surrounding towns may also be eligible to play. Team will conduct tryouts May 19, 20 and 26, times will be 10 a.m. to noon on all three tryout dates at Tantasqua Regional High School. For more information contact team manager Jim Rosseel (774) 230-1784 email jimrosseel@hotmail.com or Coach Ray Sullivan (508) 736-7770 email raysull_2@yahoo.com.

OBITUARIES

John L. Burque, 92



CHARLTON- John L. Burque, 92, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 in the comfort of his own home.

He leaves his wife of over 64 years, Gloria (Duquette) Burque, a son, Peter Burque and his wife Darline of Brookfield, two daughters, Monica Blouin and her husband Richard and Patty Denning and her husband Don all of Charlton.

Grandchildren; Steve Burque (Jess), Laurie Sutherland (Mike), Heather DeCicero (Matt), Peter Blouin and partner Molly Gregas, Michael Blouin (Katie), Jennie Walsh (Marty), Nick Blouin (Danyelle), Jess Denning and partner Rob Gilchest, Alicia Morrison (Dempsey)

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He also leaves many nieces and nephews, a brother-in-law, Willy Duquette (Linda), and sister-in-law, Sylvia Sheldon and his beloved Hospice caregivers, Sarah and Virginia and all the caring people at Southbridge Rehab. Center.

John was born in Worcester, son of the late Emile and Rose (Demers) Burque. He was predeceased by a grand-

son, Richard Blouin, Jr. and 3 brothers, Raymond, Joseph and Paul Burque.

John served his country proudly during WWII and Korea and then spent more time serving and then retiring as a Chief Petty Officer from the U.S. Coast Guard, he later worked for 26 years for Pratt-Whitney Aircraft as a quality control inspector.

He was a devoted member of St. Joseph's Church.

Calling hours for John were Monday, March 26, 2018 from 5-8pm at St. Joseph's Church, 10 H-Putnam Rd., Ext. in Charlton.

His Funeral Mass was Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 10 AM also in St. Joseph's Church, followed by burial with Military Honors in New Notre Dame Cemetery, Woodstock Rd., Southbridge.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Hospice of Western and Central MA., 1325 Springfield St., Suite #12, Feeding Hill, MA. 01030 or to a Hospice program of your choice, or to St. Joseph's Church, Building Fund, P.O. Box 338, Charlton City, MA. 01508.

The ROBERT J. MILLER-CHARLTON FUNERAL HOME, 175 Old Worcester Rd is Honored to be assisting the the Burque family with arrangements.



June H. Lawrence, 93



CHARLTON – June H. (Marcoux) Lawrence, 93, of Shore Road, died on her birthday, Saturday, March 17, 2018, at Charlton Manor Rest Home in Charlton. She is survived by three sons, David

Allen Lawrence III of Brookfield, Dan Peter Lawrence of Oxford, and James J. Lawrence of Charlton; a sister, Millicent M. Smith of Salem, VA; four grandsons, David IV, Scott, Richard, and Michael; six great-grandchildren, Chloe, Colby, Brianna, Nicholas, Lainey June, and Gracie; three nephews, Larry, Gregory, and Brian III; and her friend of 89 years, Katty Lane of North Oxford. She was predeceased by her former husband, David Allen Lawrence Jr., who died in 2010. She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Aldo Joseph and Owillie M. (Yarno) Marcoux, and lived in North Oxford before moving to Charlton 70 years ago. She graduated from Oxford High School in 1942.

Mrs. Lawrence cared for her home and family. She was a member of the Charlton Grange #92 and the Grange in Dudley. She was a member of the Charlton City United Methodist Church and was a Sunday school teacher for many years. She enjoyed the outdoors and living on the water at Glen Echo Lake in Charlton. She loved to watch and feed the birds, gardening, and swimming.

The family would like to thank Michael Turpin and all the great staff and residents at Charlton Manor, for their exceptional care and friendship during her time there.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2018, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at North Cemetery in Oxford. Memorial calling hours were Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Charlton Garden Club, c/o Federated Church, 64 Main St., Charlton, MA 01507. paradisfuneralhome.com

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



EASTER WEEK SCHEDULES

St. Joseph's Church
10 H Putnam Ext.
Charlton City

Holy Thursday March 29
7:30 p.m.: Mass of the Lord's supper with washing of the feet and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 p.m.

Good Friday March 30
9 a.m. Cross walk at the Federated Church
3 p.m. Way of the Cross

7:30 p.m.: Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord with Holy Communion and veneration of the Cross

Easter Vigil March 31
7:30 p.m.: Great Easter Vigil with blessing of new fire, candles, water and Baptism candidates and renewal of our Baptismal promises

Easter Sunday April 1
Mass is celebrated at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

BUMP

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budget season, specifically in regards to education, the meeting with Bump seems to be appropriately timed. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5 at 1 p.m. at the Dudley Town Hall, only two days after the scheduled elections in Dudley and Charlton where each town will decide whether or not to support a significant override request from the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District which, in itself, is an attempt to level out funding issues with education in the local school district.



IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

David Powell
4/3/70 ~ 8/7/10

Happy 48th Birthday In Heaven
To The Best Daddy In The World



Our Wonderful Son
Of all the special gifts of life
However great or small
To have you as our Son
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A special face
A Special Son
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We whisper low
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And love you so.
Your loving, devoted family:
Mom, Dad, Judi, Chloe, Tyler,
Emme, Michael, & Chris

Humbled to be recognized



Courtesy photos

This week's picture shows this writer with my son Ralph Jr. after receiving my awards at last week's Worcester County League Banquet.

