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# Emergency equipment purchased to serve pets

**BY JASON BLEAU**  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – It's always tough when tragedy strikes and impacts and entire population of residents. However, it's important to realize that it's not only the people that are affected, but the pets and animals as well. That's the mentality that led to the town of Charlton being awarded a grant through the Massachusetts Department of Health to fund assets for the town's emergency preparedness plan with specific emphasis on the local domesticated animal population. Dudley Health Inspector Jim Philbrook and Animal Control

Officer Ann Sellew appeared before selectmen on Tuesday, July 25, to reveal the details of the grant, which Philbrook said is part of an effort by the state to help towns stay prepared and ready for the added pressures and needs of the community should a disaster or incident occur. While keeping the people safe is, of course, a priority in such situations Philbrook said the funding received by Charlton helped purchase equipment to helped a different demographic. "They decided that it was important for animals to also be housed and protected. They gave a grant, which is about

\$3,000," Philbrook told selectmen. "We received five large cages, two iPads, a pet kit, small crates, and five medium crates to house animals that would be brought in." Philbrook said he helped write the grant and both he and Sellew were commended for their work bringing the funding to town. Philbrook presented photos of the new equipment purchased for the town and expressed his confidence that the new resources will make Sellew's job a lot easier under any circumstance. "This will help the

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## A BLUE DAY IN CHARLTON

Young James of Auburn gets competitive during the first of several pie-eating contests throughout the day at the Charlton Blueberry Festival. More photos page 8

# Charlton seeking grant for water infrastructure

**BY JASON BLEAU**  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The Board of Selectmen has authorized Town Administrator Robin Craver to seek out a grant to help fund the installation of water infrastructure along Route 20 going into the town of Oxford. Selectmen attending the July 25 board meeting voted unanimously to grant Craver permissions to apply for and, if received, accept a grant through the Mass Works Infrastructure Program which would

act as a reimbursement for the cost of installing water lines along Route 20. Craver told selectmen that this grant would be a significant part of the town's mission to provide growth opportunities for that part of town as the state begins to make progress on its own project along the roadway. "What the project will do is a portion of Route 20 will be reconstructed in the next two years and what we're trying to do is make sure that we can put water infrastructure in. The Charlton water

system goes just so far down Route 20. We're now trying to connect to the Oxford system so that we can get water to that area," Craver said. "It's an important project to the town." Selectmen agreed that it would be important to get the infrastructure installed before the state completes its own reconstruction project as any sealing done to the roadway would be in place, by state regulation, for five years and would thus

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Gus Steeves photo

Lindsey Boulay gets a hug from a fellow nurse after speaking her piece Friday.

# Harrington DPH hearing draws criticism

**BY GUS STEEVES**  
STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE – At least a dozen nurses and several board members, but only a handful of citizens, turned out for last Friday's public hearing on Harrington Hospital's proposal to close its birthing unit on Sept. 30. None of the speakers liked the idea, although board members said they supported it rather reluctantly for "fiduciary" reasons on the grounds that the number of births had been sliding for years. But nurses and the two citizen speakers were strongly opposed,

with Southbridge resident Scott Metras making an impassioned plea to keep it open and critical of a lack of information. "It's not a minimal impact for me, not a minimal impact for my wife," Metras said, pointing out that his wife, Gina (who also attended) is 25 weeks pregnant. He said they already had other doctors at Harrington and looked forward to having their first child there, but felt closing the birthing unit violates the hospital's claim of providing "total local care." Furthermore, Metras decried the

lack of information and public outreach surrounding the process. "To continue to go to appointments and not get straight answers is unacceptable," he said, having previously noted, "Apparently, there was a letter that went out to 'Friends of Harrington.' I guess I'm not a 'friend of Harrington.'" Nurse Lindsey Boulay, with nine years on the obstetrics ward, essentially agreed with him, saying "nobody outside the Board of Directors

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# Cemetery debate costs total more than \$47,000

**BY JASON BLEAU**  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – It's been several months since the issues of the proposed Islamic cemetery on Corbin Road was finally resolved, but now officials have made public the cost the town accrued throughout over a year of litigation and very public debate. The request from the Islamic Society of Greater Worcester in early 2016 is still very fresh as the town faced accusations of passive-aggressive racism against the society, which the society in turn received accusations from the town of slander and liable that stained the community's image, all capped by several very public back-and-forth debates between attorneys representing both parties.

The Islamic Society of Greater Worcester made its initial push for the cemetery in January of 2016, with the first public meeting drawing a capacity crowd to the town hall in February. The Zoning Board of Appeals turned down the project and in July a lawsuit was filed that lead to the early parts of an investigation and, eventually, a settlement in December. Despite reapplying for a special permit, the Islamic Society dropped their request in April, choosing instead to bring their cemetery to offered land in Worcester. Dudley Town Administrator Greg Balukonis explained during a Board of Selectmen meeting Monday, July 24 that he compiled a cost total from the 16-month series

of debates and lawsuits to present to selectmen at their request, and make available for the public at their leisure. "The board had asked me to give a summary of what the cost was for legal defense, not only for the lawsuit, but for the related investigations and the special permit action related to the Islamic Cemetery of Greater Worcester," Balukonis said. "We spent \$47,298.70. These costs represent the cost of town council services. We also did have special council, which was covered through our insurance vendor. However, we did pay a deductible which is shown in the amount of \$5,000." Selectmen offered little input and took no action on the document itself.

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# Not all pleased Fahey is returning

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – After a year-plus roller coaster that included an investigation, suspension, rally, and much speculation, recently reinstated David Prouty High School Athletic Director Charles Fahey is eager to move past the turmoil and embark on a fresh start. But several residents aren’t willing to dismiss last year’s investigation so easily, claiming it is part of a growing problem for the district.

Fahey last served as AD in 2015. In April 2016, he found himself at the center of a lengthy investigation into mishandled vending machine funds and other accounts. Serving solely as a DPHS math teacher at the time, Fahey was suspended by then principal Patricia Jordan, who wrote a letter to Fahey demanding that he make a public apology and pay restitution.

The status of the investigation was a mystery to residents for several months, with school officials announcing last week that it has been concluded.

“The matter has been resolved and the report is a personnel document, not a public record,” said Acting Superintendent Jodi Bourassa.

The AD selection process involved a seven-member search committee, which included parents and faculty

members, among others. Four candidates were interviewed, and David Prouty High School Principal Elizabeth York recommended the highest rated candidate for the position, officials said.

For Fahey, it is a relief to put the investigation in the rearview mirror and focus on the future.

“Everything has been settled and is behind us. It is good to be back, and I am happy I can help the students of David Prouty,” Fahey told the New Leader.

Fahey’s reinstatement was so sudden that it caught residents and educators alike off guard.

“I was never told he was coming back. I got a phone call from the principal saying they had chosen a better candidate,” said Tab Bassett, who has served as AD since 2015. “It’s a frustrating situation – I thought I did a good job. I did what the district asked of me, and I will continue to do what it asks.”

Bassett will remain in his position as a physical education teacher at DPHS.

Meanwhile, Fahey’s return and former superintendent Tracy Crowe’s unexpected departure were announced within a week of each other in a summer of major changes for the district. School officials still have not explained why Crowe left suddenly or addressed the potential financial implications of her departure for the district. If her contract was bought out, parents have

asked how that would affect the district moving forward.

Multiple attempts to reach Crowe over the last three weeks have been unsuccessful. Crowe was accused of not being transparent throughout her tenure, but now it is the SEBRSC which faces those same allegations from parents, residents, and staff members.

“They keep talking about transparency and how everything is open, but it is anything but transparent,” said Spencer resident Bob Cirba, who served on the SEBRSC from 2010-11. “[SEBRSC Chairman Jason] Monette has always said his two biggest objectives were getting rid of Crowe and putting Fahey back in. I believe the reason she [Crowe] is gone is because she would not bring Fahey back.”

Crowe’s departure was one of many in what has become a carousel at the leadership levels of the district in recent years. Five superintendents have served the district in the last seven years, while David Prouty High School has seen four principals in as many years. The district has also experienced a mass exodus of students and staff, and even the town of East Brookfield, itself, is questioning whether it wants to remain in the district, a process that could last over three years.

“It’s a big problem, and it’s getting worse,” said a Spencer parent who



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wished to remain anonymous. “People are afraid to ask questions and face the harassment. They just move their kids elsewhere, away from this poisonous situation.”

Asked what she meant by “harassment”, the resident described several incidents in recent years, among them the circumstances reportedly surrounding former DPHS principal Eileen Belastock’s departure. In the spring of 2016, reports surfaced of allegations that Belastock was threatened and assaulted in her office by unnamed school employees. No one was ever charged in the alleged incident.

Belastock left her position without explanation last fall, and she was ultimately replaced by Jordan.

# Speeding trends draw concerns from Dudley resident

BY JASON BLEAU  
TIMES CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Dudley’s selectmen and emergency officials are being urged to take immediate action on reducing the threat of speeding in the community after a local citizen brought the issue to their attention at a recent meeting.

Airport Road resident Richard Clark took the time to make himself heard during the Dudley Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday, June 24, voicing his concerns about continuous speeding on his own street, which he noted is a concern for residents all over Dudley as motorists fly through back roads and main streets of the town. After seeing strategies presented for reducing speed in Worcester, Clark decided to bring his concerns to selectmen and ask that serious action be taken to crack down on speeding sooner rather than later.

“I would hope that the town would take this matter seriously. I would have for something tragic to happen. I think the law of averages are against us in that regard,” Clark told selectmen who showed great interest in creating a plan of action to resolve the situation.

Selectmen called upon Dudley Police Chief Steven Wojnar to weigh in the on the concerns at which time the chief acknowledged there are many streets in Dudley where speeding and potential accidents are a threat.

Wojnar said speeding itself has become a growing concern in Dudley over the years that his department has worked hard with what recourses it has to resolve.

Selectmen Paul Joseph inquired about whether or not the police department had access to grants and other resources to help fund or provide assistance when it comes to traffic stops and speeding violations. While the chief said the department does received grants and does its best to have officers assigned to radar checks, there are limits to what his department is able to do.

“We do get grants for traffic enforcement. A lot of those are focused on a certain times of the year. A lot of times we get them around Memorial Day, Labor Day, Christmas, and New Years. We have grants that focus on those times. We have some specific to texting and driving and some more for impaired operators,” said the chief. “It’s hard to say when we might have someone else who can go and do something (like radar checks) because that depends on a lot of things. We try to get people out there to do traffic whenever we have people available, but it depends on call volume and other issues we are dealing with.”

Richard Clark noted that his concerns are not just for himself, but for others on his street as well as he has noticed Airport Road specifically has become a hotspot for speeding and pedestrians walking the

road, where there is little to no sidewalk, risk their lives when walking on their own street. Clark said that many have blamed the students of the nearby schools for the speeding, but noted that school is not in session and the problem persists.

Selectmen asked both Clark and Chief Wojnar for any suggestions they had in resolving the perceived speeding epidemic in Dudley. Clark said he believes it’s a matter of showing motorists that no speeding will be tolerated and establishing a reputation that speaks for itself.

“I think one possibility could be increased signage or moving the signs that we have because I think they’ve just become background noise at this point. People are so used to ignoring them they don’t even see them any longer,” Clark suggested. “Another thought would be a no tolerance policy. No more warnings, you get a ticket. I think we need to create a mindset. There are some communities not that far away (like Douglas) where if you speed you know you’re going to be stopped. We need that sort of mindset here in Dudley.”

Wojnar followed this up acknowledging that a shortage in personnel, which he said is not a problem unique to Dudley’s police department, does play a factor in the ability for police to effectively eliminate the threat of speeding in town. However, Wojnar stated that there are many areas of

concern throughout the community, even more significant and consistently problematic than Airport Road, and another part of the issue is making sure the town utilizing the money and manpower in the most effective way possible. He also restated the busy schedule and unpredictable work environment his officers have to endure while also trying to deter speeders and aggressive drivers.

“We try to do (radar checks) several times a week if we can, but again the problem becomes what happens. It’s not a job where you can show up in the morning and say ‘alright from seven until eight you’re going to do this’. Things change at the drop of a hat. We try to focus it and I’m working with my sergeants to get regular people out there to do things. Several times a week we’re out in different places doing different things,” said the chief. “There are several problem areas we have to address and look at. The issue becomes if we’re going to spend money or whatever we’re going to do then how do we direct those resources? I know we’ve had a few discussions with Central

Massachusetts Regional Planning and those things have come up to have us identify areas that we can target. There are certain things in the mix that we have to address.”

The chief said he is not taking Clark’s concerns lightly and promised to consult his officers about how to more effectively deter speeders in the foreseeable future, however he said the solution may be more difficult to come to with manpower and funding limited.

“Certainly the staffing level is a huge issue because as issues come up during the day you have to deal with them and an average case comes along and gets tied up for four hours with something. They could be put doing something else, but they’re tied up with the task at hand,” said the chief.

While a final solution was not determined during the July 24 meeting, everyone involved seems content that the problem will be addressed again in the near future with a possible long-term resolution to help make Dudley a safer community for everyone on or around the roadways.

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**MANCHESTER, NH ---** The following Charlton residents have been named to the President's List at Southern New Hampshire University for the Spring 2017 semester: Wyatt Higginbotham and Cameron Scotia. Eligibility for the President's List requires

that a student accumulate a grade point average of 3.7-4.0. Charlton residents named to the Dean's List include Morgan Mitchell and Victoria Moriarty. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must accumulate a grade point average of 3.500-3.699.

**BRIDGEWATER ---** The following Charlton residents recently received degrees from Bridgewater State University: Samantha DiDonato, Alexander Heinrich, Bryan Martin and Katharine Reynolds.

**FITCHBURG ---** The following Charlton residents have qualified for inclusion on the Spring 2017 semester Dean's List at Fitchburg State University: Samantha V. Hill, Jarrod R. Kingsley, Megan K. Steiger, Erin M. Tetreault, and Shamus X. Tibbert.

