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Old Home Day returning in 2021

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – A local tradition returns to cap off the summer in the town of Charlton in 2021. After a year-long hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Old Home Days is set to return on Monday, Sept. 6, Labor Day Monday, with a weekend of fun planned leading up to the big day.

In addition to activities on the Town Common all weekend, the annual fireworks display will be lit off once more on Saturday, Sept. 5 with a rain day of Sunday, Sept. 6. Labor Day Monday

is the big day however with a slew of activities for all to look forward to on a day designed to celebrate the spirit of community.

Monday, Sept. 6 will start with the yearly Soap Box Derby at 7 a.m., one of the oldest traditions of Charlton's Old Home Day. Entry forms are available n the Town of Charlton website. A road race will then take off at 9 a.m. from the town common which. Volunteers are being sought out for the Soap Box Derby and Road Race and interested parties can contact Kathleen Walker at kwalker4@mac.com. Music will be

held all day with rising country star and Charlton native Liam Coleman taking the stage as well as the Shepherd Hill Vocalists, Lee Irish Step Dancers, and the Bad New Jazz Band & Blue Orchestra. The Singing Trooper will also perform at 2:30 p.m. that afternoon.

At 2 p.m. is one of the biggest events of the afternoon, the community awards ceremony recognizing individuals, groups and businesses who have contributed to Charlton and were nominated by their peers. Old Home Day concludes with the annual parade kicking off from The Overlook at 3:30 p.m.

The day will also include a variety of other community activities including pony rides, train rides, and the Scottish Highland Games.

Old Home Day will also celebrate the artistic side of Charlton with the annual Art Show going hybrid in 2021. The Charlton Cultural Council's Old Home Day Art Show with all fees waived for 2021. Artwork will be on display in the Town Hall throughout Labor Day. Applications for the Art Show are due by Monday, Aug. 23, and can be found on the Charlton Cultural Council Facebook Page.

Bay Path alumna, LPN to RN grad has a wide perspective



Danielle Southall-Scotto

CHARLTON — Over ten years, Danielle Southall-Scotto, formerly of Southbridge, now of Brooklyn, Conn., rose through the ranks, from a resident care assistant to wellness nurse, from Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) floor nurse in a subacute rehabilitation unit in a skilled nursing facility to now, a Registered Nurse (RN)! When she reflects on that time, she admits it was difficult, but she is also extremely grateful. It is a time of immense pride in her own tenacity toward earning her Associate in Science in Nursing (ASN) degree from Excelsior College with a 3.0 GPA. For Danielle to make the transition from LPN to RN, she completed the ASN and took the NCLEX-RN, the National Council Licensure Examination for RN licensure.

Her knowledge and compassion helped her lead through

the challenges of navigating the year of COVID-19, working full-time at the Milford Regional Physician Group in Northbridge, MA and completing all her course work including taking a two-part test that is a clinical examination also known as CPNE.

“Goal-directed, hardworking, compassionate, dedicated...all these words describe Danielle,” said Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. “Danielle graduated at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy in 2017, was the recipient of the Academic Excellence Award and was inducted to the National Technical Honor Society.”

Southall-Scotto completed her secondary education in 2007 at Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School with honors, National Honor Society.

“The Excelsior College's program is essentially a self-taught program,” said Southall-Scotto.

“I am grateful to Bay Path for helping to lay a foundation for me to complete this, without a good foundation I would have never made it through,” she concludes.

As a practical nursing student at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Danielle was a member of the Mock Code Team. She competed in the SkillsUSA Medical Math category and won a gold medal in District, a gold medal in

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TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY ENJOYS GOLF EXPERIENCE!



Photo Courtesy

After a year of very little sports activity at schools everywhere, TCA was fortunate to be able to offer this five-week golf program at Heritage Country Club this past spring. The 5 weeks of instruction for TCA students to learn the fundamentals of golf was led by Chris the golf-pro at HCC along with help from Nate Waterhouse, current TCA parent and alum. We are thankful for additional support from Donna Talbot of Talbot Embroidery who helped us supply shirts, golf bags and hats for the participants! The students really enjoyed the outdoor experience. Maybe they will be TCA golf tournament winner of the future! Participants were Gus McGarry, Luisa Henao, Charles Congdon, Nicholas Sargent, Michael Gasperini, Noah Waterhouse, Charles Morrison & Sofia Henao. Unavailable for the photo: Sofia & Luisa Henao.

Charlton launches Municipal Services Survey

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The town of Charlton is seeking input from members of the public through a Municipal Services Survey that could help determine potential adjustments to services and Town Hall hours in the near future.

The survey, currently available on the town's Web site, seeks the public's opinions on a variety of items mostly relating to the Town Hall and its hours of operation. Selectmen discussed the possibility of changing Town Hall hours earlier this year following complaints about holiday closures on Thursdays. Currently the Town Hall operates on a

four-day week as part of a test trial initiated several years ago to explore cost savings if the building was closed on Fridays. Selectmen began discussing whether or not to return to a five-day week initiating the survey to gauge whether or not the Town Hall as a whole should be open on Fridays or if only certain departments need to be opened an extra day.

After asking if the user is a Charlton citizen and if they are a contractor or non-resident that conducts business in town regularly, the survey is then comprised of numerous questions asking public opinion on Town Hall services. These include the offices the citizens use the most, whether they use remote or in-person ser-

vices more, and which virtual services citizens have utilized in the past. Several questions also pertain to the time of day citizens are most likely to use the Town Hall and on which current day and time of operation they are most likely to visit. Finally, the survey asks if citizens would like to have the hours changed, potentially back to the 2014 five-day work week. The survey results will assist selectmen in determining how to move forward with increasing availability to town services.

Citizens can take the Municipal Services Survey by visiting www.townof-charlton.net and clicking the link under the “News Flash” section on the home page.

Assessments to be held for police lieutenant's position

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – In February of this year, Charlton hired Dan Dowd as the new Chief of Police, leaving a vacancy for Police Lieutenant in the department. Selectmen immediately decided that an assessment center would be utilized to fill the post, and now it appears that process is moving forward next month.

During a meeting with selectmen in July, Town Administrator Andrew Golas provided an update on the assessment center, confirming it is on schedule for Sept. 10, with the town embracing a familiar partnership to fill the vacancy.

“The department is working with Public Safety Consultant

who is the prior consultant to fill the chief's role the last time it was open. We're familiar with them, and the officers that are qualified to take the assessment have been notified of the assessment date,” said Golas.

Four officers within the Charlton Police Department qualify for the position, the minimum number required before opening the process up to lower-level officers according to Golas.

“I believe our requirement is that it had to be at least sergeant level or above, but if not enough sergeants were interested in taking the test, then we'd have to open it up to the full patrolmen,” said Golas.

