

Friday, March 20, 2020



The Uxbridge High School girls' basketball team. First row: Kathryn Cahill, Chloe Kaeller, Sarah Johnston, Brenna Neill, Ashley Dube, Alexandra Wojciechowski. Second row: Assistant Coach Lynn Lopez, Ella Correa, Katie Cullen, Grace Orr, Tessa Johnston, Sydney Bretana, Head Coach Jeff LaCure.

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An award will be presented to the selected nominee during the month of June at a date and time to be determined.

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Soter announces additional funding to combat COVID-19

BOSTON – On March 12, the Massachusetts House and Senate passed a supplemental budget that would create a \$15 million fund in response to the outbreak of COVID 19 cases in the Commonwealth. The funds, held in reserve, would be used to support the state’s monitoring, treatment, containment, public awareness and prevention efforts against the 2019 novel coronavirus by the Department of Public Health, regional and local boards of health, and other public entities. The House and Senate worked swiftly to pass this legislation and send it to the Governor’s desk for approval.

Soter commented, “I want to recognize the rapid response of the House and Senate leaders to address this public health concern. These funds will be used to fortify the infrastructure Massachusetts has in place to combat COVID-19. Both state and local agencies will benefit from this fund, ultimately helping to keep our communities safe and the residents healthy.”

Soter also explained that the best way to stay up to date on the Coronavirus outbreak in Massachusetts would be by visiting www.mass.gov/covid19. The best source for information on the nation-wide outbreak is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Their site, www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/ contains all relevant statistics and recommendations for all audiences. These sites will have the most relevant and accurate information. Additionally, if you have any questions or concerns, you should immediately reach out to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health or your local board of health for the correct and necessary guidance. Finally, if an emergency does arise, do not hesitate to dial 911 or contact your local police department.

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End Vaping in the Valley

BVT’s SKILLSUSA COMMUNITY SERVICE TEAM CREATES A DIALOGUE FOR MAKING HEALTHY CHOICES

UPTON – One of the many ways young people learn is often through conversation, whether it is a discussion with their peers or older students. The sixth-grade students at Miscoe Hill Middle School in Mendon recently had an opportunity to converse with the BVT SkillsUSA Community Service Team about the harmfulness of vaping, and the importance of making healthy choices.

Carissa and Kyle Penta of Blackstone, and Renata Santiago of Milford, members of the BVT SkillsUSA Community Service Team, will represent their high school, Blackstone Valley Tech, at the SkillsUSA Massachusetts State Competition with their community service project titled, ‘End Vaping in the Valley’. The team hopes to put an end to vaping through their awareness campaign, which includes interactive presentations with local sixth-graders about how vaping negatively impacts teenagers and ends with students signing

a No Smoking/Vaping Pledge.

“We decided to present to sixth-graders because we want to bring our message to that age group. If young people are informed with the facts and made aware of the harmful effects of vaping at an earlier age, they will be less likely to try vaping,” explained Renata Santiago.

In addition to presenting at local middle schools, the team plans to attend area Home & Community Expos. Carissa Penta said, “We’ve created posters and made labels for water bottles that have anti-vaping facts that we sold in our school cafeteria to promote and share our message to curb vaping within the Blackstone Valley.”

“Through this community service project, I have learned skills like how to network and other communication skills,” said Kyle Penta. “It is great to be able to give back to my community in such an impactful way.”

The team will ultimately bring their End Vaping in the Valley campaign to the SkillsUSA State Competition with the hope of advancing on to the national competition held in Louisville, Kentucky.

About Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT)

Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School serves the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. Located in the heart of the Blackstone Valley, BVT creates a positive learning community that prepares students for personal and professional success in an internationally competitive society through a fusion of rigorous vocational, technical, and academic skills. The school’s Web site is www.valleytech.k12.ma.us.

Art auction to benefit Lions charities

UXBRIDGE — “Sold to paddle number 27!” followed by a gavel bang and applause is a fun aspect of any auction. The Uxbridge Lions Club is giving a go at its second Fine Arts & Sports Memorabilia Auction on Saturday, May 9. It will be held at the Uxbridge VFW Hall, 13 Cross Road, Uxbridge, with 6:00 pm preview and 6:45pm opening gavel. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door. They can be purchased at paypal.me/uxbridgelionsclubMA or by contacting President Diane Seely at dmseely@hotmail.com.

The auction will have offerings in all price ranges and includes original works of art, signed prints, and sculptures, with works by Itzhak Tarkay, Norman Rockwell, Thomas Kincade, Jane Wooster

Scott, Guillaume Azoulay, and Theodore DeGroot. Add a variety of sports memorabilia such as items autographed by Ted Williams, Mickey Mantle, Joe DiMaggio, Muhammad Ali, Vince Wilfork, John Hannah and more.

Patrons will enjoy appetizers, desserts, coffee or tea and a cash bar during the event which in addition to works of art will feature an opportunity to bid on an African Safari.

Lions International is the largest service organization in the world with more than 1.5 million members in 205 countries. The club has been recognized as one of the Best Small Clubs in District 33A, supporting many community members in need and local organizations and activities for youth and

seniors as well as donating to Lions Club charities like Mass Sight and Hearing, Barton Center for Diabetes Education, Audio Journal, the radio station for the blind, and more. The organization meets every third Wednesday of the month at the Uxbridge Senior Center at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcomed to sit in and learn about Lionism whose motto is “We Serve.”

Also planned for Saturday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to noon, is the Lions Club’s semi-annual Shred Event partnering with On-Site Computers recycling documents and electronics securely. That event will be held at the Uxbridge VFW parking lot.

St. Peter’s Parish to host paint night

NORTHBRIDGE — St. Peter’s Parish in Northbridge will be hosting Mission: Paint on Thursday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Bring your friends & let your creativity flow while we paint the night away! No experience required; you will be walked through every step & go home with a beautiful painting and some new friends. This is a fun & relaxing night! Tickets are \$25 per person.

All money raised will help fund our Mission Trips for our Middle School & High School kids in July. Seating is limited & tickets must be purchased in advance, please call 508-234-2156 or email parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org to purchase tickets or if you have any questions.

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region earns the award. Uxbridge joins the Nipmuc boys in receiving the award this year.

“When we think of the characteristics we wish to see in our Spartans, the tenets of sportsmanship certainly are at the top of our list,” said Rubin. “In that spirit, awards like this truly typify what we mean when we talk about Spartan Pride, and I am so very proud of the team and the coaches for not only taking steps on the court in terms of the X’s and O’s, but also as opponents, teammates, and coaches.”

When Uxbridge fans and visitors enter the high school gymnasium, they will now see a new banner displayed on the wall highlighting this achievement.

“We are thrilled to receive this important honor and award,” said Head Coach Jeff LaCure. “The coaching staff emphasized over and over again that for the Uxbridge girls’ basketball program, we do it the right way, every day. This prestigious award is a beautiful acknowledgment of that philosophy and practice. So incredibly proud of the girls, the team and the program.”

“Our Spartans worked hard all season, represented the ‘U’ incredibly well, and definitely deserve this honor,” added Carbone. “We appreciate the board of officials for recognizing our team, our coaches, and our program as a whole.”

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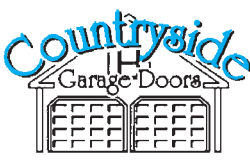
\$572,500, 183 Roosevelt Dr, Risley, David C, and Risley, Irene M, to Wang, Hua, and Zhai, Wenyi.

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\$315,000, 112 Church St, Villemaire, Julie A, to Dion, Michael, and Dion, Sarah.

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Do you know about the Ghost Army of WWII?



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Pictured, left to right: Jackie Holmes, Reese Holmes, Taryn Holmes, and Jane F. Keegan.

UXBRIDGE — The Deborah Wheelock Chapter, DAR, was treated to a little-known history lesson at their meeting on March 11 at the Simeon Wheelock House in Uxbridge. The speaker was Reese Homes, Massachusetts State President of the Children of the American Revolution. Her state project was to raise \$5000 to support the Ghost Army Legacy Project, a non-profit organization to preserve and honor the legacy of these men.

In the summer of 1944, 1,100 hand-picked GIs landed in France to conduct a special mission. Classified for more than 50 years after the fact, the story is only now beginning to be told. Once upon a time vehicles unloaded inflatable tanks, trucks, and a massive collection of sound effect records. The purpose was to create a road show of deception across Europe's battlefields; their most important audience was the German Army.

The men of the 23rd Headquarters Special Troops accomplished their mission through tactics involving visual, sonic and radio misdirection. Known as the Ghost Army, phony convoys, phantom divisions, and make-believe headquarters were CONjured (pun intended) to fool the enemy about the strength and location of American fighting units. Every few days they made camp, literally on the front lines, pretending to be a force of 10,000 to 30,000 soldiers. Then they would magically disappear only to reappear with tents and gear in another place long before the enemy figured out what was happening.

The funds raised will purchase a marker to be placed in Brest, France to



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recognize the first time all three 'deception' units worked together in the war effort. Further, to honor the contribution of the Ghost Army to Allied victory in World War II, Massachusetts C.A.R. went to Washington. In February, they lobbied Congress to rally support to introduce a bill for presentation of a Congressional Gold Medal, and garnered co-sponsorships from US Senators and Congressmen.

The N.S.C.A.R., founded 125 years ago in Massachusetts, is the nation's oldest patriotic youth organization. Its objective is to train good citizens, develop leaders, and promote love of country and its heritage among young people. Boys and girls from birth to age 22, who are descended from Patriots of the American Revolution, participate in ever-changing programs and projects supporting the Mission. Inquiries are welcome; contact Jackie Holmes, Senior State President, at massachusettscar@gmail.com.

Bolandrina inducted into National Society of Leadership and Success at University of Phoenix

PHOENIX, Az. — Gretheline Ramos-Bolandrina of Douglas, a Doctor of Health Administration student at the University of Phoenix and the Academy Director for Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy in Charlton (since 2015), has been inducted into The National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS), Sigma Alpha Pi University of Phoenix chapter for the Spring Semester, 2020. Bolandrina's membership is the result of her outstanding academic achievement, the accomplishment of 3.86 GPA. Bolandrina was given the distinguished honor of the NSLS, Sigma Alpha Pi Presidential membership.

The National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Alpha Pi, is the largest collegiate honor society in the United States. In addition to honoring excellence, Sigma Alpha Pi distinguishes itself by providing members access to a five-step leadership program to develop skills that will drive success beyond the classroom and into the next phase of professional career or as a gradu-



Gretheline Ramos-Bolandrina

ate student.

Also, recently, Bolandrina was inducted to the University of Phoenix Chapter of the Upsilon Phi Delta Society and is duly enrolled in this honorary health care leadership Society. Upsilon Phi Delta is the national academic honor society for students in healthcare administration in the United States. The organization was

formed in 1965 to further the profession of health administration and the professional competence and dedication of its members. It is administered by the Association of University Programs in Health Administration. The name of the society is derived from the Greek words for «health,» «care,» and «administration.» Its official colors are crimson red and cobalt blue and its official flower is the rose. The mission of the Upsilon Phi Delta Honor Society is to recognize, reward, and encourage academic excellence in the study of healthcare management and policy. Upsilon Phi Delta membership is an earned honor reserved for students in the top third of their cohort with a cumulative GPA of 3.8. After years of hard work, Bolandrina is set to complete her doctoral degree in Health Administration from the University of Phoenix at the end of 2020. Her dissertation work is on the academic progression of male LPNs. She obtained her Master of Science in Nursing Education, also

from the University of Phoenix in 2013 and was inducted in the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau (STTI) Iota Phi-at Large Chapter. She obtained her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at the University of Santo Tomas, Manila Philippines.

It is the Mission of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School to facilitate current, integrated, and rigorous

academic and technical vocational programs that prepare students for the ever-changing world of employment and post-secondary education; to provide a school culture that meets the diverse needs of our student body for safety and mental wellness; and to foster student confidence, professionalism, and life-long learning skills that will enable them to become contributing members of our communities.

Douglas man creates new social network

DOUGLAS — Tired of endless town Facebook arguments? Douglas resident Luke MacNeil has taken matters into his own hands and created an entirely new social network.

This network, dubbed "The Uncanny Valley," promises to be a hub for arts and culture in the Blackstone Valley area and beyond.

"On our network, we compliment each other instead of tearing each other down," said MacNeil in relation to the network.

Like Facebook, or Twitter, or Linked-in, The Uncanny Valley provides users with a customized Timeline that shows their activity and the activity of their friends. It allows users to self organize into groups, and provides forums for discussing popular topics and niche hobbies. One of the largest draws of The Uncanny Valley though, is its expansive calendar of events. MacNeil Media Group has worked with local libraries, venues, and tech sites

to aggregate several local sources of events into one place.

"We want to build this community around the arts," said MacNeil, the 37 year old entrepreneur. "I found myself spending four, six, sometimes upwards of eight hours a day arguing with people on Facebook. I figure if I'm going to spend all that time creating content, it might as well be positive content on a network that benefits our local area."

The Uncanny Valley invites residents of the Blackstone Valley, Central Massachusetts, and beyond to "FIND YOUR TRIBE" at www.theuncannyvalley.net.

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Friday, May 1st at 4pm.