This past weekend this writer attended the annual Worcester County League Banquet at the Wachusett Country Club in West Boylston. It was the 55th annual Appreciation Banquet honoring the actions of individuals for their outstanding efforts during the year that helped promote hunting, fishing, and environmental issues that benefited sportsmen and the general public. Many legislators were also in attendance and played a big role in the night's festivities. Long time member of the league was Mel Crouse, at age 93 still active in the league and still hunting deer in Maine annually. He and his brother, also in his 90s, managed to harvest a huge buck in Maine a couple of years ago.

Special guest wildlife artist Ed Desrosiers was introduced to the members and guest by Jim Berube, followed with keynote speaker Bob Durand and Dr. Dick Callahan, which was followed by numerous awards to the following individuals: Ralph True Sr. received the Words of Wisdom award in recognition of his efforts through journalism to

inform and educate, and promote sportsmen issues. He also received a certificate from the House of Representatives and the State Senate and signed by numerous Representatives and Senators. I was certainly humbled by the award.

The next award was made to Jack Whitehead receiving the Youth Mentor award for his work in establishing the first annual Young Guns Trap Tournament!

Next was Bonnie Booth, awarded Sportsmen of The Year award in recognition for her work to promote the League for Sportsmen's & Sportswomen's issues.

Legislator of the year award was presented to Senator Ann Gobi in recognition of her constant support of sportsmen's issues in the State Legislature.

Farmer of the Year was presented to Ed and Dave Davidian in appreciation for their preservation of land that protects wildlife habitat and provides recreation to sportsmen & women throughout the year.

Entered into the Hall of Fame this year was Ken Stidsen, for all of his continued work in the league over many years.

The Worcester County League also set up a four point action fund for education, conservation, public relations, and legislation, which are as follows: funds set aside for the next ballot question, funds set aside or help of a sportsman's issue, providing archery equipment for schools, and monies set aside for protecting land. These are just a few programs that the League offers to support sportsmen's issues throughout the year.

Dr. Dick Callahan reported on the loss of bees in Massachusetts and surrounding states at last week's League Banquet. He spoke at length about his concern for bee populations and what is killing them off annually. Numerous poisons used by large farms and back yard gardeners containing Neonic chemicals that are the major cause for the loss of our bee population. It is not only killing bees, but is responsible for killing ground worms and other insects that are good for gardens. Without bees pollination of flowers and all vegetables that we consume daily, are at high risk of being lost. It is a very serious dilemma and bee keepers are also



Second picture shows Jim Berube with Ken Stidsen, this year's inductee into the hall of fame.

sounding the alarm. Small back yard bee hives are being lost annually, and it is very serious. House bill 4041 if passed will stop all stores from selling pesticides with Neonicotinoids chemicals in them. It will still allow large farmers to use the chemical on their crops. You are urged to contact your state Reps and state Senators to favor the bill.

The Mass. Fish & Wildlife Board will hold their annual hearing to set migratory bird regulations on April 10 at 2:00 p.m. at the MF&W headquarters in Westborough. On the same day, the hearing to extend the archery season in zones 10-14 will also be held at the same place starting at 7:00 pm.! Archers are urged to arrive early!

Trout fishing on the freshwater scene is starting to warm up, with anglers catching most trout on power baits. As the waters warm, the trout will start to hit flies and lures. This week's forecast of a bit warmer temperatures locally should get the freshly stocked trout feeding more aggressively. Rivers and streams have started to recede locally, and should start to receive fresh stockings of trout as early as this week.

Local Rod & Gun Club ponds are also giving up hold over trout from this past winter stockings. Bass anglers are still catching some nice bass on live bait in local ponds.

Take A Kid Fishing & keep Them Rods Bending!

CAMP MARSHALL

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dance is \$225 for the week or \$50/day.

If curious about the summer camp experience at Camp Marshall, attend one of its open houses, also new. Any questions about programming will be answered by staff, and tours may be taken on April 28 from 3-5pm, May 12 from 10 a.m.-12pm and June 22 from 6-8:30 pm. Unique to the June 22 Open House is a "camper-ship" spaghetti dinner, from which all money raised will

go directly to camperships. Camperships are scholarships donated by the public to help offset the cost of sending children to a week of summer camp. All donations are tax-deductible. Information on camperships can be found at the Massachusetts 4-H Foundation website.

Despite continuing to offer the structured day-camp Maple Leaf Program, available to all kids from any town and geared toward working families' schedules, and the more flexible Camp Marshall programs, offered as day or overnight camp and led by the camper's interests, Camp

Marshall's use has broadened to include may other types of programs. On April 21 from 10am-4pm Marshall will be co-hosting its first annual "Rustic Wedding Expo: Burlap and Lace".

Another new offering at Marshall, pay-as-you-go one evening per week yoga classes in the Rec Room. Finally, if you're looking for a wedding venue, Camp Marshall offers not only a destination-wedding experience, they also offer a hall for receptions.

If space is needed to host this kind or any other kind of event, give Camp Marshall's office a call.

As far as looking forward to a busy and exciting season filled with all kinds of events and programs, veteran camper, staffer and current member of the administration team, Tori Timcoe says, "We have a lot going on here, but my favorite of all is seeing the kids come year after year having grown and changed. Camp Marshall is such an important part of so many of their lives and memories."

For more information about Camp Marshall and its programs visit the website at www.campmarshall.net or give the office a call at (508) 885-4891.

BERRY CORNER

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Faulkner said the outlook is in line with expectations, although he admitted the actual cost of all the components of the initiative are still in flux.

"The project has a \$10 million funding agreement. The estimate is under \$10 million at this point. The construction bids are estimated at around \$8 million," Faulkner said. "There

are some additional costs for policing details, engineering, contingency and a few other items. So right now, it looks like it's in the mid \$9 million range."

Faulkner concluded saying it's important to remember the nature of construction projects tend to bring changes, complications, or unforeseen circumstances. So, while the project remains within budget for now, there is always the potential for unforeseen expenses the town and contractors can only hope won't play into the picture when work begins.