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Each admission ticket includes a full pour of wine or beer and a laser guided tour of the night sky by Geoff and Kim McClean, who are the Lead Night Sky Rangers with The Last Green Valley. The McClean's will bring telescopes for up close viewing of the meteors as well as providing a Wi-Fi transceiver option allowing guests to use their cell phones to see the display in real time just as it appears through telescope lens. All Sip and Stars guests have to do is follow this exact link: <http://192.168.0.116:7094> to connect. No password required. Aug. 11 and 12 are peak gazing opportunities for the annual Perseid Meteor shower, which have been known to show 50 to 100 meteors per hour. In the early hours before sunset crowds can enjoy music by James Paul on Wednesday or by Kitchen Jam on Thursday. Stargazers are invited to pack a picnic supper, or they have the option to splurge from B.T.'s Smokehouse food truck, which will be serving both nights. No outside alcoholic beverages will be allowed.

This is the second year the Hitchcock Academy summer benefit, which combines the local area's favorite beverages



with a guided tour of the season's best natural nighttime light show, will span two nights. Tickets are \$25 for patrons 21 and over; under 21 tickets are \$10 and are available at www.hitchcockacademy.org under the Events section. Bring a blanket. Set up a chair. Don't forget the bug spray and a flashlight.

Hitchcock Academy Executive Director Cindy Skowrya noted in the case of overcast skies or a rain interruption, an astronomy demonstration will take place under the covered pavilion and there will be live music to enjoy. Skowrya urges people to get their tickets

in advance as there is, "no guarantee of ticket availability at the door." She also said that summer's best chance to enjoy fresh air, good company, great music, and the beauty of the night sky would not be possible without the generous support of B.T.'s Smokehouse, Country Bank, Brimfield Winery and Rapsallion Brewery. Sip and Stars checks off all the boxes for a summertime ritual while supporting the goals of a great community organization.

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Membership in Sigma Alpha Pi is by invitation based on criteria determined by local chapter leaders. Students are selected by their college for membership based on their academic standing and/or leadership potential. Candidacy is a nationally recognized achievement of honorable distinction providing students with an opportunity to build their leadership skills, network with other successful students, and stand out as valued candidates to graduate schools and employers.

Sigma Alpha Pi was founded with the sole purpose of creating lasting positive change by encouraging community

action, volunteerism and strong leadership. It is the largest collegiate leadership honor society in the United States with 722 chapters and more than 1.3 million members nationwide. The Saint Anselm College Society Chapter was established in 2016.

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state, and a bronze medal at the national competition in Louisville, Kentucky. According to Southall-Scotto, she plans on continuing with her academic progression and earns her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree “after working as an RN for a little while.”



Local Edward Jones branch team celebrates anniversary, national award

STURBRIDGE — The Edward Jones team in the Sturbridge branch office has much to celebrate. This year marks Financial Advisor Jeff Burdick’s 15th anniversary in the community and the firm’s recognition by J.D. Power for client satisfaction.

Burdick joined Edward Jones in 2006, and for the past 15 years has served the Sturbridge area from his branch office. As the local financial advisor, he believes in partnering for positive impact to improve the wellbeing of his clients and colleagues, and to better his community and society. He is a 19-year local resident.

Client Satisfaction Award – In April, Edward Jones ranked highest in investor satisfaction, according to the J.D. Power 2021 U.S. Full-service Investor Satisfaction Study. The study measures overall investor satisfaction with 24 full-service investment firms based on seven factors including product offerings; problem resolution; convenience; digital experience; financial advisors; value; and trust. Edward Jones has ranked highest in investor satisfaction by J.D. Power for several years – in 2019, 2015 (tied), 2012, 2010, 2009, 2007–2005, and in a tie in 2002, when the study began. For more information, visit jdpower.com/awards.

Burdick said, “It’s been a great honor to serve the Sturbridge community these 15 years, building relationships with clients and setting the financial path that helps them live their best lives. And the J.D. Power recognition we’ve received as a firm is especially meaningful because it demonstrates that the appreciation for the relationships we build is mutual.”

Local investors are also being served



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by Financial Advisor Trevor Nielson, who joined the Sturbridge branch in 2019. Branch Office Administrators Ellen Santimaw and Lauri Cotela complete the local team.

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- CLUES ACROSS
1. Ponds

6. “Unbelievable” musicians

9. Invests in little enterprises

13. Longtime Utah Jazz coach

14. Small sailboat

15. “Luther” actor

16. Round Dutch cheese

17. Detects underwater objects

18. Harsh, grating noise

19. Steward

21. Fencing sword

22. Painful places on the body

23. “Sleepless in Seattle” actress Ryan

24. Sodium

25. Engineering degree (abbr.)

28. Small lump

29. African antelope

31. Electronic point of sale

33. Carefully chooses

36. Ringworm

38. Unrefined

39. Drenches

41. Type of pants

44. Son of Noah

45. Spiritual being

46. Upton Sinclair novel

48. Journalist Tarbell

49. Atomic #21 (abbr.)

51. Born of

52. Rich tapestry

54. S. China seaport

56. Being without clothes

60. Surrounded by

61. Remains

62. Away from wind

63. Dried-up

64. One who can see the future

65. A very large body of water

66. Digs up earth

67. Type of screen

68. Old Norse poet

- CLUES DOWN
1. Millisecond

2. Spanish city

3. Sudden, very loud sound

4. Type of chair

5. Tin

6. Sea eagles

7. Broad volcanic crater

8. Some animals have it

9. Ottoman palaces

10. Divulge a secret

11. “A Doll’s House” playwright

12. “It’s a Wonderful Life” director

14. Poisonous perennial

17. Gulf in the Aegean

20. Clothes

21. Chairs

23. Family of regulator genes

25. NY ballplayer

26. Impressive in size or scope

27. Jacques __, Fr. biologist

29. Manhattanite

30. Genus of lemurs

32. Sings to

34. River in southern Italy

35. Supplemented with difficulty

37. Farewell

40. Senior officer

42. Utah resident

43. Begets

47. Boy

49. Violently break

50. Brief appearance

52. Expressed pleasure

53. A light informal meal

55. Fabric with smooth finish

56. One billionth of a second (abbr.)

57. Ancient Greek City

58. Close tightly

59. Commit

61. A way to communicate (abbr.)

65. Heavy metal

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Local students graduate from Nichols College

DUDLEY — Nichols College graduated 245 undergraduate students this spring. An in person commencement celebration was held for the class of 2021 on May 15.

Arslan Chaudhry of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in Accounting.

Zachary Davey of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in Sports Management.

Cameron Lanier of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in General Business.

Tyler Leblanc of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in Human Resource Management.