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Overdose tracking and response program implemented in Worcester County

WORCESTER — Police departments in all 60 of Worcester County's cities and towns will begin tracking overdoses in real-time today thanks to a new program implemented by a partnership between District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr., the Central Massachusetts Chiefs of Police, local hospitals and medical providers, Sheriff Lew Evangelidis and recovery community partners.

The Critical Incident Management System (CIMS) allows law enforcement to collect overdose data and make it available in real-time to all police departments in the county. The information is then used to have a plainclothes police officer and a recovery coach reach out to the non-fatal overdose victim and offer services within 48 hours. The program allows police to identify those with substance use disorder who are most at risk and offer them treatment.

CIMS was developed by Kelley Research Associates in partnership with law enforcement and the District Attorney's office in Plymouth County. After implementing the program in 2017, Plymouth



County had a 26 percent reduction in overdose deaths in 2018. CIMS is in use or being implemented in Bristol, Essex, Middlesex and Norfolk counties, as well.

The District Attorney's office purchased the software for \$40,000 using drug forfeiture funds.

"I am proud that we are bringing the CIMS program to Worcester County," said Mr. Early. "This model has proven effective in Plymouth and we hope to see the same success here. I'm glad to partner with so many who are helping us

address this deadly disease. We are stepping out of our silos to use a model proven effective in another part of our state. It is exciting."

Central Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association President and Fitchburg Police Chief Ernest F. Martineau has worked to get all of the departments in Worcester County signed up to use the program.

"Critical Incident Management Systems have shown to make substantial gains with providing hope for those suffering with addiction," said Chief Martineau. "Positive reductions to overdoses have been reported in Plymouth County and that same technology is soon to be a reality in Worcester County. CIMS will break down the silos and allow law enforcement to effectively collaborate its response. CIMS was developed by police for police."

Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis has also agreed to partner on this program by identifying those reentering the community who may be at a high risk for overdose.

CLUES ACROSS

1. Currency of Guinea

5. Avert something bad

10. Sounds

12. Immediate dangers

14. Legendary Tar Heels coach

16. Californium

18. Work standards government dept. (abbr.)

19. Coastal Scottish town

20. Triangular lower back bones

22. Trouble

23. A way to smile

25. Something that is not what it seems

26. Of she

27. Temporary living quarters

28. Bag-like structure in a plant or animal

30. Indicates near

31. Spiritual leader

33. Soup dish

35. Philippine island

37. No longer fashionable

38. Peaks

40. Alabama football team

41. ___ King Cole

42. Digital audiotape

44. Open trough

45. The woman

48. Cools down

50. Turkic language

52. Body part

53. Pulse steadily

55. Embedded computer hardware company

56. Indicates shape

57. Thou (plural)

58. Odd and remarkable

63. An evening party

65. National capital of Zambia

66. Tantalizes

67. Dark brown or black

CLUES DOWN

1. Not naturally outgoing

2. Exclamation of pain

3. Polynesian garland of flowers

4. Surrounded by water

5. Church towers

6. Hot beverage

7. Body parts

8. Travel documents

9. Railway

10. Gradually wear away

11. Measuring instrument

13. Minor dust-ups

15. Strongly alkaline solution

17. Extreme scarcity of food

18. Dash

21. Philly culinary specialty

23. Popular lager ___ Adams

24. Snitch

27. Trimmed

29. Greek god of desire

32. Take to the limit

34. Cool!

35. Sound mental health

36. Native American group

39. Test for high schoolers

40. Rocky peak

43. Preferences

44. Bother

46. Call attention to (slang)

47. Snake-like fish

49. Bulgarian capital

51. Don't know when yet

54. Italian Seaport

59. Brooklyn hoopster

60. Where to bathe

61. Equal, prefix

62. Beverage container

64. Denotes openness

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Roger Williams University announces Fall 2019 Dean's List

BRISTOL, R.I. — Select students have been named to the Fall 2019 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester. The following students have been recognized for this achievement.

Drew Abbott, of Uxbridge
Jaylin Bodell, of Uxbridge
Emily Braney, of Northbridge
James Cannon, of Whitinsville
Jacob Gogolinski, of Whitinsville
Joseph Hanson, of Northbridge
Cora McComiskey, of Northbridge
Haley Reese, of Uxbridge
Ashleigh Triber, of Douglas

About RWU
With campuses on the coast of Bristol and in the heart of Providence, R.I., Roger Williams University is a forward-thinking private university committed to strengthening society through engaged teaching and learning. At RWU, small classes, direct access to faculty and guaranteed

opportunity for real-world projects ensure that its nearly 4,000 undergraduates - along with hundreds of law students, graduate students and adult learners - graduate with the ability to think critically along with the practical skills that today's employers demand. Roger Williams is leading the way in American higher education, confronting the most pressing issues facing students and families - increasing costs, rising debt and job readiness.

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coronavirus, they are being asked to do their homework to maximize the contribution.

"Make sure you verify that the charity is legitimate, donate by check or credit card and not by cash, and don't be pressured into making a contribution," Healey advised.

The Attorney General's Office encourages anyone with questions or concerns to call the consumer hotline at 617-727-8400 or file a complaint online at mass.gov.

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and Tom Bellacqua, principals of The Mendon Street Kitchen. Others honored were: Amanda Gallerani, Becky & Russ Wise Family, Joanna Bellacqua, Mark Blair, Scott, Nicole & Carly McKay, Steve Gallerani, Donald Roy, and Stan Smyth.

The DAR has been devoted to community service since its inception in 1890 and promotes patriotism, historic preservation, and education. It aims to Rise and Shine for America through its programs and volunteer efforts. To join more than one million women who have been accepted as members, contact Jane F. Keegan, Vice Regent.

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UXBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL NAMES STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Kayleigh Murphy for being selected as Douglas High School's Student of the Month. Kayleigh is a member of the ninth grade class at DHS. She is a conscientious and motivated learner. Her positive attitude is contagious as she answers questions in class and interacts with her peers. Kayleigh is a great student and understands that through perseverance and hard work she can accomplish anything she sets her mind to. Great job, Kayleigh!

EXTRA! EXTRA!

Early spring preparation for a beautiful summer garden



Courtesy Photo
When pruning, start by removing the damaged and diseased stems of shrubs and roses and wear heavy duty gloves to keep yourself free from scratches.

As winter fades into spring, gardeners can't wait to get busy in the garden. Pruning, cutting back perennials and ornamental grasses and preparing the garden for spring planting are just a few of the tasks. Keep yourself and the pollinators overwintering in your garden safe as you start the cleanup process. Always prune with a purpose. Start by removing any

damaged and diseased stems from shrubs and roses. Watch for insects like swallowtail butterflies that overwinter in protective cocoons and the egg masses of some like the hairstreak butterflies. Prevent problems by destroying overwintering non-native pests like the gypsy moth. Search the internet and insect books for help identifying the good and bad guys you may find in your

landscape. Additional pruning may be needed to manage the size and shape or encourage better flowering and bark color. Wait to prune spring flowering shrubs like lilacs and forsythia if you want maximum flowering. Prune these shrubs right after flowering before they set their floral buds for next spring. Keep yourself safe by wearing safety glasses and gloves. It's too easy to focus on the task and end up with a stick in the eye. Heavy duty gloves protect and support your hands, allowing you to garden longer with less stress, scratches and bruises. Consider synthetic leather gauntlet style gloves like Foxgloves extra protection gloves (foxglovesinc.com) that protect hands and forearms from harm yet are supple enough to allow you to work efficiently. The breathable fabric is durable, machine washable and puncture resistant. Lightly rake any debris off the lawn and add it to the compost pile. Check for damage and lightly tamp any disturbed areas back in place. Reseed bare spots so grass, not weeds,

fill in these spots. B r u s h leaves off the crowns of perennials but leave the rest in place for insects that spend winter or summer in the leaf litter. Plus, the leaves help preserve moisture, suppress weeds and improve the soil as they break down. Pull mulch away from tree trunks and shrub crowns that may have shifted over winter. Keeping mulch off the stems reduces the risk of future problems that can lead to decline and even death of the plants. Leave perennials and grasses stand as long as possible since many are homes for beneficial insects. Bundle grasses for easy cutting and removal. Once cut, loosely stack or stand perennial stems and grasses at the edge of the garden or natural spaces. This allows any insects still present to safely emerge when it's time to move to their summer homes. Plus,



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birds will appreciate the easy access to nesting material. Enjoy the changing of the seasons and the beauty of nature hidden among the plants in your garden. Protect yourself when preparing the garden for spring so you won't lose time recovering from injuries. And keeping the pollinators and other beneficial insects safe will improve your garden's health and productivity throughout the growing seasons. Melinda Myers has written numerous books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Foxgloves for her expertise to write this article. Her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Bay State Savings Bank donates \$1,200 to Mustard Seed

WORCESTER — Bay State Savings Bank donated over \$1,200 to Worcester soup kitchen Mustard Seed Catholic Worker. The organization, which offers food and shelter to local homeless, will use the Bank's donation to replace ceiling tiles in its rooms used for meetings, food, and clothing storage. Bay State Savings Bank staff raised money by allowing employees who donated to the Mustard Seed to participate in a dress down day. "We are so grateful for the ongoing support," said Annie Doyle, member of the Mustard Seed Board of Directors. "A new ceiling will surely refresh and brighten up the basement. Additional food for the Food Pantry will help to feed dozens of fam-

ilies and individuals in need." The funds raised were also in support of a capital campaign by the Family Health Center of Worcester, an organization which currently runs a clinic at the Mustard Seed for homeless in need of medical care. "It all makes a difference," said Mike Boover, cofounder of the Mustard Seed's Piedmont Street location in Worcester. "How happy we are to have the good folks at Bay State befriend us. With their help...new initiatives have been undertaken by the Catholic Worker Community to better serve the many guests who come to us for refuge."




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Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Marissa and I love running cross country!

Marissa is an energetic girl of Caucasian descent. Marissa enjoys playing tennis and running cross country and track. She also enjoys music. Marissa loves to have her hair and nails done. Marissa is a brilliant girl with a bright academic future. She has tested and considered into one of the one of the top exam schools in the city.

Marissa
Age 13


Marissa is legally freed for adoption. She would thrive in a home where she is the only child or with children close in age. She will need a family that can provide her with attention and patience. Marissa shares a close relationship with her younger sister and they hope to be able to continue to see each other at least monthly. The best family for Marissa would be a local family that is able to visit with her as a visiting resource initially.

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Wednesday, April 1st – 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm – Making Bunny Lollipops with Sally.

Thursday, April 2nd – 10:30 am – 11:30 am – Veterans Services Assistance by appointment only with Carl Bradshaw.

Thursday, April 2nd – Boston Red Sox Home Opening Day! They will play the Chicago White Sox. Wear your Red Sox gear or just wear red!

Thursday, April 2nd – May 21st – 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm - New Zumba Classes start up and are held at our Satellite Site ~ McCloskey School, 62 Capron Street. A requested donation of \$24.00 or the 8-week session.

Friday, April 3rd - 11:30 am – 12:30 pm – Lunch & Learn with Chief Marc Montminy – Uxbridge Police Chief Marc Montminy will hold his monthly Lunch & Learn. Today’s presentation will be the Board of Health speaking about the Coronavirus.

Saturday, April 4th – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – Uxbridge Town Cleanup – meet at the Town Common. Join with neighbors, friends & family to volunteer in a town-wide cleanup event! Return to the Town Common after cleanup for a free lunch provided by the Uxbridge business community.

Monday, April 6th – We will play Po-Ke-No during lunch! Thank you to all who have donated the Po-Ke-No games to the center so we can play!

Tuesday, April 7th – 10:00 am – 11:30 am – Come in to play Cribbage at the senior center! Thank you to all who have donated cribbage boards to the center so our seniors can play! This will be every Tuesday with Sandra. Please call to sign up.

Tuesday, April 7th – 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm – Making wooden Easter baskets with Sally. These will be given out during our Easter Celebration on Friday, April 10th.

Wednesday, April 8th – 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm – Alzheimer’s/Dementia Caregiver Support Group offered at The Uxbridge Senior Center - Please RSVP for this event.

Thursday, April 9th – May 28th – 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm - New Yoga Classes start up and are held at our Satellite Site ~ McCloskey School, 62 Capron Street. A requested donation of \$24.00 or the 8-week session.

Friday, April 10th – 11:30 am – 12:30 pm – Annual Easter Celebration sponsored by the Uxbridge Elderly Connection. Gary Landgren, the Honky Tonk Man, will be here to entertain us! Please call ahead to reserve your seat.

Monday, April 13th - The Foot Doctor will be at the Senior Center. If you would like an appointment with Dr. Biancamano, please call 508-278-8622 to schedule an appointment. His next date is June 15th.

Monday, April 13th – 1:30 pm – “Ask the Attorney” with Attorney Ralph Tepper by appointment only on the Third Monday of every month – Please Call 508-278-8622 to schedule your appt.

Tuesday, April 14t – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – SHINE Rep. available by appointment only. Call 508-278-8622 to sign up.

Tuesday, April 14th – 1:00 pm – Uxbridge Free Public Library Page Turners with Chris Powloka. The next Book Club Meeting with Zach Parrish will be on Tuesday, May 12th and they will be discussing “The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane” by Lisa See.