**NORTH DARTMOUTH ---** The following Charlton residents have been named to the

Chancellor's List at UMass Dartmouth in recognition of earning a Spring 2017 semester grade point average of 3.8 or higher of a possible 4.0: Connor Anisko, Alex Perron, and Anna Sullivan.

**WORCESTER ---** The following Charlton residents were among 1,319 students from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) named to the university's Dean's List for academic excellence for the Spring 2017 semester: Brett Carbonneau, Darien Gaudet, John Kingston, and Kendra O'Malley.

**WORCESTER ---** The following Charlton residents were

named to the Spring 2017 Dean's List at Worcester State University: Kelsey L. Anisko, Kimberly E. Banach, Maggie A. Beauregard, Stephen M. Bruder, Kristina M. Bylund, Haley N. Chamberlain, Elizabeth P. Cumming, Jared D. Dahlstrom, Theodore J. Girard, Andrew J. Howard, Emily A. Ijams, Tyler J. Lundstrom, Marisa L. Morelli, Alishya M. O'Loughlin, Victoria R. Pelletier, Aviya T. Singer, Leah G. Stanley, Lucas T. Stevens, Abigail M. Stone, Michael J. Sullivan, Allyson J. Sweet and Alexander J. Zielinski.

UNICEF receives donation from local fundraiser

Grupo Latino de KARL STORZ ENDOVISION dona \$2,000.00 a UNICEF para Colombia y Perú

El grupo Latino de KARL STORZ ENDOVISION en Charlton, MA tuvo una venta de empanadas donde recaudaron \$1,000 y la compañía donó \$1,000. La donación es para ayudar a Colombia y Perú quienes han atravesado por mal tiempo de lluvias, resultando con más de 300 muertos. Jessica Morris de UNICEF, oficina en Boston vino a recoger la donación a Charlton. Atravéz de los años, el Grupo Latino ha hecho varias donaciones a organizaciones locales e internacionales. Se sienten orgullosos y satisfechos en poder ayudar a los necesitados.

The Latino Network Group at KARL STORZ ENDOVISION donates \$2,000.00 to UNICEF for Colombia and Peru

The Latino Network Group at KSE had an empanada sale day for fundraising where we collected \$1,000 and the company matched it with \$1,000. The donation is to help Colombia and Peru, countries who had flooding and mudslides resulting with over 300 deaths. Jessica Morris from UNICEF, Boston office came to Charlton for the donation. Throughout the years, the Latino Network Group team has made many donations to various organizations from local to International. It's their pride and joy to be able to help others in need.

PETS

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town and help Ann," Philbrook said. "She does a great job and I think this will help her in the performance of her job with no cost to the town - It's very expensive and \$3,000 is not a lot of money, but Ann could use these

cages."

Selectman Rick Swenson chimed in during the discussions and spoke to the significance of grants like the DOH grant. Swensen said many forget that without such funding the town would be forced to make hard decisions when budget time comes around.

"The \$3,000 may not seem like a lot of money, but that's the type of program when it gets down to budget season where we're looking to say a dollar here and a dollar there unfortunately those are the kinds of things that tend to take the hit so it's really great that they came through with a grant," Swensen said.

WATER

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prevent any business growth in the area if there was a need for a water connection under the roadway. The decision to apply for the grant came less than a week after the town played host to Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito during which selectmen discussed several initiatives, including the Route 20 work. Selectmen said the discussions July 20 with the lieutenant governor also involved interest in any economic growth plans for that area of town, which Craver said is a discussion currently ongoing.

"We have been working with the planning board," Craver said.

"(Town Planner) Alan Gordon is assisting in putting together the package - I believe he's spoken with three property owners on Route 20. I have spoke with one of them who would not be advantageous, but I believe Mr. Gordon has already approached someone."

Selectman Rick Swensen said he hopes the town receives the grant and appreciated the opportunity to speak with the lieutenant governor the week before to discuss some of the water quality issues the town has suffered over the years and drive home the significance of the water installation project.

"It's been observed that for years we have contamination on the east side of town caused by the state salt shed. We have con-

tamination in the central portion of town that the state has at least partially coupled in with the Mass Turnpike incidents and we have contamination in the western side of the town that the state has responsibility in at the junction of 20 and 49," Swensen said. "So it's nice to see that the Lt. Governor was here and stepped up and her office and the DOT really seem to be generally concerns with working with us to make this right. It was very encouraging."

The grant application approved by selectmen is due by Aug. 4. There was no indication of exactly when the town would no whether or not it received any funding as part of the grant program.

CEMETERY

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other than to acknowledge receipt and release the numbers for public record. Among the costs was \$42,122 to the town's legal council Gary Brackett as well as \$176 in other billable expenses over the course of the back and forth in 2016.

Selectmen made sure to specify that they were not taking action on the expenses, but rather sought to make the data available for public viewing. After a vote of approval from selectmen in attendance, citizens can now view the detailed document at the town hall, including the invoices themselves.




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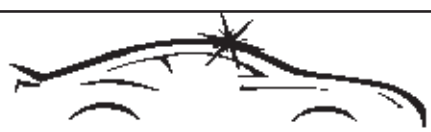
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# Third annual Blueberry Fest biggest yet

CHARLTON – For the third year the Charlton Arts & Activities Center hosted a new local tradition, the Blueberry Festival, on Sunday, July 30. The event featured a record number of vendors and guests as the festival continues to grow into one of the most popular events of the summer in the region with blueberry themed prizes, games, contests, and, of course, bushels of blueberries themselves for all to enjoy. Local craft and produce vendors crowded the grounds of the Charlton Arts & Activities Center which used the event as a chance to promote a sense of community and to introduce visitors to the offers of the center. The event was the largest iteration of the festival to date in both size and attendance and the CAAC hopes to add to that in 2018.



Jason Bleau photos  
Young guests to the Blueberry Festival try their luck at a fishing game for a prize.



Young Sage from Dudley completes an art project at one of numerous vendors at the Charlton Blueberry Festival, the local Girl Scout Troop 53585.



Tyler and Olivia Charron of Webster pose for a photo in a cutout advertising Charlton's upcoming Old Home Day event.



Guitarist Randy Valle shows off his talents as part of the musical entertainment.



The Blueberry Festival feature many games and prizes, but the most popular were the miniature blueberry stuffed animals. Cailin Frappier of Douglas won a few herself.



It wouldn't be a blueberry festival, without, well, blueberries! Cyndi David from Sutton certainly enjoyed the theme fruit of the day!



Fay Mountain Farms proved to be a great partner for the Blueberry Festival, providing fresh grown farm produce and many of the blueberries for the event.



Little Jedrick and Mackenzie, both of Charlton, complete projects for the Charlton Blueberry Festival art contest.



Students of Lee Irish Dance show their skills in one of many displays on site.

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EDITORIAL

Back in the world

Paul Shanley is back in public, living in a small apartment out in Ware. The announcement the defrocked priest is out, mostly because of his age, has had a lot of people disturbed.

Is it possible, even at his more advanced age (he is now in his 80s) he might reoffend?

There are a lot of safeguards in place, attempts to keep children safe from such people; announcements of where they live, and awareness by the police of who they are and where they are likely to be; where they work, where they “hang out.”

It’s been a calmer, quieter few years in the Catholic Church; we can only hope it is because people have become more vigilant and they are also more likely to blow a whistle rather than accept someone they find is inappropriate. They won’t just pass a sketchy person along to be someone else’s problem either, the Church has become more responsible.

But, and it’s a big “But”, we can’t let our guard down. Not with church groups, not with scout troops, not with sports teams, not in any place where we hope our children are safe and with other responsible adults learning something valuable...good lessons not bad ones.

The possibilities are always there, unfortunately; it’s up to all the rest of us to stay alert.

Along that same vein, there was a shooting close to home last week. As the facts unfold, we discover the man had a long, violent history; and his choice to wave what looked like a real pistol at Spencer Police (who know him and his history), was probably not a good life choice.

Now that he is no longer a threat to anyone, we have been told about his long history, his arrests for domestic violence, his repeat offenses.

The new guidelines for the police departments to provide information on domestic calls has changed in the past few months. The addresses are not provided, but more importantly, the name of the person arrested for the domestic violence is also no longer available for publication.

The reasoning, we were told, is to protect the lives of the victims in the incidents.

No, it isn’t.

It’s blatantly to protect the perpetrators. The person, after all, is arrested. Arrests for all other crimes are public record.

And if this person has harmed someone, and might harm someone else, then the name should be public.

Period.

There’s no protection of victims here. There’s a good old boy decision to protect the guy who did the hitting.

One has to wonder if the fellow with the long history of domestic problems and who just lost his life for his idiocy just might have been less of a threat with all his neighbors aware of him.

OPINION

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

Hints for fresh herbs

It’s midsummer and most garden herbs are hearty and lush, just waiting to be plucked, pinched or snipped and brought to the table as a flavorful seasoning or garden fresh garnish. From adding a gourmet touch to BBQ rubs, sauces and marinades, to bringing a dash of class to lemonade, soups and salads, freshly picked herbs are a seasonal delight!

Read on for some helpful hints to better enjoy homegrown herbs!

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For best flavor, cut or snip herbs in the morning, after the dew has evaporated from the leaves but before the midday sun heats the plant.

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Most annual plants can be harvested twice during the planting season. Cut plants back to about five inches above the ground and feed after cutting. Annual herbs can be harvested until frost.

Perennial herbs may be harvested once during the first year and up to three times each season after the initial growth year. Here’s how: Harvest up to 75 percent of the top growth in late spring and another quarter in late summer. Stop harvesting about one month before the frost date. Late pruning could encourage tender growth that cannot harden-off before winter.

\*\*\*Flowering herbs should be harvested when the buds are apparent or when flowers are just opening. This is when their oil concentration is at its peak.

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Storing Cut Herbs

Place freshly cut herbs in a bag in the salad crisper of the refrigerator. Or for or maximum freshness, cut an inch off the stalks and place them in a glass of water in the refrigerator. Try to avoid submerging the leaves in the water.

Note: Don’t refrigerate basil as the leaves my turn black if they get too cold. Store cut basil in a bag in a cool, dark place or in a cup of water out of direct sunlight.

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Bouquet Garni from the Herb Garden

The herb bundle or bouquet garni (French for “garnished bouquet”), may have a fancy name, but it is simply a bunch of herbs bound together with string and dropped in soup stock or other cooking liquid to “season it up.” Some cooks use a cheesecloth sachet or tea strainer to “steep” the fresh herbs. A fresh bouquet garni is never far if you have an herb garden. A classic fresh bouquet garni includes three sprigs of parsley, one sprig of thyme and a small bay leaf.

If you are using dried herbs, crush them and place in the middle of a cheesecloth square and tie with string. As with all bundles, be sure to leave a long enough length of string to hang out of the pot for easy retrieval. Herb bundles tied in cheesecloth can even be made ahead of time and frozen. Here are some suggestions for bringing out the best in dishes with a bouquet garni:

Poultry: celery stalk; one sprig each of parsley, marjoram, tarragon, and thyme.

Chicken soup: three sprigs each of parsley, thyme, tarragon; one bay leaf.

Beef Stew: one sprig each of rosemary; thyme; parsley; one bay leaf.

Provincial: one sprig oregano, savory, thyme, marjoram, and rosemary.

Pork: one sprig thyme; six sprigs parsley, one bay leaf.

Seafood: two springs tarragon; one sprig dill; lemon zest.

Fresh Herbal Vinaigrette



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KAREN TRAINOR

Whip up this garden fresh dressing that’s simple and scrumptious!

Ingredients: 1/2 cup olive oil; 1/2 cup white wine vinegar; 1/2 cup chopped fresh basil; 3 tablespoons chopped fresh oregano; 2 garlic cloves, minced; 1/2 teaspoon seasoning salt; 1/2 teaspoon dried crushed red pepper; 1/2 teaspoon sugar

Directions: Combine all ingredients in a jar; cover tightly, and shake vigorously.

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Mint Butter

Super quick and delicious, it’s great on grilled fish or try it on corn on the cob!

Ingredients: one stick butter, softened; 2 tbsp. chopped mint leaves; 1 tbsp. lemon juice

Directions: Cream ingredients together in a bowl. Cover and chill in refrigerator a few hours before serving.

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If you have an herb garden, these remedies are always on hand:

Lemon balm: Lemon balm is a relaxing herb that reduces restlessness, anxiety and irritability. It is also used to treat anxiety that causes digestive problems. Simply steep leaves, strain and drink as a tea.

Note: Do not use if you have thyroid problems.

Oregano: Oregano is a great skin remedy to aid in the healing of cuts, scrapes, rashes and even eczema. Simply steep Oregano leaves, strain and allow to cool. Soak a cloth in the “tea” and apply to skin a few times per day until skin is healed.

Basil: Relief of a sore throat is as close as your garden. Pour boiling water over dried basil leaves, steep and strain. When cool, gargle with the liquid three times a day.

Passionflower: Passionflower is an effective depressant of the central nervous system which translates into a relaxing anti-anxiety effect. It not only helps general anxiety, but is especially touted as a remedy for nightmares and nocturnal anxiety.

Note: Those taking an MAO inhibitor should not take passionflower.

Skullcap: An herb with fewer side effects, Skullcap helps calm the “worrier” who has racing thoughts and constant fret. This herb is useful for all types of anxiety but has also been hailed as an aid for stress caused by hormonal imbalances in women.

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Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous 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 hints to: Take the Hint! c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdr@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.*

Diversify your investments, but consolidate providers



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You have probably heard that diversification is a key to investment success. So, you might think that if diversifying your investments is a good idea, it might also be wise to diversify your investment providers – after all, aren’t two (or more) heads better than one?

Before we look at that issue, let’s consider the first half of the “diversification” question – namely, how does diversifying your investment portfolio help you?

