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Haunted History Walk takes visitors through spooky history



Kevin Flanders Photo

Guests learn about “grim” historical happenings thanks to student performers.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – At the spookiest time of the year, local students recently took guests on a journey with plenty of history-based thrills and chills.

On Oct. 19, nearly 140 spectators enjoyed the Haunted History Walk held at the cemetery behind the Congregational Church. The idea for the event was generated by youth members of Richard Sugden Public Library’s Teen Mania program. Support came from the Friends of the library, as well as the Old Cemetery Commission and the Spencer Historical Society.

The program included a pair of 45-minute shows, one in the afternoon and the other in the evening. Each performance featured costumed student actors and guides who took guests back in time for a tour of haunted happenings long ago.

Guests were treated to original monologues that blended historical facts with creative writing. Each of the nine costumed actors did extensive research on local history, then authored creative materials to be used during the performances. For library officials, it was exciting to see the students work hard and display strong teamwork to prepare for their performances. The result was a thrilling night for all guests, some of whom had to leave a light on overnight.

Please Read **HISTORY WALK**, page **A7**

Public input sought on open space plan

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Residents are invited to help town officials update their open space and recreation plan by participating in a survey.

An approved plan is required for towns to qualify for state funding for the acquisition and protection of open space and recreational facilities. Spencer residents are encouraged to visit the town Web site, www.SpencerMA.gov, to access the online version of the survey.

Residents’ survey responses will help town leaders better understand priorities and concerns regarding open space and recreation facilities.

“The plan will address open space needs, recreational programming for all ages, environmental quality issues, and town character, among other topics,” said Town Planner Paul Dell’Aquila.

Spencer’s latest open space plan, completed in 2011, expired earlier this year. Funds were allocated at Town Meeting in May to retain the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission to help officials author a new plan that reflects residents’ priorities.

In the survey, open space is defined as public and

Please Read **OPEN SPACE**, page **A5**

A spooky good time had by all at Barktacular

SPENCER – Families and their furry friends had a spook-tacular time last weekend at Camp Marshall, with proceeds from an annual Halloween-themed event supporting animals in need.

Organized by Second Chance Animal Services, the second annual Barktacular event was held on Oct. 26. The fundraiser brought hundreds of costumed pet owners and their best friends to Camp Marshall for a day of fun and festivities.

The event featured games, prizes, food vendors, and a costume contest for guests and pets. The lineup also included local authors whose books promote the importance of supporting shelter pets and offering a second chance to animals in need.



Courtesy Photo

Vendors, guests, and four-legged friends enjoy the event.

Please Read **BARKTACULAR**, page **A5**

Leicester voters support drainage work

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER – After extensive discussion and an amended article, Special Town Meeting voters approved funding to address drainage problems at the fire station retention ponds.

At the Oct. 22 Special Town Meeting, voters deliberated at length over an article seeking \$500,000 for engineering, site work, and other costs related to correcting stormwater runoff problems emanating from the Paxton Street fire station retention ponds.

The article required a two thirds majority vote, and it was defeated by a vote of 104-83, with three voters abstaining. Former selectman Doug Belanger then moved to amend the article to include only the borrowing of up to \$400,000 for funding to resolve the

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Apple Run/Walk takes off this weekend

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – In an event that has seen strong support for well over a decade, residents are eagerly anticipating the annual Apple Run/Walk for Diabetes.

The 14th annual event is set for Saturday, Nov. 2, at Brookfield Orchards. Walkers will start the five-mile course at 10:30 a.m., while runners will begin at 11 a.m. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top two male and female runners, and additional prizes will be awarded to the winners from each age group.

Walkers and runners of all ages are welcome to register on the day of the event. The registration period will last

from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

The event is organized each year by the Lions Club of the Brookfields. For the third straight year, business sponsor Rapsallion Brewery will be back on site to support the event. Organizers have always received strong support from residents and local businesses, and they are looking forward to another great year.

The event typically brings chilly weather, but it's perfect for a scenic morning run. The course takes runners and walkers past farms, fields, and woodlands, and it also offers a view of Lake Lashaway. The majority of the course was recently repaved, and the event will once again utilize the timing services of 5K Sports Race Management.

“Over the first 13 years of the event,

we have raised over \$25,500 for our two diabetes causes – the Clara Barton Camp for Diabetic Children in Oxford and the UMass diabetes research team in Worcester,” read a statement released by event organizers.

The Clara Barton Camp is dedicated to providing fun year-round activities for children living with diabetes. Programs are centered around education, recreation, and support activities. To learn more about the camp, visit www.BartonCenter.org.

The University of Massachusetts diabetes research team, meanwhile, continues to make important strides thanks to the help of its supporters. Proceeds from the Apple Run/Walk for Diabetes have supported the research team's efforts for many years. Not only does the event raise money, but it also

generates much-needed awareness, organizers said.

To learn more about the event and the cause, visit www.BrookfieldsLionsClub.org. There is a registration link available on the Apple Run/Walk for Diabetes page. The Web site also has information on the organization's other charitable efforts, which include a golf tournament and an annual scholarship benefiting area schools.

The run/walk entry fee is \$25 for adults and \$10 for children age 17 and under. All children taking part in the event must be accompanied by an adult on the course.

Event organizers thank all participants, sponsors, and supporters for their assistance each year.

Moore secures funding for Leicester accessibility upgrades

BOSTON – Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) secured \$200,000 within the Senate version of the Fiscal Year 2019 supplemental state budget to offset the cost of accessibility upgrades at the Leicester Town Hall.

The building, located at 3 Washburn Square, requires improvements to the 30,000 square foot parking lot. The funding advocated by Senator Moore would support regrading the parking area, increasing lighting and signage, creating additional parking spaces and enabling the installation of handicapped compliant parking areas.

“The Town Hall is a critical community resource and it's important for all residents to have access to the building which is why I was proud to support this funding,” said Moore. “I think I speak for many folks in the community when I say that I look forward to seeing the completion of these much-needed

upgrades.”

The Moore-championed funding complements existing efforts undertaken by the Town to enhance accessibility at the Town Hall. The community completed renovations to the third floor of the building to accommodate School Administration and installed an elevator to enable access to every floor. The Town is also pursuing grant funding to install accessibility doors and to construct an ADA compliant bathroom.

The bill will now move forward to a Conference Committee comprised of three members from the Senate and three members from the House of Representatives to resolve differences between versions of the bill passed by each Chamber. To continue tracking the supplemental budget bill, S.2378, visit the Legislature's Web site, www.malegislature.gov.

Berthiaume announces office hours

REGION — State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume's Chief of Staff, Donna, will hold office hours at the following locations for November 2019.

Tuesday, Nov. 5 – In the town of North Brookfield, at the Senior Center 11 a.m.-noon

Thursday, Nov. 7 - In the Town of Brookfield at the Town Hall, 9 – 10 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 7 – In the Town of East Brookfield- Senior Center – 10:15-11 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 7 – In the Town of Spencer at Howe Village, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 19 – In the Town of West Brookfield at the Senior Center noon – 12:45 p.m.

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

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\$255,000, 113 Draper Rd, Belanger William Ernest, and Belanger, Mckenzie R, to Nault, Richard H, and Lebeau, Amy I.

\$205,000, 101 Cove St, Fairshare Investments Inc, to Colbath, Kevin D, and Colbath, Emily J.

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\$240,000, 67 S Main St, Moran, Margaret F, to Moran, Dustin.

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\$80,000, Mad Brook Rd #1, Foisy, Rodney L, to Wheeler, Richard H, and Wheeler, Linda C.

\$55,000, 62 Hillsville Rd, Gurgone, Antonio, and Gurgone, Nancy, to Hill, James H, and Hill, Sharol J.

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\$270,000, 61 Long Hill Rd, Roman, Reinaldo, and Roman, Amanda L, to Egan, George.

\$100,000, 150 Shea Rd, Bartlett, Dennis E, and Bartlett, Judith A, to Bartlett, Dennis E.

\$61,500, 83 Hunt Rd, Waible, Frederick P, to Wojcik, Philip S, and Wojcik, Nadine C.

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\$320,000, 32 Green St, Zwicker, Sara, to Belanger, Mckenzie R, and Belanger, William E.

\$305,000, 9 Warren St, MK 3 Properties LLC, to Carey, Renee, and Carey, Kevin.

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Local restaurant owners cook for a cause

SPENCER – Local restaurant owners enjoyed cooking for a cause last weekend, with proceeds from a fundraiser benefiting Powder Mill Park.

The first annual Fall Food Festival was held on Oct. 26 at Spencer Country Inn. Dozens of local eateries were represented, as well as residents with culinary businesses. Presented by the

Spencer Exchange Club and sponsored by Cornerstone Bank, the event drew a large number of guests eager to support the cause.

“This is a great community event and a tremendous cause. It means a lot to be a part of this,” said Scott Conner, the owner of E.B. Flatts restaurant in East Brookfield.

Guests were able to sample food, wine, craft beers, and desserts prepared by dozens of local chefs and business owners. All proceeds will benefit the Powder Mill Park restoration project, which includes the playground area.

Organizers thank all guests, business supporters, and event sponsors for making the festival possible.



Kelsie Shedden, left, and Casey Wood offer desserts from Spencer-based Casey Lyn Cakes.

Kevin Flanders Photos



Jamie Cormier, left, and Jenna Monette represent the Spencer Exchange Club.



Tom Fahey, the general manager of 308 Lakeside, greets guests at the event.

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Gobi announces November office hours

REGION — Lucas McDiarmid, aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer), will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of November. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Attendants should RSVP to Lucas at Lucas.McDiarmid@MASenate.gov or by phone at (413) 324-3082. Town attendance is not restricted to residents of those towns, and Lucas is additionally available by appointment if you are unable to make any of the times listed.

Tuesday Nov. 5
10-11 a.m. Warren Senior Center
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Brimfield Senior Center
1-2 p.m. Wales Senior Center

Wednesday Nov. 6
11 a.m.-noon West Brookfield Senior Center
12:30-1:30 p.m. New Braintree Town Offices
2-3 p.m. Brookfield Town Hall
6-7 p.m. Ashby Town Hall

Tuesday Nov. 12
10:30-11:30 a.m. Sturbridge Senior Center
Noon-1 p.m. Rutland Community Center

Wednesday Nov. 13
9:30-10:30 a.m. Oakham Senior Center
11 a.m.-noon North Brookfield Senior Center
1-2 p.m. Holland Town Offices

Thursday Nov. 21
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Charlton Senior Center
2-3 p.m. Monson Senior Center

Tuesday Nov. 26
10:30-11:30 a.m. Paxton Senior Center
Noon-1 p.m. Spencer – Howe Village
1:30-2:30 p.m. East Brookfield Municipal Offices

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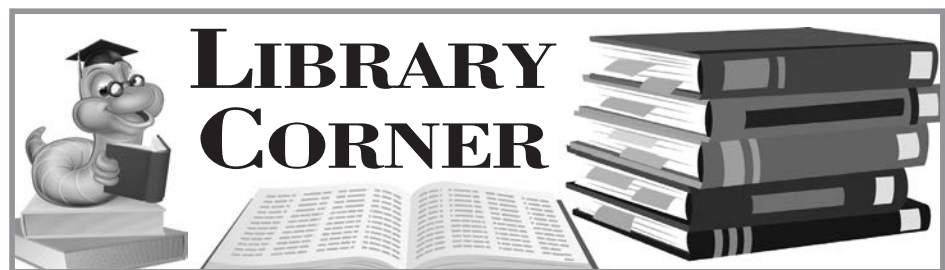
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November 4
Community Connections hosts a parent/caregiver & child playgroup from 10:00 am-11:30 am for infants through age 5 every Monday! These free programs are provided by a grant through the Department of Early Education and Care.

Join us for another epic 6-week Dungeons & Dragons campaign starting today! This program is open to

anyone in grades 6-12. Pre-registration is required and limited to 8 players.

Spencer Writers' Group is held for teens and adults. Meetings are held the FIRST Monday of each month. All genres of writers are invited. From 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm, come prepared to write! Light refreshments will be served. Register today! Questions? Contact Sharon Legasey at shamrocks_1@hotmail.com.

November 5
Toddler story time meets from 10:00 am - 10:45 am for ages 18-35 months and their caregivers.

Pre-K story time meets from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm for children 3 years (by Sept 1st) to school age.

Vroom! Let's build cars out of cardboard tubes! Imagination Station meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-4:45pm in the Community Room. All children ages K-5 are welcome.

November 6
Pause: Mindfulness Meditation is held on the Library's Main Floor on Wednesdays from 8:30 am—9:30 am. Drop-in to learn about and practice mindfulness, and discuss using these tools to enhance our relationship with ourselves and others.

Adults join us for a free computer class for beginner/intermediate students. Classes are held on the first Wednesday of each month from 2:00 pm -3:00 pm. We offer free classes to answer your questions on computer and technology related devices. Bring your lap top, camera, phone... or use one of the library's lap tops. If you're not sure

what you want to learn, come on down and we'll show you some fun stuff – ways to keep in touch with your children, friends, grandchildren and more!

Crafternoon with Ms. Diane! What will you create this week? What materials will you use? Whether you use paint, paper, glue, chalk, markers, crayons, yarn, ribbons, wallpaper, you name it--- it is bound to be filled with creativity. Bring your curiosity and your ideas. We'll provide the supplies! Open to anyone in grades K-5 from 4:00-4:45 on Wednesdays.