Tuesday, April 14th – 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm – Movie Night at the Uxbridge Senior Center. We will be watching the happiest musical ever made: Easter Parade starring Judy Garland & Fred Astaire! A light supper, beverages & fresh popcorn will be served. Thank you to Koopman for donating the popcorn machine to the center!

Wednesday, April 15th – 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm – Making Framed Flower Pinecones with Sally! Early sign-up is required for this craft.

Sunday, April 19th through April 25th – National Volunteer Week. We are thankful for all of our volunteers!

Monday, April 20th – The senior

center will be closed in observance of Patriots’ Day. There will not be any lunch served or transportation.

Tuesday, April 21st – 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm - RSVP Snail Mail with Heart.

Wednesday, April 22nd - Movie trip to Blackstone Valley 14: Cinema de Lux with Sally and lunch at Wendy’s. Movie choice & time will be posted a week before this date or call for more info.

Friday, April 24th – April Birthday Cake Celebration! We will celebrate all the April birthdays during lunch.

Monday, April 27th – 1:00pm – 2:00pm – Benefit Enrollment Center – Tri-Valley, Inc. Call the senior center to book an appointment.

Tuesday, April 28th – 11:30 am - Ask the Nurse. Salmon Health VNA will be available for the Free Blood Pressure Clinic.

Tuesday, April 28th – 11:30 am – 12:30 pm – “Butterflies of the World” with John Root, Naturalist and Landscaper. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Uxbridge Cultural Council.

Wednesday, April 29th – Arrive at BVT 11:30 am. We are eating at 12:00 pm – Lunch Trip to Three Seasons Restaurant at BVT – There will not be lunch served at the senior center today. Cost is \$15 per person which includes tip. This will be a 4-course meal including soup, garden salad, honey glazed carrots, scalloped potatoes, rolls, drink & pineapple upside down cake for dessert. Your choice of one entrée: Roast Beef Au Jus, Shrimp Scampi over Rice Pilaf or Herb Roasted Chicken. Last date to sign up and pay for this lunch trip is Wednesday, April 15th. Call or stop in to sign up and please indicate if you need a ride or will meet at Blackstone Valley Tech. They accept cash or check only.

Ask the Attorney – 1:30 pm - Every third Monday by appointment only. (Unless there is a holiday)

Tri-Valley Benefit Enrollment – 1:00 pm - Every third Monday by appointment only. (Unless there is a holiday)

Hannaford grocery shopping Every Tuesday. Pick up begins at 8:30 AM. Please sign up in advance by calling us at 508-278-8622 to reserve your seat on the van.

Cribbage game every Tuesday at 10 am – 11:30 am with Sandra.

Computer classes will be EVERY Tuesday at the Senior Center from 3:00pm – 4:00pm.

Bank & Pharmacy Rides - We provide transportation Every first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm. Please call at least 24 hours in advance if you need a ride.

Veterans Services Assistance – 10:30 am – First Thursday of the month by appointment only with Carl Bradshaw.

Knitting/Crocheting Group with Sue – Every Thursday – 10:00 am – 11:30 am.

The Senior Center Fraud Brigade RSVP Rep Phyllis Dunn is available on Thursdays from 10am – 12pm.

Shaw’s, Dollar Tree & Ocean State Job Lot shopping will be on the 2nd and 4thThursdays of the month. Pick up begins at 12:30 PM. Please sign up in advance by calling us at 508-278-8622 to reserve your seat on the van.

ZUMBA classes Every Thursday from 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm and being held at the McCloskey School located at 62 Capron Street. New Zumba class to start April 2nd – May 21st so come on in to sign up!

YOGA classes Every Thursday from 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm- New Yoga Classes are from April 9th – May 28th and being held at the McCloskey School located at 62 Capron Street.

Please call the Senior Center at least 48 hours ahead at 508-278-8622 to arrange for Lunch and transportation for medical appointments. You can check with the Senior Center by calling 508-278-8622, Uxbridge Cable Local Access Channel 192, Facebook, or the Council on Aging website for the Lunch Menu.

The Senior Center is a drop off site for the People First Food Pantry. Donations are accepted Monday through Friday from 8am-4pm.

SENIOR CENTER WISH LIST – We welcome and appreciate the support of anyone in a position to give. Your donations make a significant difference in the lives of our elders and help support our daily lunch program. All monetary gifts can be made out to the Town

of Uxbridge with Senior center in the memo section of your check. Gift cards for Hannaford, Walmart and CVS also make nice gifts for senior citizens in need.

We also continue to need in kind donations of Decaffeinated coffee, tissues, paper towels, toilet tissue, 8 oz. Styrofoam cups and napkins. One can donate directly to the center at 36 S. Main Street or on-line via the town’s web page. Every donation helps and comes enormously appreciated as these items are not covered in our budget. Thank you to all who have already donated as well!

Feel free to contact us at 508-278-8622 or visit us on our web page at Uxbridge-ma.gov/coa or like us on our FB page or by googling Uxbridge Senior Center, or even dropping by.

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ARE YOU AWARE OF THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE HELPED AT THE UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER? The following numbers represent the people served in FEBRUARY 2020:

TELEPHONE CALLS	1537
MEALS SERVED	504
DAILY VISITORS	761
MEDICAL RUNS	73
HANNAFORD/SHAWS	33
LUNCH PICK UP	171
ACTIVITIES	86
SHINE APPTS	5
BANK/PHARMACY	5
KNITTING/CROCHETING	20
TAX APPOINTMENTS	30
SMOC	7
COMPUTER CLASSES	4
ZUMBA	133
SUPPORT GROUP	10

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2020

May 4 -- Granite State Chocolate and Wine Tour; lunch at Warren’s Lobster House - Fox Tours - \$91

May 9 - Albany Tulip Festival w/ lunch at Morgan House w/Conway Tours -\$115.

June 1 - Plymouth - cruise on Pilgrim Belle and tour w/lunch at Hearth and Kettle - Fox Tours - \$91

June 17 - possible trip to Fresians of Majesty w/Fox Tours -- \$101.

Aug. 30 - 31 - Saratoga Racetrack w/ Conway - \$329.

Sept. 16 -18 - The Hamptons w/ Conway - \$579.

Oct. 6 -- Green Mt. Railroad w/lunch at New England House w/Fox Tours - \$101.

Nov. 19 -- Newport Playhouse - “Ghost of a Chance” w/Fox Tours - \$101.

All trips will leave from Whitinsville Wal-Mart, 100 Valley Pkway, Whitinsville
Some trips will also leave from Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St Westboro.
Please always include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency #

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Special Event

Senior / Senior Dance
Friday, April 24th at 6 P.M.
Enjoy an evening out with free food, music and dancing!
Millbury Senior Center 1 River St.
Sponsored by the Millbury High School Community Service Project
Call the Senior Center for Reservations 508-865-9154
Millbury Senior Center

UPCOMING TRIPS!

April 6th
FOXWOODS
The bus leaves the Millbury Senior Center at 7:00 A.M and returns at 4:45 P.M.
Cost is \$28.00. Call or stop by the Senior Center to reserve your seat! (508) 865-9154

June 24th
CRUISE AND LUNCHEON ON THE “MYSTIQUE”
2 hour cruise in Middletown Conn. Cost \$82.00 – 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

July 21
DAY TRIP TO PLYMOUTH MA (400 YEAR CELEBRATION)
Lunch at the East Bay Grill (water-front)
Prime Rib or Baked Haddock
Touring down town Plymouth \$65.00 – 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

September 20th - 22nd
ATLANTIC CITY RESORTS
3 days and 2 nights departs 7:00 A.M. Returns around 8 P.M.
\$239 price Includes overnight accommodations at Resort,
Food voucher along with a casino show Ticket
Plus \$20 in free slot play!

Oct. 22nd
NEWPORT PLAYHOUSE AND CABARET
“Ghost of a Chance”
\$85.00 complete

MEMORY CAFÉ”
Please join us!
Tuesday, March 24th from 2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.
A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss / challenges and their care partners. It is a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time.
Fourth Tuesday of each month, refreshments will be served.
Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer any questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

Millbury Senior Center Transportation Services
Residents can travel on Monday through Friday 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.
ADA clients and job assignments (disabled) 7 A.M. to 4:45 P.M.
We require a 48 hour Reservation for rides
One - way van ride in town is \$1.50; one town out \$1.75
ADA ride costs are \$2.75 in town and \$3 for one town out.
All rides to the Senior Center are 25 cents
Escorts are also available!
Our service is curb to curb, call for more Information or a Reservation! 508-865-9247

THE MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER IS NOW ACCEPTING SNAP APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)
Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Call for an appointment & required documentation 508-865-9154
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Craft Classes
Wednesday’s from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM
Plan what you would like to make & pay for the materials you use!
For more information call us at 508-865-9154
RMV Transactions
EVERY WEDNESDAY 10 - 12 P.M.
The Five Transactions we will Focus on are:
• LICENCE RENEWALS(FOR DRIVERS YOUNGER THAN 75)
• REGISTRATION RENEWALS
• CHANGE OF ADDRESS
• DUPLICATE LICENSE OR REGISTRATION
• HOW TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN DISABILITY PLACARD AND HOW TO REQUEST A REPLACEMENT
Call us at 508-865-9154 for an Appointment!

ACTIVITIES

MONDAY
8:30 A.M..... Walking Club
9:30 A.M..... Light Exercise
12:00 noon..... Lunch
12:30 P.M..... Wii Bowling
12:45 P.M.....Mahjong Game
1 : 00 P. M.... Cribbage
1:00 P.M....Game Day, including Cribbage, Scrabble, Chinese Checkers , Scat & Wii Bowling
TUESDAY
9:00-10.00A.M...Blood Pressure
9:30-10:30 A.M.....Tai Chi
10:45-11:30 A.M.....Zumba
Noon...Lunch
1:00 P.M....Cribbage & Scat
WEDNESDAY
9:30 A.M..... Craft Class
12:00 noon..... Lunch
1:00 P.M..... Social Bingo
THURSDAY
9:00 A.M.....Cards
10:00-11:30 AM...Adult “Coloring Class”
12:00 Noon..... Lunch
12:45 PM.....Whist
2:30-3:30 P.M....Computer & Cell phone class, Reservations required 508-865-9154
FRIDAY
9:00 A.M.....Shopping
9:30 A.M.....Light Exercise
10:30 A.M.....Yoga (NEW CLASS!)
12:00 noon..... Lunch
12:30 P.M..... Bridge & Scat

Family fishing memories



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Freshwater fishing in local ponds and on Cape ponds was enjoyed by many anglers trying to catch some of the recently stocked trout this past week. Anglers fishing local ponds needed to spend a number of hours fishing to catch some trout, but the final results had many anglers catching their limit. Freshwater bass anglers were also catching some nice largemouth bass at Webster Lake, with a few small mouth bass also being caught. Some of the larger bass were being caught on shiners.

By the time you read this column, some of the local streams and rivers should have had a stocking of trout, as rivers and streams are ideal this year because of the lack of substantial rainfall, which normally happens this time of year.

In my younger years, I enjoyed some great stream fishing in Whitinsville and Sutton! Prentice Brook and Purgatory Brook were my favored trout streams for catching some native brook trout. Our dad had us fishing every year on opening day, catching a stringer of 10 - 12 inch brook trout. Spring was a great time of year back in my younger life for fishing. Growing up in Whitinsville in the late

'40's and '50's I had some great fishing on the Meadow Pond & Arcade Pond which were essentially in my back yard. My dad kept a small row boat on Meadow Pond which was used daily by my brother and I. On weekends, my dad would get us up early to go fishing in the boat to catch some fish for my dad to make a big fish chowder.

My brother Mel and I would use a spinner and worm to fish on both sides of the boat, as my dad rowed. It was not long before we had a good stringer of fish which included Bass, perch, pickerel, bluegills and more. On one early morning, we were trolling and my brother Mel asked my dad to stop rowing. He claimed he was hooked on the bottom. Within seconds, the line started peeling from the reel. Mel had a big fish on! Rowing in reverse to get some line back from the long run of the big fish, it was finally brought to the side of the boat. It was a huge largemouth bass. We sure had a fish story to tell everyone in the village.

Back in the day, my brother Mel and I fished almost every day. We would grab our fishing rods after school and go fishing. Our grades on our quarterly report cards suffered badly, as we rarely did our homework. Our parents tried to have us finish our homework before we could go fishing, but it rarely worked. Leaving school to start working at age 16 in the Whitin Machine works was great. Now

I had some money to buy a car and meet the girls. Purchasing a 1939 Chevrolet car for \$15 from one of the Ebbelings on Sutton street back in the day, had me leaving fishing and meeting girls.

I soon found my wife Judy, and we got married at 18 years old. Everyone thought we were nuts. Our parents needed to sign for us to get married. It was not easy being married that young, but we worked through it for more than 61 years. Unfortunately, she passed away last year. Bringing up two boys Ralph and David, I soon found myself back fishing a lot more, so I purchased a 14 ft boat that was used for fishing at Wallum Lake and Webster Lake. Both boys loved fishing and it stayed with them to this day. Unfortunately, David passed a few years ago, but the memories of us fishing remain.