Consider the two broadest categories of investments: stocks and bonds. Stock prices will move up and down in response to many different factors, including good or bad corporate earnings, corporate management issues, political developments and even natural disasters. Bond prices are not immune to these dynamics, but they are usually more strongly driven by changes in interest rates. To illustrate: If your existing bond pays 2 percent interest, and new bonds are being issued at 3 percent, the value of your bond will fall, because no one will pay you full price for it. (Of course, it may not matter to you anyway, especially if you planned to hold your bond until maturity, at which point you can expect to get your full investment back, providing the bond issuer doesn’t default.)

Here’s the key point: Stocks and bonds often move in different directions. If you only own U.S. stocks, you could take a big hit during a market downturn, but if you own domestic and international stocks, bonds, government securities, certificates of deposit and other types of investments, your portfolio may be better protected against market volatility, and you’ll have more opportunities for positive results. (Keep in mind, though, that even a diversified portfolio can’t prevent all losses or guarantee profits.)

So, it clearly is a good idea to diversify your investment portfolio. Now, let’s move on to diversifying financial service providers. Why shouldn’t you have one IRA here and another one there, or enlist one advisor to help you with some types of investments and a different advisor assisting you with others?

Actually, some good reasons exist to consider consolidating all your investment accounts with one provider. For one thing, you’ll keep better track of your assets. Many people do misplace or forget about some of their savings and investments, but this will be far less likely to happen to you if you hold all your accounts in one place.

Also, if you have accounts with several different financial service providers, you might be incurring a lot of paperwork – and many fees. You can cut down on clutter and expense by consolidating your accounts.

But most important, by placing all your accounts with a single provider, possibly under the supervision of a single financial advisor, you will find it much easier to follow a single, unified investment strategy, based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. You won’t get conflicting advice and you’ll receive clear guidance on important issues, such as the amounts you can afford to withdraw each year from your retirement accounts once you do retire.

Diversification and consolidation – one is good for building an investment portfolio, while the other can help you invest more efficiently and effectively. Put the two concepts together, and make them work for you.

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ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES  
WAYNE TUISKULA

After having the pleasure of speaking before several local groups recently, I thought I’d share some of the tips I offered to those in attendance on evaluating items in their homes.

You can do some research on your own on many types of items.

Always turn things over and check the bottom for identifying marks. You can research items in books and on the internet by the maker name and other markings that you find. Sterling silver hallmarks are one of many things that can provide information by searching the internet for the maker and pattern. You will need a professional to verify autographs but you can do some basic research. Check photos of other autograph examples to see whether or not it is worth further researching the signature. Signatures change over time so look at several examples. Look carefully though, some-

times what may resemble an autograph is actually printed and not signed. There are also “secretarial signatures” or “clubhouse signatures” where others signed letters, photos, or other objects for a busy public figure or famous sports celebrity. Many paintings also have artist signatures that you can research. There are books such as Davenport’s Art Price Guide that will provide you with auction results of listed artists. You can find plenty of good information on the internet as well. While you are on the internet, you can also look for reference guides on anything that interests

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# CALENDAR

## Saturday, August 5

**MARK THE CALENDAR:** On Saturday, Aug. 5, from 8 am to 2 pm **BIG COMMUNITY YARD SALES** will be held in three Charlton locations. The Helping Hand Society will be at The Dodge Chapel, 81 Hammond Hill Road, Baker Pond Association will be set up on Charlton Common and the Golden Age Club will be in the Charlton Senior Center. The Charlton Library will also have a book sale that day in front of the library. Come to all of the locations and enjoy bargains, fellowship and the opportunity to help worthy Charlton organizations!

**YARD SALE:** Charlton Senior Center, sponsored by the Golden Age Club Saturday, August 5, from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Enjoy Cathy’s homemade chowder, hotdogs, shortcake and more!! “One man’s junk is another man’s treasure” Lots of great stuff \* Raffle table too!

**GET INVOLVED:** On Saturday, Aug. 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Town Common in Brimfield will be the site for the Brimfield/Holland/Wales Get Involved Day, a tri-community event designed to encourage local residents to become involved in area organizations looking for help.

**BOOK SALE:** On Saturday, Aug. 5, 8 a.m.-noon on the grounds of the Charlton Public Library, 40 Main St. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Charlton Public Library. The Friends of the Library support Charlton Public Library by funding programs for people of all ages, purchasing museum passes to provide access to the larger community, and gathering people together for fun and education.

## Friday, Saturday, Sunday, August 11, 12 & 13

**LITTLE MERMAID:** Gateway Players Theatre, Inc. will present “Disney’s Little Mermaid” on Aug. 11,12,13 at Southbridge High School, Torrey Road. Show times are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15-\$13 and are available at (508) 764 4531 and online at [www.brownpaper-tickets.com](http://www.brownpaper-tickets.com).

## Saturday, August 12

**BOOK SALE:** Aug. 12 from 10am to 2pm; Do you like to read? Know someone who loves reading? Come to our

book sale and **BUY BOOKS** for yourself, your children, grandchildren, neighbors. Just \$1 for hardcovers and 50¢ for paperbacks. Aug. 12 from 10am to 2pm. Let the Friends of Joshua Hyde Public Library offer you this easy opportunity to support your library while enjoying a wonderful time browsing through quality books. The Friends, is a non-profit organization of citizens who love the library and all funds raised are given to the library to support programs and purchase special equipment not provided in the town library budget. The library is located at 306 Main St. (Rte. 131) Sturbridge.

68th Annual Church Auction of the Sturbridge Federated Church. The longest consecutive run church auction in the country. As always, this auction features the most incredible pieces to be had. They have been refinished and refined by the Men’s Group of the Sturbridge Federated Church. Along with their magnificent items, the auctioneers of the Robert A. Glass Family Auctioneers, preside over the event. Included in this event are food, cooked by members of the Sturbridge Federated Church as well as crafts created by the ladies group known as Koinonia and also there are silent auction items, such as gift cards, back to school baskets and all kinds of wonderful things. On the Common in Sturbridge, 10 a.m.

## Friday, August 18:

Toe Jam Puppet Band returns for another hilarious performance! Music, comedy, and so much more! Bring the whole family! Free; sponsored by the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Library. Pre-register, please. 3:30 p.m. 306 Main St., Sturbridge; (508) 347-2512.

**A DAY AT THE MOVIES:** August 18th at 11 a.m. the Brimfield Senior Center will be showing the movie “Collateral Beauty”. When a successful New York advertising executive (Will Smith) suffers a great tragedy, he retreats from life. While his concerned friends try desperately to reconnect with him, he seeks answers from the universe by writing letters to Love, Time and Death. When his notes bring unexpected personal responses, he begins to understand how these constants interlock in a life fully lived and how even the deepest loss can reveal moments of meaning and beauty. Rated PG. Suggested donation for movie is \$2. Popcorn, snacks and beverages free! The Brimfield Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., 413-245-7253.

Friday, August 25

**SUMMERS BOUNTY:** Beat the heat and come on in for our Summers Bounty Party at the Brimfield Senior Center 11 a.m.-1 p.m. What a wonderful time to enjoy the harvest of all our local gardens. The fare for this party is a feast of homemade pasta primavera using a wide variety of beautiful local vegetables, fresh herbs and ricotta and parmesan cheeses on top of penne pasta with warm, buttery garlic bread on the side. Your starter for the table will be Eva’s homemade Italian cream cheese, pesto & sundried tomato spread with crackers. Dessert will be homemade blueberry topping over vanilla ice cream and Lady Fingers then topped with fresh whipped cream. August birthdays will be celebrated. Please call to reserve your space prior to August 22 by calling 413 245-7523. There is a \$5 suggested donation for this party. The Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield.

## Saturday, September 2

Artists and Crafters wanted for Retro Faire: Vendors and crafters are wanted for a Retro Faire on Sept. 2. Sponsored by the Friends of the Brimfield Senior Center, the event will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Brimfield Town Hall on Main Street. Vendors are wanted for this vintage and repurposed goods Faire. The booth fee for a 9 foot space is \$25. If the Friends provide a 6 foot table, the fee is \$30. Participants will be able to set up on Sept. 1 from 1 to 3 p.m., or the morning of the event from 7 to 9 a.m..

For further information or a vendor application, contact Susan Jones at (413) 267-3082, or email [pogosrite@gmail.com](mailto:pogosrite@gmail.com).

## Sunday, September 17

Integrative Therapies Expo: Sunday, September 17, 2017 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center, 366 Main Street (Route 20), Sturbridge. Open to all, no admission fee. There will be lectures, demonstrations and information for everyone – with a section dedicated to services for cancer patients, survivors and their families. A select number of vendors featuring natural body care, healthy

foods and inspirational gifts will also be participating. Enjoy the relaxing music of Vin Mitchell throughout the event

## 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](mailto:kawalker@overlook-mass.org) for more information. Presented by Alzheimer’s Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or [alz.org](http://alz.org).

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](http://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.

## DPH

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was consulted” and “our ideas have been ignored or flat-out rejected.”

Afterward, she noted the nurses first heard of the proposal May 23, and if it happens, all 19 OB/Gyn nurses “will be out of jobs.”

Speaking on behalf of the nurses, Boulay she tried to make a case that keeping the service had more ramifications than just the number of births. Among other things, she noted the emergency room often sees very rapid births due to opioids and other issues, and worried what effect not having someone with obstetric specialization available would have on such people. It takes two years to develop skill in the field, and if Harrington’s doctors are on call at UMass Medical Center, they might not be available here in emergencies, she said.

She summarized the plan as “a disservice to all involved, and the constant transport will strain an already strained EMS system. To the board, it’s all about the numbers. To us, it’s about the families.”

In making his case for the closure, CEO Edward Moore agreed that the numbers were a key aspect. He said Harrington has seen a large decline in deliveries since 2007 (from 412 to 217), while the average for Bay State community hospitals is nearly 1,100 a year. That makes Harrington the third lowest statewide, with only Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket being lower, and he said some people surveyed said they went elsewhere because Harrington lacks a Neonatal ICU. (He and others noted very few deliveries need such a unit, however.)

“We don’t have critical mass to continue the service going forward,” Moore said, after listed several things the hospital has done to try to boost the numbers. One of those things was allowing deliveries at its Charlton location.

Overall, Moore added, “part of the decision-making process” was the fact the unit is losing \$1.8 million a year. If it closes, most of the doctors have already agreed to stay at Harrington, serve in Spencer, and will be on rotation at UMass. They will continue to handle pre- and post-natal care and gynecological surgery at Harrington, he said.

“That is the hardest part of this. I

know personally that we provide a great service,” Moore said when he began his presentation.

Board member Laurence Morrison agreed, saying he voted for it “reluctantly,” and only after a “methodical” look at the issue that found “a marketplace response which was thin.” He said the “accumulated, hard, unblinking data ... proved compelling, like it or not.”

Tony Detarando added that few votes in his time on the board “have been as emotional and impactful” as this, and it “was not a conclusion taken lightly.” He noted the hospital tried to stave it off a few years ago, when the fiscal picture was similarly bad, by hiring two more OB/gyns and opening a unit in Charlton, but it didn’t work.

To Dr. Susan Waters, the hospital’s expansion is part of the problem. A former Harrington nurse now at Head Start, she urged Harrington to “discontinue areas that are empty -- offices and real estate,” and put the funds into the birthing unit and other programs.

“They bought up all these little properties, and now they’re empty,” Waters said afterward. “They should be investing in the babies. They’re expanding so big and fast, but not investing in what they have.”

“Most of our properties are occupied and utilized,” Moore responded, noting, selling property “is not a great long-term solution to maintain long-term needs.”

“We’re not the first hospital not to have a maternity program” -- Mary Lane in Ware, Wing in Palmer, and Marlborough Hospital all disbanded theirs, he added. “There are models and solutions out there that we haven’t publicized because we’re still working out the details.”

The hearing, conducted by the state Department of Public Health, aimed to get testimony on whether keeping the maternity ward open “is necessary for preserving access to health service in the area,” DPH representative Sherman Long said. DPH will make a decision within 15 days of Friday (that is, by either Aug. 12 or 18, depending on whether the requirement is calendar or working days) and is accepting further comments by email to [stephen.davis@state.ma.us](mailto:stephen.davis@state.ma.us).

Gus Steeves can be reached at [gus.steeves2@gmail.com](mailto:gus.steeves2@gmail.com).

## Friday’s Child



Joel is a caring thirteen-year old boy of Hispanic descent who can speak both Spanish and English. Joel has shared he would like a family that has a pet, preferably a dog. Joel likes helping to care for animals and he is described as polite and helpful. Joel enjoys playing basketball and looks up to Michael Jordan Joel also enjoys learning about magic, playing chess, watching movies, and reading books. If Joel had three wishes he would wish to be the richest person in the world, stop world hunger and to be a Marine.

Joel is in middle school and he does well with the frequent breaks and small groups in his classroom. At school he is very friendly and helpful.. Joel’s favorite subject in school is math.

Legally freed for adoption, Joel will need a family open to maintaining contact with his grandmother. His worker feels he would do best in a two parent home with older or no other children. A family that could start off visiting with Joel as a visiting resource would be a great match for him.

### Ironstone Adoption Party

Have you ever considered adopting a child from foster care with an intellectual, physical or developmental disability? Join the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at Ironstone Farm on August 6th from 11am-1pm in North Andover to find out more about the process and children in foster care of all ages with special needs

Learn about the different services offered to families post-adoption, meet waiting children and their social workers and participate in activities. Pre-registration is required. Please call Victoria at MARE to learn more about this annual event (617)-542-3678 x135 or email [victoriat@mareinc.org](mailto:victoriat@mareinc.org). You can also visit [www.mareinc.org](http://www.mareinc.org) to register.

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# How Pierpont Pond came into being

BACK IN TIME

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When Massachusetts Bay Colony Governor Joseph Dudley died in 1720, he bequeathed his thousands of acres of land to his sons, Paul and William Dudley, who began selling the land to English settlers. Governor Joseph Dudley also bequeathed his great grandniece, Ann Hilton of Cambridge (b. 1698, Roxbury), 500 acres of land located in what would become Dudley, Oxford, and Charlton. In 1722, Ann Hilton married Ebenezer Pierpont, a wealthy merchant from Roxbury.