CALENDAR

Saturday, April 7

SIR GEORGE & THE DRAGON: Charlton Lions Club presents Jon McDonough's Pumpernickel Puppets on Saturday, April 7 at 2 p.m. at the Overlook Community Center. Free community event; refreshments and complimentary eye screening provided. For information contact thecharltonlions@gmail.com.

Monday, April 9

CHARLTON GARDEN CLUB: John McKinney, former National Park Service Ranger, will talk about Birding for Everyone at 7 p.m. at the Charlton Federated Church, Charlton. \$5 donation suggested for non-members. For more information, contact Ginny Charette (508) 248-7300, Marcia Liedigk at (508) 434-0507.

Wednesday, April 11

COMMUNITY GARDEN GROUNDBREAKING: There's a new community garden in Sturbridge. The Community Food Collaborative was formed last fall and they are seeking volunteers. To learn more, please visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/cfcgardens/>. If you are interested in volunteering to help prepare and plant the garden, please join us for a kick-off celebration for volunteers followed by a tour of the garden site on Wednesday, April 11 from 4-6 p.m. at the Sturbridge Federated Church fellowship hall. For questions, email CFCGarden357@gmail.com or send a note to Community Food Collaborative at PO Box 357, Sturbridge, MA 01566.

HONORING THE RIVER: The French River Connection is pleased to invite the public to a presentation by Larry Spotted Crow Mann, award winning writer-poet-native American cultural educator-traditional story teller, speaking on Honoring the Mannexit (French

River" Mr. Mann's most recent book is Drumming & Dreaming, and presents tales of the Algonquin Tribes, primarily the Nipmuc. The event will be on Wednesday, April 11 at 7 p.m., at the Wintergarten, the easily accessible historic meeting hall above Kretschman's Brewery, located along the French River at 9 Frederick St. in Webster. The street is between the Post Office and the Police Station. The Brewery will be open and available to patrons.

Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21

ANNUAL SPRING SALE: The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple St., Sturbridge will be holding its annual Spring Rummage Sale on Saturday, April 21 from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. There will be a pre-sale on Friday, April 20 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 pm. Great bargains to be had.

In conjunction with our Rummage Sale on Saturday April 21 only, we will also be accepting electronics for a small fee. Bicycles of all sorts will also be taken from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the rear of the Meetinghouse (parking area). This is a great opportunity to start spring cleaning and to recycle.

Saturday, April 21

TOWN WIDE EFFORT: Let's Clean Up Holland! April 21st from 9-Noon. Participate in our second annual town wide effort against LITTER! Meet at Holland Elementary at 9am sharp. Form a team, be part of a team, or come on your own. With support and funding from The Last Green Valley, Opacum Land Trust and the Holland Highway, Police and Fire departments it will be a bigger success this year! Last year 70 participated, this year WE WANT 150!!! A party with treats for all participants will follow from 12-2:30! Feel good about our pretty town! Bring gloves & rough

clothes, suitable footwear. For more info call (413) 245-4197

Saturday, April 28

CLOTHING DRIVE: Charlton Brownie Girl Scout Troop will be hosting a drive through clothing drive at the Charlton Elementary School on Earth Day, Saturday, April 28 from 10 am - 1 pm.

Sunday, May 20

CHOCOLATE! Once again, the seductive fragrance from the chocolate fountain will envelop the hall as Chapter R of the P.E.O. Sisterhood presents its third annual Chocolate Sunday, May 20 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., at The Performing Arts Center, The Overlook, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. Tickets for the event are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Contact Georgeanne T. Roe at (508) 278-3589, georgeanne.roe@att.net.

ONGOING

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.

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to

share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

Free Playgroup at the Hitchcock Academy; sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation Five Grant. It includes: Music & Movement on Wednesday 9-9:45 a.m. and Playgroup on Monday & Thursday 9-11 a.m. For more information about these and a variety of other classes visit us at www.hitchcockacademy.org or call 413-245-9977

Grief Support Group: at Overlook Hospice, Charlton: Have you recently experienced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

THRIFTY: Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

NUMISMATICS: Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Rd. (Route 20), Sturbridge.

BUSES

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his appropriations bill. If the current budget passes, it would have a crippling effect on public transportation across the state, officials said.

The proposed cuts would most severely affect Worcester, Springfield, and the Merrimack Valley, officials warned. Legislators have long decried the inequity of funding between greater Boston communities and the central and west-



Kevin Flanders photos

State Representative Natalie Higgins speaks during the March 20 rally in Worcester.

ern parts of the state.

"Central Massachusetts has not received the funding it deserves for transportation," said gubernatorial candidate Setti Warren. "I will work for you and fight every single day to get this funding."

As the Senate Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Caucus, Senator Anne Gobi is advocating along with other caucus members for full funding for bus services. This request is in accordance with a 2014 transportation finance law which established a funding schedule for the regional transportation authorities.

Governor Charlie Baker allocated \$80,400,000 this year for regional transportation authorities, which represents level funding. The Senate request for \$88,000,000 supported by Gobi and her colleagues would restore what the House and Senate implemented in the 2014 transportation reform act.

"Reliable bus service is a must for our area, and any decrease or elimination of services is not just an inconvenience – it is the loss of a vital lifeline," Gobi said. "I will continue to advocate for more funding than the Governor proposed in order to keep the buses rolling."

The proposed cuts in bus services would not only impact individuals who rely on public transportation, officials said, but they would also hurt municipal economies. Selectmen in Brookfield



Residents from throughout central Massachusetts gather at Worcester City Hall to rally against proposed cuts to public transit services.

and West Brookfield are concerned that if bus routes west of the courthouse in East Brookfield are eliminated, several employees and visitors to their towns would have no means of reaching them.