The terrible mess that this country is going through today will hopefully pass soon, and we can all get back to our normal lives. Spending time fishing and enjoying the outdoors with family is the best way to stay healthy.

This week's picture shows Kurt Salvis fly fishing at the Uxbridge Club Pond last week. He caught numerous trout using a Woolly Bugger fly.

The Rhode Island salt-water fishing show has been canceled due to the virus. Many more events will be canceled in the coming weeks.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



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Hi! My name is Liam and I love to explore my environment!

Liam is a happy, easy going toddler of Caucasian descent. He is described as a very busy boy who loves to play outside and explore. He also enjoys climbing, drawing and trying to open doors! Liam is enrolled in daycare where he is currently doing well. His daycare providers have said they really enjoy having Liam in the classroom. Liam enjoys playing independently but is starting to play near his peers at daycare. He is often around younger babies and is very gentle towards them, but it would be beneficial for Liam to be exposed to peers his age in order to continue building his social skills.

Liam is legally freed for adoption and can be placed in a single or two parent family, with or without other children. Interested families should be open to maintaining monthly visits with Liam's birth mother, grandmother and sister. They should also be able to work with Liam's team of providers to address his developmental delays and ongoing medical needs. Most importantly, Liam needs a family that is committed to ensuring he receives the appropriate supports to best foster his development.


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A time for hope, not hoarding

Life as we know it is changing — at least for the near future, only temporarily; however, this uncharted territory has left many questioning what exactly is happening. The new coronavirus designated COVID-19 has now infiltrated the country, causing the closure of schools, restaurants, bars, sporting events, concerts and any gathering with more than 50 people in attendance.

The next Democratic Presidential primary is coming up, and there is now a question as to how much the outbreak will affect the outcome. Could a mandatory two-week quarantine be implemented? We will soon find out.

In the midst of all this uncertainty, panic buying has commenced. Stores shelves are becoming more and more barren, with canned goods, milk and paper products hot commodities. Some stores have even been forced to implement a quota on how much a person can purchase.

Panic shopping is a natural response in the face of a crisis, but all of us need to step back and realize that as a result, price gauging can put much needed supplies out of reach for those on fixed incomes, and in this instance has created a situation in which medical supplies that are necessary for the protection of health care workers on the front lines of the crisis, such as face masks, are so scarce that hospitals have instructed doctors and nurses to ration them.

We understand the fear that underlies the ‘grab everything you can while you can’ mentality in situations like this outbreak, but overburdening the chain of the very supplies we need to get through this is not helping anyone. This is a time for calmness, not crazed behavior.

Just one example we recently encountered of the fallout from all this unnecessary hoarding particularly touched our hearts. While out shopping ourselves, we met an elderly woman who made a trip to her local grocery store needing a loaf of bread. She had no idea what was going on, and seemed visibly stressed to find the bread aisle so completely picked over.

Instances that have induced fear and panic are nothing new in our national experience. In 1962, the Cuban missile crisis caused Americans to stock their basements with bottled water and dry goods in the case of an atomic bomb. The Y2K scare at the turn of the millennium and the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 generated a similar atmosphere of fear that we had arrived at the End of Days, but cooler heads eventually prevailed, and in each instance, our society soldiered on, as it doubtless will once this outbreak winds down.

Remember that we are all in this together. It may feel lonely to think about staying home and not interacting with the world around us for a long stint, but as has been the case demonstrated throughout history, we will all take care of each other. Family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, health-care providers, town officials and law enforcement personnel are always there to help in times of need. Those supports will provide comfort just like they do any other day.

“I am a firm believer in the people,” Abraham Lincoln once wrote. “If given the truth, they can be depended upon to meet any national crisis. The great point is to bring them the real facts.”



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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

Am I supposed to be buying toilet paper?

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

By GARY W. MOORE

I spent a fun week with my daughter and her family, and was oblivious to what was happening in the news. I caught bits and pieces on the ‘Net, but was enjoyably disconnected. I was surprised at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) how many people I saw walking around wearing face masks. I was aware of the coronavirus, but really missed out on the last eight days of developments.

We landed in Chicago, grabbed our luggage and headed for home when my sister called from North Carolina and asked, “Do you have enough toilet paper?”

I don’t think anyone had ever asked such a random question of me before. “Enough for what?” I asked.

“To be quarantined for three to four weeks!”

I immediately began scrolling through the newsfeed on my phone, frantically trying to figure out what was causing the TP emergency. I laughed aloud as I thought, “Bernie Sanders with his push for socialism hasn’t been elected yet and the stores are already out of TP?” I ran across a posting that said, “Almost all the major grocery chains are out of bread, milk and toilet paper.” I saw another that said, “Someone is on eBay selling cases of TP for \$2000 each and has more buyers than inventory.”

Arlene and I decided we better rush to the store before we got home and see if we could get some TP. We parked, ran into our local grocery store and headed to what we were convinced would be empty shelves. Imagine our shock when the shelves were full of every brand of toilet paper. We checked milk and bread to only find the same.

What’s going on? I’d call this something between an overreaction to mass hysteria. As for me, I found it to be funny. Don’t get me wrong, there is nothing funny about a communicable illness that is spreading around the world. We all must be vigilant and take the advice from healthcare professionals. Wash your hands often. Don’t touch your body above your shoulders. Use hand sanitizer and carry a few sanitizing wipes wherever you go. On our flight home we used wipes to sanitize our

seats and trays on our airplane seats. It also never hurts to have a supply of essentials on hand at home, but to rush out and buy a year’s supply of canned goods and to lock yourselves behind the doors of your homes at this point, may be giving into mass hysteria.

Be vigilant. Listen to government officials but avoid unsubstantiated rumors on the internet or you may end up spending two grand for a few rolls of toilet paper. When you see that Abraham Lincoln is assuring you that if it’s found on the internet it must be true ... think about it first!

Relax. Be prudent about the sources of information you use to make your decisions. Then act wisely.

Thank you!

Thank you all for your prayers, emails and cards. I am grateful. I shared with you that I had been diagnosed with a rare affliction called Neuroendocrine Tumors. I travelled to one of the world’s leading clinics for this disease at the University of Iowa Hospital. While there I received the surprising news that I had been misdiagnosed and did not have Neuroendocrine Tumors. Instead, I learned I have Stage IV Stomach Cancer. It’s not the news I expected nor wanted to hear but I am positively fighting this cancer with everything I have. I am optimistic of my outcome.

Don’t misunderstand. I do not believe by being positive and optimistic alone can magically heal you. There are some medical realities that attitude will not overcome. But I know my chances of beating this illness are greatly enhanced by being positive.

There is a great blog I would encourage you to read. It’s entitled, “At a Cellular Level, Every Single Human Depends on Positivity to Survive.” It is authored by Jenn Maronek and can be found at www.blog.sivanaspirit.com I think you will find a few moments reading this useful and encouraging.

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Take Action against the Flu Virus

You can’t look at the TV, radio or cell phone today without being bombarded with COVID-19 news, photos of bare store shelves, and extreme germ fretting! Add to that the highly contagious stomach flu virus going around right now and it’s no wonder many are in near panic mode right now!

But keeping yourself healthy comes down to common sense as has been repeated many times. Using caution and being diligent to avoid cold and flu germs is the golden rule. While this column addressed this subject earlier this year, read on for another round of tips to help you up your odds of staying healthy this season.

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It’s no secret the most common way to pick up and spread bacteria and other germs is by touching contaminated surfaces. Clean first, then disinfect.

For cleaning surfaces, use products that specify “disinfectant” on the label. For a homemade disinfectant, the CDC recommends mixing a quarter-cup of household chlorine bleach with one gallon of cool water. Be sure to rinse countertops and other surfaces after sanitizing.

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While disinfecting wipes and sprays have been flying off the grocery store shelves, there’s no need to worry if you can’t get your hands on commercial products. Common products can do the job at a fraction of the cost:

Isopropyl (Rubbing) Alcohol: Undiluted alcohol (at least 70%) is effective against the COVID-19 virus. Alcohol has long been a frugal disinfectant used to kill common cold and flu germs. Simply wipe down surfaces with alcohol and it will immediately dry.

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Hydrogen Peroxide (3%): Alcohol has become scarce in some areas as people buy it up to make their own hand sanitizer, but again, don’t fret yet as Hydrogen Peroxide can do the job. For ease in applying, pour undiluted H2O into a spray bottle and



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spritz it on household surfaces. Allow it to sit on the surface for several minutes.

Note: Alcohol can discolor some plastics; H2O can discolor clothing and other soft surfaces.

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Your cell phone is a magnet for germs. In fact, I just read your phone may have up to ten times more bacteria than a toilet seat! Here’s how to sanitize it properly:

Power off the phone. Using a disinfectant wipe (or alcohol damped cloth), gently wipe down the (non porous) surfaces of the phone, starting with the sides, then the back and front. Be careful not to allow any moisture to get into any opening. And most importantly, wash your hands immediately after washing the phone!

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The World Health Center offers these basic protective measures against the COVID-19:

Stay aware of the latest information on the COVID-19 outbreak, available on the WHO website and through your national and local public health authority. Most people who become infected experience mild illness and recover, but it can be more severe for others. Take care of your health and protect others by doing the following:

Wash your hands frequently: Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

Why? Washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based hand rub kills viruses that may be on your hands.

Maintain social distancing: Maintain at least 1 meter (3 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.

Why? When someone coughs or sneezes they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain virus. If

What’s the difference between short- and long-term investing?



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As you go through life, you’ll have many financial goals. Fortunately, you don’t need to achieve them all at the same time. But when you have a mix of short- and long-term goals, you will need to pursue some different investment strategies simultaneously.

Your short-term goals may depend somewhat on your stage in life. For example, when you’re starting out with your career and you’re beginning to raise a family, you may well have a goal of saving enough money for a down payment on a home. Later on, though, you may decide you want to travel the world for a year.

Because you know about how much money you’ll need, and when you’ll need it, you can choose the appropriate investments, with these characteristics:

- Low risk – Above all else, you want the right amount of money to be there when it’s time to use it. So, you’ll need low-risk, high-stability investments. You won’t see much in the way of growth from these types of investments, but you also won’t be sweating every single market downturn in fear of not reaching your goal.

- Liquidity – You won’t want to worry about trying to find a market for your investment when it’s time to sell it and then use the proceeds for your short-term goal. That’s why you need to pick short-term vehicles that are highly liquid.

So, what kinds of investments meet these criteria? You actually have quite a choice, including mutual funds consisting of short-term corporate or government bonds; certificates of deposit; cash management accounts; money market accounts; and U.S. Treasury securities.

Now, moving on to longer-term goals, the situation can be quite a bit different. Suppose, for instance, you’re saving and investing for a retirement that may be three or four decades away. For this goal, you have one overriding motivation: to end up with as much money as possible. And since you have so many years until you need this money, you may be able to take on more risk than you could with the investments you counted on for your short-term needs. This isn’t to say you should be reckless, of course – you still need to pay attention to your individual risk tolerance. Overall, though, there’s a big philosophical difference, in terms of risk capacity, between investing for the long term versus the short term.

When you’re saving for a long-term goal such as retirement, you may need to rely primarily on your IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. And within these accounts, you’ll need a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments such as stocks and stock-based mutual funds. It’s true that stocks are volatile, with sometimes sharp price declines. But in exchange, you get far greater growth potential than you would with any of the short-term investments named above. Furthermore, the longer you hold stocks or stock-based investments, the more the price volatility tends to even out. (Keep in mind, though, that there are no guarantees of profit.)

So, there you have them: short- and long-term investments. A financial professional can help you choose the ones that can help you keep moving toward all your goals, whether they’re three years or three decades away.

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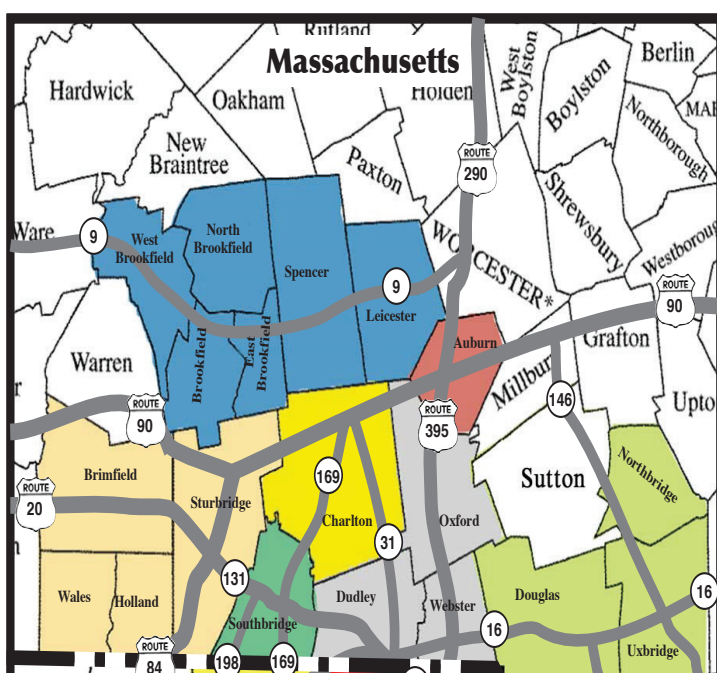
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Practice respiratory hygiene: Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue immediately.
Why? Droplets spread virus. By following good respiratory hygiene you protect the people around you from viruses such as cold, flu and COVID-19.