Ann and Ebenezer sold some of her 500 acres, but the family retained 125 acres of land, including a large meadow. (A meadow at that time indicated a tract of moist, low-lying usually level grassland, often used for growing superior quality hay.) This land became known in the Pierpont family as “the Dudley farm.” Located in the northeast corner of Dudley, the area abutted the Charlton and Oxford town lines. Ebenezer also held about 500 more contiguous acres just over the town line in Charlton. There is no evidence the Pierponts ever actually lived on the property. Ann died in 1745 and Ebenezer died in 1755.

In 1768, an attempt was made at a Dudley town meeting to approve a new town road running from the southwest corner of the Pierpont property to what is now Dudley-Oxford Road, but it failed.

The 125 acre “Dudley farm,” as well as 49 contiguous acres in Charlton, were acquired by Ebenezer Pierpont (the son) in 1795, and at that time a map of Dudley showed no pond on the land. There was a seasonal brook running through the property.

Many of the old deeds mention as a landmark the “Pierpont stone wall (so called)” and there are still many old stone walls visible today through the water of Pierpont Pond from when the property was a “meadow.”

In 1803, the 174 acres (125 acres in Dudley plus 49 acres in Charlton) were sold to Ebenezer Brown. Brown then sold the 174 acres to Thomas Larned of Dudley in 1809 with no mention of a pond in the deed. By 1812, Pierpont Meadow Pond appears on a Dudley map for the first time. The pond probably originated with Thomas Larned. Larned enlarged what he called his “Pierpont Farm” to 218 acres and in 1810 sold the property to William C Brown, who sold to Ozias Cortiss in 1826.

Henry Hale Stevens had started Stevens Linen Works in 1846 and by the late 1850s was buying up every water privilege in sight. In 1853, he bought 80 acres with a small mill at the north end of Pierpont Meadow Pond where it empties to the north (Charlton) and in 1866 bought the abutting 218 acres from Ozias Cortiss in Dudley.

It was announced in 1868 that Stevens had re-opened the old mill he

owned in Charlton, was putting in new machinery, and planning to do some of Stevens Linen Works’ beetling there. Shortly thereafter, he approached Dudley about making a new road from that mill to Dudley-Oxford Road. The town agreed and allotted \$2,500 to build the road, which was opened to the public in 1869 and was officially known as Pierpont Avenue. Two miles long, it cut 1-1/2 miles off the trip from Dudley to Charlton.

Because of money problems, Stevens signed his mill, Stevens Linen Works, over to corporators in 1868 and then left the mill in 1877. Stevens Linen Works, Inc. was thus created in 1868, followed by Stevens Linen Associates in 1939, organized to divest the mill of unwanted assets (land, buildings, etc.). The area of Pierpont Meadow Pond was sold off in several parcels. One large parcel sold to Leverne F. Lundberg included the land under the pond and the water rights. This parcel, with the land and water rights, then went in 1940 to Alvin L. and Esther D. Clark, who sold house lots on the pond for years. Alvin died in 1954 and Esther D. Clark died in the early 1970s.

In April 1960, after the catastrophic flood of 1955, the U.S. Government using a “land-taking” took possession of 93+ acres of land beneath Pierpont Pond, at the time still owned by Mrs. Esther D. Clark per the deed of 1940. This “taking” was part of the Buffum Dam Project. She was paid \$350. The 93+ acres were then placed under the management of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, who held a right-to-flood easement for Pierpont Meadow Pond. Although not used for 50+ years, if Buffumville Lake’s water level rises to dangerous levels, this easement gives the Corps the right to flood Pierpont Meadow Pond to lower the water levels at Buffumville, the current capacity of which is 5.2 billion gallons of water. The Corps’ office explained that some people who have built or rebuilt homes/camps on Pierpont Meadow Pond since 1960 are not aware that the easement may include the land they have built on, and that some foundations and footings have been built in the flood easement area. If your structures are close to the current shoreline, your property may be in the easement. The Corps’ office in Oxford (48 Old Oxford Road) said if there are questions about this easement, the Corps may be called at 508-248-5697 to clarify the situation.

Henry H. Stevens’ grand-sounding “Pierpont Avenue” is now known as “Pierpont Road.”

- SOURCES
- Thomas Dudley (gov) 1575-1653 (w/Stoughton)

II. Joseph Dudley 1647-1720

III. Paul Dudley Wm. Dudley

IV: following king phil-lips war, nipmuc land

was surveyed and large swaths of it given to Stoughton and gov joseph Dudley. Dudley hung onto his land until his death, when it went to his sons, Paul and William, founders of Dudley MA.

gov thomas dudley, 1575-1653  
gov joseph dudley 1647-1720

ann hilton born 2-12-1698 in newbury; died July 1743 roxbury ma; great niece of joseph dudley, governor. ma, father winthrop hilton, mother sarah greenleaf (ann hilton would actually been Agreat- GREAT-niece of gov. joseph dudley. Winthrop Hilton’s mother was Anne Dudley, daughter of rev. samuel dudley, brother of gov. joseph dudley.

gov. joseph dudley 1647-1720  
rev. samuel dudley, brother  
anne dudley, daughter of sam; married edward hilton 1671-1700  
winthrop hilton, son of anne dudley hilton and edward hilton 1671-1710  
ann hilton, daughter of winthrop; married ebenezer pairpont (b. 1694, d. 1755), in 1722. she died in july 1743.

mr. ebezener pierpont and ann hilton, married in weymouth, Feb 19, 1722

ebenezer pierpont sr, b. 1694 roxbury; died 1755; buried eliot burying ground, roxbury, ma eben. pierpont father, mother mary ruggles pierpont; married

eben the father: Occupation One of Roxbury’s Selectmen

1762 • Roxbury, Suffolk, MA

1743 ann hilton pierpont dies in july 1743; buried roxbury.  
ann hilton pierpont has eight children, none born in dudley; most born in roxbury.

1767 ebenezer pairpont dies, having married twice more after ann hilton pierpont.

1768 town meetings: to see if town would accept a road lying at the sw corner of land of pairpont heirs, etc....town meeting, page 109, bk II; apparently no action taken.

17\_\_\_: old ebenezer dies in boston

1783: from deed of benj pierpont, executor, to joseph gibbs: Pierpont’s stone wall in 1783, Charlton side.

1787 ebenezer pierpont, merchant, roxbury to benjamin pairpont, boston, in consideration of balance of judgement to benjamin pierpont, 125 acres in Dudley next to kidder’s land, called dudley farm in family

1795 benjamin pierpont of boston, goldsmith, to ebenezer pierpont of roxbury, merchant, for 57 pounds 3 sch., same property as above. Lying on Oxford line, set off to Anna Hilton by governor joseph dudley

1797 benjamin pierpont dies at 66 newbury street, boston; was a goldsmith

1798 benjamin as executor for ebenezer sr. of roxbury, 49 acres to brother ebenezer, at charlton

1803 June 17: Ebenezer Pierpont (merchant of Dudley) and wife Rebecca sell 125 acres in Dudley and 49 acres in Charlton (Pierpont Farm) to Ebenezer Brown for \$1000. First mention of “Pairpont wall” appears in the 49 acres in Charlton in this deed.

1809 Ebenezer Brown to Thomas Learned, 174 acres total in Dudley and Charlton for \$1333.

1810 Thomas Larned to Wm C Brown, “Pairpont Farm” in Dudley and Charlton for \$800, 218 acres.

1812 Pond appears on Gifford map.

1826 Wm C Brown of Dudley sells 218 acres to Ozias Curtiss (of Charlton)

1860 John P. and Samuel Leland sell Charlton land, 80 acres including mill and rights of flowage for \$1450 to Henry h. Stevens. Leland had bought this land from gibbs dodge, 1836.

1-6-1866 Ozias Curtiss to Henry H. Stevens

2-22-1868 “One of the mills at Leland’s Village, in the edge of Charlton, owned by H. H. Stevens, has been re-opened, machinery put in, and a part of the beetling of the Stevens Linen Mills is done there. “

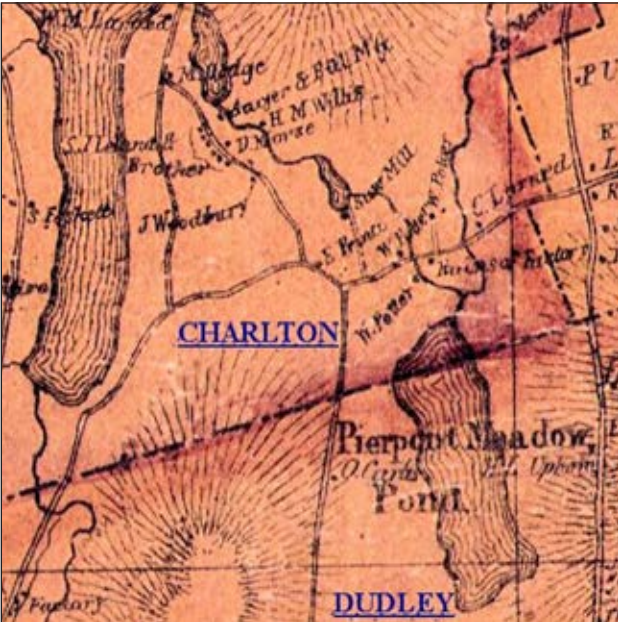
4-1868: The old road running through land of H. H. Stevens, past Pierpont pond to Charlton, which was accepted by the town of Dudley last Fall, is now being completed and put in order for travel. It is two miles in length, and will shorten the distance to Charlton about 1 ½ miles. It is called Pierpont Avenue.

11-1868: PIERPONT AVENUE (ROAD): In November 1868, Henry H. Stevens proposed a new route of travel between his Dudley mill and Charlton. A road was planned from the north-east section of Dudley to Charlton, 2 miles in length. The amount of \$2500 was appropriated by the town for the road, which was called Pierpont Avenue and was opened for travel in 1869.  
12-17-1868 Henry H Stevens sells out to incorporators.

4-1867: The new road running through land of H. H. Stevens, past Pierpont pond to Charlton, which was accepted by the town of Dudley last Fall, is now being completed and put in order for travel. It is two miles in length, and will shorten the distance to Charlton about 1 ½ miles. It is called Pierpont Avenue.

1881: Stevens Linen sells Pierpont north of Charlton line and into Dudley to Steven W. McIntire, excepting the part that is “flowed by Pierpont Pond” (supplied by)

1881 \* Stevens Linen sells 5 pieces of land around Pierpont Pond in Dudley to Samuel P. Aldrich. Aldrich then



The map is labeled “An 1857 map of Dudley.

takes out a mortgage for the properties from Edgar Hill

1940: Laverne F. Lundberg buys most of Pierpont and property in Charlton from William Cash.

NOTE: US Army Corps of Engineers obtained in the 1950s a “right to flood” easement on all the property on the lake.

lakefront living realty says ponds is 136 acres in size

Corps of engineers built south end of pond embankment (hayden pond road runs across it) as part of flood control

1938 mary goodell sells to Marion Penniman, Pierpont Avenue 2731 219

### POND ON MAPS:

1795 No pond  
1812 P o n d  
gifford map—mtb closet  
1850 Leland, augers and bits (census), Charlton  
Ann (Hilton) Pierpont b. 1697, Exeter NH  
mo:  
fa: Withrop  
Hilton b. 1671  
m o :  
Anne (Dudley) Hilton b.

Volume XI # Webster Times April 17, 1869

ARDLOCK PLACE: Henry H. Stevens lived next to his new linen mill on a triangle of land between what is now West Main Street and the mill. He desired a driveway to his new home and in April 1867 laid out and graded and improved the grounds at his residence and opened a street in the rear of his residence, running north and south. This private right of way belonged to Stevens Linen. The property around the right of way changed hands several times but the little road between West Main and the mill still remains a private way. About 1940 when the H. Wadsworth Crawfords took over much of the Stevens property, the road still remained property of the mill. It became known as Ardlock Place, probably named by the Crawfords, but to this days is still a private way held the owners of the Stevens mill.  
Volume IX # 36 Webster Times November 9, 1867

Dudley  
At the town meeting on Tuesday, E. Edmunds was chosen Moderator, and

the following business was transacted:..... Voted to discontinue the road running from H. H. Stevens’ lower mill in the north westerly direction to the western end of the new mill. This action was with a view of accepting, at a future meeting, a road running past Mr. Stevens’ counting room in the southerly direction to and intersecting with the turnpike in front of the residence of W. H. Pratt, as laid out by Mr. Stevens.

9/1867 H. H. Stevens is laying out and grading and improving in a neat manner, the grounds between the new mill and his residence, on the west side, and opening a street in the rear of his residence, running north and south.

Volume IX # 28 Webster Times September 14, 1867  
H. H. Stevens is laying out and grading and improving in a neat manner, the grounds between the new mill and his residence, on the west side, and opening a street in the rear of his residence, running north and south.

Volume X # 7 Webster Times April 18, 1868

ACCIDENT  
A man named Hugh Crawford was cleaning a shaft, at the Stevens Linen Mills, on Wednesday, and got caught and thrown from his ladder to the floor, which resulted in the breaking of his collar bone and putting his shoulder out of joint.

Volume X # 37 Webster Times November 14, 1868  
The Town of Dudley voted, at its meeting on the 3d inst., to build a road leading to Charlton, from a point in the north east part of the town, which would make a direct route from the Stevens Linen Works to Charlton. The sum of \$2500 was appropriated therefore.