Richard March of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in Accounting & Finance.

Zachary Nussbaum of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Communications.

Christopher Rapoza of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in General Business.

Adriana Robaina of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, majoring in General Business.

Hannah Vangel of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Psychology.

Adam Warnajtyts of Charlton graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Criminal Justice & Psychology.

Jacob White of Charlton1 graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in English.

About Nichols College
Nichols College is a college of choice for business and leadership education as a result of its distinctive career-focused and leadership-based approaches to learning, both in and out of the classroom, and through impactful research and professional education. Students thrive

in a learning and living environment that is supported by an experiential business curriculum and a strong liberal arts foundation aimed at transforming them into tomorrow’s leaders. Nichols also offers master’s degrees in business, leadership, accounting, and counterterrorism, as well as a range of certificate programs, to promote career advancement for today’s professionals.

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The assessment center will see applicants tested by Public Safety Consultants who will bring a single candidate they deem most qualified for the job to the Board of Selectmen. While officers had previously acknowledged the grueling nature of the assessment center selectmen concluded it would also provide the most qualified candidate for the job. In February, selectmen had also given the okay to both Chief Dowd and Town Administrator Golas to proceed with hiring processes for any position, such as sergeant, left vacant from a promotion to lieutenant through the assessment center within the recommendations and requirements of Civil Service. This could include utilizing an assessment center to fill the vacancies down the line.

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QCC at Southbridge making a positive impact

SOUTHBRIDGE — Quinsigamond Community College is making it easier for those in Southbridge and the surrounding communities to have access to high quality, affordable higher education opportunities, with its move to Southbridge High School. Beginning this fall, QCC at Southbridge will begin offering both in-person and online classes for the fall 2021 semester.

“The establishment of a QCC satellite campus in Southbridge High School has been incredibly successful and I look forward to our second year of collaboration. The partnership has provided our students with the opportunity to enroll in college courses while in high school. I look forward to once again working closely with QCC to provide the students of Southbridge High School with the opportunity to take college courses, while they are enrolled in high school,” said Southbridge Receiver/Superintendent of Schools, Jeffrey Villar, Ph.D.

“This partnership has enabled QCC to become more accessible to the communities we serve both in and around the Southbridge area,” said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D.

This fall, students in the region will have the opportunity to take standard 15-week courses, or chose accelerated courses offered in two seven-week sections: Fall 1 (Sept. 6 start date) and Fall II (November 1 start date). These accelerated courses enable students to complete two classes in the same time it would normally take them to take one class during the standard fall semester. Currently the primarily classes being offered include general education courses required for most majors at QCC.

QCC moved from its Optical Drive location in the summer of 2020 so that high school students, family members and members of the Southbridge and area communities could take advantage of QCC’s academic and workforce development offerings. In Spring 2021, QCC also began its Early College

Program for Southbridge High School juniors and seniors.

“QCC offers affordable access to higher education and workforce training and development. Their admissions staff is eager to work with anyone wanting to improve their education and/or job opportunities,” said Executive Director Chamber of Central Mass South, Alexandra McNitt.

“I look forward to expanding these opportunities and to the continued collaboration with the amazing QCC faculty as we plan for future programs that will provide our students and the community of Southbridge with new and exciting career opportunities,” Dr. Villar added.

Enrollment for QCC’s Fall semester is currently underway. To register for classes visit www.QCC.edu/admissions.

For more information about QCC, contact Josh Martin, Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-7513 or jmartin@qcc.mass.edu.

QCC’s Respiratory Care program receives credentialing success award

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College’s Respiratory Care Program has received the distinguished Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) Credentialing Success Award from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC). The College has joined a select group of programs that received this national recognition based on a high-level performance of key accreditation metrics.

“The students of QCC have labored diligently to strive for excellence in this respected profession by earning the highly-desirable, Registered Respiratory Therapist credential. I am thrilled with their success and demonstration of skillfulness in their chosen profession,” said Professor Emerita Karen Kaletski Dufault.

This award is presented as part of CoARC’s continued efforts to value the RRT credential as a standard of professional achievement. The CoARC views the RRT credential as a measure of a program’s success in inspiring its graduates to achieve their highest educational and professional aspirations.

To earn this prestigious award, programs were required to have three or more years of outcome data, hold accreditation without a progress report, document RRT credentialing success of 90 percent or above, and meet or exceed core thresholds for the Therapist Multiple Choice (TMC) examination

high cut score and retention. QCC had a three-year (2017 – 2019) average of 100% of students who achieved the high cut score. The CoARC threshold for retention is 70% and QCC had a 96% retention rate for the same 3-year average (2017-2019).

“This is the first time that the program has achieved this recognition and it could not have been done without the leadership of Karen Dufault, who was the previous program coordinator/director until she retired in 2020,” said Assistant Professor of Respiratory Care, Keith Hirst.

He added that Amy Hogan, current director of clinical education, along with all the current and past clinical instructors, clinical sites, and Advisory Board members, QCC administration, and graduates of the program also played a large role in this award.

“Over this same time frame we had 100% job placement rate within six months of graduation, as well as 100% employer and graduate satisfaction rates,” Mr. Hirst said.

To learn more visit QCC’s Respiratory Care Program.

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Olympic trivia

It's nice to have a distraction from the rollercoaster that was 2020, with the summer Olympics plastered all over television and social media. Watching athletes from all over the globe show off what they've been training for shows us all what can be possible when we set a goal.

With that said, we thought it would be interesting to share some Olympic trivia.

In 1998, Surya Bonaly, a figure skater from France fell during the winter games in Nagano. Since she knew she lost a chance to medal, she decided to do a move that had been banned since 1976. She did a backflip and landed on the blade of one skate. No one has attempted the trick since then, making her Olympic performance, one to remember.

From 1912 through 1954, individuals could earn medals for art, as long as it was inspired by a sport of some kind. The art could include painting, literature, sculpture or music. Eventually, this was tossed out, as most professional artists sell their work to earn a living.

In 2002, during the Winter Olympics, speed skater Steven Bradbury of Australia was racing in the 1,000 meter short track finals and was lagging behind. During the race, the leaders crashed into each other, leaving Bradbury far enough behind to avoid the collision. He was able to skate by and win gold.

The first modern Olympic Marathon (26.2-mile road race) took place in 1904. Most of the runners had never run that far before. One competitor showed up to the start line in dress pants. Fourteen out of the 32 racers were able to finish. One racer, Fred Lorz who won, actually jumped in a car for 11 miles of it due to a cramp. Another runner, Felix Carvajal ate a rotten apple halfway through and stopped to take a nap. He finished fourth. The gold officially was given to Thomas Hicks who was carried over the finish line having hallucinations that he had 20 more miles to go.