If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early: Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of your local health authority.

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Here are a few tips to battle the common cold and flu this season:

The health virtues of garlic have been touted for generations. The book, “The Healing Power of Garlic,” suggests garlic nose drops can kill the viruses that cause cold or flu. The book's instructions on concocting the drops: Crush some garlic to obtain juice, and add ten parts water and mix well. Apply as you would regular nose drops.

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According to a home remedy, if you place a clove of garlic on each side of the mouth between the teeth and cheek, a cold will disappear within a day. It's worth a try!

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Some Native American tribes treated a low grade fever with sage, as in this old time recipe. As a bonus, the dried peppermint supplies the tea with a soothing, cooling effect. To do: Pour one cup boiling water over two teaspoons dried, edible sage and one teaspoon dried peppermint. Steep. Strain, and sweeten with honey if desired. Slowly sip up to three cups a day.

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One of peppermint's claims to fame is that it can alleviate the chills and aid with symptoms of fever and the flu. Try drinking a cup or two of strong peppermint tea made from fresh leaves to relieve cold and flu complaints. To do: Pour one cup boiling water over four to six peppermint leaves. Allow to steep for 15 minutes, strain and serve.

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Flu season typically lasts from

October to March. Here's something to keep in mind for the future: According to several Japanese studies, gargling with black tea twice a day from October to March, significantly improved participants abilities to fend off the flu bug.

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Cold and Flu Facts
*The word “influenza” comes from the Italian influenza because people used to believe that the influence of the planets, stars, and moon caused the flu.

*On average children get about six to ten colds per year.

* Viruses are between 20 and 100 times smaller than bacteria and can be seen only through a microscope

*During the flu season, 59% of surfaces in home can be contaminated with the flu virus.

*Children are two to three times more likely than adults to get sick with the common flu, and children frequently spread the virus to others.

*Flying when you have cold and flu congestion can temporarily damage your eardrums due to pressure changes. If you must fly, use a nasal spray prior to takeoff and landing. Also chew gum, and use a decongestant for symptoms.

*There are over 200 viruses that cause

the common cold

*Colds are not caused by temperature or temperature changes. Despite what mother said, you can't catch a cold by going out barefoot or without a hat.

**
Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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



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SPORTS

Local athletes help Hopedale hockey team reach sectional final



Hunter Dunn

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The Hopedale High varsity ice hockey team, a co-operative effort that includes student-athletes from Hopedale, Douglas, Northbridge/Whitinsville, Millis and Milford, finished up an historic season earlier this month by advancing to the Central Mass. Division 3A Tournament championship game.

The Blue Raiders followed up a 10-5-5 regular season with the first two playoff victories in the seven-year history of the program — a 3-2 overtime victory against Oakmont Regional and a 4-1 win over Grafton/BVT — to reach the sectional final, where they lost to Lunenburg/Ayer-Shirley 4-2 on Wednesday, March 4.

A key part of Hopedale's success this season was the play



Nick Kannally

of seven area athletes, five from Douglas and two from Northbridge/Whitinsville.

Members of the Blue Raiders from Douglas are juniors Hunter Dunn, Nate Reneau and Robert Perkins, sophomore Nick Kannally and freshman Max Chapman. The Northbridge/Whitinsville residents on the team are sophomores Cam Gibbons and Will Pielt.

"I had Cam, Hunter, Nate and Robert with me when I was coaching the [Hopedale] JV team," said Mike MacQuarrie, Hopedale's first-year varsity coach. "Cam was an eighth-grader on that team and Nate, Robert and Hunter were freshman. That year we only lost two games and we ended up winning the JV championship tournament.

"So, I have a little history with those kids; I know them well," the 52-year-old MacQuarrie added, whose son Shane was on the team from 2014-16 and earned co-MVP honors as a sophomore. "We had never won a playoff game in team history before this year and this season we made it all the way to the [Division] 3A final. It was a good run and those kids played key roles in it."

Dunn is probably the best-known hockey player of the seven. A first-line center, the Douglas High student finished as the No. 2 scorer in Central Mass., racking up 51 points (18 goals, 33 assists) and being named a Russell Conference All-Star.

"In my opinion he's the best all-around player in Central Mass.; he played unbelievable for us. He is a special type of offensive player," MacQuarrie said of 6-foot, 160-pound Dunn. "He just lives for hockey. He's extremely competitive. He is super-fast and a super hard worker. He was instrumental in our success this year.

"Being just 16 years old and being an athlete, Hunter is still

growing. Hopefully he adds another couple of inches and puts on another 20 pounds for next year," MacQuarrie added. "He's hard to knock off the puck. He controls the puck so well. He's very good defensively as well. A lot of guys that score a lot are offensive players who struggle playing in the defensive zone, but not Hunter; he was our best plus-minus guy. He was on the ice for more short-handed goals than any other player on our team."

The 6-foot, 170-pound Gibbons was a Russell Conference All-Star defenseman who led all D-men on his team in scoring (5 goals, 9 assists, 14 points).

"Cam is highly skilled; he's a very good player for being a sophomore," MacQuarrie said of the Whitinsville Christian student. "I'm looking for him to be a team leader. I can see him as a future captain. He gives it his all and has a ton of offensive skill. He moves the puck, has a great shot, and plays very well defensively; he was a key player for us."

Reneau, of Douglas High, was a fixture in the lineup for Hopedale, lining up at center or right wing.

"Nate's a great high-motor guy; he gets in on the forecheck and has relentless energy," MacQuarrie said. "He's got some skill and he's got some speed. He really played great for us in the playoff game we won against Grafton/BVT, he kind of sealed the deal for us in that one. He's very versatile; he can play on any line and he adapts well.

"He's a very vocal kid, a leadership type of guy," MacQuarrie continued. "Even though Nate wasn't a captain he filled a captain's role without being one, officially."

Perkins, when able, spent time at center for the Raiders.

"Robert is a highly skilled kid. He's got some speed and he's got great vision on the ice; he sets up his teammates well," MacQuarrie said of Perkins, another Douglas High student. "Unfortunately, Robert battled illness and injuries all year.

Because of that he got a lot of JV time this year. We were hoping he would just be able to make a run with the varsity. He came back at the end of the year but, because of all he went through, he wasn't the impact player I was hoping he would be."

Douglas High's Kannally, Hopedale's backup goalie, was between the pipes for its 3-2 win over Grafton/BVT on Wednesday, Feb. 12.

"Nick was our starting JV goalie and backup varsity goalie this year," MacQuarrie said. "He improved a ton this year. Against Grafton/BVT, which is an excellent hockey program, he came up huge for us. Nick really improved his goals-against average this year from about 4 goals a game last year to 2.6 goals a game this year. He made tremendous progress."

Chapman, a right winger, lives in Douglas but attends the Bancroft School in Worcester.

"Max started out the year on JV. He was really close to making the varsity. I went to some JV games and watched him play and I was super impressed with him. The third or fourth game of the year I called him up and put him on the varsity roster permanently, that's how impressed I was with his progress," MacQuarrie said. "He came up and scored three goals for us. I'm looking for him to really step it up next year and be a top 9 forward. He competes super hard; he's got some skill and he's got a great shot."

Pielt, of Whitinsville Christian, was a third-line winger and was on the second power-play unit for Hopedale this season.

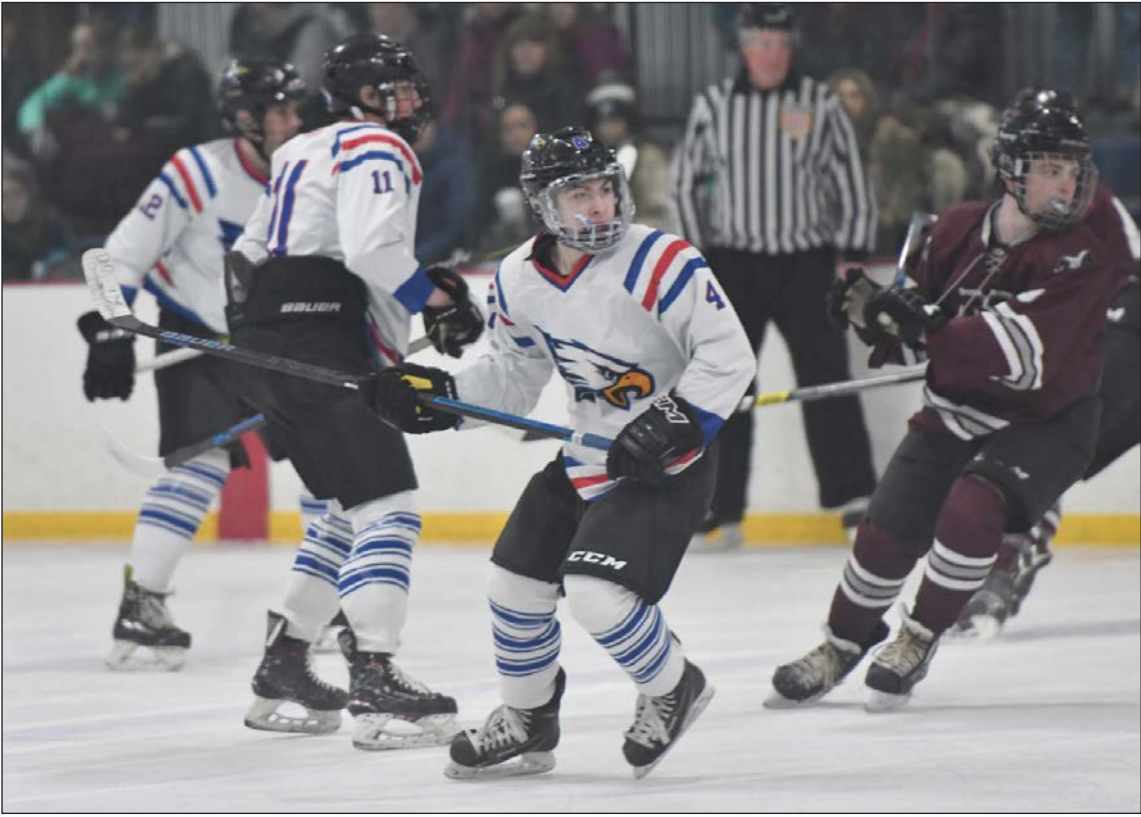
"Will is a super skilled guy who has great hand-eye coordination. He has a good shot and he passes the puck well," MacQuarrie said. "Unfortunately, he got a little banged up and a little sick, so he lost a lot of time, which hurt his development. Before he got injured, he was making great strides and then the injury set him back a little bit."



Cam Gibbons



Will Pielt



Nate Reneau



Robert Perkins

SPORTS

Eighth grade girls' basketball team from Northbridge completes undefeated season



The Northbridge eighth grade girls' travel basketball team, which consists of five seventh graders because the numbers weren't high enough to field two teams, just completed an undefeated season at 12-0. They are actually 19-0 if you count the preseason tournament and the February Vacation Tournament. They just won the Division 2 title this past Sunday, beating a tough Hudson team. What's remarkable about these ladies is they also just completed an undefeated eighth grade middle school schedule. Their white undershirt (with Keane Strong on the sleeve) was to honor Tom Keane (father of a player on the team) who's been battling colon cancer for a few months now. Tom is also the head coach for the Hopkinton High boys' varsity basketball team. The season was dedicated to Tom as a sign of support during his battle. The girls responded and made this season "one to remember!"



Courtesy photos

The Northbridge eighth grade girls' travel basketball team recently completed an undefeated season.

Northbridge seventh grade boys' basketball team takes Division 1 title



Courtesy photo

The Northbridge seventh grade boys' basketball team beat Mendon/Upton in the Central Mass. championship game on Sunday, March 8. Pictured in the photo are coaches Dave Scichilone and Jami Flauto, and players (from left) Michael Proto, David Scichilone, Parker Roadman, Jacob Costello, Dylan Leeds, Braeden Richards and Ben Direnzo.

TOMMY GEORGE NAMED DOUGLAS HIGH'S ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Thomas George for being selected as Douglas High School's Athlete of the Month. Thomas is a member of the 10th grade class at DHS. Thomas is a dedicated and committed player on the Douglas Boys' Basketball team. He possesses natural leadership qualities, and his commanding performance on the court is admirable. Both on and off the court Thomas leads by example, motivating his fellow athletes and friends to keep working toward their goals, both in their academics and in their sport. Way to go Tommy!



Courtesy photo

Douglas High's Tommy George



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OBITUARIES

Jean B. Stephens, 93



WHITINSVILLE, MA / CENTER BERLIN, NY- Jean B. Stephens, a longtime resident of Center Berlin in Rensselaer County, NY, has passed away at the age of 93, at St Camillus Health Center in Whitinsville, Mass.