Volume XI # 7 Webster Times

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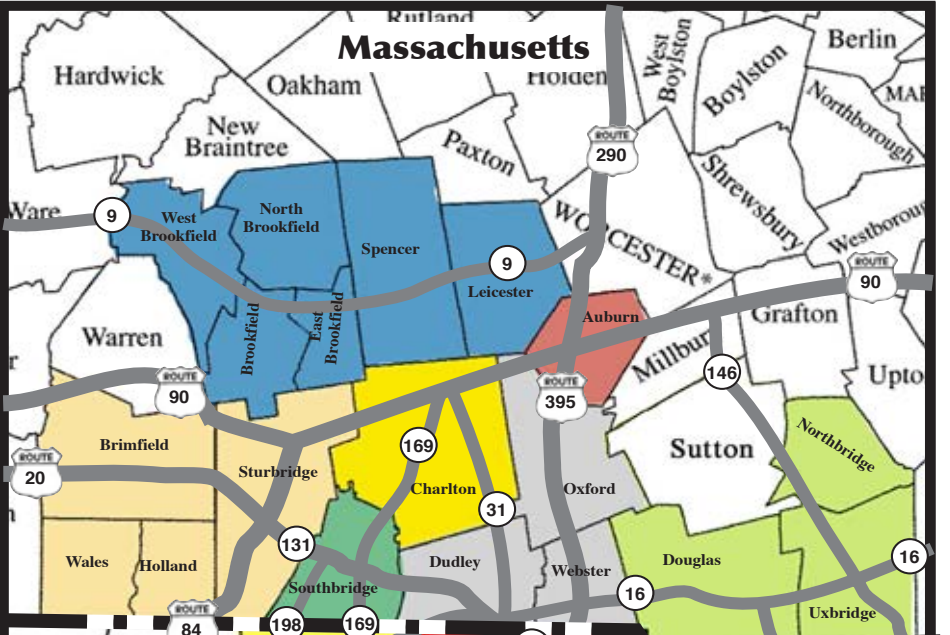
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# Catch and consume, not catch and release!



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BY  
DAN KENNEY

What are you doing sitting at home? Head to Florida for sun, fun, and snakehead fishing! Bullseye snakeheads were first documented in the Coral Springs area in 2000 and are now considered an invasive species throughout southern Florida. They're spawning at incredible rates and competing with native species for food. So, what does that mean for you and I? Well, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission makes it very clear: "If you catch one, do not release it!" Instead, you should "humanely euthanize" your catch and, if you like, eat it. Snakeheads are not only tasty, they say, but they're "even said to have medicinal benefits in its native range by hastening the healing of wounds and internal injuries." If protecting the Everglades isn't reason enough to make the trip this winter, you should know that snakeheads are a blast to catch because they put up a serious fight. I learned this firsthand when my friend Captain Shane Procell took me



Courtesy photos

Dan Kenney Shane Procell with a fine specimen

out in the Miami area. "We're gonna catch 'em, and we're gonna eat 'em," Shane told me as we headed into the Everglades. Since snakeheads are known for eating pretty much anything that moves, including toads, turtles and snakes, Shane recommended we start with frog baits. And boy did they work! Even though I kept pulling in bass, it was fun to watch Shane catch several in a row. Those guys fight for every inch and, judging by what they did to the frog baits, they aren't afraid to use their teeth. "Look what he did to that

frog, Dan!" Shane said after one of his catches. "That was absolutely incredible. He slashed it like a piranha!" Yup, those snakeheads really are fun to battle with, and it starts even before you hook them. With my Typhoon Optics sunglasses, I could see them coming at the bait aggressively. Snakeheads "lock in like radar," Shane said. "They're like a heat seeking missile, just oblivious to everything else around them." Luckily, I was finally able to experience it for myself when I caught my first ever snakehead, and my guy did not disap-



And the final decision...delicious

point. Reeling him in was well worth the wait—and so was the delicious meal he made. Captain Shane and I took our catches to Fins & Things, a Caribbean restaurant in Miami, and they were gracious enough to prepare them. Turns out, FWC wasn't lying. Snakeheads make a delicious meal, although I can't vouch for their medicinal benefits. So if you're dreading snow-

flakes and shoveling this upcoming winter, plan a trip to the Miami area. The snakeheads are jumping, and FWC wants you to catch and eat! You can view the episode on my GoFishDanShow YOUTUBE channel: [www.youtube.com/user/gofishdanshow](http://www.youtube.com/user/gofishdanshow)

*Until then God Bless and Go Fish!*

## Foundation now accepting applications

**WORCESTER** — The Greater Worcester Community Foundation is currently accepting applications for its 2017 Community Grants. Community Grants support programs by local non-profit organizations that build healthy and vibrant communities throughout Central Massachusetts. Grants are awarded annually from endowments given to the Foundation for this purpose. Areas of interest are: Civic Life, the Arts and the Environment Increase access to cultural resources that reflect the diversity of the community. Inform and improve civic engagement and dialogue. Create meaningful opportunities for economically or socially marginalized people. Protect our region's natural resources and make them accessible to all.

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## Shooting incident reveals long history of criminal activity



Courtesy photo.

The man killed in last week's officer-involved shooting pointed this pellet gun at police, officials said.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

**SPENCER** – The man killed last week in an officer-involved shooting had a lengthy history of run-ins with the law, including a previous police chase and several domestic incidents. Walter Lynde, age 49, of East Brookfield, was shot to death by a Spencer Police Department officer during a domestic incident on July 23. According to Worcester County District

Attorney Joseph Early's office, Lynde was shot as he approached a house at 160 Northwest Road. A replica handgun was located near him, which he allegedly pointed at the officer. Lynde was transported to the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester, where he was pronounced dead. Just after 8 p.m., Spencer Police initially received a call reporting a domestic dispute at 160 Northwest Road. When Officer Brandon Fullam arrived on scene, he spoke with a woman at the home who said the suspect had left. The woman was advised to seek a restraining order at East Brookfield District Court the next morning. A short time later, Officer Fullam encountered Lynde in his vehicle heading back toward 160 Northwest Road. Fullam attempted to stop the vehicle, but it sped off. A chase ensued, with Lynde reaching speeds of 80 miles per hour before he ultimately returned to 160 Northwest Road. In the driveway of the home, Lynde was ordered to stop and drop the gun, officials said. After Lynde reportedly pointed the ostensible firearm at Fullam, the officer fired one shot and Lynde collapsed. The replica gun is a black pel-

let pistol, police said. Officer Fullam is a six-year law enforcement veteran, spending the last year with the Spencer Police Department. He has been placed on administrative leave, Early's office indicated. Police said the victim of the domestic incident will not be identified. State Police detectives assigned to the Worcester County District Attorney's office continue to investigate the circumstances leading up to the shooting. Meanwhile, documents obtained by the New Leader reveal Lynde's extensive history of charges dating back to 2001, when he was involved in a police chase and subsequent standoff at a North Brookfield residence. The chase began after Lynde was suspected of robbing and damaging a Sturbridge liquor store. In 2014, Lynde was arrested in South Carolina following another domestic incident that led to a confrontation with police. He was charged with resisting arrest with a deadly weapon, criminal domestic violence, and third-degree arson. A year earlier, South Carolina police responded to his then girlfriend's workplace after she reported him making threats.

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An online search shows that some similar skates can sell for as low as \$12. A closer look at these skates reveals some features that will make them more desirable to collectors though. The blades are signed "Dudley Fox Hockanum, Conn." Hockanum is a section of East Hartford. Some stamp collectors may know Fox because he was the Hockanum Postmaster who used a stamp cancellation shaped like a running fox according to the Connecticut Postal history website. He also commanded Hartford County's First Regiment from 1833-1836. Fox was listed as a silversmith or "tinner" (metal worker) in the Hartford City Register during the 1840's. Being an accomplished metal worker, he added a flourish to the ice skates he created. The metal curls on the front of the skates have a snake head design. It is unusual to see this and will increase the collector appeal. How large a difference will it make in the price? We will find out after they sell in our August 31st auction. Now may be a good time to take a closer look at some of the items displayed in your home or tucked away in your attic. We continue to pickup



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**Snake heads on the runners of antique ice skates make them very unique.**

items for our August 31st multi-estate auction. We will be running an estate sale in Worcester on July 14th and 15th. Other events are being planned. Keep checking [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for details.

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# Getting ‘a leg up, not a bailout’

BY GUS STEEVES  
STAFF WRITER

A sign of the times in many communities is the fact they often have blight policies that require clean-up of potentially dangerous buildings.

While those are all too often owned by absentee landlords or distant banks, sometimes they’re still home to longtime residents like Sutton’s Robert Faulkner: seniors, veterans and others who would maintain them if they could afford to.

“I barely squeak by,” the 77-year-old Army veteran said. “When my wife died, my income got even lower because of losing her Social Security.”

That made it difficult to address roof work, painting and porch work his house needed, as did the fact “I can’t get up on a ladder now. Too risky.”

At some point a couple years ago, he saw a blurb in the paper about Habitat for Humanity’s Critical Home Repair program and gave them a call. His wife was then still alive, but their fiscal situation still wasn’t great, so they qualified.

“They did an excellent job,” Faulkner

said. “I have to make payments, but I can handle them.”

“Our goal is to help people stay in their homes,” said Habitat’s regional CHRP director David Hamilton, who noted the application asks “a whole lot of questions” to determine income eligibility.

Specifically, the program is limited to people making 30-60 percent of the area’s median income, live in the home and aren’t using it for rental income, are current on mortgage and insurance, and meet certain other requirements. One of the latter is willingness to partner with Habitat, either by making payments on a zero-interest loan and/or putting “sweat equity” into their own project or some other Habitat work.

“We need a partnership for this to work. It’s a leg up, not a bailout,” Hamilton said, noting participants usually pay about 40 percent of the total cost over the course of three to six years. “... There’s more money available for veterans than non-veterans.”

Typically, projects stay on the outside, fixing things so the home meets health and safety codes. Roof and siding repairs, stairs, porch banisters, handi-

capped ramps and the like are common, but about half the time, Habitat will hire subcontractors to do interior work, particularly plumbing and electrical repairs, that state law doesn’t allow their volunteers to do.

“We occasionally see projects that are bigger than we can handle,” Hamilton added. Their goal is to keep it below \$15,000, and sometimes that means doing work in pieces. Sometimes, though, it means “painfully” making the decision to reject the project. They do 10 per year.

Since 2011, Habitat’s Metrowest-Greater Worcester branch has done 23 repair projects on top of their better-known 52 home building projects, six of the latter are in progress. He said they’re also looking for neighborhood revitalization projects, such as one they’re doing in Marlborough.

According to Cara Fausset and others, “the specific obstacles that older adults encounter in home maintenance are not well documented,” so her team tried to do so in a study called “Challenges to aging in place” at [www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov). In their research, depending on the question, 15-20 percent of the

participants identified home repairs as “difficult to perform or likely to become difficult,” especially if living alone. In some cases, they note, “participants mentioned not doing a task anymore; certainly, that is not an optimal solution in all cases an might even make a living environment dangerous.”

For the most part, they preferred “person-related” solutions -- typically simply having help -- over technology or environmental changes, although there was some difference in responses between men and women and between singles and married couples, Fausset’s team wrote.

“By understanding the nature of home maintenance problems older adults encounter ... interventions and redesign efforts can more effective and address the areas of greatest need,” they observed.

Habitat’s program can be reached online at [www.habitatmwgw.org](http://www.habitatmwgw.org) or by phone at 508-799-9259 x119.

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## Do I need to get a home inspection?

I get asked this question quite frequently and the answer is typically that the bank will not require you to get a home inspection in order to approve the loan you are getting with a few exceptions. If you are getting an FHA loan or USDA loan then you will need a pest inspection completed and for a VA loan you will need a termite inspection done. If you home is serviced by a private well then you may need a well quality test done. Certain banks may have other requirements as well. I always suggest checking with your loan officer to see exactly what the bank will require to ensure that they can approve your loan.

With all that being said, I always suggest that you get a home inspection. Even if we have extensive knowledge of homes we may overlook things



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that we see as not a big deal because we want the home. The home inspector is objective and is just looking to find the defects in the home and they get paid whether you buy the home or not. This means there is no benefit to them for overlooking a repair or making a big deal about something minor. I have been at home inspections that took 45 minutes and others as long as 8 hours. I do think like anything else many times you do get what you pay for. I would ask around to friends or family if

they had a good experience with a home inspector. Your Buyers Agent should be able to refer you to a few Inspectors that they know and trust as well.

The purpose of a home inspection is to identify large ticket items and safety issues that you could not have had knowledge about at the time of the showing. A good example would be mold in the attic which maybe you didn't have the ability to see that during the inspection or High Radon levels in the water or air. Once you get the results then you need to decide if the price you are paying is fair based on the repairs needed and if you need to ask for repairs to be done or a credit given for the repairs to be done by you after closing.

## Gaudette leaving to take post in Northbridge

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – In lockstep with its neighbor to the east, Spencer will also be searching for a new town administrator and superintendent of schools this fall.

It has been a summer of personnel shuffling along Route 9, most recently with the announcement that seven-year Spencer Town Administrator Adam Gaudette is leaving this month. Gaudette has accepted the town manager position in Northbridge, and his last day in Spencer will be on August 26.

Just as Leicester has done, Spencer will form a town administrator search committee and begin the process of acquiring a pool of candidates. Town officials have been thrilled with Gaudette’s leadership and vision over his seven years as TA, and said they know it will be difficult to replace him.

“He has served the town with knowledge, skill, and professionalism,” said Board of Selectmen Chairman Tony Pepe. “He has been an asset to the town, and he will be missed. We were very fortunate to have him for as long as we did.”

Gaudette said it is too soon for him to reflect on his time in Spencer, as he remains focused on finishing his last month in town. He told the New Leader he will provide an exit letter at the end of August, which will further discuss his new opportunity in Northbridge and his accomplishments in Spencer.

A new superintendent will also be coming to town this fall, as Tracy Crowe departed the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District last month.

# Businesses Seek Guidance On Health Plan ‘Affordability’ And ‘Access’

(NAPS)

When it comes to the national discourse on health insurance, politicians and the media frequently combine the terms “affordability” and “access” as if they naturally go together.

But across the U.S., employers and their workers are finding that a balanced combination of the two is more exception than rule. This is why so many are turning to benefit experts for help, particularly smaller businesses with 100 or fewer employees.