As part of its proposed cuts, the WRTA is also considering the elimination of Route 40, also known as the Hub Loop. Several other bus routes, though preserved by the proposals, would see dramatically reduced daily service. Legislators are concerned that any cuts this year might lead to additional curtailment in future years, causing a death spiral in public transit.

All proposals must be voted on by the WRTA advisory board and wouldn't take effect until the summer. Prior to the vote, residents will have an opportunity to weigh in on the proposals during a series of public hearings. A meeting will be held on April 3 at 6 p.m. at Spencer Town Hall, while Brookfield residents will have a chance to share their concerns on April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Brookfield Congregational Church.

To learn more about the proposed cuts in WRTA services, call 508-791-9782.

EVENTS AT BUFFUMVILLE FOR SPRING

Sunday, April 29

Buffumville Dam Tour: 1-2 pm, Buffumville Dam, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. Would you like to know why the lake is lower in the winter months? Have you ever wondered what the Park Rangers do in the winter and in other seasons? Do you like to learn about weather and perhaps learn a little about food water storage and protection? Then join Park Ranger Jamie to learn all about it. Meet at the gate house doors (48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton) for an exclusive tour, inside and out. Rain or shine. Please Note: There are many stairs within the tour. Questions? 508-248-5697. Free tour. Moderate; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children; NO dogs please

Saturday, March 31

7-8 pm Spring/Easter Saturday Full Moon Walk at Hodges Village Dam, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. Bring the family down for a leisurely, springtime stroll under the moon. Please meet the Ranger on at Hodges Village Dam. No registration required. Cancelled if very rainy. Free event. Easy; 1 mile, restrooms nearby, especially for families with children.

April 2, 4, April 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30

A Mile in My Shoes Walk: 6:30-7:15 pm, Buffumville Lake office, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. A walking club each Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening in April. (features nature themed informational tidbits, inspirational/motivational messages along the route and/or little rewards). No need to register. Free event. For more information,

call 508-248-5697, x399. Easy; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children.

Wednesday, April 18

School Vacation Buffumville Dam Tour: 10:30 am to noon, 48 Old Oxford Road, Charlton. Attention Families with kids: Are you home with the children, a daycare and/or homeschool group? We have tours of Buffumville Dam during School Vacation week. Join Park Ranger Jamie at the gatehouse doors for an exclusive tour, inside and out. Rain or shine. Please Note: There are many stairs within the tour. Questions? 508-248-5697. Free tour. Restrooms nearby, especially for families with children; NO dogs please!

Saturday, April 21

Second Annual Let's Clean Up Holland: 9 am to noon, Holland Elementary School, Holland. The main objective for event is to clean up the five main roads coming in and going out of this pretty town. The second objective is to increase morale and spirit in this community wide event and build awareness of the Opacum Land Trust and The Last Green Valley. The third objective is to have a fun pizza party after the clean-up at Diane's Villanova. Sponsored by Opacum Land Trust and The Last Green Valley. For info: annehallgo@gmail.com, phone: 413-245-4197

Thursday, May 3

Invasives in Your Yard/What to Plant Instead: 6:30-7:30 pm, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. Join Park Rangers Nicole and Jamie at Hodges Village – Seating is limited to 20, so please R.S.V.P. 508-

248-5697 or nicole.c.giles@usace.army.mil. There will be light refreshments and door prizes. Families with children encouraged and welcome. Free event. Easy; restrooms nearby, wheelchair accessible, especially for families with children, NO dogs please! Leader: Karen Osbrey, email: kareno@winyradio.com, phone: 860 928-1350

Sunday, May 13

Hodges Village Dam Mother's Day Tea & Walk: 2-3 pm, Hodges Village Dam, 30 Howarth Rd., Oxford. Bring your friends, family- especially the kids. Tea and light refreshments will be served, yet feel free to bring a picnic for your family or cookies to share. A ground cloth or picnic blanket is also recommended. For all ages! Questions, call Jamie at 508-248-5697, X399. Free event. Moderate; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children, NO dogs please!

Friday, May 18

2nd Annual Plant for Pollinators: 10 am to 2 pm, May 26, 30 Howarth Rd., Oxford. CALLING ALL SCOUTS AND FAMILIES: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is requesting your help with planting as many 4'x4' plots of wildflowers. And for this, your plot will be posted with a sign. Please, bring the soil amendments- top soil, humus, natural fertilizer, peat, etc. Please bring gloves and your own drinking water. Snacks will be provided. The USACE will supply the New England Wild flower mix and all the tools. Group or club supplies the garden supplies. Register by 5/24/18 to 978-318-8399 or Jamie.r.kordack@usace.army.mil. Easy; restrooms near-

by, especially for families with children, NO dogs please!

Saturday, June 2

Family Fishing Fun: 10 am to 1 pm, Buffumville Park, 229 Oxford Rd., Charlton Road, Charlton. Bring the kids to Buffumville Park for some outdoors fun! Lean about boating safety, water safety, learn how to fish, catch a fly fishing demonstration, ask your questions to a wildlife expert, and take a short hike! Stay after the event for a picnic or a swim. Want to help out? Please call Park Ranger, Nicole at 508-248-5697, x411. Easy; restrooms nearby, wheelchair accessible, especially for families with children, NO dogs please, bring canoe or kayak, PFD & whistle

Thursday, June 21

Solstice Music in the Forest: 7-8:30 pm, 30 Howarth Road, Oxford. CALLING ALL MUSICIANS, the musically inclined and anyone that just wants to ROCK-OUT. Singers and those who want to just listen, invited too! Let's ring in summer with an evening concert. Please bring your guitar/keyboard (electricity on site)/violin/kazoo/etc. or feel free to bring your own nature-inspired instrument. Have the kids make some hand-made percussion items utilizing seeds/sticks/pinecones/etc. Prizes for the following instruments: Creative natural, largest, smallest, prettiest sound and more! Free event. Please call Park Ranger Jamie should you have any questions- 508-248-5697, X399. Easy; restrooms nearby, especially for families with children, NO dogs please!