Jean is predeceased by her husband, Donald J Stephens, a Loudonville/Albany architect and two sons, Marc and Paul. She is survived by her sons Chris and Tom and daughters, Suzanne Kragiel and Linda Irving, as well as 12 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

As a young adult, Jean was active in civil rights in Albany, via the Arbor Hill Community Center, the Interracial Council, and the League of Women Voters. After moving to Berlin to raise her children, Jean was a volunteer at the Berlin Town Library and Historical Society.

Jean was an avid gardener, genealogist, painter and poet. She wrote a column for The Echo, the predecessor to the Eastwick Press, and a historical

drama about the Green Murder of a 19th century actress from Berlin.

While raising her six children, Jean earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in cultural anthropology from Goddard College. She then traveled to Samaná in the Dominican Republic, to interview descendants of freed African Americans. They had emigrated from the US before the Civil War and established Protestant English speaking villages. Jean helped select the works of local island artists for exhibition and sale in Washington, DC.

Jean was a generous, gracious hostess and entertained extensively at “Springhill”, her beloved family home in Berlin.

Jean’s ashes will be interred in the Stephens’ family cemetery, adjacent to the Berlin Community Cemetery and overlooking “Springhill,” the historic Peter Simmons homestead where the Van Rensselaer patroon collected 15 bushels of wheat a year as rent, where the first Suffolk sheep in America were raised and where a prolific spring continues to water the land.

To share memories or condolences, please contact Chris47.cls@gmail.com. buma@bumafuneralhome.com

Michael G. Yedinak, 78



W E B S T E R / DOUGLAS- Michael G. Yedinak, 78, of Webster, formerly of Douglas died Mon March 9, 2020 after being stricken ill.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years Catherine M. (Kelsey) Yedinak; 4 sons Jonathan M. Yedinak and his (partner/companion) Christine Trottier of Dudley, David S. and his wife Rose Yedinak of Pine Valley, NY, Mark A. and his wife Deborah Yedinak of Whitinsville, and Brian J. and his wife Diane of North Ft. Meyers FL; 6 grandchildren Samantha Heney, Courtney and her husband Jonathan Maracle, Tyler Yedinak, Seth Yedinak, Justin Silva, and Ashly Silva; 7 great-grandchildren Sophia Maracle, Benjamin Maracle, Charlotte Maracle, Violette Maracle, Everleigh Maracle, Owen Rosati, and Jack Smith; 2 sisters Sue Sykora and Dawn Haverley; 3 brothers Steve Yedinak, Brian Yedinak, and Murray Yedinak; and many nieces and nephews. He was brother of the

late Peter D. Yedinak and infant Irena Louise Yedinak. Born in Bath, NY on May 16, 1941 he was the son of Peter and Grace (McDowell) Yedinak and was raised in Big Flats, NY. He lived in Webster the past 25 years, previously living in Douglas 20 years.

Mr. Yedinak worked as a welder for John J. Adams Die Corp. in Worcester for 30 years. He was a skilled welder and a hard worker. Always the family man, he volunteered as a Scout Master and Little League Umpire. A motorcycle and gun enthusiast, he was an outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing. Mike was a former member of the Spencer Rod and Gun Club and Worshipped at Living Hope Ministries.

His funeral service was held Sat. March 14 at 12 noon in Uxbridge Cornerstone Church, 5 E. Hartford Ave. Uxbridge. Calling hours were held in the Church prior to the service from 10am to 12 noon. Memorial donations may be made to Living Hope Ministries, Box 53 Whitinsville, MA 01588. To leave a condolence message for the family please visit <http://www.jackmanfuneralhomes.com>

Barbara Maynard, 84



WORCESTER – Barbara (Linder) Maynard, 84, passed away peacefully on Monday March 9, 2020 at the Worcester Rehabilitation Health Care Center.

Barbara is survived by her son Keith J. Maynard and his wife Sharon of Whitinsville; two grandsons David Maynard of Ware, and Isaac Maynard of Whitinsville; she was predeceased by her son Arthur Maynard Jr. in 2018, her son Kevin W. Maynard passed away suddenly at home just a short time after her.

Those fortunate to have known her well will forever remember Barbara’s tremendous sense of humor and infectious laugh; she will be fondly remembered for her love of music, animals, dancing, and roller skating; she greatly

enjoyed spending quality time with her family, especially her grandchildren. Barbara was an enthusiastic fan of both the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots.

Barbara’s family wishes to extend their utmost appreciation for the excellent care provided to her by her friends and care team at the Worcester Rehabilitation Health Care Center.

A Celebration of Life in honor of Barbara and her son Kevin was held on Sunday March 15, 2020 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial contribution to the Second Chance Animal Shelter in honor of Barbara

A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a message of comfort, share a fond memory, or light a candle in remembrance of Barbara.

Kevin W. Maynard, 48



WORCESTER – Kevin W. Maynard, 48, passed away suddenly at home, just a short time after his mother on Monday March 9, 2020.

Kevin is survived by his brother Keith J. Maynard and his wife Sharon of Whitinsville, MA; his nephews David Maynard of Ware and Isaac Maynard of Whitinsville he was predeceased by his brother Arthur Maynard Jr. in 2018.

Kevin was born in Worcester, MA on September 30, 1971, son of the late Arthur and Barbara (Linder) Maynard; he was an extremely funny and well-liked person due to his caring and compassionate nature. Kevin loved music,

movies, and all things sports oriented; he was an avid fan of all New England Sports Teams. Kevin greatly enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his nephews; he will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate to know him.

A Celebration of Life in honor of Kevin and his mother Barbara was held on Sunday March 15, 2020 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial contribution to the Jimmy Fund in honor of Kevin.

A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a message of comfort, share a fond memory, or light a candle in remembrance of Kevin.

Mary Ellen Szymanski 1947 - 2020

BOZRAH - Mary Ellen (Parker) Szymanski beloved wife of Raymond F. Szymanski, died unexpectedly Thursday, March 12, 2020 in the arms of her husband Ray.

They just celebrated their 30 year wedding anniversary, having been married on February 10, 1990 in Bozrah, CT.

Mary recently celebrated her 73 birthday and was born February 1, 1947 in Whitinsville, MA. She was the daughter of Cecelia Cichonski Parker and the late Robert A. Parker, Sr. She went on to graduate from Northbridge high school in Whitinsville, MA. Mary worked at TYL Middle School in Montville, CT as a paraprofessional. She was a member of the Divine Providence National Catholic Church, and was an organizer and promoter of the Ocean Beach Polka-Jam Festival. Mary also owned and operated Szymanski Electric with her husband. Mary and Ray have been doing a live Polka-Jam radio show as DJ’s for the last 20 years at WCNI


90.9FM in New London, CT.

Mary was a special kind of woman, who was loved by everyone. She was so dynamic and articulate, and truly a woman with so much to offer and taken too soon. She will be sadly missed.

In addition to her husband Ray, she leaves behind two children; Kerri and Johnny Gagnon, four stepchildren; Joshua, Latoya, Corey, and Shawna Szymanski. Two brothers Ronald A. (Sally) Parker and Lee J. Parker. Sister Jo Ann Parker Boudreau, as grandchildren Lily and Finnegan, several nieces, and nephews, and sister in law Aline Parker. Mary was predeceased by her brother, Robert A. Parker, Jr.

The funeral assembled on Thursday, March, 19 at 9:45 a.m. at the Woyasz & Son Funeral Home, 141 Central Ave., followed by a Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. at Divine Providence Church. Burial will be at Divine Providence Cemetery. Calling hours were held on Wendsday from 5 - 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

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CALENDAR

Saturday, March 21

ELECTRONIC AND APPLIANCE RECYCLE DAY: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Village Congregational Church, 5 Church St., Whitinsville.

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Sunday, March 22

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Sunday, April 5

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY: 8-11 a.m., Uxbridge High School cafeteria, 300 Quaker Highway. Come support the Class of 2022. Bring your camera for pictures. Children ages six to 12 and seniors \$5, children under five free. Gluten free options available.

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Saturday, April 11

THE HOBBY OF BEE KEEPING: 10-11:30 a.m., Douglas Orchard & Farm, 36 Locust St. \$5 farm donation per person 16 and older. Ken Warchol, sixth generation bee keeper, will give a PowerPoint presentation on “The Hobby of Bee Keeping.” The honey bees are in danger and now only survive if the hive is cared for by bee keepers. Come learn about how you can become a bee keeper. See a demonstration of how honey is extracted. The farm’s hive will be opened, weather permitting. Don’t miss this unique honeybee program.

Sunday, April 19

NEW ENGLAND COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB DANCE: 1-5 p.m., Progressive Club, 18 Whitin St., Uxbridge. Featuring live country music by Rachel & The Western Partners.

Saturday, April 25

ANNUAL SPRING FLEA MARKET: The Millbury First Congregational Church on 148 West Main Street in Millbury is sponsoring a Flea Market on Saturday, April 25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Anyone wishing to reserve table space, please call Jeri Stead (508-865-5371). The \$20 inside area consists of a large supper table plus a card table. An outside reservation is \$10 and those chancing the weather need to provide their own table. “The Kitchen” will be serving coffee and muffins, and at lunch time, hot dogs will be served. There will also be a Bakery Table, and a Church Flea Market Table.

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Friday, May 1

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Wednesday, May 13

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAST DOUGLAS EVERGREEN CEMETERY COMPANY: 3:30 p.m., Second Congregational Church, Main Street, Douglas. All grave owners are invited to attend. The Trustees also request that all winter flowers be removed by May 15.

ONGOING EVENTS & INFORMATION

PEOPLE'S COFFEE HOUR: Every Tuesday starting from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Second Congregational Church of Douglas (289 Main St.), we are hosting a no Bible experience necessary study including coffee and refreshments. The study is called 'Praying with Jesus'. Study guides are provided free of charge. This study will run to the end of May. All attendees are welcome to anything from our food and kid's clothing closet. All are welcome. Call Jeanie (508-476-9978) for more information.

FARMERS' MARKET AT DANIELS FARMSTEAD: Farmers' Market begins July 7 and continue every Sunday, 11am to 3pm, though September 29, grill open 11:30 to 2:30 serving grilled franks, burgers (both Angus beef and veggie) Italian sausage with peppers & onions, cold beverages and all the fix-ins, Picnic tables, Homemade goodies, Tours, Music 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

KUNDALINI YOGA: To celebrate spring we are offering Wednesday morning yoga classes from March 11 to April 29, 2020 (10-11:15 am). This 8-week session is at St. Peter's Parish Center in Northbridge, MA. Participants may sign up for the entire session or join us when it suits your schedule (walk-in). Proceeds benefit St. Peter's Parish. Become a better version of yourself by spring cleaning your body, mind, and spirit. For more information visit: <http://kundaliniyogacma.wix.com/site> or call 508-234-4185.

NEED EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE? The Salvation Army is here to help serve emergency needs in the Blackstone Valley area. Services include assistance with food, clothing, utility payments and heating needs. To find out how we can help with your emergency needs, call 508-342-7122. Leave your name and telephone number and your call will be returned.

FREE WILL DINNERS: The First Congregational Church of Sutton, 307

Boston Road, presents its monthly free will offering of open seating dinners 4:30-6:30 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month. All welcome. Dinners served with bread, beverage and desert. For information, call 865-6914.

SENIOR BREAKFAST: St. John's Episcopal Church Senior Breakfast held first Friday of the month 8-9 a.m. at the church, 3 Pleasant St., off Route 122A, Sutton, and is handicapped accessible. Suggested donation is \$5. For information, call Cyndy Rogers, (508) 529-4437.

PARENT SUPPORT: Parent Support Group in Millbury sponsored by Parent Professional Advocacy League. Free and confidential Parent Support Group on the second (workshop) and fourth (sharing) Friday of the month 10:30 a.m.-noon at the Millbury Public Library. Call PPAL (508) 767-9725 for information. PPAL is a statewide network of parents and professionals and adolescents with emotional, behavioral and mental health needs.

CARING: The Caregivers Group meet in the library at the Northbridge Senior Center fourth Tuesday of month 3-4 p.m. If currently caring for a family member or close friend, come and join others who share your compassion.

AL-ANON: A "Serenity on The Hill" Al-Anon step meeting held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Congregational Church of Grafton, 30 Grafton Common, in the fireplace room.. Support group for family and friends of problem drinkers. Newcomers welcome. For information: 508-366-0556.

YOGAGROUP:join the Sunshine Yoga Collaborative in our mission to bring community based yoga to Uxbridge and the surrounding communities! Classes are appropriate for just beginning to advanced student. Class is Sunday 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Alternatives, Unlimited, 50 Douglas Road, Whitinsville. Extra yoga mats, but most bring their own. \$5 donation per class, which given to local organization. Visit Facebook: Sunshine Yoga Collaborative.

RECOVERY: Every Monday, Celebrate Recovery, a Biblically based step program designed to heal a wide variety of habits and harmful behaviors, such as drug dependency, abuse, eating disorders, depression, anger, pornography, broken relationships. Group meets every week in two-part session, an open group followed by gender-specific small share groups. Starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 9. Come at 6:30 p.m. for coffee and conversation. Pleasant Street Church, 25 Cross St., Whitinsville, (508) 234-5268, ext. 14, or email howard@pscrc.org.