November 7
Get up and move with Deb Hudgins' music and movement program "Thanksgiving Celebration." This program is open to all toddler and pre-K children and their families. Meets in the Richard Sugden Library Community Room from 10:00-10:45. This program is sponsored by Community Connections and the Friends of the Richard Sugden Library.

Gobi announces nonpoint source pollution grant for Spencer

BOSTON — Sen. Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) was pleased to join the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection today in announcing a grant award of \$88,200 for the town of Spencer to combat nonpoint source pollution.

“Our towns work very hard to ensure that all water sources are free of contaminants,” commented Sen. Gobi on the grant. “These grants are critical in providing the necessary funds to deal with and prepare for ongoing pollution

problems.”

Nonpoint source (NPS) pollution comes from rainfall or melting snow moving over and through the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants and eventually deposits them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters and ground waters. These pollutants may come from:

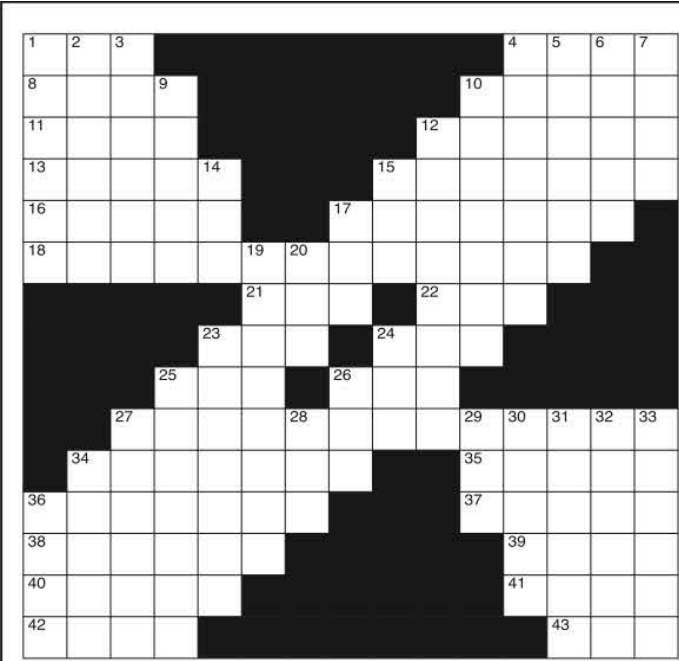
Fertilizers and herbicides
Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals from

urban runoff
Construction sediment
Streambank erosion
Irrigation runoff
Bacteria and nutrients from animal wastes
Atmospheric deposition, commonly called “acid rain”.

Awarded through the department's Nonpoint Source Pollution Competitive Grant Program, this grant provides funding to Massachusetts public or private organizations for projects that

address prevention, control, and abatement of NPS pollution. The grant award to Spencer will go towards the design and construction of best management practice projects to reduce pollution from storm water runoff discharging to the Sevenmile River.

For more information on the grant award, please visit mass.gov/info-details/nonpoint-source-pollution.

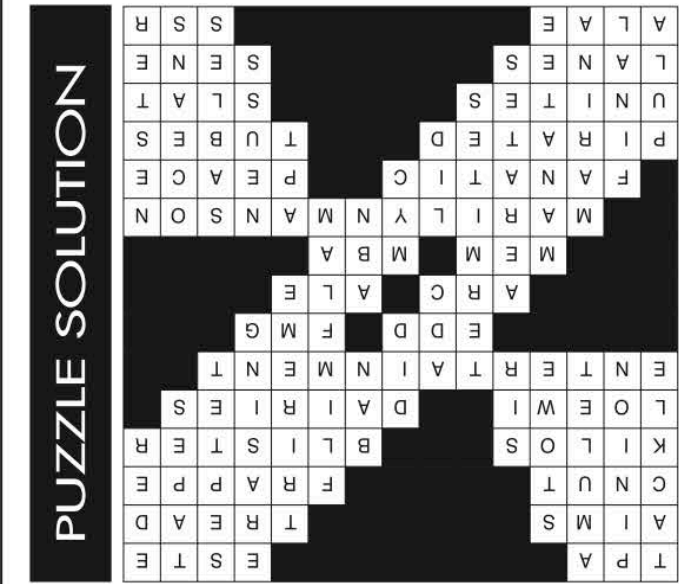


CLUES ACROSS

1. Third-party access (abbr.)
4. This (Spanish)
8. Goals
10. Something to do lightly
11. “Great” North Sea Empire legend
12. Iced or chilled drink
13. Weight units
15. Immune system response
16. Groundbreaking German pharmacologist
17. Milk-supplying companies
18. Enjoyable distraction
21. Doctor of Education
22. Type of submachine gun (abbr.)
23. Curved shape
24. Brew
25. The 13th letter of the Hebrew alphabet
26. Advanced degree
27. Shock rocker
34. Enthusiast
35. Quiet’s partner
36. Hijacked
37. TV’s once needed them
38. Brings together
39. Narrow piece of wood
40. Paths
41. Monetary unit
42. Wings
43. Soviet Socialist Republic

CLUES DOWN

1. Gear
2. Outer part of a bird’s wing
3. Good luck charm
4. Removing from memory
5. Group of seven people
6. Records
7. German river
9. “Last of the Mohicans” actress Madeleine
10. Ancient Greek war galley
12. Nonsensical speak
14. Title of respect
15. Cast out
17. Have already done
19. Wood-loving insects
20. Analog conversion system (abbr.)
23. Pokes holes in
24. Waiver of liability (abbr.)
25. Sea cow
26. Protein coding gene
27. Where boats park
28. The top of a jar
29. Fitting
30. German city
31. Martens
32. They’re all over the planet
33. One that nests
34. Coming at the end
36. Croatian coastal city



North Brookfield Savings Bank recognizes employees for years of service



Courtesy Photos
Shown left to right are Caitlin O'Connor, Laurie Lacaire, Steven Warman, Wendy Swallow, Donna Boulanger, Nicole Syriac and Jennifer Hatt.

NORTH BROOKFIELD — North Brookfield Savings Bank hosted their Annual Employee Appreciation event on Oct. 15 at the Public House in Sturbridge, thanking all of the employees for their dedication to the success of the Bank and their commitment to supporting our customers and local communities.

Every year, North Brookfield Savings Bank recognizes and rewards employees for their dedication to the Bank and for the outstanding service they provide to our customers and communities. At the event, North Brookfield Savings Bank honored employees who reached special anniversaries with the Bank by presenting them with Years of Service awards and a gift. This year, employees ranged

from having 5 to 25 years of service, and over 80 years of service combined.

The following North Brookfield Savings Bank employees received Years of Service Awards in 2019.

5 Years of Service
Jennifer Hatt, Operations Specialist
Lynn Pion, Branch Support Specialist
Wendy Swallow, Branch Support Specialist
Nicole Syriac, Supervisor/Marketing Coordinator
Steven Warman, Maintenance Supervisor

10 Years of Service
Caitlin O'Connor, Assistant Vice President/Marketing

Manager

20 Years of Service
Tammy Gustafson, Assistant Branch Manager

25 Years of Service
Laurie Lacaire, Teller

“Congratulations to these wonderful employees for reaching their Years of Service milestones,” said Donna Boulanger, North Brookfield Savings Bank President and CEO. “Each one of them has contributed to the Bank’s overall success and has shown their commitment to providing our customers and communities with the best service possible. They make our team stronger every day.”



Shown left to right are Yvonne Little, Lynn Pion, Tammy Gustafson, and Patricia Ostrout.

Annual Toy Drive returns to North Brookfield Savings Bank

NORTH BROOKFIELD — For North Brookfield Savings Bank the holiday season is a special time of year. It's when people and communities come together. And what better way to do so than by helping make sure that all young community members experience a wonderful, joy-filled, holiday season.

Starting Nov. 1 and running through Dec. 15, North Brookfield Savings Bank's Annual Toy Drive aims to ensure holiday wishes come true for our younger community members. Monetary donations and new toys will be collected at all Bank branch locations. To further brighten the holidays, North Brookfield Savings Bank will also make a \$1,750 donation to local toy drive programs for the purchase of additional toys.

During the Toy Drive, community members are welcome to visit any branch location to make their donations of new unwrapped toys for children. All toys collected will be donated to local toy programs in each community, to ensure that local children in need will receive holiday presents. This year, the Bank's Ware branch location will be primarily accepting monetary donations to help their local toy program partner the Ware Police Department, who has reformatted their program to be more tailored to each family in need.

In addition to toys, NBSB will accept financial contributions in each branch location to purchase additional gifts for the toy drive. The bank will match every dollar donated, as well as contribute \$1 for every toy collected, up to \$250 per branch location.

"As a local Bank that places a high importance on embracing and committing to the values of



Courtesy Photo

North Brookfield Savings Bank proudly partners with toy collection programs in North Brookfield, East Brookfield, West Brookfield, Ware, Belchertown, and Palmer to collect toys for local children. North Brookfield Savings Bank AVP/Regional Branch Manager/Consumer Loan Manager Cindy Fountain (left), Senior Vice President/Retail Banking Manager Patty Ostrout (right) and North Brookfield Police Officers with some of the toys donated last year.

kindness and community support, North Brookfield Savings Bank is proud to continue the tradition of hosting our Annual Toy Drive at our locations," said Donna Boulanger, President and CEO of North Brookfield Savings Bank. "We want to ensure that every child has the opportunity to have a wonderful holiday season, this year and every year. We know this goal is possible with the continued support and kindness of our local community members. We invite all of you

to come visit us as you have so generously done in the past to make your contribution."

Donations are accepted at the North Brookfield Savings Bank branches following:

- North Brookfield Branch, 9 Gilbert St. – partnering with the North Brookfield Police Association's Toys for Joys Program

- East Brookfield Branch, 100 West Main St., Route 9 – partnering with the East Brookfield Toys for Joy Program

- West Brookfield Branch, 128 West Main St., Route 9 – partnering with the West Brookfield Police Association Holiday Toy Program

- Ware Branch, 40 Main St., Route 9 – partnering with the Ware Police Department Holiday Toy Program

- Belchertown Branch, 4 Daniel Shays Highway, Routes 9 and 202 – partnering with the Belchertown Firefighters

Association Adopt-a-Family Program

- Palmer Branch, 1051 Thorndike St. – partnering with the Palmer Lions Club Holiday Toy Program

- Three Rivers Branch, 2060 Main St. – partnering with the Palmer Lions Club Holiday Toy Program

Boulanger continued, "The holiday season is about caring for those around us and being generous. It is heartwarming every year to witness how our community members support our communities and each other. By partnering with the local toy drive organizations and our giving residents we bring a child holiday cheer and truly embody the spirit of the holiday season. Thank you to everyone who plans to give this year and has supported this effort in the past."

Two additional North Brookfield Savings Bank holiday traditions, Belchertown Santa Day on Saturday, November 23rd and the West Brookfield White Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 8th, are also great opportunities to visit and contribute to the Annual Toy Drive, all while getting in the holiday spirit. New this year, North Brookfield Savings Bank is a proud sponsor of Light Up Palmer, an event dedicated to lighting up the business section of downtown Depot Village and celebrating the holiday season with the community.

To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank's community giving efforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com.

OPEN SPACE

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privately-owned undeveloped lands which are important for a variety of reasons. These include passive recreation, conservation, water resource protection, agriculture, forestry, and intrinsic scenic qualities that augment the overall character of the town.

The terms recreational facili-

ties, or recreation, refer to lands used for active recreational purposes, such as athletic fields or golf courses. Lands used for active recreation are not classified as open space because these parcels are often covered with paved surfaces for tennis courts, basketball courts, and parking lots, officials said.

Passive recreation, meanwhile, refers to non-consumptive uses like wildlife observation, walking, biking, and canoeing.

"Open space and recreational planning will help us preserve open space while allowing development to occur that is consistent with the character of the town," read a statement released by Spencer's Open Space Plan Working Group, an organization comprised of stakeholders from several committees, as well as town staff members and local associations.

The survey will be open until Nov. 15. Survey responses will be anonymous and not attributed to individuals. If you are unable to go online to access the

survey, hard copies will be available at Town Hall, Richard Sugden Public Library, and the Spencer Senior Center. Moreover, residents will be able to access the survey during the fall Town Meeting on Nov. 7.

"We would like to get input from as many folks as possible," Dell'Aquila added. "The survey will help inform what the goals and objectives of the open space and recreation plan should be."

Looking ahead, a public forum will be held in February 2020 to share the survey results and gather additional comments. Public input will be a critical part of the process early next year, officials said. Comments will be sought from residents and organizations representing all corners of the community.

"There will be a significant amount of background research done by the working group and staff over the next few months," Dell'Aquila told the New Leader. "There will be opportunities for the public to weigh in on the proposed goals and objectives laid out in the plan

in the spring."

Officials hope to have the final version of the plan approved by the state early next summer.

To learn more about the process, send an email to Dell'Aquila at pdellaquila@spencerma.gov.

BARKTACULAR

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Event organizers thank all guests, sponsors, and vendors for their continued support of shelter pets. The Halloween Barktacular serves as one of Second Chance's final major fundraising events of the year.