The Problem

With so much high-profile and public discussion around health care reform, the concepts of affordability and access are getting bandied about as never before. Yet market forces frequently conspire to keep these ideas misaligned or even at direct odds.

Common examples are new network configurations that offer a cost-access trade-off that’s not always simple to decode. For instance, a plan might offer lower premiums for price-sensitive customers in exchange for access limits to certain care providers—limits that are not always clear to consumers.

This often leads to a very frustrating disconnect for businesses and employees seeking the best of both.

A Solution

One way to dial back frustration is to get con-



Many companies have found professional advisers can be the healthy choice when it comes to finding the best health care plans for their employees.

nected to a good broker or benefit adviser, says Ron Goldstein, president and CEO of CHOICE Administrators, the nation’s leader in developing employee-choice health benefit programs and exchanges for employer groups. The company’s exchanges include the country’s first and only multicarrier private exchange, CaliforniaChoice.

“Today, there are a lot of new plan options with

many variables that can be overwhelming to decipher,” Goldstein said. “An agent can provide the necessary guidance and clarity to understand and navigate the trade-offs around cost, choice and availability.” It’s also where well-designed health care exchanges, private and public, can shine because they enable plan comparisons based on price along with many other choice factors.

Take affordability.

For many, the word connotes “inexpensive,” but the term is relative and depends on a myriad of factors such as household income, care needs, overall health and much more. At the core, affordability boils down to price—for the plan premium, deductibles, co-pays, out-of-pocket costs and so forth.

Access, on the other hand, is an extremely complicated descriptor. At its baseline, “access” refers to whether physi-

cian, pharmacist, therapist, hospital and other provider services are available and, if so, if there is an adequate supply.

This definition, however, only scratches the surface. Factors such as location, quality, use and more are also important components in the overall equation.

Also, coverage levels can lead to unintentional distortions or misrepresentations of “accessibility.” A person covered by

a Bronze plan living in a more populated region may have much better access to care than someone with Platinum coverage in a rural area. Assessing these potential disparities requires a keen eye and the practiced hand that a health plan professional can effectively provide.

Clearly, the notion of health care accessibility is extremely complex. That said, most people tend to internalize and define “access” personally. They want to know that their doctor, specialist or hospital is available to them before making a plan selection. This is simple to say but not always easy to do. Benefit specialists play an integral role in helping small businesses shop and compare plans while working with employees to confirm that selected plans connect them to desired networks and care providers.

Conversations about affordability and access in the health care marketplace will likely continue to dominate headlines for months and years to come. Leaning heavily on the skills and insights of advisers will help businesses and their employees find the right equilibrium.

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# SPORTS

## Webster-Charlton Senior League All-Stars reach East Regional semifinals



Nick Ethier photos

Right fielder Olivia Sokowaski of Webster-Charlton lines up a fly ball and makes the catch versus Maryland.

BY KEN POWERS  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WORCESTER — The Webster-Charlton Senior Little League team didn't lose its East Regional Softball Tournament semifinal against Team New York on Thursday, July 27 at Vernon Hill Park as much as it just ran out of innings.

Trailing by four runs after five innings, Webster-Charlton ratcheted up the game's tension meter considerably when it exploded for three runs in the top of the sixth inning, but New York pitcher Fran Cipollina retired the final four batters to seal the 4-3 victory.

"This game could have gone either



Webster-Charlton's Devan Wetherbee squeezes her glove out in left field to complete a catch versus Maryland.

way, really," Webster-Charlton manager Ed Johns said. "It was a great game. We have nothing to be ashamed of. I think the fact that we hung with them surprised them."

The big blow for Webster-Charlton was delivered by shortstop Emilee Leber, who smashed a bases loaded two-out, two-strike pitch deep to right field, scoring teammates Madison Johns, Hailey Delphia and Olivia Sokowaski.

"I don't know what the pitch was," said Leber, who had both of Webster-Charlton's hits in the game, having also singled in the second inning. "I just know I had two strikes on me, so it was really nerve-racking at that point because any close pitch could get called a strike and the at-bat would be over. The pitch was outside and when I made contact I was just hoping it would go past someone so I could get on base."

Leber said that she knew the magnitude of the hit the second it left her bat.

"I actually ended up tearing up on second because I saw the scoreboard with our three runs on it and I was like, 'Wow, I did that,'" Leber said. "It felt really good."

Johns was thrilled for his player.

"How about that?" The manager said of Leber's bases-clearing hit. "That is something she is going to remember for a long, long, long time. It brought us right back."

The fact that Webster-Charlton was even within striking distance of tying or taking the lead in the sixth inning is a credit to Madison Johns, who pitched out of one jam after another. New York left 11 runners stranded on base in the game, including the bases loaded in the first inning and two on in each of the third, fourth and fifth frames.

Johns finished the game allowing four runs on nine hits. She struck out six and walked five.

"She's a very good pitcher," New York manager Joe Corretjer said of Johns. "She's the best pitcher we faced in the tournament. She made some big pitches in big situations. She did a great job of pitching."

Madison Johns was taken aback when she heard about the kind words from Corretjer.

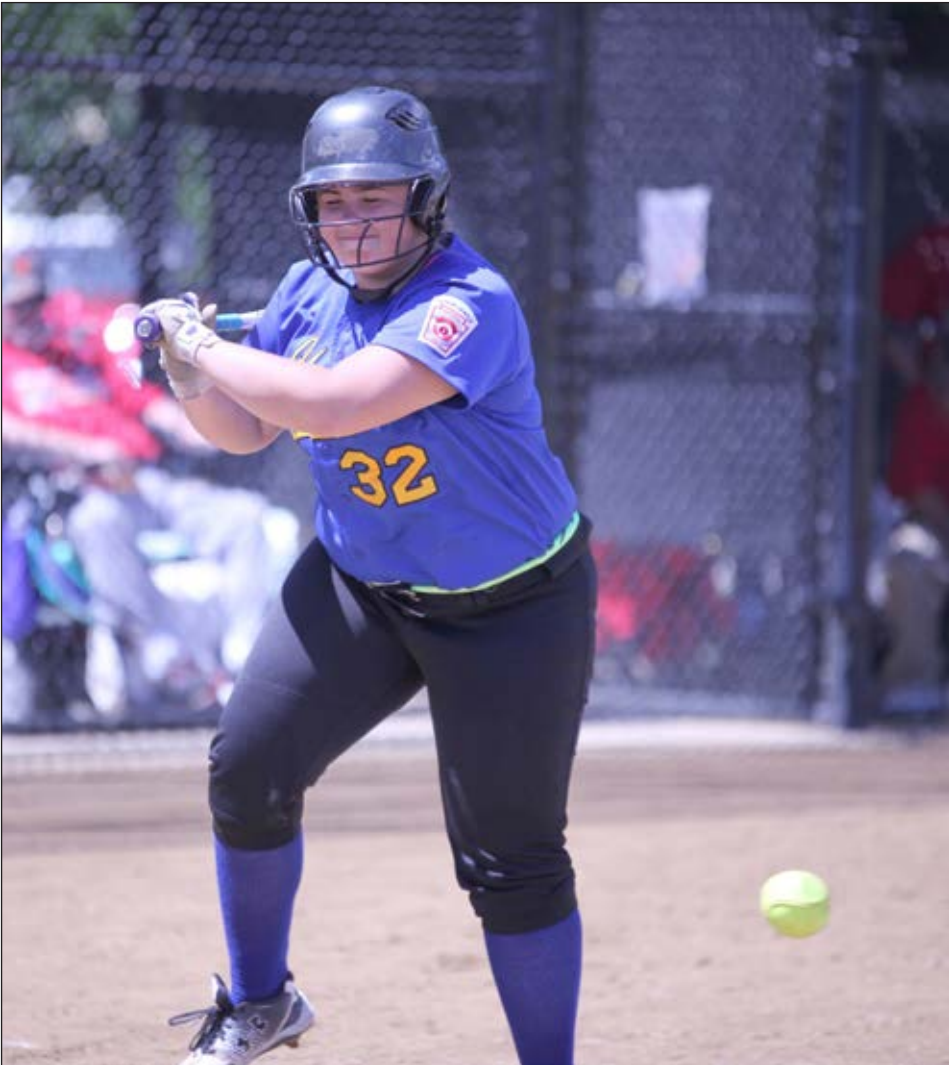
"Wow. That's a nice compliment from him," she said. "There are a lot of good pitchers in this tournament. As far as getting out of all those jams, it's tough to bear down and get out of a tough situation that many times, but as long as I put my mind to it I had the confidence I would."

Webster-Charlton advanced to the semifinal round of the East Regional by defeating Team Maryland, 9-3, in a quarterfinal round game on July 26, also at Vernon Hill Park.

Cleanup hitter Hailey Delphia swung a big bat against Maryland, going 2 for 3 with a two-run, first-inning double and a three-run, second-inning home run. The home run sailed over the left-field fence and staked Webster-Charlton to a 7-0 lead.

"I went up there just trying to swing at strikes," Delphia said. "The first one was a perfect pitch to hit. The second was a little high, maybe out of the strike zone even, but I was able to get a good uppercut swing on it and hit it out."

Despite her prowess at the plate, the biggest play Delphia made may have come in the top of the seventh inning. Maryland already had a run in, to cut the deficit down to 9-3, and had two runners on and no outs. Maryland cleanup hitter Grace Harkey drilled the ball to the right side, but Delphia fielded the hard line drive cleanly for the first out



Webster-Charlton's Ashley Millett moves away from a pitch that nearly strikes her in the batter's box versus Maryland.

of the inning. The next two Maryland batters went quietly to end the threat and the game.

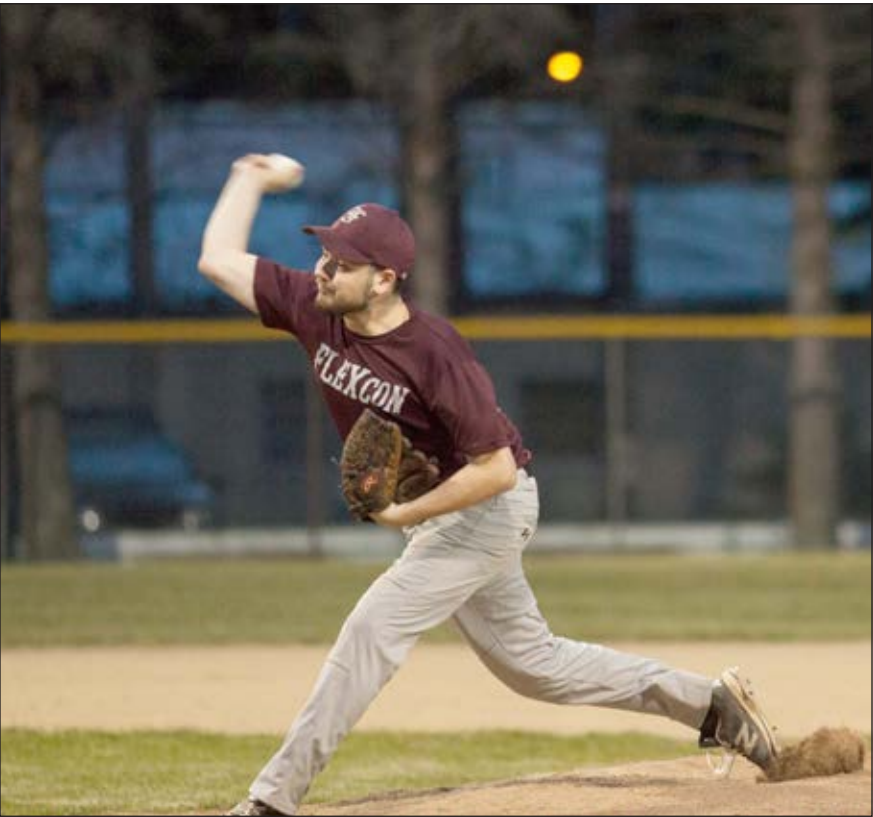
"That was a huge out," Delphia said. "It was their last at-bat; they were desperate. They had a run in and two on. They were starting to think they just might be able to come back. The first out is so important at that point. I feel

like it really took the wind out of their sails."

Webster-Charlton finished the tournament with a record of 3-3. Team New York finished 7-0, defeating Team New Jersey by a 4-2 final to win the East Regional.



Gwen Gould of Webster-Charlton takes a healthy hack at an offering from Maryland's pitcher.



### FLEXCON OF ROCHDALE FALLS IN CNEBA PLAYOFFS

Playing as the underdog in their Central New England Baseball Association first round playoff series versus the Clinton 76ers (16-12-2), Rochdale's FLEXcon team (13-16) hung tough but ultimately fell, two games to none, in their best of three series.

The first game took place on Sunday, July 23 at Clinton High, where the 76ers emerged victorious, 5-2. Game 2 at Rochdale Park was scheduled for Monday, July 24, but a rainout pushed the game back to Wednesday, July 26. There, Clinton won the game, 5-4, and the series, 2-0, to move to the semifinals. The 76ers will play the Shrewsbury Dirt Dogs.

Rochdale's season, meanwhile, closed with a record of 13-18.

File photo

The season came to a close for Ryan Logan and FLEXcon of Rochdale in the first round of the Central New England Baseball Association playoffs versus the Clinton 76ers.