BREAKFAST: The John 21 Community Breakfast at St. Patrick's Church has been established as a response to the needs of many people in our community. Breakfast will continue each and every Saturday 8-10 a.m. in the Parish Center, 1 Cross St., Whitinsville. Our mission is to serve

a nutritious breakfast, free of charge, every Saturday morning in the spirit of community fellowship and hospitality. Teams of volunteers prepare and serve breakfast on a rotating basis. All welcome. For information contact ministry coordinator at John21Breakfast@gmail.com. To make a donation contact St. Patrick's rectory at 508-234-5656.

Legos Club: first and third Mondays of each month, ages six and up 3-5 p.m. at Whitinsville Social Library. Information about programming, visit the library's website www.northbridge-mass.org/whitinsville-social-library.

PROJECT KIBBLE: In this tight economy, it can be tough to make ends meet. What about your four-legged friends? Project Kibble collects donations of pet food and supplies and distributes them to local food pantries. We accept dog and cat food, kitty litter, small rodent and fish food. All donations must be unopened and unexpired. For more information contact projectkibble@gmail.com or call Christine 508-234-8131.

12-STEPS FOR OTHERS: Adult Children of Alcoholics 12-step support group meets 7:30 to 9 p.m. Mondays at the Hopedale Unitarian Church, 65 Hopedale St. For information, Rose at (508) 234-9004.

KUNDALINI YOGA: The fall session for the Wednesday morning class is from Sept 11 to Oct. 30 (10-11:15 a.m.). This 8-week session is offered at St. Peter's Parish Center in Northbridge. Participants may pay for the entire session or attend as a walk-in student. Proceeds benefit the Youth Ministry and St. Peter's Parish. For more information visit: <http://kundaliniyogacma.wix.com/site> or call 508-234-4185. All are welcome to join us on a journey toward a more balanced life.

PEOPLE'S COFFEE HOUR: Every Tuesday starting Oct. 15 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Second Congregational Church of Douglas (289 Main St.), we are hosting a no Bible experience necessary study including coffee and refreshments. The study is called 'Pilgrim's Progress, a guided tour by Derek W.H. Thomas'. Study guides are provided free of charge. This study will run to the end of May. All attendees are welcome to anything from our food and kid's clothing closet. All are welcome. Call Jeanie (508-476-9978) for more information.

ONGOINGEVENTSATPURGATORY CHASM STATE RESERVATION, SUTTON

A WALK IN THE PARK: Thursdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm (excluding April 30) Hiking trails are the heart of our parks system and getting outdoors is a great way to exercise! Join the park interpreter on a hike and socialize along the way. Meet at the Visitor Center. Appropriate for ages 8 and above. About one mile over easy terrain.

CHASM HIKE: Fridays 11am to 12pm, Saturdays - 2pm to 3pm, Sundays - 3pm to 4pm Get ready to scramble around huge boulders while taking in the mystery of Purgatory Chasm! Find out about the park's history and cultural influence, the chasm's rock formations, or the wildlife that calls the chasm home. The tour topic will vary each day, ask park staff for details. Meet at the pavilion at the mouth of the chasm. Appropriate for ages 8 and above. Wet conditions in the chasm will cancel. About one mile over moderate terrain.

GLACIAL GEOLOGY HIKE: Mondays 2pm to 3:30pm Discover our glacial past with a one-mile hike along the chasm to Little Purgatory. Explore evidence of the ice that blanketed this park more than 10,000 years ago!

Meet at the Visitor Center. Suitable for ages 8 and above. Wet conditions in the chasm will cancel. About one mile over moderate terrain.

ROCK DETECTIVES: Saturdays 11am to 12pm Have you ever wondered where rocks come from? See a bunch of different rocks and learn about where they have been and where they are going. Stay for five minutes or the whole hour. This program takes place in the pavilion near the entrance to the chasm. Appropriate for ages 4 and above. The program will be held in the Visitor Center during inclement weather.

SKULL SCIENCE: Sundays 11am to 12pm We can learn many things about how an animal lives by examining its skull. Join us to look for clues about how different animals survive by examining their skulls and find out how your bones compare to animal bones. Stay for five minutes or the whole hour. This program takes place in the pavilion near the entrance to the chasm. Appropriate for ages 4 and above. The program will be held in the Visitor Center during inclement weather.

TIME TRAVELER TOUR: Fridays 2:30 to 3:30pm, Sundays - 4pm to 5pm Take a step back in time! Get an introduction to this unique park as we walk among the historic structures and geological features, jumping around the park's history all the while. Meet at the Visitor Center. Suitable for ages 10 and above. Approximately one mile over easy terrain.

VERNAL POOL EXPLORERS: Mondays 11am to 12pm As winter gives way to spring, shallow and short-lived pools appear in forests across Massachusetts. These vernal pools host amazing creatures, who race against the calendar to make the most of their temporary home. Meet at the Visitor Center. Suitable for ages 6 and up. About a ¼ mile walk each way, expect to get a little muddy.

TRIPS

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which includes Tour Guides and Bus Drivers Gratuities as well.

Contact Sturbridge Recreation Department 508-347-2041, email recreation@sturbridge.gov for more information

For additional information on these Wonderful Trips, please contact Linda Fortier at 508 347 1452 or by email at bestoftimes2020@aol.com

LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

For trip information and reservations, please call Joan Wall at (508) 892-3967.

Friday, March 20, 2020: Foxwood Casino. Free lunch buffet or \$10 food voucher and \$10 casino slot play. Cost is \$30.

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

SPENCER — Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, is offering the following trips. For more information, call Bernard Dube at (508) 885-3098.

*USA: Wonders of Northern California Redwoods, Oregon & Washington: August 3-15, 2020

*Spain & Portugal: Sept. 9-23, 2020

*Galapagos Islands: Jan 4-13, 2021 *Galapagos with extension to Peru (Machu Picchu): Jan 4-19, 2021

*Botswana, Zimbabwe and

Victoria Falls: May 5-16, 2021

*Alaska (land and cruise): early August, 2021

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SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center Monday, Wednesday, or Friday 9-10 a.m. or call (774) 922-4049 or e-mail jimtrips@yahoo.com.

Trips are open to the public! Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association, payment due at sign up:

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS TRIP SCHEDULE FOR 2020

March 24, 2020 – Tuesday – Mohegan Sun \$30 - 10 - AM bus.

You will have a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble and shop. The bus will leave Mohegan Sun at 4 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and a buffet meal voucher. Filling up fast

May 19, 2020 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$30 - 8 - AM bus.

This one is for the bingo players and all others that want to go. You will have a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble and shop. The bus will leave Foxwoods at 2 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and a buffet meal voucher.

September 15, 2020 – Tuesday – Mohegan Sun \$30 - 10 - AM

bus.

You will have a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble and shop. The bus will leave Mohegan Sun at 4 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and a buffet meal voucher.

October 13th - 20th 2020 – ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA Happily Full - I am taking names for standby on this trip. This is an all-inclusive trip – all flights, transfers, meals plus snacks, nightly entertainment, and alcohol included.

November 12, 2020 – Thursday – Foxwoods \$30 - 10 - AM bus.

You will have a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble and shop. The bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and a buffet meal voucher.

PAYMENTS DUE AT SIGN UP

Trips are open to the public! Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association.

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon senior center Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM or call 774 922 4049, or e-mail me jimtrips@yahoo.com

STURBRIDGE RECREATION

NYC Spring Bus Trip Saturday, April 25 Shopping & Sight Seeing Cost: \$50 Per Person, *Driver Gratuity Included Depart: 7:00 AM from Burgess Elementary School parking lot on your Lizak charter. A rest stop to be made along the way.

Arrive: Approx 10:30 AM for a day to do as you please in the wonderful Big Apple! Ice skating, shows, shopping, light displays, and more! Drop off will be as close to Rockefeller Center as possible.

Depart NYC: At 6:30 PM return to your Lizak Charter and enjoy a peaceful ride home. Arrive to Sturbridge by 10:00 PM.

UNION SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CHAPTER 12

Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring a variety of excursions for all to enjoy in 2019. We are a non-profit family oriented Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

All trips leave from the Whitinsville Walmart and the Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St, Westboro. Make sure to include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency # when sending payment. "Like" us on FacebookThe Silver Club and The Uxbridge Senior Center. Please call Sue at (508) 476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2020 Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Uxbridge Senior Center is offering the following bus trips for 2020.

April 16, 2020 - Magic Wings Butterfly Gardens and Yankee Candle with lunch at the Golden Corral w/Fox Tours - \$71. April 27-29 Penn Dutch w/the new show Queen Esther at Sight and Sound -- (trip is full, sign up for the waiting list)- \$459. May 4 -- Granite State Chocolate and Wine Tour with lunch at Warren's Lobster House - Fox Tours - \$91. May 9 - Albany Tulip Festival w/Conway Tours -\$115. June 1 - Plymouth cruise on Pilgrim Belle with sightseeing tour and lunch at Hearth and Kettle - Fox Tours - \$91 June 26 - July 3 -- Atlantic Canada w/Conway Tours -- International Tattoo, ferry crossing, Hopewell Rocks, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, St. John, New Brunswick - 3 seats left - \$1899. Aug. 30 - 31 - Saratoga Racetrack w/Conway Tours - enjoy a race at Saratoga, a tour of the town, a tour of Haven Oaks Horse Farm, and drive up Prospect Mountain - \$329. Sept. 16 -18 - The Hamptons w/Conway. Three day trip w/4 meals, guided tour of the "Rich and Famous" winery, ferry crossing, Old Westbury Estate & Gardens, Montauk Point Lighthouse, Sag harbor, etc. - \$579. Oct. 6 -- Green Mt. Railroad w/Fox Tours -- \$101. Nov. 19 -- Newport Playhouse w/Fox Tours - \$101. Dec. 7 & 8 -- Equinox Resort and Hildene, VT w/Conway Tours. Two day trip with elegant dinner & piano entertainment, breakfast, tour of Hildene, chocolate tasting, etc. \$379.

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OXFORD – 10 Huguenot Rd! 8 Rm Colonial! 1.36 Acres! Country Setting! Country Kitchen w/Bay Window Overlooking Back Yard, Front to Back Living/Dining Rm w/French Doors to Deck! Office! Side Entry Breezeway! 3 Bdrms Plus a Study/Craft Rm on the 2nd Floor! 1 Car Detached Garage w/Workshop! Easy Access to Shopping and Highways! **\$179,000.00**



WEBSTER – 27 N. Main St! 3 Family! 550 Rms! 3/4 Bedrooms! 1st Fir w/Eat-in! Liv Rm! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bathrm! 2nd Fir w/Kit w/Din Area! Liv Rm! 3 Bdrms! Updated Bath! 3rd Fir w/Eat-in! Kit! Liv Rm! Bdrm! Full Bath! Long Term Tenants! Sep Utilities! Vinyl Sided! Laundry Hook Ups! Freshly Painted Hallways! **\$249,900.00**



DUDLEY – 9 Nellies Way! TOBIN FARM ESTATES! 10 Rm Colonial Set on 1.2 Acres! Applianced Dine-in Granite Kit! 3 Season Sun Rm off Kit! Din Rm, 2 Story Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove, Bdrm, Full Bath w/Laundry & Gleaming Hrdwds Round Out 1st Fir! 2nd Fir Features an Open Balcony to the Liv Rm! Plenty of Space for an Office, Playroom or Reading Area, Use Your Imagination! Master w/Tray Ceiling & 3 Closets! Master Bath w/Dual Sinks, Shower, Whirlpool Tub & Makeup Counter! 2 Additional Bdrms & Full Bath! Huge Finished Walk-out Lower Level Perfect for Entertaining! Wet Bar w/Wine Cooler & Fridge! Half Bath w/Tile Flr! Irrigation! Shed! JD Riding Mower! Don't Miss Out! **\$469,900.00**



DUDLEY – 7 – 9 West Street! Brick 4 Family plus a 2 Family! Side by Side! All with 5 Rooms and 2 Bedrooms! Gas Heat! All Separate Utilities! 2 Car Detached Garage! The 4 Family with Beautiful Natural Woodwork! All Apartments are Empty and Work is Needed in Several Apartments! Excellent Potential! Will be a Good Investment for the Right One! **\$399,900.00**



WEBSTER – 9 Lake Parkway! Extremely Conveniently Located just off Exit 1 of 385! Loads of Potential! 6 Rm Cape! Applianced Kit! Din & Liv Rms w/Wall to Wall over Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! 1st Fir Bdrm w/Commode Closet! Recent Furnace! Recent Roof! **\$169,900.00**



THOMPSON – 299 Quaddick Rd! Custom Cedar Log Home! 5.47 Acres! Stone Wall Entry! 700' Driveway! Nestled in the Woods! 6 Rms of Cedar! Granite Kit! Cathedral Ceilings w/Skylights! Hrdwds! Stone Frpl! 1st Fir Master w/Full Bath & Walk-in Closet! 3 Bdrms & 2.5 Baths Total! Oil Heat! 3 Car Garage! **\$399,900.00**