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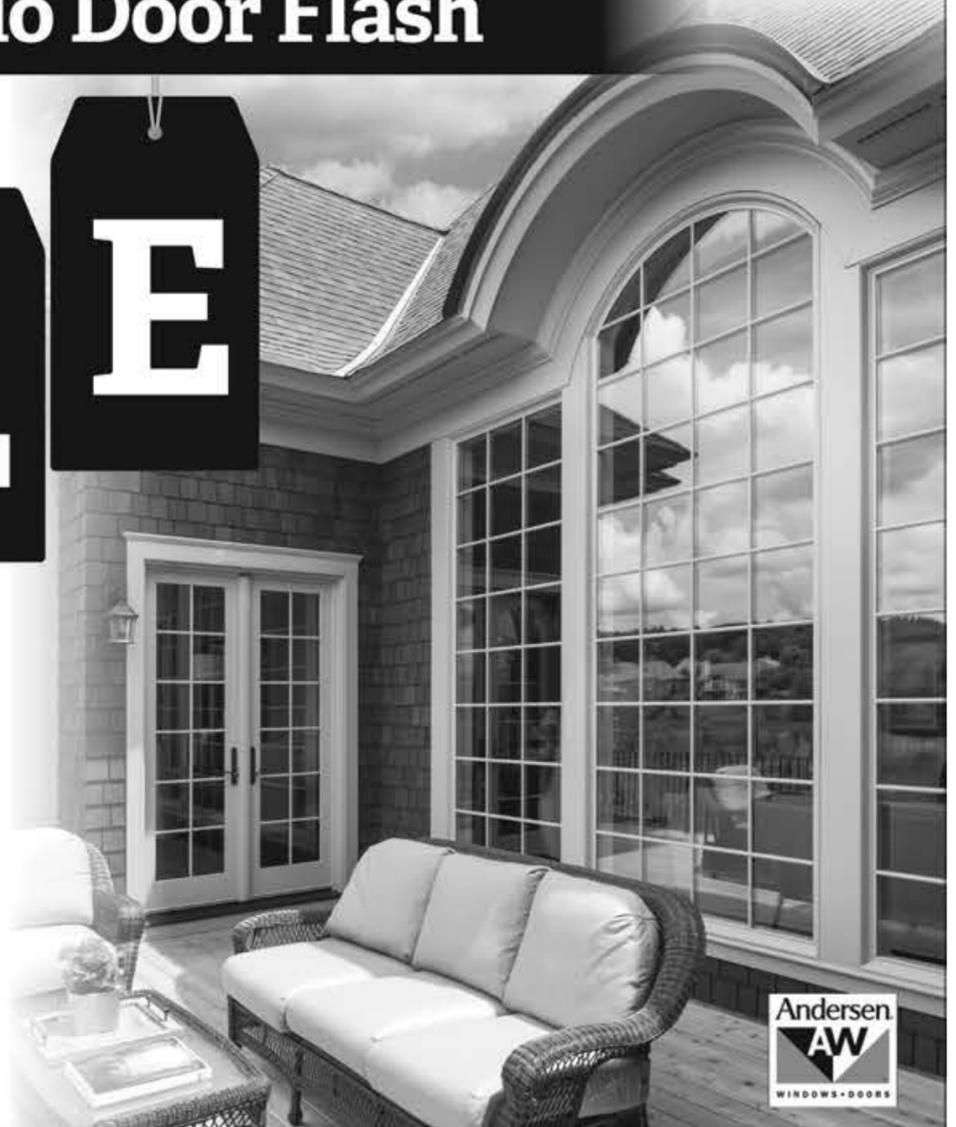
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What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Red twine is cut 2. Hole punch has grips on handles 3. Striped paper missing 4. Extra glue stick

THIS DAY IN...



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Christians, who refer to Jesus Christ as the "Lamb of God" pay homage to the Easter miracle and often dine on lamb as part of their celebrations. Depending on how they interpret Jewish law, Jews may or may not include lamb at their traditional Passover seder.

Lamb is a tender and tasty meat that can be prepared in various ways. Lamb can be roasted, braised, stewed, broiled, and even grilled.

To prepare lamb well, it is extremely important to follow safety guidelines concerning food cross-contamination. Undercooked and raw meats may contain E. coli bacteria; therefore, lamb should not come in con-

tact with other foods that will be served uncooked.

Many cuts of lamb are very tender so they will not require long marinating times to help break down the fibers in the meat. Lamb does not need a lot of prep time. In fact, a simple seasoning of herbs, garlic or a spice rub will provide substantial flavor. According to The Daily Meal, New Zealand or Australian lamb has a milder flavor than domestic lamb. Over-seasoning can overwhelm the delicate flavor of the lamb in these cases.

While preferences differ, many chefs attest that a bone-in cut of lamb will be more flavorful. However, boneless cuts are easier to carve. Similarly, cooks have strong opinions on the doneness of lamb, with some preferring rare meat while others like theirs well-done. Lamb can be juicy and tender at a wide range of cooking temperatures, so home chefs can decide how they want to prepare their lamb.

The average temperature for roasting lamb to medium doneness will fall between 135 to 145 F, with the USDA recommending at least 145 F as the desired temperature. Lamb roasts at a rate of 20 minutes per pound at a cooking temperature of 325 F.