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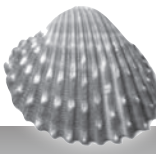
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Green Beans & Fruit Choices

Monday, November 4
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Baked Beans & French Fries
WG Chocolate Chip Cookie
Pear Cups & Peach Cups

Tuesday, November 5
Crunchy Beef Tacos
Lettuce, Tomato, Shredded Cheese
Buttery Corn, Pineapple & Apples

Wednesday, November 6
Chicken Stir Fry
Chicken, Broccoli & Carrots in a Teriyaki Sauce
Fried Rice, Roasted Green Beans
Pear Cups & Applesauce Cups

Thursday, November 7
Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
Lettuce, Tomatoes & Pickles
Spicy Spiral Fries, Crunchy Carrots & Ranch
Tart Cherry Cup or Mixed Fruit Cups

Friday, November 8
School Made Pizza, Assorted Toppings
Tossed Salad w/ Dressing Choices
Roasted Broccoli
Assorted Fruit Choices

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Tuesday, November 12
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School Made Vegetable Chicken Soup
Crunchy Carrots
Strawberry Cups

Wednesday, November 13
Chicken Fajitas w/ Roasted Peppers & Onions
Salsa & Sour Cream, Corn & Bean Salsa
Potato Wedges
Applesauce Cups

Thursday, November 14
Shepard's Pie
Roasted Green Beans, Roll & Butter
Peach Cups

Friday, November 15
WG School Made Pizza - Assorted Toppings
Tossed Salad w/ Assorted Dressings
Roasted Carrots & Fruit Choices

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Grains

Milk

Protein

Fruit/Juice

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Vegetables

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Featured Specials of the Day

Monday, November 18
Chicken Bacon Ranch Sandwich
Lettuce & Tomato, French Fries & Baked Beans
Raisins

Tuesday, November 19
Barilla Pasta with or without Meat Sauce
Roasted Green Beans & Caesar Salad
Garlic Bread, Tart Cherry Cups

Wednesday, November 20
Sweet Orange Chicken
Breaded Chicken tossed in a Sweet Orange Sauce
Rice Pilaf, Steamed Broccoli, Roasted Carrots
Mixed Fruit Cups

Thursday, November 21
Turkey Dinner, Sliced Turkey & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes
Stuffing, Buttery Peas, Rolls & Butter
Cranberry Sauce & Peach Cups

Friday, November 22
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Tossed Salad with Dressings, Sweet Potato Fries
Assorted Fruit Choices

Monday, November 25
BBQ Rib Sandwich
Spicy Spiral Fries, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans
Applesauce Cups

Tuesday, November 26
Chicken Alfredo Pasta
Available with or without Broccoli,
Roasted Carrots, Pear Cups

Wednesday, November 27
1/2 Day of School
Bagged lunches available to go!!

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Tuesday, November 12
Grilled Cheese Sandwich on WG Bread
School Made Vegetable Chicken Soup
Romaine Salad & Dressing, Crunchy Carrots
Strawberry Cups & Peach Cups

Wednesday, November 13
Chicken Fajitas w/ Roasted Peppers & Onions
Salsa & Sour Cream, Corn & Bean Salsa
Potato Wedges
Applesauce Cups

Thursday, November 14
Shepard's Pie
Roasted Green Beans, Roll & Butter
WG Super Cookies, Mixed Fruit Cups & Peach Cups

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WG School Made Pizza - Assorted Toppings
Tossed Salad w/ Assorted Dressings
Roasted Carrots & Fruit Choices

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Protein

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Vegetables

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Chicken Bacon Ranch Sandwich
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Peach Cups & Raisins

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Borillita Pasta with or without Meat Sauce
Roasted Green Beans & Caesar Salad
Garlic Bread, Pear Cups & Tart Cherry Cups

Wednesday, November 20
Sweet Orange Chicken
Breaded Chicken tossed in a Sweet Orange Sauce
Rice Pilaf, Steamed Broccoli, Roasted Carrots
Mandarin Oranges & Mixed Fruit Cups

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Turkey Dinner, Sliced Turkey & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes
Stuffing, Buttery Peas, Rolls & Butter
Cranberry Sauce, Apple Crisp & Pineapple

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Assorted Fruit Choices

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BBQ Rib Sandwich
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Peach Cups & Applesauce Cups

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Roasted Carrots, Pear Cups & Strawberry Cups

Wednesday, November 27
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THANKSGIVING!
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SEE YOU MONDAY!

Leicester Elementary School

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Monday, November 11 No School Today Veterans Day	Tuesday, November 12 Build a Burger Hamburger on a WG Roll Condiments Lettuce & Tomato Baked Beans French Fries Peach Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup	Wed, November 13 Turkey Bacon Melt Turkey, Bacon & Cheese Tossed in WG Bread Sweet Potato Fries Crunchy Cucumbers Baked Beans Pear Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup	Thursday, November 14 Breakfast for Lunch WG Pancakes & Syrup Sausage Links Potato Puffs Crunchy Carrots Strawberry Cups Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup	Friday, November 15 School Made Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni Tossed Salad Steamed Broccoli Assorted Fruit Choices Alternate Entrées: Bagel, Cream Cheese & Yogurt Or Grilled Cheese & Soup

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Buttery Corn, Pineapple

Wednesday, November 6
Chicken Stir Fry
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Fried Rice, Roasted Green Beans
Pear Cups

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Lettuce, Tomatoes & Pickles
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Tart Cherry Cup

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HISTORY WALK
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“Teen participants have learned and lived the value of helping to build our community through collaboration and teamwork with people of all ages,” read a statement released by Cheryl Donahue, the director of Richard Sugden Public Library.

Library leaders were also encouraged by the collaboration from the entire community to make the event possible. From town organizations to business supporters, everyone pitched in to assist the students and their creative efforts. Residents also came out in full force with a strong attendance of the first-time event.

Members of Teen Mania extended

their thanks to all library staff members, event volunteers, the Cemetery Commission, the Historical Society, and the Congregational Church. Additional thanks went to Aucoin’s Press, Inc., John’s Pizza, and the many guests who attended the performances.

“This was an incredible night of fun, friendship, and community building,” Teen Mania members wrote in a joint statement with the library. “We look forward to historically haunting you in October 2020.”

Plans are already underway for the 2020 performances. If you are interested in participating in next year’s Haunted History Walk, please call the library at 508-885-7513. You can also visit www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org for more information about upcoming library programs for guests of all ages.

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retention pond issues. This amended version of the article passed by a vote of 145-41, with two voters abstaining.

“The most important goal is to find a solution to this problem. Regardless of how this happened, it has negatively impacted people’s quality of life,” Belanger told the New Leader.

Looking ahead, officials are focused on providing relief to homeowners in the Warren Avenue neighborhood whose properties have been repeatedly flooded due to the drainage problems.

“The town has retained a third-party engineer to determine what the issue is with the ponds, how it should be resolved, and what was the cause of it,” said Town Administrator David Genereux. “We will move forward with a fix to the ponds once we get the report from the engineer, which we will hopefully receive within thirty to sixty days.”

There are three retention ponds on the western edge of the fire station property that were designed to receive storm water and slowly disperse it back into the water table. They are supposed to drain within 72 hours of receiving water, but a flaw in either the design or the construction of the basins has caused them to not drain properly. This has led to severe flooding of area properties, especially during strong storms.

In August, selectmen voted to request an engineer to study the drainage problems affecting several residents’ properties. The problems began during the construction of the new fire station, which was finished in May of 2018. The completion date for the project was delayed several months due to a

series of setbacks, and town officials have been embroiled in litigation with the project contractor, Auburn-based Builders Systems, Inc.

For affected residents of the Warren Avenue neighborhood, the drainage problems present an array of hazards, including mold growth and mosquito breeding. Residents have regularly dealt with standing water in their yards, and a few homeowners took videos of water surging onto their properties during storms.

“These people need help right now. I was proud of the townspeople for focusing on the need to fix this problem,” Belanger said.

In other Special Town Meeting news, voters also deliberated on an article involving the fire station construction settlement stemming from litigation between the town and Builders Systems, Inc. The article sought authorization for the borrowing of \$700,000 to pay for costs related to the settlement.

The lawsuit was filed by Builders Systems, Inc., against the town in the amount of \$1.1 million. Though the town admits to no liability in the matter, the settlement between the parties was reached in Worcester Superior Court after several months of negotiations.

Following significant discussion, Special Town Meeting voters passed the article by a margin of 129-60, with two voters abstaining.

“It eliminates the possibility of two to three years’ worth of legal fees, as well as interest that would be compounded on any judgement or settlement made in BSI’s favor,” the Special Town Meeting article read.

There were 208 voters present at the Special Town Meeting, Town Clerk Deborah Davis said.

Leicester native
interns with Moore

BOSTON – Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) welcomed Aliciaea Diaz of Leicester to the State House as part of the office internship program. Diaz interned within Senator Moore’s State House Office several days during the fall.

A senior at Leicester High School (LHS), Diaz is an active member of the school community where she serves as a member of the Executive Board of Student Council, President of the Environmental Club, member of the Principal Council, and the Voice of Leicester High. Outside of school, she works at a local diner.

“I appreciate Aliciaea taking time out of her busy schedule to assist my staff and I with several projects that will benefit residents of the Second Worcester District,” said Moore. “She is a bright, talented young woman who is destined for a promising career in government and public policy.”



Courtesy Photo
Sen. Michael O. Moore with intern Aliciaea Diaz, a Leicester native.

Interns in Moore’s State House office assist with daily office operations, conduct legislative research, attend informational seminars with legislators and constitutional officers, and have a first-hand opportunity to

observe the Massachusetts legislative process. Individuals interested in internship opportunities with Senator Moore are encouraged to visit www.SenatorMikeMoore.com.

Driver involved in fatal
accident faces charges

SPENCER – A driver is facing several charges in connection with a fatal accident in July.

Madeline Polselli, 70, of North Brookfield, was behind the wheel of the car that struck Paul Germano on July 31. Germano, 50, a National Grid employee from Dudley, was working in the eastbound lane on Route 9 when he was struck by Polselli’s 2015 Nissan Juke. Germano passed away at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center two weeks later.

After a lengthy investigation that included multiple search warrants, Polselli faces charges of motor vehicle

homicide by reckless operation; failing to slow for a pedestrian; and operation to endanger.

When the accident occurred, Germano was marking underground piping locations for an upcoming construction project, police said. Members of the Central Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council’s accident reconstruction unit and its drone investigation unit assisted Spencer Police with the investigation.

“The investigation was concluded once the accident reconstruction was complete and data recovered from various search warrants was analyzed,” read a statement released by Spencer Police Chief David Darrin.

Polselli was due in East Brookfield Court on Oct. 31 for arraignment.

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Bailey is very eager to have good relationships with adults and peers in her life. She puts in a lot of effort and energy into forming positive relationships. In the school setting, Bailey has been able to create and maintain friendships with several peers in her classroom. She is currently in the fifth grade.

Bailey has identified that she wants to be an only child in a family that will love her and keep her safe. She would also like to be in a family that has pets and shares her love for ravioli! Bailey’s team would love to see her placed in an active two parent family that has a strong support system, and very involved in their community. Bailey’s future family should be willing to engage in services and maintain contact/visits with her birth parents and siblings.

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EDITORIAL

Skip the screens

One of the most frustrating phenomena of recent years is to witness a baby, or toddler, or even a school aged child being occupied with a screen of some sort while sitting at a restaurant. It seems as though this is now such a common sight that it has become the norm, and is socially acceptable.

We are not doing these children any favors. We are teaching them that this family time is for the adults, a throw-back to children should be seen and not heard. If your child is misbehaving or fussy, flashing a screen in front of their face may be a quick fix but no valuable lessons are being learned. Back in the day, when a child was fussy, a parent would simply remove them from the room.

A restaurant setting is the perfect time to teach children how to behave in a social atmosphere. We know that distraction is key. There are other options to distract a child then with a screen. Crayons, peek a boo, Cheerios, etc., etc. On that rare occasion, when a parent is feeling overly stressed, tired and lacks patience to deal with a crabby toddler, we get it, and we understand.

The issue we have is the staggering amount of time babies and children are exposed to screens, and how that exposure is playing a detrimental role in delayed development and language skills. Children are exposed to the television set in the morning, iPads during the day, phones during appointments then again after dinner. All of this time adds up.

Preschoolers should not have more than one hour of screen time per day, according to experts. Some local doctors suggest that time, be cut down to zero. Studies have revealed that excessive screen time during the formative years has stalled development, including social development, lack of eye contact or interest in the world around them. One study concluded that a higher level of screen time at ages two and three, significantly affected developmental screening tests. The bright lights have also been shown to compromise development.

During those early years, the brain is at a critical time in development. Young children should be exploring their world as well as developing motor skills. This can only happen when they are on the move, looking around them and observing what's going on. If they are glued to a screen, none of those things are happening. Technology is no replacement for the one on one time that comes with interaction with a person.

Face to face time allows for children to interact verbally and non-verbally as well. The instant gratification of a screen inhibits the child's ability to slow down. Old school toys, such as puzzles, books and blocks are best.

Again, everything in moderation. We think screens have a time and a place and do offer some fun and educational components, however we think the bad outweighs the good, when used in excess.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Liberals' rejection of reality has ruined women's sports

To the Editor:

Great news, sports fans! We have a new record-setting champion in the 200 meter sprint cyclist event (women's masters division) at the London World Cycling Championships just last week. Say hello to Jennifer McKinnon, a feminist professor (big surprise there) at the College of Charleston (South Carolina), who is, apparently, strong on the bike. She's also the latest in a stream of "women" athletes who for most of their lives have lived as the biological males they were born, and who, in one sport after another, are beating the snot out of what unsophisticated rubes like myself might think of as "real girls" or women (and shattering records in the process.) I've read up on Rapid Rachel, and find that she's highly offended that her "victory" is suspect in some circles (especially by the indisputable females she vanquished) and insists that as a biological male competitor in a power sport like sprint cycling, she retains no unfair natural physiological advantage over anyone. She also reveals an ugly, bitter side when she boasts that when "bad people", i.e., those who challenge the liberal orthodoxy of progressive dogma, die, it's perfectly reasonable and fine to celebrate their death, the more painful the better. Some hero.