DUDLEY – 132 Southbridge Rd! 5 Rm Bungalow! 2.21 Acres! Enjoy Nature and Kayak right from your Backyard! Eat-in Kit w/Pantry! Frpld Liv Rm w/Hrdwds & Bay Window! Din Rm or Fam Rm w/Hrdwds & Ceiling Fan! Full Tile Bath w/Tub/Shower Combo! Master Bdrm w/Wall to Wall Carpet! Second Bdrm w/Wall to Wall & Ceiling Fan! Walk-up Attic w/Potential for Additional Living Space! 3 Season Porch w/Natural Woodwork! Recent Roof! Recent Oil Steam Heat! New Septic & being Well Installed! Plenty of Parking! **\$179,900.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE – 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, Has It All! 2 Story Foyer! Granite Kit w/Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances & Walk-in Pantry! Din Rm w/Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm w/Lake Views, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frpl! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Upstairs leads to 3 Spacious Bdrms each w/Private Baths! Master w/Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet & Private Balcony! Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level w/Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm + Lake Facing Bdrm w/Frplce & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Zones! Oversized 2 Car Garage! Loaded w/Quality & Detail! **\$1,175,100.00**



WEBSTER LAKE – 68 W Point Rd! Western Exposure - Spectacular Sunsets! 75' Waterfront w/Expansive Views! 6 Rm Yr Rd Ranch! Ideal 2nd Home! Renovate or Enjoy As Is! Open Fir Plan! Applianced Cabinet Packed Kit! Lake Facing Din & Liv Rms w/Water Views! Sliders to Screen Enclosed Porch! Master w/Ceiling Fan & Dble Closet! 2nd Bdrm w/Dble Closet! Full Bath off Hall! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/25' Fam Rm w/Door to Lakeside Patio, Bdrm, Full Bath & Utility Storage Rm! 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths Total! Oil Heat! Covered Entry Ramp & Electric Chair Lift! Shed! Dock! Summer Will Be Back – Don't Delay! **\$499,900.00**



CHARLTON – 105' WATERFRONT! Baker Pond! 63 Lincoln Pt Rd! East Facing = Fantastic Sunrises! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Beautiful 1/2 Acre Lot w/Lawn to Water's Edge! 2 Story Foyer! Natural Woodwork! Open Fir Plan! Applianced Granite Kit w/Is, Recessed Lights, Tile Flr & Water View! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Sunken Frplce Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Fr & Water Views! Din Rm w/Hrdwd! 1/2 Bath w/Pedestal Sink! 2nd Fir w/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Water Views! Master w/Cathedrals, French Dr to Balcony, Bath w/Separate Tub/Shower, Walk-in Closet & Laundry! Hall Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/31' Fam Rm! Full Kit! Full Bath & Laundry! Includes NEW A/C SPLIT SYSTEM! Enjoy Outside from the Farmer's Porch, Deck, Patio, Screened Porch or Dock! 2 Car Garage! Full Recreational Use! **\$524,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE – 50 Union Point Rd! Panoramic Views of Middle Pond – South Facing – Tons of Sun! Principal Residence or as a Second Home this 6+ Rm Gambrel Colonial will be Ready for You! You'll Appreciate its Easy Access and Taken Back by the Ever Changing Lake Views! Featuring Applianced Kitchen w/Island, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplace Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Flr and Anderson Sliders All Around! 3 Second Floor Bedrooms! Spacious Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling & 2 Sliders to its Private Deck! 2 Full Baths! Central Air! Composite Decks & Flag Stone Patio for Your Enjoyment! 7,405' Lot with 50' on the Water! Sorry, Closing not before 9/10/2019! **\$624,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE – 506 Beacon Park! 1,280' Custom WATERFRONT Townhouse, Ideal End Corner Unit w/Panoramic Lake Views! Overlooks Lakeside Pool & Sandy Beach! From the Private Entry this Unit is Like No Other! Being Sold Fully Furnished & Appointed! 1st Fir w/Beautiful Maple Hrdwds! SS Applianced Silestone Kit! Recessed Lighting! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Tile Baths! Recent A/C & Heat! Garage! **\$369,900.00**

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New Price **\$329,900**

WEBSTER - 8 MAPLE ST



2 Family - 1st Floor: 6 Rooms, 3 bedrooms, 1 Full Bath, open kitchen. Fully Applianced. New Carpeting, Hardwood Floors. 2nd Floor - Open Kitchen with Gorgeous Kitchen Cabinets - 6 Rooms, 3 Bed, 1 Full Bath Hardwood Floors, New carpeting. Each Apartment has 1,200+ sq ft plus. Oil Heat. Off street parking. Town Water & Sewer, 3rd Story Unfinished. **\$237,500**

CHARLTON - 51 GALE RD



Nice Country cape - with hugh attached 2 car garage! 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 Fireplaces, 3 seson sunroom with atched deck Living room w/fireplace! 1st fir omce. Recent water filtration system, furnace, heater, and oil unk. Passed Title V, well okay.
assisted sale **\$299,000.**



DOUGLAS - 14 MOUNT DANIELS WAY

NEW to Market! 4 beds, 2-1/2 baths, sun-room, lg deck, central air, located on small cul-de-sac of 6 homes! Over 2 acres of privacy!
\$409,000.

OPEN HOUSE, SAT. • 12-2

OXFORD - 47 HARWOOD ST



VERY Affordable 3 Bedroom RANCH Located on 8+ Acres Abutting the French River!! Great Spot for the Nature Enthusiast 3 bedroom, 1 bath, Fireplace, **\$209,900.**

WOODSTOCK, CT - 64 LYON HILL RD



Estate like long paved driveway! 3158 Sq Ft Colonial! Geothermal built. Open floor plan, ash flooring throughout! Granite and s/s applianced kitchen! Large master bedroom, coffered ceiling, master bath, w/Jetted tub! Walk in closets. Two car garage. Radiused catwalk on upper level! Walk up attic. Walk out lower level! The third garage is accessed from the lower level. Generator hookup. One beautiful property!
assisted sale **\$499,900.**

WEBSTER/OXFORD/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS

Dudley - Marshall Terrace 12,000 +/- Sq. Ft. Possible potential for a 2 family to be built! Town Water, Sewer, City Gas! Nice level lot. **\$70,000**
Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abouts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**
Webster - 3 Lots Cooper Rd. Attention Developers! 3 abutting house lots, potential to divide into 5-6 Buildable lots! water/sewer access **\$129,400**
Webster - 85 Upper Gore! View of the Lake. 1+ acre,artesian well, Septic Design,Etc. **\$130,000.**
Oxford - 4 Leicester St. approx. 8.47 acres! River frontage! Highly possible to be subdivided. **\$99,900**

THOMPSON, CT - 6 LILLIAN AVE, LOT #1



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WEBSTER LAND - COOPER RD



Available 10,000+ sq. ft. of Land. Zoned Lake Residential. Potential to divide into 2 Buildable Lots. Town Water & Sewer Available. **\$49,000.**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD

Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5,697+/- SF Lot, 50' Rd & Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 996+/- SF of living area w/2 BRs & 2 full baths. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/tremendous potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Floor Plan w/sliders to full front deck! Spectacular Westerly views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available.
NEW PRICE \$299,900



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WEBSTER LAKE - 32 JACKSON RD

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SATURDAY, MARCH 21				
DOUGLAS 14 Mount Daniels Way	S	Noon-2	\$409,00	Hope Real Estate Group June Cazeault 860-377-2044
DUDLEY 55+ Community	L/D	10-11:30		Re/Max Advantage Jo-Ann Szymczak 774-230-5044
SATURDAY, MARCH 22				
DUDLEY 12 Mill Rd	S	Noon-2	\$304,900	Re/Max Advantage Jo-Ann Szymczak 774-230-5044
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12 Mill Rd – \$304,900



Dudley: 4.1 Acres, 2 bedrooms cottage with recent roof, windows and hardwood floors, — foundation for garage or buildings strong possibility for additional lots.
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LEGALS

Woodland Road Layout
Public Meeting

In accordance with the requirements of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 82 § 22 – The Laying Out of Public Ways; notice is given that the Douglas Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 7:05 pm, in the Municipal Center Resource Room, 29 Depot Street, Douglas, MA. The intentions to lay out as a public town way: Woodland Road (Station 00+00 to Station 32+43), per the “Woodland Road Acceptance Plan in Douglas, Massachusetts” dated November 30, 2018, and as endorsed by the Douglas Planning Board on February 11, 2020 will be considered. All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Also for consideration at this Public Meeting is to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for the acceptance of this way as a public town way. The Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2020, 7:00 pm, at the Douglas High School Auditorium.

The Street Acceptance Plan is on file for view in the Administration / Board of Selectmen’s Office, Municipal Center, 29 Depot Street, Douglas, MA; during normal office hours of Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am to 12:00 pm, and 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm; Tuesday open until 6:00 pm, and Friday from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.

March 20, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate
and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO20C0146CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO
CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:
Emma Maie Blais

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by Emma Marie Blais of Douglas MA

requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Emma Marie Mabey

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/07/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you

must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: March 06, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate

March 20, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family
Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO20P0756EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Robert J. Pepi
Date of Death: 12/27/2018

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Robert Philip Pepi of Prosper TX requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Robert Philip Pepi of Prosper TX be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/31/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the es-

tate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

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

Date: March 05, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

March 20, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO20P0746EA
Estate of:
Carol Ann Palazzi
Date Of Death: December 17, 2019
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Lawrence L. Bragdon of Uxbridge MA

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Lawrence L. Bragdon of Uxbridge MA

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

March 20, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. WO20P0693EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:

Beverly C Liberty

Date of Death: 12/09/2019

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Donna L Castonguay of Uxbridge MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Donna L Castonguay of Uxbridge MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of April 14, 2020.

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

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

Date: March 04, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

March 20, 2020

VILLAGER NEWSPAPERS

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

“SHINING A LIGHT ON COMMUNITY EVENTS”

March 20, Fri., Noon-7pm

Club 2087 will hold a Lenten Fish Fry, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. The menu: fish & chips (\$11); baked haddock (\$12); fried bay scallops or shrimp (\$13); fried clams (\$16); seafood platter (\$18). 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

March 20, Fri., 5-7pm

Please join us at the Lenten Fish Fry sponsored by Scout Troop 44 at the Trinity Church located at 7 Providence Pike, Brooklyn, CT. This fundraiser will held every Friday during Lent. The meal consists of fish, fries and coleslaw. The meal is take-out only and cost \$12. Please feel free to donate a canned good for the can drive to benefit our local food pantry. All proceeds benefit the Boy Scout troop outdoor activities and their chartered organization, Trinity church.

March 20, Fri., 10-3pm

Job Fair Hosted by Masis Staffing. Stop by the TEEG office (15 Thatcher Rd. No. Grosvenordale, CT) between 10:00-3:00 to speak with staff members from Masis staffing to see what job opportunities are available in the area. Free event with no registration required.

March 21, Sat., 7-8:30am

The Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund (SSMF) assistance is available this Saturday and every Saturday morning, at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamouquet Road (Rt.44) in Pomfret. Always free and confidential; call 860-928-2309 for questions. (The SSMF is administered by the American Legion to provide temporary financial assistance to qualified veterans.

March 21, Sat., 7pm

Mass Production Reunion Concert at Killingly High School. Local singers and musicians will perform a variety of new songs as well as favorite oldies in order to raise money for the Phil Janetatos music scholarship. Tickets are: adults \$15.00, Seniors \$13.00, children \$10.00.

March 22, Sun., 9am-3:30pm

The Art of Transition Retreat/Workshop @Block134, Putnam, CT. The new Connecticut business. Are you retiring, re-wiring, changing careers, changing relationships, planning to start a business? Savor Life Coaching is hosting a Retreat/Workshop most appropriate for, but not limited to, people in pre- and post-retirement, business launch or considering career change transitions. Join the Workshop led by James A. Weiss, Registered Life Planner with the Kinder Institute. Three experts The Workshop’s goal is to help attendees clarify their vision and plan, for their future. Visit savorcoaching.com/workshops-retreats for registration details and/or visit the Facebook event page at: www.facebook.com/events/500004730705748/

March 26, thurs, 5-7pm

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March 27, Fri., Noon-7pm

Club 2087 will hold a Lenten Fish Fry, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riv-

erside Drive, North Grosvenordale. The menu: fish & chips (\$11); baked haddock (\$12); fried bay scallops or shrimp (\$13); fried clams (\$16); seafood platter (\$18). 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

March 27, Fri., 5-7pm

Please join us at the Lenten Fish Fry sponsored by Scout Troop 44 at the Trinity Church located at 7 Providence Pike, Brooklyn, CT. This fundraiser will held every Friday during Lent. The meal consists of fish, fries and coleslaw. The meal is take-out only and cost \$12. Please feel free to donate a canned good for the can drive to benefit our local food pantry. All proceeds benefit the Boy Scout troop outdoor activities and their chartered organization, Trinity church.

March 28, Sat., 7-8:30am

The Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund (SSMF) assistance is available this Saturday and every Saturday morning, at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamouquet Road (Rt.44) in Pomfret. Always free and confidential; call 860-928-2309 for questions. (The SSMF is administered by the American Legion to provide temporary financial assistance to qualified veterans.

March 28, Sat., 5:30pm & 7pm

Dinner and bluegrass for march has been cancelled. Stay tuned for more info about April.. Bruce, 203-731-1750

April 3, Fri., Noon-7pm

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April 4, Sat., 7:30-10am

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