Use a thermometer to accurately measure the internal temperature of lamb. Remove the lamb when it is roughly five degrees below the desired temperature, as the meat will continue to cook even after it is removed from the oven, skillet or grill. After cooking, let the lamb rest for around 10 minutes for thinner cuts and 20 minutes for roasts or leg of lamb to allow the juices to redistribute.

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WEBSTER - 9 Gore Gable! Custom 8 Rm Colonial! 1/2 Acre Private Lot! Eat-In Kit w/ New Counters, Sink, SS Appliances, Paint & Flr! Formal Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm! Gleaming Hrdwds Throughout! Den w/Cathedral! 4 Spacious Bdrms w/Lake View! Tile Bath w/Dble Vanity! 1.5 Baths! Screened Porch! Prof Landscaped! 2 Car Attached Garage! **\$309,900.00**

WEBSTER - 24 Linwood St! Well Maintained 2 Family! Each Unit Consists Of An Eat-In Kit w/Gas Range, Pantry w/ Abundant Cabinets! 2 Carpeted Bdrms! Knotty Pine Heated Sun Room Or Den! Full Baths w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/Screened Porch! Newer Roof, Siding & Windows! Updated Furnaces! Garage! **\$219,900.00**

CHARLTON - 2 Ponnakin Hill Rd! Nice Updated 7 Rm Split! .92 Acre Corner Lot! SS Appliances! Kit w/Center Isl, Cathedral & Skylight! Din Rm w/Slider! 12x16 Deck! Cathedral Liv Rm w/Brick Frplc & Pellet Stove! 3 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths, Whirlpool Tub! Frplc Fam Rm! Garage! **\$289,900.00**

SHREWSBURY - 717 Grafton St! 8 Rm Cape! 3 Acres off Route 201! Great Business Location! House Needs Total Rehab! 1st Flr Consists of Eat-in Kitchen w/Built-in Hutch! Large Liv Rm! Master Bedroom w/Closet! Office! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Has 4 Bdrms w/Closets! Vinyl Windows! **\$249,900.00**

AUBURN - 13 Inwood Rd! Cute 6 Room Cape! 2.3 Bedrooms! All Hardwoods on Both Levels Under Carpeting! Finished 2nd Floor with Bedroom & Office! Lower Level Playroom! Vinyl Siding! Replacement Windows! Oil Heat! 8,276' Level Lot! Shed! 1 Car Garage! **\$179,900.00**

STURBRIDGE - 13 Main St! Work & Live Here! Completely Remodeled! "Turn Key" 1st Flr Beauty Salon w/Chair, Handicapped Bdrms, Kit, Gas Heat! 2nd Flr - Appliances Kit, Liv Rm, 2 Bdrms, 1.5 Baths, New Oil Furnace! 13 Parking Spaces! 2 Car Garage! Sep Utilities! Town Services! Rte 20, 84 & 90! **\$329,900.00**

OXFORD - 51 Old Worcester Rd! 5 Rm Ranch! Maple Cabinet Kit w/White Appliances! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Refinished Hrdwds in Liv Rm & 3 Bdrms! Tile Bath! Large Open Basement! New Doors! 7 Year Old Roof, Vinyl Siding, & Windows! House Freshly Painted! 1 Car Garage! **\$229,900.00**

WEBSTER - 9 Asselin Ave! Hospital Near! Brian Acres! 12 Rm Split Entry! Nicely Landscaped! 57 Acre Lot! In-Ground! Above Ground Pool! SS Appliances! Kit! Din Rm w/Slider to Sunroom! Liv Rm w/ Frplc! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! Frplc Fam Rm! 2.2 Oil Heat! 2 Car Garage! Shed! **\$279,900.00**

DUDLEY - 20 Williams St! Nice 7 Rm Cape w/3 Car Garage! SS Appliances! Kit w/Oak Cabinets & Corian Counters! Frplc Liv Rm & Din Rm w/Hrdwds! Sunroom w/Hot Tub/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath & Walk-in Closet! 2 Tile Bathrooms! Buderus Furnace! Town Services! Fenced Backyard! **\$244,900.00**

WEBSTER - 25 North Main St! ATTENTION INVESTORS! 4 Family! 4/4/4 Rms! 2/2/2 Bdrms! Consists of 4 Kitchens, 2 Bedrooms Each Unit, 4 Living Rms One Unit with Built-Ins & Fireplace! 4 Full Baths! Laundry in Units! Full Basement w/Storage! Needs TLC! Walk Up Attic! **\$169,900.00**

DOUGLAS - 93 Monroe St! 10.97 ACRES! Updated 1867 8 Rm Farmhouse! Flexible Floor Plan! Loads of Charm! Frplc Liv Rm! Fam Rm w/ Cathedral! Slider to Deck! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 2 Car Attached Garage! Additional 3 BAY, 50x85', GARAGE BUILDING! **\$594,500.00**

DUDLEY - 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.84 Acres! Appliances Granite Kit! Frplc Dining Rm! Living Rm w/ Hrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garage! **\$359,900.00**

MILLBURY - 197 W. Main St! 5 Rm, 2 Bdrm Cape! Great Location On 1 Acre Lot! Home needs considerable updating and may not qualify for traditional financing! Being sold AS IS! Title 5 Passed but there is Town Sewer in the Street! Easy Access to Rte 140! Close to Singletary Boat Ramp! **\$120,000.00**

CHARLTON - 44 Oxford Rd! 8 Rm Colonial w/Farmers Porch! 1.38 Acres! New Quartz Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Frplc Fam Rm w/Hrdwds! Spacious Liv Rm! 4 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 16X20 Deck! 2 Car Garage! Shed! 2016 Roof! Many Updates! **\$344,900.00**