It's now becoming a routine experience to read of some former boy, some man with a deep voice, facial hair, and bulging muscles a Carl Lewis would admire, entering women's sports events and sweeping the field. For now, the action is occurring in individual sports such as high school track, high school wrestling, college cross country, and probably some others with which I am not as yet familiar. But, female athletes are increasingly being sent to the bench in team sports as well, like basketball, by players—not biological women—who are faster, stronger, tougher, and who can jump higher. For starters. Never mind more aggressive and competitive and less prone to injury.

Now, I can hear the old liberal hens clucking as they read this: "You're an old white man, what do you know or care about women in sports?!" Actually, I do know a bit about it. For several years of my young married life (before kids, and when we had a few dollars for travel, hotels, equipment, etc.), I devoted all my extra time and money to supporting my wife, who had discovered she was a natural for the ultra-demanding sport of triathlon. She trained all the time with some weeks seeing her ride a bike three hundred-plus miles, run sixty miles and swim ten to fifteen miles in that same week. That, plus weight training, eating right, trying to get enough sleep, etc turned her into as fit a person as I had ever known. It was our life for two or three years until injuries took their inevitable toll, and we moved on to other bigger and better things, like having babies.

In that time, we travelled all over the country where she competed in major events like the Hawaii Ironman Triathlon, the Escape from Alcatraz in San Francisco (which she won—women's division—twice), and many others where she either won or finished well among the best female triathletes in the country.

She generally would finish before many of the men who were not nearly so invested in their training as she was, but as for the top male competitors, forget it—it was never even close. We used to joke that in an exceptionally long event like the Hawaii Ironman (2.4 mile ocean swim; 112 mile bike race; and 26.1 mile marathon—back-to-back), the first guy could've cooled down, showered, changed, and eaten a three-course meal before the lead female reached the tape. And that wasn't being disrespectful, it was just the way it was. She was always gracious enough to see her victories in races as the winner of the Women's Division, not the overall winner of the race.

My daughters did not inherit their mother's athletic genes, but they still participated in sports such as field hockey, cross country, softball, and track, and I, the old white guy, supported and encouraged them every step of the way—as would any good dad. If one of my girls had been a gifted athlete who, after many years of training and dedication to her sport, had lost out on an opportunity to be a state champ or to compete for a scholarship to a male pretending to be a female, I would've been seriously outraged.

But, isn't that the question? Where is the outcry, the rage from the crack-brained feminist left in this country? Sports for girls and women are being systematically dismantled and ruined by political correctness, and these illustrious champions of "womyn" are nowhere to be found or heard from. The great tennis champion, Martina Navratilova, did angrily express her disgust—but briefly—and has since disappeared down the memory hole. A few other brave souls have spoken up, but the lamestream press will make sure you don't hear about them.

I have said before in these pages that "Liberalism destroys everything it touches." Nothing could better prove my point concerning politically correct, left wing insanity than the on-going ruination of women's sports occurring right before our very eyes. It's not old conservative white men or Christians who are wreaking havoc with female cyclists, runners, wrestlers, track and field athletes, etc. You know who it is. And which party did you say you suppose these p.c. fools vote for? That's right, the Democrat Party and all of its political, social, cultural, economic, and moral insanity.

I can remember, as a little boy in our kitchen, hearing my mother sing along with a Boston radio station as she prepared supper. I still know the lyrics to the songs even now nearly 70 years later. Songs like "Ghost Riders In the Sky" (Vaughan Monroe); "On the Street Where You Live" (Vic Damone); and a lot of others. But, the one I remember best was from "Annie Get Your Gun" and called "I Can Do Anything Better Than You" sung by Betty Hutton and Howard Keel. In it, Annie (Oakley) taunts the cowboy, Howard Keel, by singing "I can do anything better than you can, I can do anything better than you!" Howard responds: "No you can't!" Annie: "Yes, I can!" "No, you can't!" "Yes, I can, yes, I can, yes, I can!" Annie gets the last word. My mother would sing the female part, and I, about five years old, the male. We laughed, it was fun.

But, what is going on right now, with girl/women athletes' dreams of glory being wiped out by patently unfair competition, is not funny nor defensible. I've been involved in and an observer of sports of all kinds for both males and females for a very long time, and I have to say, the cowboy, Howard, had it right: in physical activities requiring great, explosive, upper body strength; inexhaustible endurance; and sheer brute power natural to the athletic male body, all other things being equal, the guy will beat the gal every single time. No ranting by feminist crazies, no Equal Rights Amendments, no surgery, no playing games with laws and regulations, no anything is going to change that inalterable fact of human existence.

Wake up, liberal hypocrites. Reality is calling for you to cast off your shackles of political correctness and speak up for the girls and the women who have the guts and drive to compete. I don't pretend to understand the first thing about this transgender issue, and have no established position on it, but I do understand fairness, and so do you. Demand to know from your liberal heroes why they are so conspicuously silent on this issue, which strikes at the heart of all that you claim to care about: women, through hard work and discipline, achieving excellence on their own merits on a level playing field. The "field" is rapidly losing its levelness.

John McRae
East Brookfield

Sustainable investing can pay off – in several ways



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Today, more and more people want their investment dollars to do some good in the world. Should you, too, consider sustainable investing? And if you do, must you accept weaker returns from your investments?

To answer these questions, you may want to have some background on sustainable investing. Sustainable investing is generally understood to include any investment process that uses environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria to evaluate investment merit or to assess the societal or environmental impact of investments. Below are four ways to differentiate sustainable investing funds.

ESG Aware – ESG criteria is one of many factors considered when selecting the individual stocks and bonds that make up a fund's portfolio. In these strategies, investments that are poor performers on ESG criteria may still make it into the portfolio if other criteria, such as profitability or growth prospects, outweigh the risks associated with the poor ESG scores.

ESG Integration – These funds fully integrate ESG criteria into the investment selection process, favoring companies that are addressing the sustainability challenges facing their businesses and industries and/or avoiding companies that are not. There are many ways ESG integration can be implemented, from investing only in ESG best-in-class companies to companies that are making the greatest improvements in their ESG profiles.

Impact Investing – As the name suggests, impact funds are those that seek to deliver societal or environmental impact as a primary objective alongside financial return. So, for example, an impact fund may focus on investing in companies making measurable progress in key areas of impact, such as those outlined by the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, which include clean water or reduced inequality.

Thematic Investing – Strategies in this category invest in companies involved in green industries, such as water, renewable energy and environmental services. These funds are more niche because of the thematic focus and typically have narrowly defined investment guidelines, which can reduce diversification and may not fit neatly into a traditional asset allocation framework.

Given the above categories, you can probably find many investment options that align with your own values and interests. But what about the performance? Should you be prepared to accept lower returns in exchange for exercising your preference?

Studies have shown that sustainable investments can perform just as well as their peers in the general investment arena. Of course, each investment is different, and when you invest, you can expect that prices will fluctuate, and you could lose some of the value of your investment. But this is true of all investments, regardless of whether they are considered sustainable.

Furthermore, you don't have to operate in the dark about how well sustainable investments are doing, as several indexes track the performance of securities considered by the index provider to be sustainable. A financial professional can help you evaluate these types of investments to determine which ones might be suitable for your needs.

So, there you have it – you can do well by doing good. Whether you choose to follow a sustainable investment approach or not, it's important to note that if you do, you won't be putting a roadblock on the path toward your financial goals.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support Open Space initiative

To the Editor:

Article 19 on the Spencer Fall Special Town Meeting warrant deals with the issue of open space preservation in the town. Specifically, the article was added to the town meeting warrant by a Citizens Initiative petition and asks the voters to set aside money to a conservation fund for the preservation of open space. More specifically, it asks that the amount of money appropriated be based on tax revenues from the commercial solar developments in the town.

As commercial solar developments continue to consume open space and prime farmland in the town, it seems only natural that some of the tax revenue generated by these developments be used to preserve other open space. State law allows towns to set up conservation funds controlled by the Conservation Commission to be used for open space preservation. The article asks that an amount equal to 10 percent of commercial solar tax revenue be allocated for the conservation fund.

Money in the conservation fund can be used not only to acquire land but also any activities related to preserving open space, including legal fees, surveys, appraisals, monitoring existing properties, acquisition of trail easements, among other uses.

The Conservation Commission does not now have any funds of its own to pursue these objectives. But having a conservation fund opens the town to many sources of matching funds that can be used for land purchases. And it should be noted that a conservation

fund is called for in both the current (2012) open space and recreation plan as well as the plan currently being developed.

Some will argue that the town can ill afford this expense, that there are greater priorities. But let's be honest...the town will never have enough money to fund the wants of all its departments. The amount of money equivalent to 10 percent of commercial solar tax revenue is a tiny fraction of the town's annual budget. So if we don't fund open space now, when will the town's financial basis be better? The answer is never. But money in the conservation fund can be used as leverage to get matching funds that greatly increases the ability of the town to pursue open space protection, and is thus a wise investment in the town's future.

Others will argue that we have enough open space, we don't need any more, and in fact we should be encouraging more commercial and residential development. I argue that while we can build more houses, solar arrays, and commercial buildings, nobody is building more open space. Open space is a finite natural resource, once lost it will never be regained. Nobody is tearing down houses, buildings, or solar panels to make new open space.

So I ask voters to attend the town meeting and vote to pass Article 19. Act to preserve the town's existing rural character.

WILSON DOBSON
SPENCER

Feed a family this Thanksgiving

To the Editor:

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. It is, by far, my favorite holiday – no gifts, no cards – just food, family and friends. Those of us who are blessed to be looking forward to this day of thanks need to think about those who have little to be thankful for – just another day of struggle. But, we can do something to help make their day special.

Please consider putting a meal together for a needy family. This is what my family has put together for the past several years:

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(check the sell or use by date).
Dessert – bag of cookies, package of sticky buns or something similar.
Type or down-load some how-to directions – cooking a turkey, cooking squash and turnip and making gravy.

If you are a really good shopper, you can spend \$30.00 or less. If you cannot afford a meal, consider donating some of the items. If you don't know where to donate, call your church, town hall, police or fire depts. or any organization that serves the community. The best time to donate is Sat the 23rd or whenever you are instructed. When you donate make sure you bring your kids or grand kids with you – never too young.

After your meal in over and the women sit down to watch football and the men and kids clean the table and do the dishes (another rule), I guarantee your day will be enhanced beyond your wildest dreams.

Wishing everyone a Very Happy Thanksgiving!

JIM REID
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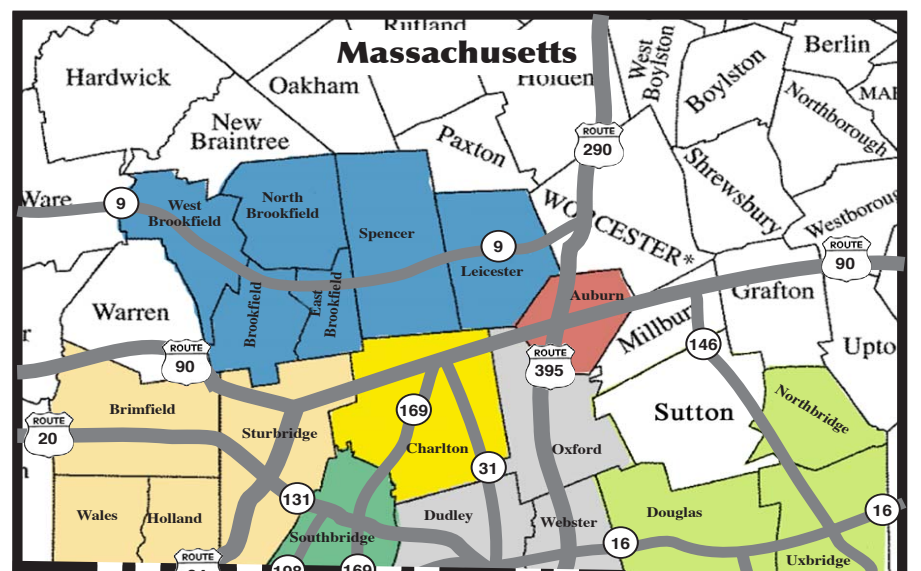
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SPORTS

Southbridge survives late scare from Panthers to win, 42-30



Zack Paine of David Prouty fights for extra yardage on a carry.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Contrasting styles of offensive football met at Eugene R. Hurley Memorial Field on Saturday, Oct. 26 when the run-heavy Southbridge High varsity team met pass-happy David Prouty Regional in a Southern Worcester County League showdown.

And although both sides were productive, the running Panthers outpaced the Panthers to win a 42-30 decision. Southbridge's two-headed monster of Alex Torres (24 carries, 238 yards) and Carlos Miranda-Morales (3 carries, 28 yards; 70-yard kickoff return for a score) produced all six touchdowns, with Torres scoring five of them.

"Alex is a good running back and Carlos is young, another good running back," said Frank Koumanelis, head coach of the Panthers.