During the summer of 1992, the Lithuanian basketball team did not have enough money to compete in the Summer Olympics due to the collapse of the Soviet Union. Coming to the rescue and offering aid to the team was, unexpectedly and, frankly, bizarrely, the Grateful Dead, the rock band with a legendary reputation for imbibing, shall we say, 'illicit substances.' Beyond donating money to make the trip possible, the band allowed the team to sell Grateful Dead merchandise. The team competed in tie-dyed uniforms, and took bronze.

In 1984, McDonald's offered free food every time an American won a medal. During those summer games, the Soviet Union boycotted the games, leaving many open spaces for medals available. This ended up costing the fast food chain a significant amount of money.

True sportsmanship was shown during the Winter Olympics in 2006, held in Torino, Italy, when skier Sara Renner broke her ski pole halfway through an event. Bjornar Haakensmoen, the Norwegian ski coach handed her a spare. The Canadians went on to win silver, while the Norwegians took fourth. To show gratitude the Canadians gifted Haakensmoen with five tons of maple syrup. Both governments waived import duties.

The medals for the Tokyo Olympics are made from recycled electronics to include cameras, smartphones and laptops.

The McDonald's in the Olympic Village is free for all athletes and coaches; however, in 2016 in Rio, McDonald's capped the amount of items that could be ordered at one time to 20.

From 1900-1920, Tug of War was an Olympic sport, with Great Britain winning the most medals and the USA coming in a close second.

In 1936, two Japanese pole vaulters, who were friends had to compete against each other to decide who took silver and who took bronze. The requested that they share the honors, but were told no. Shuhei Nishida and Sueo Oe had their medals cut in half and fused together, into the medals of friendship.

In 2012, women were finally allowed to compete in boxing. Since 1991, anytime a new event is introduced to the games, women must be included.

Dr. Spock, a well known pediatrician and author, won Olympic Gold as part of the 1924 U.S. rowing team.

OPINION

Views and commentary from Charlton, Charlton City, Charlton Depot and beyond

Death and taxes

Benjamin Franklin said, "...nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes."

He wasn't the originator of the phrase, but he certainly helped to cement it as a mainstream idiom here in America.

I've begun to feel that the idiom isn't precisely true. Sure, death comes to us all, and we all must pay taxes. To me, it makes more sense to say, "nothing is certain, except loss and taxes."

All of us deal with loss in our lifetimes. Coping with a loss is never easy. Loss comes in many forms and all shapes and sizes.

Some people can go through life not losing much at all, and others sometimes lose everything.

Zig Ziglar said, "It's not what happens to you; it's how you handle what happens to you that will make the difference..." Two brothers had an alcoholic father. One brother became a happy, successful person, and when asked why he said, "I had no choice; my father was an alcoholic." The other brother became a miserable alcoholic, and when asked why he said, "I had no choice; my father was an alcoholic."

The brothers had the same experience but created different narratives.

When I was younger, I met a beautiful girl. I don't believe in love at first sight, but this was the closest thing to it. It was a short relationship, only seven months. She left me abruptly after telling me many times that she loved me. I felt as if my whole world was ending. I became bitter and hostile for a time, and despite my positive upbringing, it was the first time I'd lost something that had such profound meaning. My reaction made things much worse. I created a narrative in my mind that became a destructive thought pattern that brought even more heartache; I allowed it to fester, nourished it, and it became my personality for a time.

My father, Gary W. Moore, the founder of this column, lost a business that he poured into his heart and soul. He built a business from scratch that sold state-of-the-art water filtration systems. He had a factory, sales teams, and offices around the country. His offices in New Orleans had become his most profitable. The future seemed bright; little did he

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know that loss was knocking at his door.

It all started when his business partner embezzled several hundred thousand dollars. Then the managers of his most profitable sales offices in Louisiana made counterfeit water filters, selling them, keeping the money, bypassing the inventory process. Sales slumped, lawsuits were filed. Then came Hurricane Katrina; it destroyed all of his offices in New Orleans. The business had collapsed. Through all of this, he was determined to recover. Limping along, barely surviving, the housing collapse of 2008 brought it to an end.

He could have become negative. He could have positioned himself as a victim. He could have given up, and nobody would've blamed him.

He did the opposite and seamlessly moved into a new career as an author. He convinced himself that he would succeed, that it would only be a matter of time before his books would sell. It wasn't long, and his books were selling. An Oscar-winning producer optioned his first book, and his second book was adapted into a screenplay by a different Oscar-winning producer! What are the odds? Did it have anything to do with the narrative he created in his mind?

Gary passed away on July 14. It was a terrible loss for the whole family. He was our anchor.

For the past several years, I spoke to my father daily. We have written screenplays together and started what we think will be a very successful business.

As I move forward without him, sometimes the thoughts creep in, "I can't do this, I wasn't meant to succeed, my business will be an utter failure without my dad."

Observing my father and studying how other successful people cope with loss, I know enough to kill those thoughts right as they manifest. I am instead telling myself what my father would have said to himself if he were in my position, "I can do this; I was born to win; the business will be wildly successful!"

Toby Moore is a columnist.

Disappointment and disillusionment

My church at Charlton City UMC began worshipping outdoors in June without masks or physical distancing but continued to require masks if we were forced indoors. Our thinking was that it would be a few Sundays at most during the summer, so no big deal, and we'd have the mask policy in place just in case the fall brought worsening news. Well, that "just in case" is already rearing its ugly head. At the same time, because of the worsening news surrounding Covid-19, we are faced with the discouraging question: how long? How long will this go on?

All of us, to varying degrees, are frustrated, disappointed, and swiftly losing hope that this pandemic would only affect us for a year. Some of us, if not most of us, are also growing disillusioned about whether our institutions, our churches and governments, actually care about us or if they're only concerned with scoring political points. How long? How long must we be told what to do with conflicting reports about what the best course forward is?

Of course, if I knew the answers to those questions, then I'd probably play the lottery. What I can help us with, though, is our response to such deep disappointment and disillusionment. There are plenty of examples of God's people living in grief, disappointment, and hopelessness.

Psalms 13 asks, "How long, O Lord?



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Will you forget me forever?" The Book of Lamentations is five chapters of wondering whether God will abandon Israel. Job comes to mind, too. Having lost everything, he questions God, doubts traditional theologies and understandings of God and life, and rages against his 'friends' who don't seem to care about him.

Yet each of those examples, Job especially, never take their eye off of God, the source of hope, the origin of all that is and all that is good. Our biblical ancestors lived in disappointment and disillusionment but never let themselves be ruled by anything other than a hope that God will act somehow, some way, some time. We cannot ignore how we are feeling, we cannot hide what we are thinking, but we should not be ruled by hopelessness.