WEBSTER - 33 Douglas Rd! 7 Rm Raised Ranch! Over 5 Acres w/Small Pond! Cabinet Eat-in Kit! Carpeted Liv Rm w/Slider to 8x6' Deck! 3 Carpeted Bdrms w/Ample Closets! Full Bath! Lower Level w/Linen Closet! Semi-Finished Lower Level w/Full Bath! 10yr Young Roof! Newer Gas Furnace! **\$229,900.00**

WEBSTER - 11 Upper Gore Rd! Convenient 6 Rm Ranch! Fully Appliances Oak Kit! Frplc Din Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! First Spacious Liv Rm w/Brick Hearth! 1st Flr Laundry! Large Trex Deck! Updated Windows, Siding & Furnace! Garage! Shed! Sold w/dk! 39 Acre Lot! **\$259,900.00**

WEBSTER - 10 Arkwright Rd! Attention Investors & to Owner Occupy! 9 Family! 87 Rms! 3/3 Bdrms! 2,500' of Living! Each Has Kit w/Breakfast Nook, Dining & Liv Rms & Den! 1st Flr w/Pellet Stove, Deck w/Enclosed Porch! 2 Car Garage! Updated Windows! Newer Roof! Minor Cosmetics Needed! **\$199,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 194 Kildeer Island! North Pond! 62' Waterfront! Panoramic Views! 8 Rm Colonial! Kit w/Double Oven! GLEAMING Hrdwd Flrs! 4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! 14X20 Trex Deck! Newly Painted! Prof Landscaped! Fenced Yard! Plenty of Docks Included! **\$524,900.00**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/Heated Flr! Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplc Liv Rm! Din Rm w/Tray Ceiling! Lake Facing Master w/Master Bath! Upstairs 3 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Lower Level Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Sauna & Full Bath! 3 Car Attached, 1 Car Detached! Security! Generator! Boat House! **\$1,195,900.00**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 3 Lakeside Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! Ideal Summer or Year Round! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! New Quartz & Stainless Steel! 3 Remodeled Bdrms! 2 New Baths - Master Bath! Tile & Hrdwds! Frplc! Oil Heat! Unique Waterfront! **\$575,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 15 Lakeside Rd! Reid Smith Cove! Enjoy the Music of Indian Ranch & the Indian Princess! 7 Rm Summer Cottage w/Possible Bdrms! Master Overlooking w/Great Potential! Or Tear It Down, Build Something New! 50' x 118' Lot w/Gentle Slope, Almost Level! Town Sewer! **\$297,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 33 Beacon Rd! 6 Rms, 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths! 141' Waterfront! 12,458' Lot w/Plenty of Privacy! Kit, Master Bdrm, Master Bath, Roof & Windows New in 2013! Enjoy Sunsets from Wrap-around Porch! Beautiful Lake Views! Frplc Liv Rm! SS Appliances! 2 Car Garage! **\$519,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 48 Laurelwood Dr! Reid Smith Cove! One of the Lake's Best Lots! Beautiful 10 Rm, 3,686' Contemp! 104' Waterfront, 228' Rd Frontage, 33,628 Sq. Ft. or 77 Acres! The Best on Market! Gradual Sloped Land to Beach/Shore! Private Rd w/Woods Across Street! Location, Slope to Water, View & Exposure, Things You Can't Change, After that it's One's Imagination! Front, Back, & Side Yards, Space to Roam, Entertain, Park & Expand! Main Level, White & Black Granite Kit, Center Isl w/Gas Range & Sink, Wall Oven! Lake Facing Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral Open to Sun Rm w/Water View! Lake Facing Office/Possible 4th Bdrm! Half Bath! Upstairs, 3 Bdrms, 2 Bathrooms! Amazing Lake Facing Master, Bath w/Whirlpool, Steam Shower, Dble Vanity, Cathedral w/Skylight & Laundry! Walk-out Lower Level w/ Frplc Fam Rm, Summer Kit & 3rd Full Bath, 3.5 Total! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage & More! **\$1,100,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,688' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Fr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/7' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Gleaming Hrdwds! Granite Kit w/Sl, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrdwds & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Grand Rm w/Lake View! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Docks! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Lakeside Ave! 100' Waterfront! Huge Views of South Pond! Western Exposure - Fantastic Sunsets! In Time for Summer! 5 Rooms of Rustic Charm! Real Log Summer Cottage! 10,924' Lot! Allows for Room to Expand! Remodel It! Tear It Down! Build New! **\$359,900.00**

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DUDLEY - 67 WEST MAIN ST

Looking for a place for your at home BUSINESS? CORNER lot! 6,550 SF (20 acres), 2 story single family home w/3 BRs, 2 Baths! Possible to convert this home back to a 2 family! Municipal Water & Sewer! Recent Natural Gas Buderus FHW Boiler. 2 Car Detached Garage! **\$185,000.**

WEBSTER - 12 ERNEST ST

Custom Built, Ranch Style Home! 2,848 SF +/- of Living Area! Unique and private property! Offers a half acre +/- level lot! In-ground pool, hot tub, poolside cabana w/kitchen & full bath! Huge carport/pavilion! 3 Large Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, 2 half baths! 10 rooms total! You Will Be Amazed! **\$349,900.**

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ON DEPOSIT

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FOOD

Create and hide unbreakable Easter eggs

Easter is one of the most important days of the year for Christians. Easter Sunday is filled with symbolism and tradition, some of which harken back to early Christianity, while others trace their origins to paganism.

The Easter Bunny and Easter eggs are two Easter traditions with less extensive histories. The Easter Bunny, according to sources including History.com, first arrived in America in the 1700s via German settlers who brought with them their tradition of an egg-laying hare called "Osterhase." Children would make nests where the rabbit could lay its colored eggs. Eventually, the custom spread from Pennsylvania, where many German immigrants settled, to other areas around the country.