But Koumanelis was also quick to admit that Torres and Miranda-Morales will need

to take better care of the football going forward, as the two combined for four fumbles — three of them recovered by the Panthers — to keep Prouty alive.

"I understand we won, but that's not the way I want to win a game. We had four fumbles and that kept them in the game," he said. "It's uncharacteristic of them to fumble three or four times, but we've got to take care of the football."

Southbridge scored first when, with 8:22 remaining in the opening quarter, Torres plowed up the middle for a 3-yard score. He then added the two-point conversion rush to make it 8-0.

The Panthers responded immediately, as quarterback Zack Paine began his impressive day with a 53-yard passing touchdown to Dom Sicard. After a failed two-pointer, the Panthers held on to an 8-6 lead.

Southbridge added to its lead, 14-6, in the waning moments of the first quarter when Torres

took another carry 3 yards to the house for a score.

Torres then ran one in from 22 yards — and quarterback John Cortez hit Bennard Amponsah with a two-point conversion pass — to make it a 22-6 game at halftime.

It looked like the Panthers had put the game away when they took a 28-6 lead with 8:57 to play in the third quarter — Torres stutter-stepped at the line of scrimmage, only to create separation from the defense and walk into the end zone untouched from 18 yards — but Paine and the Panthers had other ideas.

On the ensuing possession, Paine finished the drive with a 51-yard passing touchdown to Stephen Ceccarini for the score.

That made it 28-12 and, after Southbridge turned the ball over on downs, Paine found Ceccarini again — this time from 56 yards out — for another TD. That brought the deficit down to 28-18.



Stephen Ceccarini of David Prouty sidesteps a Southbridge defender on a kick return.

Then, after a successful onside kick, David Prouty needed just two plays to score again with 1:19 to play in the third. Paine delivered a third scoring strike to Ceccarini (7 receptions, 201 yards), this one from 53 yards away.

Heading into the fourth quarter we now had a ballgame at 28-24, but Torres rushed in his fifth touchdown, this one a monster of a carry at 53 yards, to advance the lead to 34-24 with 7:38 to play.

But the Panthers never quit, and Paine found Sicard for a 20-yard score, his second scoring reception of the day, to cut the deficit down to 34-30.

Miranda-Morales then responded immediately for the Panthers, taking the ensuing kickoff 70 yards to pay dirt for the final touchdown of the game. Torres tacked on a two-point conversion to account for the final score.

"We're getting there," said Koumanelis, whose team improved to 3-4. "The losses that we have, they're to quality teams. The next week is important for us. I'm anticipating a good game."

Southbridge will host Quaboag Regional (4-3), but when asked if he is concerned about a potential playoff spot after the eight-game regular season, Koumanelis wasn't interested.

"Not even worried about it. That's as far as we're going, one game at a time," he said.

Prouty, meanwhile, dropped to 1-6 but showed much more heart in this game compared to a week before, when they lost 43-0 to Quaboag.

"We just didn't show up [against Quaboag]. This game we fought, put up 24 points in the second half. We're getting there," said Panthers' head coach Pat Rossi. "We're very young, I think we started six sophomores today. Those guys are standing up and playing. Overall, we're pretty happy with the effort, but we've got to get better with the X's and O's and be more consistent. We can't give up big-play touchdowns after we just came back."

Rossi was glad to see Paine (18 of 39, 391 yards, 5 TD's, 1 INT) have a breakout game and put up such impressive numbers.

"That's how he should be. He hasn't had a game like that yet and we've been waiting for him to have one," said Rossi. "We aren't a very basic offense, we do a lot at the line of scrimmage where he has a lot of things to dial into, so he's really starting to figure it out. He made a lot of very nice throws and he had a lot of time, he set the protection correctly."



Derek Houston of David Prouty fights for extra yards after the catch.



David Prouty's Vincent Clarizio braces for impact after catching a pass.



David Prouty quarterback Zack Paine has ample time provided by his linemen to launch a pass down the field.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Monday, Oct. 21
Wachusett 1, Tantasqua 0 — In a defensive battle, the Mountainers' JV boys' soccer team finally scored with about 13 minutes to go. The Warriors had their chances to tie it up in the second half on a couple of direct kicks, but Wachusett's goalie made some great saves.

Friday, Oct. 25
Quaboag 5, Bartlett 0 — The girls' varsity soccer team from Quaboag improved to 11-3-2 after shutting out the Indians. Megan Shea recorded her first career varsity goal, while Kiarra Dorman potted two more. Paige Baldwin and Juli DeLeon also scored for the Cougars.

SPORTS

Indians continue to win, this time getting past improved Cougars



Jason Mckay photos

Brendan Burke of Quaboag sprints down the field toward the end zone.



Quaboag's Alex Worthington strips the ball away from Bartlett's Logan Paranto.



Quaboag's Matt Griffing stiff-arms Bartlett defenders while carrying the ball.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WARREN — The Bartlett High varsity football team scored two touchdowns in a 13-second span of the second quarter to turn a tie game into a 14-point lead, and from there the Indians went on to defeat Quaboag Regional, 37-28, on Friday, Oct. 25.

With the win Bartlett improved to 5-2 overall and 2-1 in Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) play to continue its march to a berth in the Central Mass. Division 8 Tournament. Quaboag dropped to 4-3 overall and 1-1 in league play with the loss.

“We ended up moving the ball pretty well,” Bartlett head coach Dane Laboissonniere said. “But we made

some mistakes along the way that we’ve got to clean up.”

With the score tied, 7-7, midway through the second quarter, Bartlett marched 61 yards in eight plays, taking a 13-7 lead with 3:28 remaining in the first half on a 6-yard run up the middle by senior quarterback Logan Paranto.

When the ensuing kickoff went out of bounds, Quaboag opted to have Bartlett kickoff again and the Indians’ onside kick was recovered by junior Ryan Spitz at the 50-yard line.

On the first play from scrimmage after Spitz’s recovery, Bartlett sophomore Bryce Patterson took a handoff from Paranto and started off left tackle, bounced to the outside and raced down the sideline for a touchdown, pushing

the Indians’ lead to 19-7 with 3:15 left to play in the first half. Alex Nunez then ran in the two-point conversion to extend the Bartlett lead to 21-7.

“I’m still not convinced that the onside kick was intentional,” Quaboag head coach Dave Shepherd said. “I think [the Bartlett kicker] just kicked it hard and ended up shanking it and they got lucky with the recovery. That was a momentum play because they scored on the very next play to make it 21-7 and we really needed something before the half.”

The Cougars created some momentum of their own three plays later when sophomore quarterback Derrick Shepherd — Dave Shepherd’s son — handed off to junior running back Matt Griffing, who then passed the ball to sophomore Alex Worthington for an 80-yard touchdown to pull Quaboag to within a touchdown, 21-14, at halftime.

On the play Worthington tipped the ball to himself over the outstretched hands of his defender, bobbled the ball before securing it and then outran the Bartlett defense into the end zone.

With 1:48 remaining in the third quarter Worthington struck again for Quaboag, ripping the ball out of Paranto’s hands during a running play and sprinting down the sideline into the end zone.

Worthington’s 40-yard strip and score pulled the Cougars to within a point, 21-20. Quaboag junior Owen Bose’s extra-point attempt that followed the TD — which would have tied the game

— was blocked, leaving the Cougars within a point of the lead.

“I thought our guys definitely responded well to a little bit of adversity in a game that had a few fluky plays,” Laboissonniere said. “They made a couple of great plays. You don’t really expect a strip going the other way for a touchdown and then an 80-yard halfback option pass for a touchdown. Those plays got them back into the game. We made some mistakes and let them back in, but it’s a credit to their kids for working hard and not quitting when they could have.”

Bartlett righted its ship in the fourth quarter, scoring a pair of touchdowns to take command of the game, leading 37-20 midway through the final period. Junior Alex Nunez, who scored the Indians’ first touchdown of the game on a 10-yard run in the first quarter, scored on a 2-yard run with 9:56 remaining in the game to give Bartlett a 27-20 lead.

Nunez then caught a two-point conversion pass from Paranto to push the Indians’ lead to 29-20.

Senior Donald Speight, Bartlett’s leading rusher with 194 yards on 22 carries, scored the Indians’ final TD, racing in from 29 yards out midway through the fourth quarter to put Bartlett ahead, 35-20. Nunez then plowed in on the two-point conversion to push the lead to 37-20.

Quaboag cut the Bartlett lead to 37-28 with a little more than two minutes remaining, Derrick Shepherd scoring on a 1-yard run and Griffing — who scored the Cougars’ first touchdown of the game on a 2-yard run in the second quarter — scampering in on the two-point conversion run.

Quaboag attempted an onside kick following the Shepherd TD, but Bartlett recovered the ball and ran out the clock.

“Overall I thought we did OK,” Dave Shepherd said. “I thought going into the season that Bartlett would be the toughest opponent on our schedule in the first eight weeks. I thought we slugged it out pretty good with them. In years past they’ve beaten us by 28 or 30 points, so I feel like we’ve closed the gap a little bit.”

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First Wolverine Invitational and Community Race at Burncoat Park

The Leicester cross-country team will be hosting its first Middle School Invitational meet on Nov. 2 at Burncoat Park in Leicester. After the middle school races and awards are completed, there will be a community 3K race over the same course.

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The entry fee is \$10 to run in the race and an additional \$20 if you would like to purchase the race shirt. All proceeds to back to the Leicester Boosters Club. Checks must be made payable to “LHS Athletic Boosters Club.” All runners under age 14 will be given a finishers certificate. The course is a wheel measured 3K course through Burncoat Park and will mostly consist of trails. Plenty of cones will be used to mark the course. Volunteers will be used to direct runners at every course turn. With parking limited, there will be a shuttle from Walmart to Burncoat Park.

Leicester Parks and Recreation to hold basketball sign-up

Boys and girls in grades 3-8 are eligible for a final basketball sign-up through Leicester Park and Recreation at the Town Hall. The date is set for Sunday, Nov. 10 and the time is from 2-4 p.m. The third grade fee is \$50, while the fourth through eighth grade fee is \$70 with a family max of \$100. Any questions can be directed toward Bob at (508) 892-9592.

Quail Hollow Golf & Country Club Results

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ATHLETE of the WEEK

Zack Paine

The David Prouty Regional quarterback amassed 391 passing yards and five touchdowns (three to Stephen Ceccarini, two to Dom Sicard) in the Panthers’ 42-30 loss to Southbridge High on Saturday, Oct. 26.

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SPORTS

Seniors run wild as Tantasqua rolls past Rams, 21-6



Tantasqua quarterback Dante Reno releases a pass down the field.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — Eighteen members of the Tantasqua Regional varsity football team played their final regular season home game at The Reservation on Saturday, Oct. 26 against Northbridge High. Collectively the Warriors made the most of it, rolling up more than 400 yards of total offense — over 300 of that coming via a bruising rushing attack — in a dominant and methodical 21-6 victory over the Rams.

“Between it being Senior Day and the fact we were facing Northbridge, which is a really great team, we were very fired up to play today,” Tantasqua head coach Jon Hargis said. “On a day like today you have to balance Senior Day on top of the fact you’re playing a great opponent like Northbridge and the winning atmosphere they bring in with them.”

With the win Tantasqua improved to 5-2 overall and 2-0 in Southern Worcester County League games to strengthen its hold on a Central Mass. Division 4 playoff berth with one game remaining on the regular-season schedule. Northbridge, still alive for a playoff berth itself in Division 5, fell to 3-4 overall and 0-2 in SWCL play.

Senior Ryan Sears paced the Warriors’ offensive attack, rushing for 174 of their 342 yards, and all three of Tantasqua’s touchdowns, on 25 carries. Classmate and fellow captain Liam Gore added 123 yards on 12 carries.

Not to be overlooked was the play of another senior, Dominic Brown, who rolled up more than 100 yards of total

offense, rushing for 36 yards on five carries and catching four passes from freshman quarterback Dante Reno (6 of 10, 82 yards) for 74 yards.

The Warriors made a statement on the opening drive of the game, marching 85 yards on 13 plays. Sears, who had 34 yards rushing on the drive, crashed in from 3 yards out to give Tantasqua a 6-0 lead. Senior Jarrod Spratt then boot the first of his three extra points on the day and the Warriors led, 7-0, with 6:40 remaining in the first quarter.

“We wanted to set the tone for the game on our opening drive,” Hargis said. “We came in with the mindset that hopefully we could score quick and then make a stop defensively, and we were able to do that.”

Kyle Boone, a senior captain and offensive and defensive lineman for the Warriors, said that having a pair of 100-yard rushers in the same game is a source of pride for an offensive line.

“We knew we were going to come out and pound the ball up the field today. It’s what we love to do as a team; we love running the ball,” Boone said, quickly adding that Sears certainly does his part. “Ryan’s a beast; he makes it easy. He follows his blocks, he hits the hole, he trucks kids, he’s tough to bring down, he’s fast, and he’s shifty.”

Sears and Spratt increased Tantasqua’s lead to 14-0 with 2:58 remaining in the first half, Sears scoring on a 6-yard run for his second score of the day. The Warriors’ second scoring drive was 76 yards, but it only took four plays, Gore starting it off with a 67-yard rumble down the left sideline.



Tantasqua’s Liam Gore breaks free from a Northbridge arm tackle.



Dominic Brown of Tantasqua looks up for the ball in order to catch a pass while outrunning Northbridge’s defense.

A 7-yard touchdown run with 9:44 left in the game closed out the scoring for Sears and Tantasqua, pushing the Warriors’ lead to 21-0 after a 13-play, 83-yard drive.