SPORTS

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Center of Hope Foundation’s 11th annual golf tournament fast approaching

The Center of Hope Foundation’s 11th annual golf tournament will be held at the Heritage Country Club in Charlton on Friday, Aug. 11, with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. We are a local chapter of the Arc (a National and State organization that provides critical services to individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities) and provide these services to families and individuals from 64 towns throughout Central Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut. With rising demands on our funding and fewer resources to meet these needs, we hope you will join us for a day of golfing and fun. In doing so, you help to provide funding for necessary services that

include housing, employment training and independent life skills. Our mission is to provide the resources, supports and services necessary for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to lead fulfilling and meaningful lives as part of the community. The Center of Hope Foundation operates Day Programs that support over 700 individuals and families. We operate four Day Habilitation programs that provide the skills training, therapeutic and other supports to help people achieve personal goals. Our Employment Supports program provides work opportunities that teach marketable job skills, with the focus on community employment. The agency also operates 15 small businesses, serving as training models for work experience. We provide children and teen programs year around, both after school and in integrated camps in the area. The Special Olympics, Self-Advocates groups, Volunteer programs, Holiday and other Emergency Relief are import-

ant parts of our services. The families we serve have many more needs than their budgets allow. As the Center of Hope Foundation, we serve not only those with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities, but our local community as well. We receive countless requests for emergency help with food, clothing, housing and program assistance because we are the Center of Hope, a visible presence in the community and a resource for all. We hope that you will participate, become a sponsor or donate with a one-time gift or pledge amount. Additional information can be viewed from our website at [www.thecenterofhope.org](http://www.thecenterofhope.org) regarding the Golf Tournament, company recognition and participation. You can also contact Marie Barse directly at (508) 764-4085 X640 or via email at [mbarse@thecenterofhope.org](mailto:mbarse@thecenterofhope.org). Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams, so no one will go home empty handed.

Spots open for three ASA travel softball teams

Softball tryouts will be held for three ASA travel teams, including need for seven players in 12U (2005/2006 birthdays), eight players in 14U and eight players needed for 16U. Tryouts are to be held in West Boylston at 70 Crescent Street — the high school complex at Major Edwards School in West Boylston. The dates are Tuesday, Aug. 8 and Thursday, Aug. 10 from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 12 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and Monday, Aug. 14 and Thursday, Aug. 17 from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m. Signups and registration will start at 5:30 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. on Saturday. Players must make two dates to be eligible. Any questions please contact Coach Bill Rahall at (860) 576-3440 or email [wlahr@yahoo.com](mailto:wlahr@yahoo.com).

Will You Have Enough Green For Your Golden Years?

**(NAPS)**  
If you or someone you care about is among America’s more than 74 million baby boomers, you may be glad to know of a helpful new book. It was written by a go-to resource for crisis financial planning, who frequently receives referrals from nursing homes, assisted-living facilities and home health agencies for clients in need of last-minute financial planning assistance. The easy-to-read book, “The Complete Cardinal Guide to Planning for and Living in Retirement” by Hans E. Scheil, CFP®, can help you avoid a financial planning crisis in the first place. The Problem All too many people count on Social Security as their main source of retirement income but it doesn’t really go very far—less than \$1,500 a month in current dollars, on average. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) estimates you’ll need between 70 and 90 percent of your pre-retirement income to maintain your standard of living when you stop

working. In addition, your age has a big effect on your Social Security benefits. If you were born between 1943 and 1954, the Social Security Administration says, you can get full benefits at age 66. This full retirement age will gradually rise toward 67 for those born after 1954. Claiming benefits too early can mean permanent reductions to your income. What’s more, according to 2015’s “Medicare & You,” from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, at least 70 percent of people over 65 will need long-term care services and support at some point in their lives. Know What To Ask

According to Scheil, there are three questions you should find the answers to if you’re helping a family member navigate retirement:

- Does the elderly family member need power of attorney?
- Do you know the family member’s existing policy benefits, including long-term care insurance, Medicare Supplements, Medicare Part D pre-

scription drug plans and so on?

- Will you have to take over the family member’s finances?

Scheil’s 40-year career—as well as his personal involvement caring for his mother, father and grandmother in their later years—provided hands-on experience that he’s now sharing. The book, which rose to be the No. 1 best seller in Amazon’s Retirement Planning category, is published by Tupelo Press and sold through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com). It’s an in-depth, easy-to-understand guide to retirement and long-term care to assist retirees and their families through the most difficult financial complexities they will likely face. It also includes many items that are important for a successful retirement, as well as the details of Social Security and Medicare, long-term care, post-retirement investment strategies, tax reduction strategies and more. Easy-to-understand chapter summaries, charts, reports and sample documents help

the reader gain a better understanding of each retirement planning topic. Each chapter also provides an in-depth analysis of each topic through real-life examples from Scheil’s own practice. A Lawyer’s Letter

As one reader, an attorney who counsels clients in elder law and estate planning, put it, “I find the Guide to be a valuable resource. After reading the first chapter, it is clear that Hans has a wealth of personal and professional experience in the area of planning for living in retirement. Each chapter includes a summary that brings closure and deeper understanding to the topics discussed. I plan to purchase additional copies for our practice and will recommend the Guide to my older clients as well as family members who are assisting them.”

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**WOODSTOCK** - 291 E Quasset Rd! WAPPAQUASSET "QUASSET" POND! Hidden 88 Acre Recreational Gem! Woodstock Fairgrounds Near Yr Rd or 2nd Home! 6 Rm Ranch! 152' Waterfront! 34,548' Lot! Appliance Kit! Frplc Fam Rm! 2 Bdrms! Full Bath! A/C! Garage! **\$259,900.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**WEBSTER** - 87 Lake St! Ideally Located 4 Family! Good Investment Opp! 1st Flr w/6 Rms - Liv Rm, Din Rm, Pantry Kit, 3 Bdrms & Bath! 2nd Flr w/Two 3 Rm Apts - Kts, Liv Rm/Din Area, Bdrn & Bath! 3rd Flr w/4 Rm Apt w/Kts, Din Area/Liv Rm, 2 Bdrms & Bath! Off Street Parking! Garage! Easy Access! **\$229,900.00**



**NEW PRICE**

**WEBSTER** - 28 Colonial Rd! Immaculately Maintained 8 Rm Colonial Across from w/Hrds & Beach Access to Webster Lake! Appliance Kit! Dining Area! Dining Rm! Fam Rm! 3 Comfortable Bdrms! Master Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower! 2.5 Baths! C/Air! **\$279,900.00**



**NEW PRICE**

**THOMPSON** - 1199 Thompson Rd! School House Pond AKA Little Pond! 150' WATERFRONT! 8 Rm Log Home! 4 Bdrms! 3 Baths! Appliance Kit Open to Din Area & Liv Rm w/French Drs to Deck! Ceramic First Fam Rm! Master w/Cathedral! C/Air! 2 Car Detached Garage w/Lot! Sandy Beach! **\$459,000.00**



**NEW PRICE**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 10 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! Sandy Shoreline! 9 Rm Contemporary! 3 Bdrms! 3 Baths! Lake Views from Breakfast! Hrds! & Tile Flrs Throughout! Brunan Custom Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! 1st Flr Office! Master w/New Bath! Frplcd Fam Rm! Deck w/Custom Bar! 2 Car Garage! **\$659,900.00**



**SOLD**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 901 Treasure Isl! Prime Beachfront! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874'! Open Floor Plan! Appliance! Granite Kit w/Hrds! Din & Liv Rms w/ Hrds! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Frplcd Fam Rm w/Tile Flr! Recent C/Air, Gas Heat & Windows! Trex Deck! Garage! BOAT SLIP! Heated Pool! **\$424,900.00**



**SOLD**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 334 Killdeer Island! Middle Pond! South Facing! Well Maintained 7 Rm Colonial! Appliance! Oak Kit! Din Rm w/Hrds! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Lake Views! Cathedral Ceiling! 3 Season Sunroom! Overlooking Lake! Facing Master Suite! Master Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Sandy Beach! **\$469,900.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**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**



**NEW LISTING**

**MILLBURY** - WATERFRONT! Ramshorn Lake! 51 Davis Rd! Beautifully Landscaped & Private 1.22 Acres with 500' On the Water! One of Ramshorn's Premier Properties "Royledge"! Sprawling 3,117' French Country Villa with Panoramic Water Views from this Perfect Peninsula! Ideal for Entertaining! Stonewalled Gated Entry, Long Private Driveway to its Stately Appearance! Sprawling Stone & Slate 6+ Room Masterpiece! Light Abounds Throughout! Cathedral & Tray Ceilings with Skylights! Unique Country Kitchen! Formal Dining Room! Fireplace! Great Room! Lake Facing Spacious Master Suite with Everything You'd Expect! 3 Comfortable Bedrooms! 3 Full Bathrooms! Central Air! Garages - 2 Car Detached & 1 Car Detached! Reward Yourself! **\$1,250,000.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 55 Colonial Rd! South Pond! 105' Level Waterfront! Western Opp! Awesome Sunsets! 10 Rm Colonial! Panoramic Views of South Pond! Country Kit w/Din! Frplcd Liv Rm & Liv Rm w/Lake Facing Picture Window! 3 Bdrms! Walkout Lower Level! Fam Rm w/Summer Kit! Recent Roof & Siding! **\$349,900.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 15 South Point Rd! Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Build Your Waterfront Dream! 100' of Shoreline! 53.94' Road Frontage! Land Area 8,147'! Town Water & Sewer Available! 2 Docks! Already in the Water! Lots on Webster Lake are a Rarity. Don't let this Slip By without Your Consideration! **\$179,900.00**



**NEW LISTING**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance! Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrds! Comfortable Master Bdrn! Frplcd Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$799,900.00**



**SOLD**

**WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND!** 2 Checkerberry Isl! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Appliance! Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake Facing 38' Din Area w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting & Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 21' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck! 3.5 Baths! Skylight Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/Liv-Law! SS Appliance, Open Din & Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrn, Nice Bathroom! Detached 3 Rm Frplcd Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frplcd Liv Rm, Bdrn & Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Ideal Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! **\$1,449,900.00**



**SOLD**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrms, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/Hrds! 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**



**SOLD**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 16 Bates Crossing! South Pond! Beautiful Sunrises! Huge Eastern Exposure! 8 Rm 3,100' Custom Contemporary! 2,435 Acres! Substantial Privacy! Home Features Endless Possibilities! Open Flr Plan w/Magnificent Views from Every Rm! 3 Bdrms, 3 Baths, Cathedral Ceilings w/Skylights! European Kit w/Center Isl! Modern Frplc Liv Rm w/Glass Sliders Open to Waterfront Balcony! Master Bdrn w/en-suite Bath, Separate Shower, Jacuzzi Tub, Walk-in Closet & Attached Laundry! Lower Level Bdrms Share Private Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage w/WorkSpace! Detached 2 Car Heated Garage w/Workshop! Greenhouse! Panoramic Lake & Estuary Views! **\$950,000.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - Reid Smith Cove WATERFRONT LOT! South Shore Rd! Build Your Dream Home or Summer Retreat! Set on Quiet Road, Surrounded by Woods! Sloping Lot Down to Level Waterfront! 7,200' Lot! 57' on the Water & Road! Town Water & Sewer Available! **\$229,900.00**



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- 3 Units, ea. w/6 rms
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- Recent roof, windows
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- 2 car garage plus storage

**42 Lincoln St - \$259,900**

**DUDLEY - NEW LISTING**

- 2 Units
- Privacy
- Lower Level Apt
- Main Unit has 1st flr bdrm, kitch w/ breakfast area, Lv rm, & BA
- 2 Bdrm upper level

**21 Intervale Rd - \$232,500**

**LEICESTER**

4 BR 2.5 Bath 2,816 sq ft Colonial situated on a private wooded lot & set back from the street. Spacious Master Suite on 2nd floor. Oversized deck, above ground pool & large yard. Bonus room above garage.  
**\$399,900**

**WORCESTER**

3 BR 2 Bath 1,612 sq ft Colonial in a private location; Completely remodeled interior! Open concept floor plan on first floor; kitchen leads out to oversized deck. Fully updated full bath on each floor.  
**\$280,000**

**CLINTON**

Tastefully updated 3 BR 3 Full Bath Cape w/ view of Wachusett Mtn. FP in LR. Central Air. 2nd floor Master Suite. 27x13 Family Room and 3rd bath in basement. 27x11 Deck  
**\$350,000**

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- 3.5 Baths
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- 130' on the water
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**JUST LISTED**

**PUTNAM** - Lovely 1,390 sq. ft. ranch sits pretty on 3 acres in East Putnam. Kitchen has been recently remodeled, new hardwood floors throughout. Living room has gas insert in fireplace makes it the perfect place to curl up with a good book. Enjoy the 12 x 14, four season room as well as the 20 x 16 three season room that overlooks the private backyard and leads out to the side deck. Additional 478 ft. of nicely finished space in the lower level includes another fireplace. Central AC and attached two car garage is another bonus. Listed at **\$299,900**. Call today for your private viewing.

**JUST LISTED**

**KILLINGLY** - Don't drag your feet as this 3 bedroom (possibly 4) 1 and a 1/2 bath Cape Cod sitting on .43 acres with a 1 car garage may not stick around long. Home has an eating space kitchen, spacious living room with bay windows, 2 bedrooms and a bath on the first floor and 2 bedrooms and a 1/2 bath upstairs. Home sits on a corner lot with a large paved driveway with plenty of parking and room to play. Priced at just **\$169,900**.

**JUST LISTED**

**PUTNAM** - Sitting high overlooking the Town of Putnam with spectacular sunset views into the hill this 3 bedroom 1930's Cape style home has a little bit of something for everyone! Home has 3 bedrooms with a possible 4th or great office, large updated kitchen with eating space, a formal dining room, spacious living room and great front enclosed porch. The bedrooms upstairs are all very spacious along with the full bathroom. A nice fenced in yard and a 1 car garage also! Priced at just **\$164,900**.