For your sake, for your mental and physical and spiritual health, I hope that you will acknowledge your frustrations, disappointments, and disillusionment, but not be stuck there. This pandemic has been and, apparently, will continue to be with us for a long time. So we must find reason to hope. Whether you believe in God or not, it is imperative that we follow the biblical example so that we do not permanently fall prey to negativity. Look for blessings anywhere you can find them. Rage against God if you have to. But somehow, some way, return to hope.

Are trust services right for you?

If you're extremely busy with your career and family and you've accumulated a fair amount of assets, you might be concerned about a variety of issues related to financial management and legacy planning. Specifically, you might think you don't have the time or expertise to deal with these matters effectively. If this is the case, you might want to consider using a trust company.

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If you ever feel like the complexities of wealth management and trust administration are getting to be more than you can handle – or perhaps more than you want to handle – consider contacting a trust company. You might find that it can make your life a lot easier.

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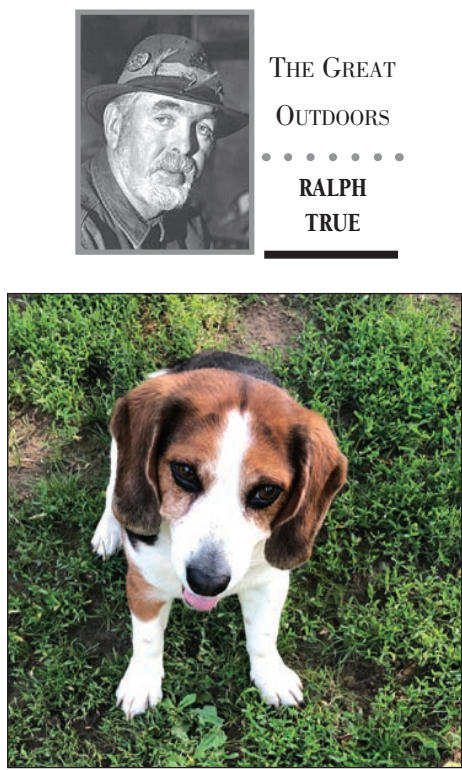


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This week's second picture shows my beagle Molly after a great hunt on a cotton tail rabbit.

Planet earth is under attack on all fronts again. Wildfires in the West and floods in other parts of the country, along with mud slides, are extremely devastating to the people and wildlife, in the areas. Not to forget to mention tornadoes that are ripping apart whole towns in their path. Now we need to deal with a new Delta variant of Covid-19. Will life ever get back to normal? Whatever that is!

Finally, my little 13-inch beagle Molly has opened up on rabbits, and had the longest drive of her life in my backyard this past Sunday afternoon. She started to bark in the backyard, so I walked down to the back gate to see what all of the commotion was about. I spotted a cottontail rabbit a hundred feet or less from the back gate. I quickly opened the gate and she shot out of the gate entrance like a bullet. She was quickly vocal as she ran towards the rabbit that quickly disappeared into the



Fishing on the Helen H in Hyannis. Lots of sea bass and porgies. From left to right: Logan Henchey, five, Mason Letellier, nine, Brendan Packard, nine, Nate Packard, Mike Letellier, Mykayla Kenmuir, 14, Lexi Letellier, 15, and Eva Henchey, eight.

brush. Soon she was barking and yodeling as she trailed the elusive rabbit. The rabbits seem to have as much fun as the beagle, as they try to outsmart the dog.

I could hardly believe what my ears were hearing. For years, this writer had owned beagles that I ran on snowshoe hare a couple of times a week at the Douglas state forest with a couple of friends. Back in the day we had a half dozen dogs or more chasing and driving rabbits for hours. Rabbit populations are exploding throughout the valley and show no signs of slowing down. Maybe the Blackstone Valley Beagle Club could once again have their members hunting rabbits and owning beagles like we once did back in the day. Unfortunately, there are very few snowshoe hare to run the dogs on, but cottontail are still a lot of fun to hunt and train the beagles on. This week's



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The third picture shows Frank Padula with an impressive largemouth bass he caught recently .

picture shows the happy beagle Molly.

Every dog had a different bark. Some yodeled, some squeaked, some had a distinct bark, so that every dog owner could identify his dog. Hopefully, Molly will continue to improve before the hunting season. Maybe just maybe, she will continue to be vocal and hunt down a few pheasant for me to harvest, as beagles are great for hunting both rabbits and pheasant. Hunting season is not far away! I know I am rushing it!

Captain Mel True, Jr. had a party of anglers enjoyed a day of fishing on his boat "Fish Net Charters" last week. The four anglers landed their limit of stripers, but not before releasing 30- & 40-pound fish because they were too large or too small. Then they limited out on large seabass, and finally finished catching a good number of

huge bluefish. Sounds like they had a good day.

Freshwater bass fishing also remained strong this past week with this week's photo showing an angler with a 5.5-pound beauty. One local angler reported catching 16 largemouth bass last week at a small pond in Uxbridge, while fishing from his kayak. The largest was three and a half pounds! Numerous smallmouth bass were also reported last week.

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club will hold another Chicken Bar-B Q this Sunday along with another archery shoot which is open to the public. Come on down.

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Guide to Harvesting Your Backyard Crop



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It's harvest time and backyard gardeners everywhere are anticipating the well earned fruits of their labor. From plucking peppers to cutting cauliflower, proper harvesting ensures optimum flavor and nutrients from your home garden. Read on for the ways to up the odds of culling "the cream of the crop" from common vegetable and fruit plants.

Experts say the most important rule at harvest time is to pick vegetables daily. Plucking them as soon as they ripen not only offers superior taste, but this practice encourages plant production. Simply stated, harvesting on the day that the produce ripens can help you yield more from your seasonal crop. Furthermore, gardeners should be aware that some vegetables are best harvested when they appear premature. Examples include summer squash, zucchini and green beans, all vegetables can can become tough and lose flavor when they are allowed to sit on the vine too long. Seed company Burpee offers expert advice on harvesting common fruits and vegetables:

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Herbs. Pinch or cut back herbs frequently to keep them producing more stems and leaves (the parts we eat) and to keep them from blooming, which changes the flavor. If that means you have surplus thyme or oregano, dry it in a brown paper bag. Basil, especially, needs frequent pinching back to keep it bushy and productive. At some point in July or August everybody has too much basil, which is why the Italians invented pesto (find many recipes on the internet).