Sears said Tantasqua’s dominance in the running game is no secret.

“It’s the same old story every week,” Sears said. “My offensive linemen, they work for me and I work for them. I know all of them personally and they know me. They know that I’ll get the job done if they get the job done. Once we get out here on the field it all comes together.”

Northbridge avoided the shutout by scoring with 2:51 remaining, sophomore Ryan Boyce hitting junior Brennan Mahoney with a 25-yard scoring strike.

“They outmuscled us and we knew coming in that was going to be the issue,” Northbridge head coach Ken LaChapelle said. “We faced them last year and we knew they had a lot back. They have two nice backs and the line comes off the ball very well. We got what we expected.

“We were hoping on the offensive end to be able to keep up with them,” LaChapelle continued. “The only way for that to happen for us was to minimize sacks and penalties and those were the two things that really stung us when we started to move the ball.”

Boyce was sacked four times — twice by Boone — for 30 yards and the Rams committed six penalties, getting backed up 71 yards in the process.

Grafton rules at Southern Worcester County League Golf Championship



BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — With the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) Golf Championship getting pushed back a week because of Mother Nature, that meant that the member schools who qualified for their respective Central Mass. Tournaments — Tantasqua Regional in

Division 1, Grafton High and Millbury High in Division 2, and Leicester High in Division 3 — finished up postseason play and everyone’s final tournament was at the SWCL Championships, which was held at Leicester Country Club on Thursday, Oct. 24.

Each competing school — Southbridge High did not field a golf team this fall — brought

six golfers to the 18-hole course, and the top four scores from each team were counted toward the team total. There, Grafton High emerged victorious with a cumulative stroke score of 298. Millbury High took second place (312) with Tantasqua Regional not too far behind in third (324).

The full SWCL Golf Championship team results are as follows:

1. Grafton (Ryan Schiappa, 72; Matt Lukasevicz, 74; Deron Breen, 75; Alec Molinari, 77), 298
2. Millbury (Tom Rembiszewski, 76; Jack Remuck, 76; Ryan Tarasiak, 77; Hunter Luby, 83), 312
3. Tantasqua (Will Pieczynski, 76; Grace Farland, 79; Brandon Jarzabski, 83; Jack Gagnon, 86), 324
4. Northbridge (Pat Rosenlund, 77; Hayden Maynard, 78; Will Piett, 81; Colin Brody, 99), 335
5. Leicester (Ryan Russo, 86; Riley Whalen, 86; Ryan Pickett, 90; Ryan Whitworth, 91), 353
6. Auburn (Nic Spanos, 80; Tom Cowden, 90; Nate Gette, 95; Zion Burdick and Mike Dillon, 97), 362
7. Uxbridge (Kevin Siefken, 87; Katie Cullen, 89; Johnathan Fabian, 93; Dan Redgate, 93), 362
8. Bartlett (Moises Lewis, 90; Ryan Truscott, 93; Barry Berthiaume, 99; Josie Corridori, 101), 383
9. Oxford (Liam Jessie, 79; Brady Margopolis, 97; Matt Beals, 104; Sam Kann, 114); 394



Nick Ethier photos

The Southern Worcester County League Golf Championship was held Thursday, Oct. 24 at Leicester Country Club, where Grafton High won the tournament.

10. Quaboag (Cole Crosby, 88; Aidan Fitzgerald, 96; Lynne Merrill, 109; Travis Floury, 110), 403
11. David Prouty (Gavin Haynes, 102; Dan Bowen, 121; Tyler Johnson, 122; Jared Holmes, 125), 470

On the individual side, 10 of the 66 golfers earned certificates for their strong play. Grafton’s Ryan Schiappa was medalist after carding a 2-over par 72. Teammate Matt Lukasevicz followed with a 74,

and another Grafton athlete — Deron Breen — finished in third with a 75. Other certificate winners included Millbury’s Tom Rembiszewski and Jack Remuck (fourth place tie, 76), Tantasqua’s Will Pieczynski (fourth place tie, 76), Millbury’s Ryan Tarasiak (seventh place tie, 77), Northbridge’s Pat Rosenlund (seventh place tie, 77), Grafton’s Alec Molinari (seventh place tie, 77) and Northbridge’s Hayden Maynard (10th place, 78).

SPORTS

Leicester edges North Brookfield in battle of postseason-bound teams



Jason Mckay photos

North Brookfield's Jackson Babineau begins his motion to move the ball down the field.



Marena Matavao of Leicester catches a pass in front of a North Brookfield defender.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — In a battle of playoff-bound varsity field hockey teams, Leicester High junior Charley Blair scored with six minutes to play to help lead the Wolverines past North Brookfield High, 1-0, on Thursday, Oct. 24.

It was the second time in two weeks that Leicester had defeated the Indians, both times by a 1-0 score, both times with a goal in the final 10 minutes of the game.

With the win Leicester finished the regular season with an 11-2-3 record. North Brookfield, which, like Leicester, is heading to the Central Mass. Division 2 Tournament, heads to the postseason with an 8-7-3 mark. The Wolverines are seeded eighth and will host No. 9 Nipmuc Regional (8-6-4). The Indians are the No. 14 seed and will travel to No. 3 Littleton High (13-3-2). Both games will be played after press time.

Blair scored her fourth goal of the season off an assist from senior Ally O'Neill. After gathering in a centering pass

from O'Neill, Blair's quick shot found its way past North Brookfield goalie Lyndsey Schimmelpenninck, who played an outstanding game and finished with 15 saves.

"It was a tough battle; Leicester is a very strong team," North Brookfield head coach Shiela LeBlanc said. "Lyndsey played amazing. She's a senior and she's playing like one. She's having a good year."

Schimmelpenninck has recorded eight shutouts this year.

"Lyndsey has played consistently well all season," LeBlanc said. "Aside from our games with Doherty High — they beat us 3-0 the first game of the year and 6-1 last week — teams have scored only a goal or two against us, if they've scored at all."

Back on Oct. 11, the Wolverines defeated the Indians, 1-0, on a goal by junior Marena Matavao in the 53rd minute of the game. Blair assisted on Matavao's goal.

"They're a tough opponent," Leicester head coach Tom Bowes said

about North Brookfield. "They have a real good goalie and they have four boys on the team. One in particular, Jagger Bulger, he brings a whole new dimension to the game."

Bulger, a senior, leads the Indians in scoring with eight goals and five assists. Cam Babineau, a seventh grader, has recorded five goals and an assist this year, while his brother Ty has scored four goals for the Indians.

Leicester, like North Brookfield, is lead by strong goalkeeping, solid defense, and timely scoring.

"It starts with our goalie, sophomore Erin Gerber; she's had a great year. I think she has nine shutouts this season," Bowes said. "We've played well offensively, but our defensive effort is what I'm happiest about. Meg Dupuis [a senior], Nicole Berard [sophomore] and Nicole LaCoste [senior], they're all playing unbelievable. Ally O'Neill, another senior, is strong defensively, too."

"Meg plays mid-back for us and she is a defensive juggernaut; that's the best way I can put it," Bowes added. "She is steady and solid back there. She stops a lot of our opponents' offensive momentum right at mid-field."

Leading the Wolverines' offensive effort has been Matavao, who has nine goals and five assists, and fellow senior Cayleigh Peterson, who has recorded five goals and five assists. Another senior, Ava Richard, has scored six goals and assisted on two others. Blair, who Bowes said has come on as of late, has four goals and an assist. Those four players have scored 24 of the Wolverines' 32 goals this season.

"That foursome has kind of carried our offensive punch this season," Bowes said. "Marena has led the team, Ava has been unbelievable, Cayleigh is a steady scorer and Charley seems to have hit her stride, offensively, the second half of the season."

LeBlanc said she did not see this edition of the Indians as a playoff team when the group first gathered for practice in late August.

"Actually, no I didn't," LeBlanc said candidly. "I have quite a few new players. Some may be older like sophomores, but this is the first year they've played. I also have a full cast of seventh- and eighth-graders that I've been relying on all year. To get this far, to be honest with you, I didn't see it. But the kids have been great; they've put in the work. They have earned their spot in the tournament."



Aiden Rodriguez of North Brookfield fights to keep possession of the ball as a Leicester defender applies pressure.



Leicester's Ally O'Neill sprints down the field after the ball while a North Brookfield defender tries to catch up to her.



North Brookfield's Kelly Daige whacks the ball down the field.



Abigail Morrison of Leicester gains possession of the ball before making her move down the field.



Jagger Bulger of North Brookfield tries to pop the ball up and over the reaching stick of a Leicester defender.

Best (Budget Friendly) Halloween Hints



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Want to welcome little ghosts and goblins to your door with more than a tasty treat on Halloween? Getting into the spooky spirit can be as easy as greeting trick or treaters to a dose of creative creepiness. Best of all, with a little imagination, setting the stage for frightful fun doesn't have to break the budget!

Through the years this column has passed along ideas to ensure a spook-tacular holiday, and some favorites deserve an encore. From front door fright to morbid makeup, the following tips culled from past columns offer affordable options to turn up the terror this Halloween!

Front Door Fright
These ideas add a haunted house element to your home.

Flight Factor: Here's how to create the image of a few ghosts bobbing around your front porch or foyer. Just drape a thin sheet square or cheesecloth over a white helium balloon. Use a marker to make two eerie eyes. If you want, tie the sheet off under the ghosts head, or just let it swing free as it bobs in the porch wind. For even more drama, attach the long balloon string to a house eave or roof. The sight of helium ghosts hovering in the dark is sure to spook trick or treaters!

UFO Alert: Trick Halloween visitors by attaching glow sticks to black helium balloons and tying onto a roof or tree. The wind creates just enough movement to make kids wonder!

Note: Disposable glow sticks are inexpensive, and often have a loop or hole at the top that you can use to tie to the base of the balloon.

Ghastly Ghosts: Manufacture a spooky spirit with some cheesecloth and either equal parts Elmer's glue and water or liquid starch. Simply soak the cheesecloth in the stiffener until fully saturated. For a tabletop ghost, place a balloon atop a paper towel roll. Drape the cheesecloth over the balloon until completely dry. Add eyes with a magic marker or felt. If you're more ambitious, use the same procedure to form a giant lawn sculpture!

To add some "super spook" to your ghost, tuck a string of battery operated white mini lights under the sculpture.

Crime Scene: If you have a sidewalk, cement walkway or paved driveway, you can easily create a creepy crime scene. Simply use flourescent sidewalk chalk to draw a life size outline of a "victim." Up the fright factor by stringing a length of yellow "caution" tape along nearby trees or bushes.

Light the Way: Forget old fashioned (and potentially dangerous) candles to light your carved pumpkins! Battery operated flameless candles and disposable glow sticks are ideal alternatives to softly and safely illuminate Jack-O-Lanterns. The lights can also be placed

inside (decorated) paper bag illuminaries to safely line a walkway or path to the front door.

Wet Webs: Simulate scary spider webs by hanging long strands of string from your porch. Be sure to make them long enough to touch the heads of little ones. To add an extra dose of gore, spray the strings with water.

Morbid Makeup
For many creative costumers, a face properly made up for the occasion is a must. But before you run out to buy expensive makeup kits, try your hand at some kitchen creativity to concoct colorful creams and dramatic skin embellishments. Here's a collection of classic recipes that rival professional makeup techniques.

Face off: Makeup can make or break a costume. Whether you're a clown or a ghost, the following basic "recipe" is sure help you put your best Halloween face forward!

To create an easy face makeup that can be tinted with food coloring, mix together one teaspoon cornstarch; one half teaspoon water, one half teaspoon cold cream and two drops of food coloring. To make a big batch of makeup in different colors, mix ingredients in the cups of a muffin tin and you'll have a palette of colors at your fingertips. Just add a different color food coloring to each cup. Mix well and apply.

No cold cream on hand? Make the makeup from scratch. Here's how: Blend three tablespoons cornstarch, one tablespoon flour, three quarters of

a cup of Karo light corn syrup; one quarter cup water and one quarter teaspoon liquid or paste food coloring.

Kid's Choice: This child safe recipe uses vegetable shortening in place of cold cream for a base. In a small bowl, combine ten teaspoons cornstarch and two teaspoons flour. Stir in five teaspoons of vegetable shortening and one eighth teaspoon food coloring. Stir in one quarter teaspoon glycerin, mixing together well.

Bloody Good: Any vampire worth his blood knows a ready supply of the yucky red stuff is a necessity on Halloween! To mix up some realistic blood, blend 1 3/4 cups of corn syrup with one quarter cup of water. Add two teaspoons of red food coloring and five to ten drops of blue food coloring until color resembles real blood. Add one quarter cup of sifted corn starch and mix well.

Scary Skin Ailments: Making scars, scabs, moles and other gory facial features require a little more imagination. Gelatin, in various colors and stages of set makes for a realistic Halloween array of yucky facial imperfections.

Ingredients: one ounce gelatin (plain or flavored depending on desired effect); two tablespoons boiling water; mix ins as needed: couscous, hairs, paprika, colored sugar; four tablespoons corn syrup

Directions: In a small bowl or cup combine gelatin and water. Mix and let set three minutes. To create general skin growths: Before the gelatin sets completely make moles, blisters, and some other skin growths by dripping the liquid gelatin

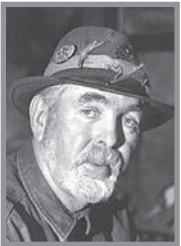
onto a ceramic plate and letting it set completely. When set use a sharp object to carefully peel the forms off of the plate. Stick them onto the face by using a drop of corn syrup as adhesive Or, drip unset gelatin for form a dripping effect, or the foundation for other gory skin conditions. Stirring in mix-ins adds texture to the effects. Sprinkling colored sugar into the unset gelatin will make grainy textured effects, while sprinkling paprika on top of the globs once they've begun to set will make some scab wounds look scabbed over.