Eggs are symbolic of new life and rebirth in many cultures. To Christians, eggs represent the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Another theory suggests that Christians were once forbidden to eat during the Lenten season preceding Easter. Therefore, Christians would paint and decorate eggs for Easter to mark the joyous celebration and cessation of penance and fasting.

Even though these traditions have endured, Easter eggs themselves might not be so strong. This year, Easter celebrants may want to experiment with different materials that are more forgiving and more enduring than standard eggs.



CAPTION: Experiment with different egg materials to make Easter eggs easier to handle and more durable.

WOODEN EGGS

Families may find that wooden eggs are much more forgiving than standard eggs. Wooden eggs don't have to be

boiled, and they don't need time to harden, and they're quite maneuverable for young fingers.

Decorators can explore different ways to color wooden eggs. Acrylic paints are readily available and safe for users of any age. Wood stains or wood markers

also can be used to give the eggs a natural finish. Others may want to rip small pieces of decorative paper to create a decoupage effect on their wooden eggs.

SEW SOFT EGGS

Those who are handy with a needle and thread can explore patterns for making soft, stuffed eggs. Cozy fleece or other fabrics can be sewn together to make the general egg shape. Then the egg is filled with polyester filling, feathers or another soft material. Ribbons, buttons, trims, and other decorative touches can personalize the eggs and add a touch of whimsy. Check out www.sew4home.com for their ideas on handmade Easter eggs.

MODELING CLAY

Children who love to get their hands dirty may enjoy making Easter eggs out of modeling materials. Colors can be blended together to create a marbled effect. Depending on the clay medium, the eggs may air-harden or may need to be heated at a low temperature in the oven to fully cure.

Easter eggs are a fun tradition that adds to the festivity of spring. While traditional eggs can be used, many different, more long-lasting materials can be used as well.

Delicious Ideas For Adding Healthy Sweet Potatoes To Your Daily Cooking Repertoire



(NAPS)

Sweet potatoes are trending and are all the rage—as they should be! One medium California sweet potato has only 105 calories and 0g of fat, yet this versatile veggie contains more than 80 nutrients including protein, manganese, carotene, potassium, calcium, vitamin C and more than an entire day's worth of vitamin A. Plus, California sweet potatoes are rich with antioxidants and loaded with dietary fiber—nearly twice as

much as a white potato. Not just for Thanksgiving, thankfully, California sweet potatoes are available year-round. Chefs and home cooks are coming up with fun and creative ways (beyond Grandma's holiday casserole) to incorporate this tasty tuber into everyday meals—winter, spring, summer and fall.

Here are some delicious ways to cook with California sweet potatoes:

- For a quick snack, add a cooked California sweet potato

(or two) to your favorite hummus recipe, garnish with a good glug of olive oil and a generous squirt of lemon. Serve with crudites and pita triangles.

- Make a beta-carotene-rich soup by adding uniformly chopped California sweet potatoes, butternut squash, and carrots to a homemade or store-bought chicken stock. Throw in a can of white beans, a handful or two of kale and garnish with chopped flat-leaf parsley. Serve with freshly grated Parmesan.

- What's better than home fries for breakfast? California sweet potato home fries! Switch out white potatoes for California sweet potatoes, throw in some chopped onions, bell pepper and a sprinkle of cayenne or paprika and you've got sweet potatoes O'Brien to go with your bacon and eggs.

- **Mashed** California sweet potatoes make a delicious accompaniment to a store-bought or homemade roasted chicken. Steam the sweet potatoes until tender, mash, and stir in

warmed butter and milk. For garlic mashed, simply throw a few cloves of garlic into the steamer and mash them with the sweet potatoes.

Brunch is always a great way to entertain family and friends. Whether it's Easter, Mother's Day or a regular old Sunday, why not wow your guests with a delicious spread? Coffee, mimosas, Danish, croissants, fruit salad and of course something with eggs.

This breakfast strata will more than satisfy:

California Breakfast Strata with Sweet Potatoes, Chiles and Goat Cheese
Serves 10 to 12

Ingredients:
 1 table-spoon cooking oil
 1 pound orange-fleshed sweet potatoes, cut into 3/4-inch dice (about 3 1/4 cups)
 12 ounces loose breakfast sausage or breakfast sausage patties
 One 7-ounce can chopped green chiles
 Nonstick cooking spray
 10 ounces

crusty Italian or French bread, with crusts cut or torn into 3/4-inch pieces (about 10 cups)

4 ounces chèvre (spreadable goat cheese), crumbled (about 1 cup)

3 table-spoons chopped fresh sage

8 large eggs

2 cups milk

3/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon pepper

Instructions:
 In a large skillet over medium heat, warm the oil. Add the sweet potatoes and cook, stirring occasionally, for 5 minutes. Add the sausage and cook, breaking it up and stirring occasionally, until the sweet potatoes are lightly browned and tender and the sausage is cooked through, about 8 minutes. Stir in the chiles and set the skillet aside.

Coat a 2 1/2- to 3-quart casserole dish with cooking spray. Arrange 1/3 of the bread in the dish. Top with 1/3 of the sweet potato mixture, 1/3 of the

cheese and 1/3 of the sage. Repeat 2 times. Set aside.

In a large bowl, whisk the eggs, milk, salt and pepper. Pour the egg mixture over the casserole and set aside for 20 minutes, pressing on the bread occasionally to help it absorb the liquid.

Meanwhile, preheat the oven to 350° F.

Cover the casserole with foil and bake for 50 minutes. Remove the foil and continue baking until the top is browned and the center is set, about 10 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting and serving.

For more information about California sweet potatoes and for delicious recipes, visit www.casweetpotatoes.com.

This breakfast strata made with tasty, wholesome sweet potatoes can be a great way to punch up a brunch buffet.

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