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Tomatoes. There is a huge range of tomato varieties. Many kinds are red when ripe, but some are orange, yellow, striped or even green. Learn what to expect from your variety and monitor the plant closely as its due date nears. Generally, a tomato is fully ripe when it releases easily from the stem. If you misjudge a bit it's no tragedy, because tomatoes will ripen somewhat after picking. But they develop the fullest sweet flavor if they ripen in the sun on the vine. Once you have picked the first few tomatoes of a particular variety, you will get a feel for what a ripe one will look and taste like. Some tomatoes are "determinate" types, which will stop bearing after a few weeks. Most are "indeterminate" kinds, which will keep flowering and setting fruit until killed by frost, although colder weather will slow production. It's a good idea to pick your green tomatoes a week or so before your area's average first frost date. The more mature ones will ripen indoors if they are stored at room temperature, wrapped in newspaper so they don't touch. Or make fried green tomatoes.

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Peppers. Peppers are mature and ready to eat when full-sized but still green. If left on the vine longer, they will change color to red, orange, yellow or brown, depending on the variety, and will deepen in flavor and become less crisp in texture. Hot peppers left to change color will get hotter. So whether you pick at the green stage or later will depend on the variety and what you plan to use the pepper for. As with tomatoes, the first few you pick will teach you to gauge ripeness.

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Lettuce. It's important to pick lettuce before hot weather encourages the plant to "bolt," or develop a flower stalk, which makes the leaves taste bitter. With leaf lettuce and many other greens, you can "cut and come again" while the leaves are young and tender, no more than five inches long. Use scissors to cut the largest leaves individually from the plants. When the smaller leaves get big enough, harvest those. You may be able to come back to a plant two, three or four times, a few days apart, before it gives up in the summer heat. To prolong the lettuce harvest, look for bolt-resistant varieties and sow seeds several times at two-week intervals. A tent of shade cloth or translucent row cover -- or a site in part shade -- also may delay bolting in hot climates. In late summer, sow green seeds again for a fall crop.

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Green beans. Green beans are an easy vegetable to harvest. Pick the pods when they are a little shy of their maximum size, to be sure that they are tender, with immature seeds. If you delay, the seeds will mature and harden and the pod will become tough. Don't pick green beans in the morning when the dew is still on the vines; wait until they are fully dry to avoid spreading disease. Be sure to keep up with

regular picking to encourage the vine to keep flowering and producing pods.

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Peas. For garden peas, pick a test pod and open it when the seeds have begun to swell inside. You're looking for peas that are round but still tender. Pick peas just before you are ready to shell and cook them. For snow peas and sugar snaps, taste a pod when it nears full size. You want a crisp, crunchy, fresh-tasting pod, in which the seeds have started developing but are nowhere near round. Pods left too long on the vine get tough and stringy.

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Cantaloupes, muskmelons and honeydews: Harvesting melons can be tricky, even for melon farmers. You can thump the melon and listen for a dull, hollow sound or sniff it to see if it smells sweet. A ripe cantaloupe or muskmelon will begin to have a tan or yellowish color beneath the corky «netting» on its skin. A honeydew will feel smooth, not hairy. Cut the stem rather than breaking the fruit off, which creates a wound that invites the fruit to rot. Let the fruit ripen for another day or two at room temperature before cutting into it.

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Watermelons. When the spot beneath the melon, where it sits on the ground, turns yellowish, rather than white or green, the melon is close to ripe. The rind also gets tougher, so test it with your thumbnail to how easily it dents. For old-fashioned full-sized watermelons, the traditional ripeness test is to thump and listen for a dull, hollow sound, but this may not work as well with the smaller «icebox» varieties. Ultimately, you'll have to cut one open and decide if it's ripe, and use that as a standard for the rest of the crop.

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Cucumbers. Check the seed packet to see how large your variety of cucumber

will get and how long that is expected to take. But bear in mind that you can pick cucumbers at any stage, depending on what you want to use them for. Smaller ones will be more tender, with thinner skins and few or immature seeds. Too-old cucumbers get dry and woody. Like melons, cucumbers should be cut from the vine, not pulled.

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Sweet corn. Timing is everything with sweet corn. The kernels begin to lose sweetness and flavor the instant the ear is picked, so the great advantage of growing your own is so you can wait until the last minute. The traditional rule was to get the pot of water boiling to cook the corn and then go out and pick it. Sweet corn is ready to eat when you can feel full, rounded kernels beneath the husk; the silk at the top of the ear is drying out; and a squished kernel produces a milky sap.

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Root vegetables. Read the seed packet to see how long it should take before you start checking to see if your variety of carrots, beets, turnips, radishes or parsnips is ready for harvest. When it's about time, loosen the soil gently and pull one up to see how big it is. Root vegetables are more tender and delicate in flavor if eaten younger and smaller; as they get older and larger, they get tougher, woodier and more pungent. If that's okay with you, you can store some root crops right in the cold ground after the tops die. Spread a thick layer of leaves, straw or other mulch to keep the ground from freezing so you can still dig them up, and you may be able to harvest carrots, turnips or parsnips.

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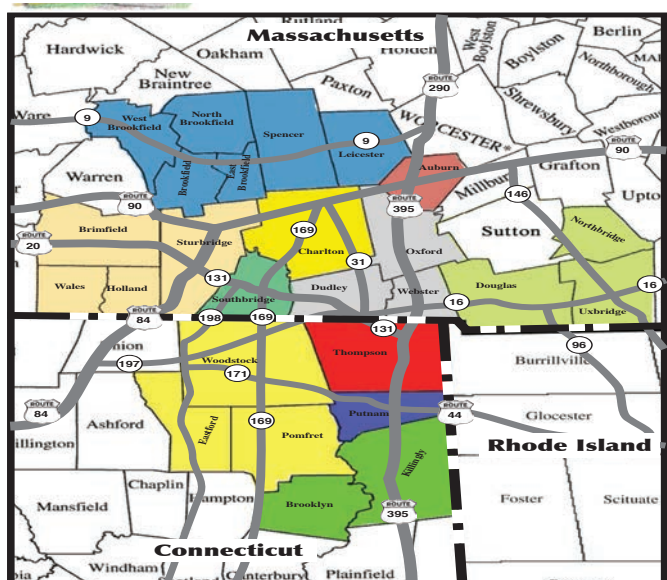
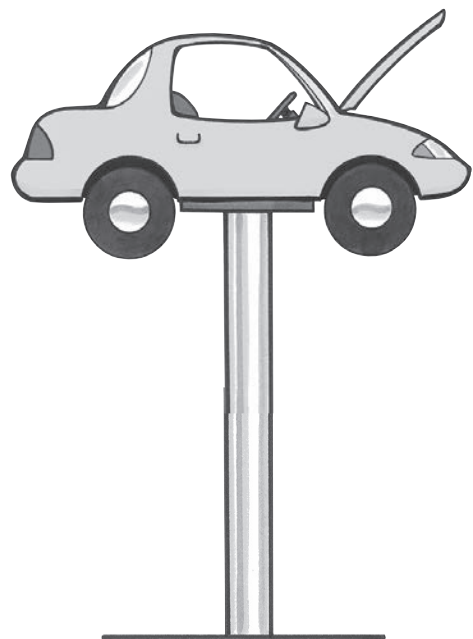
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OBITUARIES

Edward A. Russell, 63

Charlton- Edward A. Russell, 63, passed away July 27, 2021 in the comfort of his home after a short battle with leukemia.