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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 email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn

A hunter's best friend



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Owning a dog for hunting and companionship can be one of the most rewarding experiences a person can have during their lifetime. Some people often own more than one dog during their life, and is often credited with the persons longevity. When the dog or their owner passes, it is a sad time for the one that they leave behind. This week's picture shows Charlie Warren of Northbridge with his new pup he recently purchased after the passing of his Golden Retriever of only four years. He was still left with his older dog shown in this week's picture along with his new pup on the right, but the passing of his young dog left a huge void in the family.

His wife also felt the loss of the young dog, so the pair decided that they needed another dog. After a few months they found a breeder in Vermont that had a few Golden Retrievers left from a recent litter and they decided to make the trip, to hopefully purchase one of the remaining pups. Arriving at the breeder's home, they quickly decided on one of the pups after checking out the breeding and the breeder's reputation. The family is now complete again and the two retrievers have bonded very well, but it will take a while before the great memories fade after the loss of his four-year-old pup. You never forget.

After the passing of my Wife Judy this year, I was left with her beagle, Molly. Molly also gave us many great memories over the past six years, and my yellow lab Twig has become



closer after I brought Twig indoors. Twig was always a kennel & hunting dog, and never did like it indoors. Numerous times I brought her in, but she was always at the door to go out. Bringing her in during extreme weather conditions was all that she tolerated. Fortunately, I have had the time to take both dogs to a local club daily for hunting, and for long walks. This week's second picture shows Molly on guard in the backyard.

This spring, I purchased a mountain bike at a yard sale and keep it at the club for the daily run. It works out just great and they get to do a lot more running, as this old body is slowing down. On most runs, the pair of dogs find a pheasant at the club and flush it out of there hiding spot. Molly has become a great bird dog, but

she has not learned to bark while on the trail of an elusive pheasant, which is extremely rare for a beagle.

In past years, I have owned many beagles when rabbit hunting was great in the valley. At least twice a week, we would take the beagles to the Douglas State Forest. There was a good population of snowshoe hare in the swamps back then, thanks to local clubs like the Blackstone Valley Beagle Club that I am now one of the few founding fathers remaining. Bob Blackley, Herb Hingley, Fran Magowan and a couple of others are still living, and remember the good old days. Rod & Gun Clubs purchased snowshoe hare from a trapper in Canada annually, and stocked them live into areas like the Douglas state forest. Listening to the hounds



trail the scent of a snowshoe hare for sometimes hours was music to our ears.

The snowshoe hare importation to the valley area was stopped 20 years ago or more by anti-hunting groups, and now our woodlands have become silent with the loss of the snowshoe hare. At the end, sportsmen's groups were purchasing snowshoe hare for more than \$20 each! A small population of snowshoe hare still remain in the Western Part of the state. A recent spike in the cottontail rabbit population in the valley area, is good news if you do not have a garden.

The start of the pheasant season in Mass. a couple of weeks ago has been providing some great hunting opportunities for pheasant, but sportsmen feel the loss of a once popular game

bird the grouse. This fast flying bird offered bird hunters the opportunity to enjoy some fast shooting in local covers, and it took a real good pointing dog to hold the bird from flushing until the hunter could get a good shot. Many of my fellow bird hunters think that Massachusetts should close down hunting for grouse in areas of the Blackstone Valley, Zones 8 and 9 to help restore their populations due to lost habitat.

Fishing on the saltwater and freshwater continues to provide some great fishing, but this past weeks weather did not want to cooperate, unless you like to fish in miserable weather.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Holiday gifts for gardeners



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Holidays are a wonderful time to gather with friends and family, share a special meal and exchange gifts. Finding the perfect gift for those we love can be overwhelming and stressful. No need to fret; give the gift of gardening that provides seasons of joy.

It doesn't matter if your recipient is young or old, new or experienced, an avid gardener or one who just likes the benefits gardening provides. You can find something special for everyone on your gift list.

Small and large space gardeners will appreciate help keeping their tools handy as they work their way through their landscape. Give them a bucket, pair of gloves and a few tools to keep by the door for those quick planting, weeding and deadheading sessions. Or decorate an old mailbox and turn it into tool storage to be mounted in the garden. Their tools will be handy and they'll spend less time and fewer steps hunting down forgotten tools.

Or purchase a tool caddy. Look for one that's colorful and waterproof like the Puddle-Proof Tote that holds and keeps hand tools, gloves and

seeds dry. Help them wrangle larger tools for easy transport from the shed to the garden and from bed to bed with a wheeled tool caddy that handles larger tools. The Mobile Tool storage caddy (gardeners.com) has pockets for small tools, secures large handled tools and provides a place to hold compost, cut flowers or vegetables. It's easy to maneuver, eliminates multiple trips to the shed and is perfect for gardeners of all ages and abilities.

Tools are always a favorite of gardeners. Newbies need to build their tool collection while experienced gardeners may need to replace broken or time worn hand tools. Consider giving a harvest basket, bucket or tool caddy filled with some basics. All gardeners will appreciate a new innovative tool that makes gardening easier or more fun. Look for ergonomic tools that are built to ease stress on joints and allow gardeners to work longer with less pain. Multifunctioning tools like the Golden Gark Rake that rakes, scoops and sifts helps save storage space and the need to haul around multiple tools.

Help your favorite gardener keep their green thumb in shape all winter long. Provide them with pretty pots, potting mix and seeds. Look for kits like the Galvanized Organic Kitchen Herbs Growing Kit that provides all they'll need to grow their own fresh herbs. Increase their indoor gardening success with supplemental lighting. You'll now find light

stands that sit on the table, mount on the wall or attach to plant pots. Furniture quality Bamboo Mini LED Grow Light systems provide energy efficient lighting in a set up pretty enough for any room.

And for those that like the flowers but have limited time or interest in growing, give them a waxed amaryllis bulb. They won't need to water or fertilize. Beginning and experienced gardeners will watch in amazement as this plant bursts into bloom with no effort on their part.

Don't know what to send? Cut flowers, flowering bulbs and plants are sure to generate a smile in just seconds. Take care of special occasions throughout the year in one single order. Place one order for 3, 6, or 12 months of blooming beauty delivered right to your loved one's door, providing joy throughout the year.

So, break out your gift list and look for ways to give the gift of gardening. Your family and friends will appreciate your thoughtfulness all year long.

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Courtesy Photo

Indoor herb kits keep gardeners growing all year, while providing fresh herbs for flavoring and garnishing meals.

POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Logs

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

12:48 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Paxton Road), accidental; 12:48-1:44 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:11 a.m.: suspicious mv (Greenville Street), spoken to; 2:25 a.m.: building checked, secure; 5:48 a.m.: accident (Donnelly Road), mv vs bear; 6:29 a.m.: mv stop (Clark Road), Patrick L. Michelson, 44, 9 Marble Road, Spencer, op w/suspended license, trespassing, arrest; 7:02 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 7:50 a.m.: accident (North Spencer Road), report taken; 9:10 a.m.: mv lockout (Paxton Road), assisted; 9:25 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 10:09 a.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), low-hanging wire; 10:41 a.m.: animal complaint (South Spencer Road), loose horses; 1:33 p.m.: disturbance (Bixby Road), neighbor dispute; 2:32 p.m.: disturbance (Charlton Road), unwanted party; 2:45 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), spoken to; 4:01 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 4:32 p.m.: suspicious person (Charlton Road), investigated; 4:33 p.m.: animal complaint (Borkum Road), missing dog; 4:49 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 5:22 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 5:29 p.m.: mv stop (Meadow Road); 6:03 p.m.: intelligence/drugs (West Main Street), info taken; 7:17 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Browning Pond Road), no contact; 8:18-8:38 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:49 p.m.: accident (Chestnut Street), report taken; 8:50 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:36 p.m.: school alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 9:53 p.m.: 911 call (Brooks Pond Road), tree on wires; 10:04 p.m.: DPW call (High Street), tree/wire down; 11:43 p.m.: fire alarm (Sullivan Street), services rendered; 11:50 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Sturbridge PD bolo.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

12:44-1:09 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:16 a.m.: DPW call (Wilson Street), tree on wires; 1:18 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), debris in road/removed; 1:25-1:34 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:58 a.m.: DPW call (Greenville Street), tree across road; 2:00 a.m.: DPW call (Lambs Grove), tree/wires down; 2:05 a.m.: building checked, secure; 2:07 a.m.: DPW call (North Spencer Road), tree across road; 2:09 a.m.: officer wanted (Paxton Road), debris in road; 2:10 a.m.: DPW call (Spring Street), tree/wires down; 2:11 a.m.: DPW call (Brooks Pond Road), blown transformer; 2:16 a.m.: DPW call (Greenville Street), tree/wires down; 2:19 a.m.: DPW call (Gold Nugget Road), tree in road; 2:27 a.m.: DPW call (North Spencer Road), debris in road; 2:34 a.m.: DPW call (Northwest Road), tree in road; 2:36 a.m.: DPW call (Watson Road), tree on wires; 2:44 a.m.:

DPW call (Browning Pond Road), tree in road; 2:48 a.m.: DPW call (Cranberry Meadow Road), tree in road; 2:59 a.m.: DPW call (Brooks Pond Road), tree/wires down; 3:12 a.m.: DPW call (Paxton Road), debris in road; 3:45 a.m.: DPW call (Hebert Road), tree on wires; 3:51 a.m.: DPW call (Wm. Casey Road), tree in road; 4:03 a.m.: DPW call (Woodside Road), tree in road; 4:55 a.m.: DPW call (Buteau Road), tree/wires down; 6:01 a.m.: DPW call (Northwest Road), tree/wires down; 6:24 a.m.: officer wanted (Lakeshore Drive), tree on wires; 7:02 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), power out; 7:17 a.m.: suspicious mv (Wilson Street), spoken to; 7:17 a.m.: officer wanted (Northwest Road), tree down; 7:23 a.m.: DPW call (Holmes Street), tree down; 7:28a.m.: DPW call (Wilson Street), tree down; 7:59 a.m.: medical/general (Chestnut Street); 8:16 a.m.: DPW call (Watson Street), tree split; 8:42 a.m.: officer wanted (Delude Avenue), no power; 8:53 a.m.: animal complaint (Lincoln Street), missing cat; 10:23 a.m.: officer wanted (Charlton Road), erratic operation; 11:01 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 11:13 a.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 11:14 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), abandoned cats; 12:01 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 12:06 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 12:06 p.m.: FID card issued (West Main Street), assisted; 12:35 p.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), aggressive driver; 1:01 p.m.: 911 call (Ash Street), no emergency; 2:02 p.m.: DPW call (Main Street), tree down; 2:13 p.m.: DPW call (Cottage Street), wire down; 2:24 p.m.: burglary (Temple Street), home break-in; 2:27 p.m.: intelligence/drugs (West Main Street), info taken; 2:5 p.m.: fraud (Mechanic Street), scam call; 3:04 p.m.: commercial alarm (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 3:53 p.m.: DPW call (Meadowbrook Road), wires down; 4:07 p.m.: DPW call (Bond Street), tree on wires; 5:05 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), animal welfare call; 5:23 p.m.: animal complaint (Maple Street), loose dog; 7:12 p.m.: 911 call (Mechanic Street), disturbance; 7:21 p.m.: fraud (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 9:21 p.m.: officer wanted (McDonald Street), welfare check; 9:44 p.m.: building checked, secure; 10:27 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Jeff M. Castro, 38, 8 Sunset Lane, Spencer, OUI liquor, negligent operation, uninsured mv, op w/suspended registration, marked lanes violation, failure to stop for police, arrest; 10:56 p.m.: disabled mv (North Spencer Road), assisted; 11:52 p.m.: building checked, secure.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

12:00 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:14 a.m.: odor of gas (Main Street), services rendered; 1:00-2:47 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:25 a.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), false alarm; 7:00 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address;

7:55 a.m.: 911 call (Temple Street), accidental; 8:10 a.m.: citizen complaint (Greenville Street), speeders on road; 8:15 a.m.: m stop (Maple Street); 9:49 a.m.: DPW call (Woodside Drive), tree on wires; 10:47 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 11:39 a.m.: accident (Northwest Road), report taken; 12:01 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 12:33 p.m.: residential alarm (Northwest Road), accidental; 12:34 a.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), dog bite; 12:51 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:51 p.m.: officer wanted (Bixby Road), threats; 1:01 p.m.: medical/general (North Spencer Road); 1:08 p.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services rendered; 1:19 p.m.: officer wanted (Bixby Road), threats; 1:34 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), spoken to; 1:54 p.m.: disturbance (Bixby Road), investigated; 1:58 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 2:05 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), apt. leak; 2:36 p.m.: juvenile matter (Pleasant Street), investigated; 2:44 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), lift assist; 2:55 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 3:06 p.m.: FID card issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:06 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:55 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 3:56 p.m.: building checked, secure; 4:19 p.m.: fraud (Briarcliff Lane), S/S scam call; 4:21 p.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), info taken; 5:36 p.m.: DPW call (Wm. Casey Road), tree across road; 5:40 p.m.: DPW call (Woodside Road), tree on wires; 6:43 p.m.: mv stop (Meadow Road); 7:13 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no emergency; 7:28 p.m.: animal complaint (Borkum Road), bear in yard; 7:37 p.m.: medical/general (Martin Road); 8:07 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:07 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 8:42 p.m.: officer wanted (Beach Lane), welfare check; 8:46 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:05 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 9:44 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), injured deer; 10:25 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:37 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), spoken to.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