**NEW PRICE**

**KILLINGLY MULTI-FAMILY** - Unique luxury 3 unit multi-family investment. Currently being used as an owner occupied investment but plenty of different investment options in the BRHD (Home Office) zone and located on 2.6 AC. This home has been almost 100% renovated from 2007-today (roof, siding, windows, heating, kitchen/baths, etc.). Owner's unit is 3 bedroom 2 1/2 baths. Two additional rented units for income. Home has a 2 car garage, in ground pool, Buderus heating systems & much more. Asking price is **\$419,000**

**NEW PRICE**

**EASTFORD** - Handicap Accessible throughout! Business may be possible! Low maintenance! Fishing in bordering Natchaug River! 2100 sqft., sprawling brick ranch, eat-in kitchen & dining room with built in butch, 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths; French doors grace the entry to the living room. Enjoy your evenings in the den with a fireplace, built in bookcases and slider leading out to the patio; master bedroom suite with built-ins and large bath; plenty of storage, mud room and oversized one car garage; 1800' of frontage on the Natchaug River. Convenient location to Willimantic, Storrs and Hartford. **\$219,900**

**NEW PRICE**

**ASHFORD** - Nestled on a secluded 2.3 acre lot bordered by Joshua's Trust, this contemporary cape brings the beauty of nature into your living room with the aesthetic use of windows and skylights. Double fireplace in living room & dining room; custom kitchen with solid oak cabinetry; first floor master bedroom suite; 2 BR's & bath on 2nd floor; lower level features a laundry, utility space, 800 sqft., finished den and office/home business suite. Spacious yard, perennial gardens and 2 stall barn. Must see! **\$289,900**

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**\$449,000.**  
**Ingrid Helena Karp.**

**NEW LISTING**

**UNION, CT**  
Waterfront front cottage on MA/CT line. Lots of room for family and friends! A rare flat lot! 2 BR Ranch to enjoy relaxing evenings lakeside!  
**\$249,900.**  
**Lisa Boudreau.**

**HOLLAND**  
A sweet little getaway! This cottage style home is nestled on a .75A lot. Drilled well, conventional septic. Access to private beach.  
**\$89,000.**  
**Lisa Boudreau.**

**STURBRIDGE**  
Spectacular Cedar Lake Waterfront! 100' waterfront, west facing for beautiful sunset views. 5 BR, 3.5 Baths.  
**\$575,500.**  
**Dorothy Fontana.**

**DUDLEY**  
5 BR, 4.5 bath 4200 +/- SF home. Beautiful sunsets on private 6 +/- acres with stone walls. Patios, decks, security system.  
**\$529,000.**  
**Cindi Desmarais.**

**WEBSTER**  
Classic Colonial on beautiful lot! 3 BR, 2.5 baths, attached 2 car garage. Formal dining w/hardwood. Heated sunroom.  
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**74 Upper Gore Rd Webster - \$279,900**  
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**Southbridge - \$169,900**  
Five rooms on each floor. Large attic. First floor has central air. Two Car garage and more.

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**Spencer** - New listing! Great investment property! Three multi-families, one single-family plus almost one acre for yard/parking expansion in the same block. All homes on individual lots & can be financed separately. Longtime owners want to bundle & sell together. Lots of updates & tons of potential! **\$619,000**

**Spencer** - New construction on Jolicoeur Ave! Energy efficient split entry w/4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath poised on 1.5 acres w/views & beach rights to Cranberry Meadow Lake! Vaulted ceilings, granite, hardwoods, FHA/propane & central air. Ready for the holidays! **\$309,900**

**East Brookfield** - Spacious 9 rm, 4 bdrm, 2 ba home beautifully remodeled on both levels! Great home for entertaining! Fenced yard, 2 car garage & over 1900sf of living space! Across from golf course & great commuter access! **\$294,900**

**Spencer** - Prime location w/ deeded access to Cranberry Meadow Lake! 6 rm, 3 bdrm, 1 ba home w/ 1400 sf of living space. Beautiful, level lot on a quiet road. Huge basement, title 5 in hand. House needs cosmetics. Quick access to major routes. **\$154,900**

**Spencer** - Brooks Pond Rd. Great one level living w/ over 1000 sf of living space. Renovated 2 bdrm ranch within walking distance to beach on Brooks Pond. Loaded w/ updates included new boiler, flooring, siding, roof. Great vaulted ceilings, fenced & private yard. **\$189,900**

**Charlton** - Privacy priced right! Lovely split entry w/ over 1600 sf of living space on both levels. 7 rm, 3-4 bdrms, 1.5 ba nestled on a great lot near Heritage Gold Course. New kitchen, roof, windows, vinyl siding, flooring & septic system. Vaulted ceilings, fireplaced living room, so much more! **\$279,900**

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**Sturbridge:** Contemporary Colonial-unique layout! 6 rooms 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 bath! Huge living room with stone fireplace, sliders to deck. Brand new Stainless steel appliances in kitchen! Front to back step down family room!! Updated roof & septic. Exterior painted in 2015. BEST PART 1.07 acres of PRIVATE LEVEL YARD!! MINUTES TO PIKE & RT 84 to Hartford! **\$249,900.**

**Southbridge:** INEXPENSIVE 2 family with one unit with a 3 bedroom and the other is two bedroom. Exterior will be painted before closing. Location on small side street. Walk to Town. **\$144,900.**

**Sturbridge:** Sunny Antique Colonial zoned Commercial/Tourist/Residential. Many applications would fit here including single family with 7 rooms 3-4 bedrooms 2 full baths! Single family with in home business! Plus many more! Great Exposure being right on Rt 201 Woods floors. Spacious rooms! 1716sf of living area! Roots done in 2012. New HW heater in 2016. Electrical updated. Beautiful gardens. 23 acre. Detached garage. **\$255,000.**



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Brad Favreau 860-208-0527

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G10237347.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Private 8+ acres surrounded by State Forest. Classic reproduction details, wide board floors, 3 fireplaces, 4 BD, 2.5 BA.  
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You won't want to miss this gorgeous Gambrel Colonial, all updated, set in an area of like homes in a cul-de-sac on Thompson Hill.  
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G10239167.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Country brick Cape w/ covered porch. 1st FL master, reproduction fireplace w/ beehive oven, eat-in kitchen.  
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A beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Open & spacious with a 2 car garage. Ready for you to call it home!  
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Custom country Cape home offering over 1700SF of living space. Barn with 4 horse stalls nestled on 6.76 acres.  
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### Hampton \$297,000 NEW PRICE



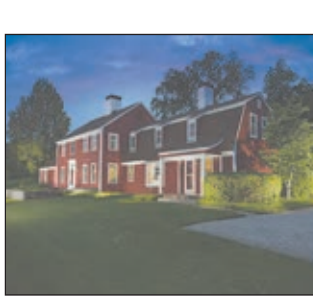
G10201103.bhhsNEproperties.com  
On 3ac, 2126 SF, 3 bedroom antique Cape awaits your creative hand new infra-structure, elec & HVAC.  
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Built in 1975, in the fashion of Royal Barry Wills, on 25 acres of rolling pasture with views aplenty and total privacy! With 4400 SF and 2 master suites, a grand new kitchen and expansive rooms with tons of detail, wood floors throughout and 4 fireplaces! There is also a barn, 3-bay carriage barn and a shed!  
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Beautiful 4 bedroom Woodstock home located at end of quiet dead end road, peaceful living experience.  
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This home offers 3 beds, 2 baths, large Kitchen. Enjoy entertaining on your custom outdoor patio with built in fire pit.  
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Spacious contemporary home on 18.95 acres. The property offers beautiful pond, open fields, a fenced-in pasture & lean-to.  
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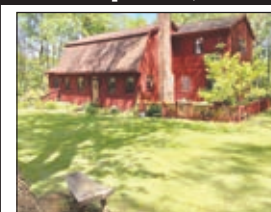
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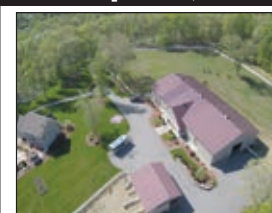
G10227645.bhhsNEproperties.com  
Two family with 2 beds & 1 bath on each side. Separate utilities. Abuts trails, 4+ acres close to MA line.  
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### Brooklyn \$315,000



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2008 sprawling Ranch with full 2 bed in-law on 1st. Sunny open kitchen/living RM, finished basement.  
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### Hampton \$980,000



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Amazing 30-acre horse property, fenced-in pastures, indoor arena, abuts airline trail. Beautiful home w/ in-ground pool.  
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### Killingly \$140,000



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Must see- cute 3 beds, 1.5 bath Colonial completely renovated in 2007, roof, windows, siding and more. Call today!  
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### LAND FOR SALE

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Rare 3.5 acre lot in Longmeadow Estates, have all approvals & septic design, close to Day Kimball. Robert Viani 860-264-5921  
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Great raw space of 16+ acres on a quiet street awaits you. Jen Jackson 401-413-1001  
WOODSTOCK \$190,000  
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Beautiful piece of property, 25 acres that is high and dry. Convenient to major route, ideal for one house lot. Brad Favreau 860-428-0527

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# HERE & THERE

## Local Events, Arts, and Entertainment Listings

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

9:00 P.M.  
GOODSPEED BAND  
Classic rock trio  
308 LAKESIDE  
308 East Main St.  
East Brookfield, MA  
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### SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
TEQUILA MOCKINGBIRD LITE  
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### MONDAY, AUGUST 7

308 LAKESIDE  
3rd ANNUAL GOLF  
TOURNAMENT  
To benefit East Brookfield  
100 year celebration fireworks  
Sign up at 308  
Pay by July 26th  
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every 1st and 3rd Monday  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
www.learn2cope.org  
508-738-5148

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

9:00 p.m.  
PERRY BLUE  
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guitar, trumpet and vocals.  
Featuring Johnny Bullhorn  
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### TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
LEICESTER CRUISE NIGHT  
AT KAROL'S CORNER  
TAKE OUT  
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bikes and trucks  
Cruise Night Specials  
KAROL'S CORNER TAKE OUT  
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Rochdale, MA  
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2168 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI  
401-568-4102



TRIVIA SATURDAY NIGHTS  
7:00 p.m. register  
7:30 p.m. start up  
HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB  
325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA  
508-892-9822

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Every Tuesday, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
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# FINANCE

## Check Your Dollars: You Could Have A \$1 Bill Worth \$10,000



You may be holding a bill worth \$10,000 and not even know it.

**(NAPS)**  
They get shoved in pockets and run through the laundry. Jammed in and spit out of vending machines. And grasped by many hands as they make their way across the United States. Dollar bills take a beating. In fact, the average life span for a \$1 in circulation is only 5.8 years, according to the Federal Reserve. Compare that to a \$50 bill, which circulates for 8.5 years, or the \$100 bill, which hangs around almost three times as long as the humble single.

Nevertheless, your hard-working dollars could be working even harder for you. That's the idea behind an online banking and investing financial services company's "Hardest Working Dollar" campaign. An anonymous shopper will travel the country, spending 7,500 of the hardest-working dollars in mom-and-pop shops, cafes, and other locations in 15 U.S. cities. Once in circulation, the value of these George Washingtons could increase. Some will be worth \$100, others will be valued at \$5,000 and one will be

particularly prized: It will be worth \$10,000. Consumers can visit [www.allyhardestworkingdollar.com](http://www.allyhardestworkingdollar.com) and enter the serial numbers of their singles to see if theirs is eligible to win. "The Hardest Working Dollar campaign is a continuation of our efforts to 'Do It Right' for our customers and all consumers by encouraging them to think about their money differently," explains Ally Chief Marketing and Public Relations Officer, Andrea Riley.

The company will also celebrate hard-at-work individuals in key markets across the US. Costumed George Washingtons will thank employees on their way to work, show their appreciation for hardworking first responders, and honor dedicated volunteers at nonprofit organizations. Make Your Money Work for You Ultimately, every consumer has the ability to make any \$1 bill the hardest-working dollar. A new investing product, Ally Invest, offers several conve-

nient online options for putting your money to work, including low-cost trading for investors looking to trade stocks, options, bonds and ETFs themselves, as well as managed portfolios, which are professionally designed, continually monitored and rebalanced automatically, for those who prefer a hands-off approach to their finances. Together, investing combined with the bank's great FDIC-insured savings rate is designed to help consumers make their money work harder. "We believe being an ally for our customers' financial well-being means encouraging people to focus on the products and services that will improve their financial lives for the long run," says Diane Morais, president of Consumer & Commercial Banking Products at Ally Bank, Member FDIC. "By saving at a higher rate of interest, using a cash-back credit card and investing with affordable fees, people have the opportunity to make their dollars work harder." The "Hardest Working Dollar" sweepstakes kicks off the week of June 5 and runs through July 31. *Learn More* For further information, visit [www.allyhardestworkingdollar.com](http://www.allyhardestworkingdollar.com) and follow the hashtag #hardestworkingdollar on Twitter and Facebook. *Note To Editors: This article, while of interest to everyone, is of most significance to people in Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Utah.*

## Are You Banking On Social Security For Your Retirement Income?

**(NAPS)**  
If you're a middle-income baby boomer, chances are you're still struggling to recover from the financial crash that began in 2007. You're not alone: According to a new study, only two percent of boomers feel the economy has fully recovered, and 65 percent say they have not felt personal benefit from any recovery. If that sounds like you, then you're also likely worried about where your retirement income is going to come from. According to the Bankers Life Center for a Secure Retirement, middle-income baby boomers are increasingly reliant on Social Security for their primary source of retirement income. Before the crisis, 43 percent planned to rely on personal savings or earnings for their primary source of retirement income. That number has dropped to just 34 percent, with the difference mainly moving to Social Security. As generous as the program is, Social Security was never designed to fully replace your wages. And the lesson from 2007 is to be prepared for anything. There are many steps you can take to plan

ahead, protect yourself and achieve the retirement you are looking for. Understand What Your Retirement Really Looks Like While nearly all boomers say they still plan to retire, they are adjusting retirement expectations to meet their new reality. This new reality is primarily focused on a decrease in financial independence. To address this, try to: • Pay off debt: Debt payments should ideally be no more than 10 percent of your income when you retire. • Work part-time: Whether you choose to work full-time, part-time or on a seasonal basis, employment income will relieve pressure on your other sources of income. Meet with a Financial Professional No matter what your savings level is, a professional can help you create an investment strategy that fits with your personal situation, and find savings products that can provide a reliable monthly income. Boomers who sought the help of a financial professional felt more confident in their financial decision-making and more optimistic about their retirement



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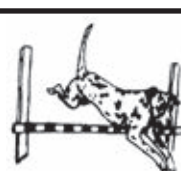
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Brian M. Palaia  
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July 27, 2017

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