He leaves his wife of 40 years, Jean M. (Paine) Russell, a son, Daniel E. Russell and his wife Tricia of Charlton, a daughter Melissa M. Audet and her husband Michael of Dudley, 5 grandchildren; Olivia, Nathan, Madelyn, Isabelle and Gavin, 4 brothers; Paul, John, Kevin and Roger and sisters; Diana Coggans, and Donna Turner. Edwards was predeceased by sister Joanne Boyd.

He was co-owner with his brother John of Dolphin Pools and Construction for 44 years.

Edward was born in Millbury on December 16, 1957 son of Roland and

Doris (James) Russell and has lived in Charlton for many years.

He enjoyed all sports but was a fan of the New England Patriots and attended many Super Bowls, he also enjoyed his second home in St. Maarten for many years. He was one of the hardest workers around, a generous man, a One of a Kind man, but mainly he enjoyed his family, wife, children and grandchildren

That's what made him the person that Ed was, and accomplished.

Calling Hours were Friday, July 30, 2021 from 5-8 pm at the ROBERT J. MILLER-CHARLTON FUNERAL HOME, 175 Old Worcester Rd.

A funeral Mass was held on Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 10 am in St. Joseph's Church, 10 H-Putnam Rd., Charlton, burial follow in West Ridge Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests the donations be made to: Dana Farber Cancer Research, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA, 02115. To leave an on line condolence for Ed, please visit: RJMillerfunerals.net

Arthur Edward Curtis, 87

Charlton- Arthur Edward Curtis, 87, passed away peacefully at his home in Charlton, MA on July 22, 2021. Arthur had a 40-year accounting career with Savings Bank Life Insurance, Norton Company (Saint Gobain) and Becker College. He received his accounting degrees from Bates College and Bentley College. In 1958, he joined the Masons and was a member of the Good Samaritan Lodge in Reading, MA. Throughout his life, Arthur was devoted to service and gave his time freely, holding many leadership positions. He was particularly proud of his associations with the Worcester County Shrine Club, and the 32o Masonic Learning Center for Dyslexic Children, where he served on the Board of Directors and was involved in raising an endowment of \$300 million. Arthur was a Specialist in the U.S. Army from 1954-1956, stationed in Korea. He was a member of the St



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Luke's Episcopal Church in Worcester for 40 years and a founding resident of the Overlook Life Care Community in Charlton, MA. Arthur was born in Reading, MA to George and Harriet Curtis in 1933. He is survived by his two sons, and their families; Neil and Amy Curtis and grandson Colin of Shelburne, VT, Paul and Kory Curtis of Wilcox, AZ, and grandchildren Ryan, Shaundra, and Stephen, and three great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Elizabeth Adam and a large extended family of cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents and brother, Richard Curtis, of Reading MA, and the mother of his children Carolyn Curtis of Marshfield, MA and Phoenix, AZ.

A Private burial will be at Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton.

A Memorial Service will be at a later date.

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

The family request that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to the charity of one's choice.

To offer an on line condolence, please visit, RJMillerfunerals.net

Create your own backyard paradise



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You don't need a plane ticket, tank full of gas or train ride to enjoy a bit of paradise. Create your own in a small alcove, large patio, or deck in your own backyard.

Start by visualizing what paradise looks and feels like to you. A table and chair surrounded by beautiful plants makes a wonderful space to relax, read a book and enjoy some alone time. For some, it means a patio or deck filled with colorful planters and surrounded by ornamental grasses, vine covered trellises, flowering shrubs, and evergreens. These will help define the space, provide privacy, mask unwanted noise, and provide a great space for entertaining.

Don't let a lack of space, patio, or deck stop you from building a backyard getaway. Look for those underutilized areas. Perhaps it is a back corner of the yard, space next to the garage, side yard or a spot under a big shade tree. A vine covered arbor, piece of indoor-outdoor carpet and a few planters can turn any space into a backyard retreat.

Once you identify the space and desired function, think about the ambience you want to create. For a tropical escape, include leafy plants like elephant ears and bananas in pots, wicker furniture, a water feature and colorful flowers like begonias, hibiscus, and mandevilla. Don't overlook hardy

perennials. Plants like big leaf hostas, variegated Solomon's seal, crocosmia, cassia and others help create the look and feel of the tropics. Continue this theme by using bamboo, wicker, and wood for any needed screening.

If it is a visit to the Mediterranean you prefer, include stonework, planters with silver foliage plants like dusty miller, and sage and a few evergreens. Use upright junipers and grapevines trained on arbors for screening. An urn or topiary make an attractive focal point. Fill the garden space with herbs, blue oat grass, calendula, salvia, and alliums.

For a casual visit to England, craft yourself a cottage garden. Construct a narrow path leading through an archway at the entrance to your secret garden. Create an informal collection of flowers, herbs, and medicinal plants. Use a birdbath, piece of garden art or water feature as your focal point.

If it's the north woods you prefer, make a firepit the focal point, add some rustic furnishings and complete the scene with native plants. Or let your personality shine with a colorful bistro set, garden art, and flowers of orange, red, and yellow.

As your vision comes into focus, it is time to start putting your ideas on paper. A simple sketch will help you define the space, arrange the plants, and identify the appropriate furnishings and building materials. It is much easier to move items on paper than once they are set into the ground.

Always contact your local underground utility locating service at least three business days in advance. It's free and as easy as calling 811 or filing an online request. They will contact all the appropriate companies who will



Photo Melinda Myers

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mark the location of their underground utilities in the designated work area. This reduces the risk of injury and inconvenience of accidentally knocking out power, cable, or other utilities as you enhance your landscape.

Because this important step is often overlooked, August 11th has become National 811 Day. It's a reminder to include this important step when undertaking any landscape project, large or small. And remind others to do the same.

Once complete, you'll simply be able to step out your back door and enjoy

your slice of paradise.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *The Midwest Gardener's Handbook* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* DVD series and the nationally-syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment* TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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A special face
A special son
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With an aching heart
We whisper low
We miss you son
And love you so

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Michael & Chris
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QCC's Early Childhood Education Lab School to reopen this fall

WORCESTER — The Children's School: Quinsigamond Community College's Early Childhood Education Lab School will reopen its doors in Fall 2021. The school is currently enrolling children for the 2021- 2022 academic year, under the leadership of new Director Kristen Fuller.

"After careful review by our Administration and the QCC Board of Trustees, we made the decision to renew our commitment to the Children's School: Early Childhood Education Lab School and the opportunities it affords our students and the young children in our community," said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D.

The Children's School: Early Childhood Education Lab School serves

as a lab/training site for students majoring in Early Childhood Education and is an integral part of the program. It provides supervised student participation and field placement experience for Early Childhood Education Associate Degree students.

"I am very excited to have joined a team of dedicated professionals and to have children return to the QCC campus," Ms. Fuller said.

"The School was established as a resource for QCC students, but has become a true model of collaboration and commitment to top-notch, high-quality education and care of children between the ages of two years, nine months to five years," Ms. Fuller said, adding that the School will have a

daily capacity of 28 children.

The Children's School: Early Childhood Education Lab School was the first center granted the highest level on the Massachusetts Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). The QRIS is a method used to assess, improve, and communicate the level of quality in early child care, early child care education, and after-school settings.

For more information visit www.QCC.edu/childrensschool.

For more information on QCC, contact Josh Martin, Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-7513 or jmartin@qcc.mass.edu.

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

to share your best helpful hints!

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

Old Sturbridge Village Communications Department expands

STURBRIDGE — Earlier this summer, Old Sturbridge Village (OSV) added two new hires to their newly restructured Marketing department in an effort to centralize communications and content production at the museum. Lex Piccione was hired as Lead Designer and Christine Freitas for a newly created position, Director of Communications and Content.

While a lot of organizations have been forced to downsize over the past year, Old Sturbridge Village has continued to grow and expand on their programs and educational resources. This has given the Village the opportunity to bring in new talent and promote already existing talent within the organization. The divisions of program and interpretation, museum education, collections, and research have also added staff to support the mission of the Village.

“We set out to expand the capacity of the existing Marketing department at OSV earlier this year in an effort to streamline and manage messaging and communications across all departments at the Village,” said Christine Tieri, Chief Marketing Officer.

Lex Piccione was an obvious and strong choice for the museum. She comes to the Village after spending six years as a Graphic Designer for the Boston Children’s Museum. Originally from Killingly, Conn., she earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts (SNFA) and Tufts University. She spent a semester abroad at the Studio Art Center International in Florence Italy and also has a Master of Fine Arts from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco.

She has a wealth of experience designing for similar audiences.

“Design has a big part to play in broad-



Lex Piccione and Christine Freitas

Photos Courtesy

ening the demographics of visitorship because it will be up to us how content is perceived and viewed by potential visitors,” says Piccione. “I learned about accessibility and inclusive design at Boston Children’s Museum, and I plan to use this knowledge to help Old Sturbridge Village in their ongoing efforts. Even now, I am applying these skills to many different design initiatives.”

When asked what excites her about her new position, Piccione says, “The unique challenge that the Village faces with design is trying to keep the ambiance and integrity of the 1830s while using modern technology (computers/digital printers) and catering to modern and diverse audiences.”

Already in her time here she has capitalized on the extensive collection of historical resources available at the museum, including using actual fabric swatches to design labels for jams and jellies in our retail shop.

Tieri’s vision also includes rallying all visitor, donor, member, and educational communications through one channel for consistency and to maintain a strong brand identity. To help her manage that initiative, she brought on Christine Freitas in a newly created position, Director of Communication and Content.

Freitas has a background in educational publishing and content marketing at publishers, including Thomson Learning (now Cengage), Pearson, Pioneer Valley Books, and most recently, the non-profit Center for Responsive Schools. With a B.A. in Journalism/Mass Communications from St. Bonaventure University, she has a strong record of managing high-performing content, design, and production teams for over 20 years.

She says, “Working for the museum embodies all of the favorite parts of my past experiences and I’m excited at the prospect of the museum actually doing some of their own publications.”

When asked about the challenges she sees in her new position, she is excited about organizing and streamlining processes for efficiency, accuracy, and consistency, especially with a newly formed team. “I’m particularly excited about creating new ways for visitors to experience the museum, whether it’s an expansion of Virtual Village or the in-person experience. I’d also like to one day see researchers and fellows create and publish content using our collections, resource library, and historians as a resource. It’s a way to expand our reach and brand to new audiences and to refresh the stories of the past.”


About Old Sturbridge Village

Old Sturbridge Village, first opened to the public in 1946, is one of the country’s oldest living history museums, celebrating life in early New England from 1790-1840 and the largest in New England. Each year, more than 250,000 visitors interact with costumed historians, experience up-close demonstrations of early American trades, and meet heritage breed farm animals. Situated on 200 scenic acres, the Village is a collection of more than 40 historic buildings -- including homes, meetinghouses, trade shops, working farms, restaurants, shops, and three water-powered mills.

Located just off the Massachusetts Turnpike and Routes I-84 and 20 in Sturbridge, Mass., Old Sturbridge Village is open year-round, but days and hours vary seasonally. For details, visit <https://www.osv.org/plan-your-visit/>.

Old Sturbridge Village is also the managing partner of Coggeshall Farm Museum in Bristol, R.I. Members at OSV receive reciprocal membership at Coggeshall Farm Museum.





THIS IS A GROUP OF PEOPLE
WHO TYPICALLY LIVE TOGETHER
AND TAKE CARE OF ONE
ANOTHER.

ANSWER: FAMILY

Math Blocks


Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-10.
The numbers in each row add up to the totals to the right.
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Solution

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1806: THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE ENDS.
- 1926: GERTRUDE EDERLE BECOMES THE FIRST WOMAN TO SWIM ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.
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Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

MFIYAL NFU

Answer: Family Fun



PARTICIPATE

take part

How they SAY that in...

- ENGLISH:** Family
- SPANISH:** Familia
- ITALIAN:** Famiglia
- FRENCH:** Famille
- GERMAN:** Familie

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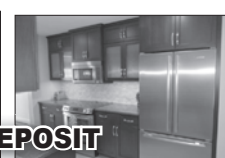
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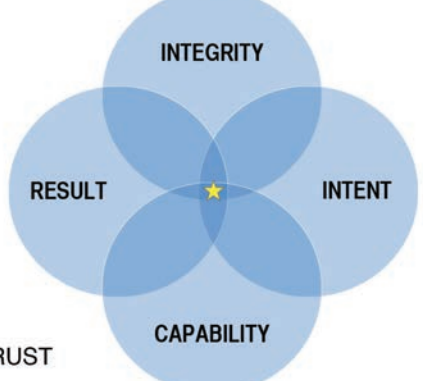
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