1:24 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), unauthorized use/mv; 1:33-2:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:43 a.m.: medical/general (Bay Path Road); 7:45 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 8:47 a.m.: officer wanted (East Charlton Road), tree on wires; 8:51 a.m.: citizen complaint (Chestnut Street), spoken to; 9:43 a.m.: fraud (Chestnut Street), scam call; 10:11 a.m.: disabled mv (North Spencer Road), assisted; 10:40 a.m.: officer wanted (Cherry Street), spoken to; 11:29 a.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), erratic operation; 11:36 a.m.: animal complaint (High Street), missing cat; 2:35 p.m.: medical/general (Valley View Drive); 2:55 p.m.: RV complaint (Main Street), bikes in traffic; 3:09

p.m.: fraud (Oakland Drive), scam calls; 3:33 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 5:04 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Road), lift assist; 5:24 p.m.: officer wanted (Greenville Street), welfare check; 9:44 p.m.: officer wanted (Chestnut Street), gunshots heard; 10:00-10:05 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 10:54 p.m.: fire/woods/grass (Smithville Road), tire fire; 11:29 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

12:11-1:31 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:33 a.m.: officer wanted (Cornfield Road), roommate dispute; 7:41 a.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 7:57 a.m.: 911 call (Main Street), accidental; 11:03 a.m.: suspicious persons (Powers Street), spoken to; 11:04 a.m.: mv complaint (West Main Street), erratic operation; 11:39 a.m.: fire alarm (Maple Street), services rendered; 12:08 p.m.: officer wanted (Cornfield Road), info given; 12:10 p.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), info taken; 1:49 p.m.: juvenile matter (Chestnut Street), boy/bike in traffic; 2:06 p.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), unfounded; 2:52 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 3:57 p.m.: 911 call (Thompson Pond Road), no contact; 4:24 p.m.: 911 call (Pearl Street), no contact; 4:35 p.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 4:49 p.m.: officer wanted (Cherry Street), spoken to; 4:57 p.m.: officer wanted (Smithville Road), unwanted party; 5:57 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 6:43 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 8:17 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 8:46-11:59 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:10-1:55 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:34 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 7:43 a.m.: juvenile matter (Ash Street), investigated; 9:15 a.m.: DPW call (Paxton Road), branch on wires; 9:24 a.m.: parking complaint (Brown Street), spoken to; 9:47 a.m.: parking complaint (West Main Street), erratic operation; 10:18 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), 209A service assistance; 10:35 a.m.: accident (Main Street), info taken; 12:29 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dog; 12:29 p.m.: DPW call (Main Street), tree down; 12:44 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), family issue; 12:47 p.m.: sex offender registration (West Main Street), assisted; 1:03 p.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), family issue; 1:06 p.m.: parking complaint (Town House Court), uninspected mvs; 1:08 p.m.: medical/general (Point Eastalee Drive); 1:16 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 1:51 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), re: 209A status; 2:05 p.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 3:21 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:22 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), welfare check; 3:27 p.m.: LTC issued/2 (West Main Street), assisted; 4:58 p.m.: dis-

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turbance (Borkum Road), neighbor issues; 5:20 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 5:46 p.m.: disturbance (Paxton Road), gunshots heard; 5:49 p.m.: intelligence/drugs (Park Street), info taken; 6:45 p.m.: residential alarm (Taylor Drive), services rendered; 6:47 p.m.: juvenile matter (Bixby Road), investigated; 10:02 p.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), accidental; 10:42 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 11:49-11:58 p.m.: build- ings checked, secure.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22
12:13-12:23 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:25 a.m.: mv stop (North Spencer Road); 12:40-1:08 a.m.: build- ings checked, secure; 1:20 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 1:26-1:33 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:47 a.m.: medical/gen- eral (Ash Street); 1:49 a.m.: building checked, secure; 2:28 a.m.: fire/woods/ grass (Main Street), crew hit gas line; 6:17 a.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 8:22 a.m.: animal complaint (Greenville Street), injured cat; 8:32 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:59 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 10:56 a.m.: officer wanted (Charlton Road), spoken to; 11:29 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 11:32 a.m.: DPW call (Wm. Casey Road), wire down; 12:19 p.m.: officer wanted (Hastings Road), unwanted party; 12:28 p.m.: fraud (Roys Drive), S/S scam call; 12:38 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 12:52 p.m.: juvenile matter (Paxton Road), info taken; 1:12 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street), 1:35 p.m.: medical/general (Condon Drive); 2:28 p.m.: fraud (Maple Street), loan scam; 2:43 p.m.: disturbance (Lakeshore Drive), neighbor dispute; 3:22 p.m.: FID card issued (West Main Street), assist- ed; 3:38 p.m.: burglary (Main Street), report taken; 4:28 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 7:36-8:20 p.m.: build- ings checked, secure; 9:30 p.m.: miss- ing person/adult (West Main Street), info taken; 9:32 p.m.: residential alarm (Kittredge Road), services rendered; 10:08 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 10:14 p.m.: building checked, secure.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10
12:39 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 7:31 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 7:38 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 7:43 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:03 a.m.: residential alarm (Clark Street), false alarm; 9:52 a.m.: assist other agency (Stafford Street), services rendered; 10:47 a.m.: mutu- al aid (Water Street, Worcester), ser- vices rendered; 11:06 a.m.: summons service (Fairview Drive), served; 12:09 p.m.: mv stop (Mannville Street), verbal warning; 1:57 p.m.: mv stop (Mayflower

Road), no action required; 2:25 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/ suspended license, mv towed; 3:40 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), mv towed; 4:22 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 4:25 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), no action required; 4:37 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), ser- vices rendered; 5:20 p.m.: mv stop (Clark Street), Wallace Pereira Goncalves, 38, 6 Ruthven Avenue, 1st Floor, Worcester, op w/license suspended for OUI, arrest; 5:59 p.m.: trespassing (Main Street), investigated; 6:29 p.m.: larceny (Main Street), report taken; 7:48 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), message delivered; 7:54 p.m.: erratic operation (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 8:16 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11
1:35 a.m.: disturbance (Main Street), peace restored; 5:05 a.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), trans- ported; 5:24 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), written warning; 5:49 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 8:04 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 9:32 a.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), assisted; 10:53 a.m.: ambulance (Marlboro Drive), transported; 11:47 a.m.: parking com- plaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 12:59 p.m.: disturbance (South Main Street), peace restored; 1:48 p.m.: debris in road (Paxton Street), no action required; 2:53 p.m.: mutual aid (Howe Village, Spencer), transported to hospi- tal; 3:51 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, failure to wear seat belt, criminal application issued; 4:03 p.m.: accident (Pine Street), mv towed; 4:23 p.m.: accident (Pine Street), report taken; 4:36 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford street), no action required; 4:56 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mulberry Street), no action required; 5:08 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), citation issued; 5:25 p.m.: mv stop (Marshall Street), verbal warning; 5:37 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 6:00 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 8:21 p.m.: family problem (Pleasant Street), report taken; 8:32 p.m.: disturbance (Rawson Street), no action required.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
1:34 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/revoked registration, uninsured mv, mv towed; 7:47 a.m.: mutual aid (East Brookfield Street), transported to hospi- tal; 8:34 a.m.: investigation (Paxton Street), services rendered; 9:06 a.m.: summons service (Lynde Brook Drive), served; 9:24 a.m.: summons service (Peter Salem Road), served; 9:30 a.m.: mutual aid (North Brookfield Road, Spencer), transported to hospital; 9:32 a.m.: summons service (Atwood Road), served; 10:13 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), unable to serve; 1:59 p.m.: threats (Soojians Drive), spoken to; 2:39 p.m.: animal complaint (South Main

Street), services rendered; 3:45 p.m.: investigation (Sargent Street), spoken to; 6:07 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:22 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:44 p.m.: Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:53 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:59 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation/2nd offense, larceny under \$250 by false pretense, criminal applica- tion issued; 5:11 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:27 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:32 p.m.: animal complaint (Pleasant Street), services rendered;5:33 p.m.: ambulance (Charlton Street), transport- ed; 5:34 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 5:48 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 7:20 p.m.: assault/battery (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, malicious destruction of property over \$1200, vandalism, criminal appli- cation issued; 8:30 p.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 8:45 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Town Beach Road), spoken to; 9:23 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 10:51 p.m.: dis- turbance (Pine Ridge Drive), unable to locate; 11:27 p.m.: ambulance (Pine Street), transported; 11:58 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), citation issued.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13
6:39 a.m.: welfare check (Sconset Avenue), transported to hospital; 7:15 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), trans- ported; 8:42 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 12:51 p.m.: ambulance (South Main Street), trans- ported; 1:14 p.m.: residential alarm (Crestwood Road), false alarm; 1:49 p.m.: investigation (Main Street), services rendered; 2:17 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Lake Drive), peace restored; 3:09 pm.: mutual aid (Spencer), transported to hospital; 3:11 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 4:21 p.m.: investigation (Charles Street), no action required; 4:49 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:59 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:09 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), writ- ten warning; 5:23 p.m.: abandoned mv (Stafford Street), no action required; 5:24 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), citation issued; 5:31 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 5:51 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), writ- ten warning; 6:04 p.m.: ambulance (Winslow Avenue), transported; 6:10 p.m.: assist citizen (Peter Salem Road), services rendered; 7:31 p.m.: welfare check (Locust Street), transported to hospital; 7:43 p.m.: ambulance (Locust Street), transported; 7:57 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14
5:19 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued; 5:37 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued; 9:30 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 10:18 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 10:49

a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), no action required; 10:56 a.m.: mv stop (White Birch Street), citation issued; 11:59 a.m.: ambulance (Hammond Street), transported; 1:19 p.m.: errat- ic operation (Henshaw Street), verbal warning; 1:44 p.m.: ambulance (Keefe Court), transported; 1:59 p.m.: fire/res- cue (Keefe Court), assisted; 2:40 p.m.: lost/found (South Main Street), assist- ed; 3:01 p.m.: accident (Pleasant Street), mv towed; 4:26 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), no action required; 5:19 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warn- ing; 5:38 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), unable to locate; 7:55 p.m.: wel- fare check (Main Street), transported to hospital; 8:00 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 8:47 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 9:09 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), writ- ten warning; 9:36 p.m.:family problem (Gleason Way), peace restored; 11:57 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15
5:49 a.m.: assist other PD (Main Street, Oxford), message delivered; 9:58 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), no action required; 10:42 a.m.: investigation (Bond Street), services rendered; 1:27 p.m.: wel- fare check (Lexington Avenue), inves- tigated; 3:25 pm.: fraud (South Main Street), report taken; 3:57 p.m.: investi- gation (Main Street), services rendered; 5:13 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 5:19 p.m.: restraining order ser- vice (Gleason Way), served; 6:12 p.m.: m stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:39 p.m.: ambulance (Ingram Road), transported.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17
12:24 a.m.: ambulance (Rawson Street), transported; 7:19 a.m.: ambu- lance (Rawson Street), transported; 8:07 a.m.: fire/odor of gas (River Street), unfounded; 8:42 a.m.: fire/CO detector (Main Street), assisted; 8:43 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 8:57 a.m.: ambulance (Paxton Street), trans- ported; 9:28 a.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 10:01 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 10:18 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), mv towed; 11:07 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warn- ing; 11:35 a.m.: welfare check (Victoria Drive), services rendered; 12:05 p.m.: parking complaint (Washburn Square), citation issued; 12:27 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), report taken; 12:49 p.m.: ambulance (Auburn Street), assist- ed; 3:27 p.m.: assist other agency (River Street), services rendered; 3:55 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:40 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), crim- inal application issued; 5:02 p.m.: fire/ unauthorized burn (Market Street), services rendered; 5:25 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:22 p.m.: assist citizen (Burncoat Lane), services rendered; 6:32 p.m.: ambulance (Collier Avenue), transported; 7:30 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued.

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Ad Libs by June

Welcome to November! Just a quick reminder to turn your clocks back before you go to bed on Saturday. I love the extra hour of sleep but hate that it gets dark so early. The change essentially moves more daylight hours into the morning and more darkness into the evening hours. I've heard it was because of farmers, needed during WWI and WWII, but it's probably no longer necessary. The time should change with the times!

I invite you to check out our 9th Annual Pet Halloween Costume Contest this week! Thank you to all the pet owners who shared pics of their precious fur babies. (Zooka and Frank we miss you this year!) Also a BIG thank you to KLEMS, BIG Y, and THE DOG HAUS, for providing prizes this year, and to all our sponsors! Please let them know that you saw their sponsorship ad in the Spencer New Leader! We will announce winners in the November 15th issue.

See CAPEN HILL NATURE SANTUARY'S 3RD ANNUAL RAY MCDUFFIE MEMORIAL Veterans Appreciation Dinner coming up on Sunday, November 10 at The Grange, 10 Main Street, in Charlton. It's all you can eat spaghetti, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$10. Veterans and Children \$5. Children under 3 free. See the ad on the Pet Page for more info.

One of the sponsors of the Pet Halloween Costume Contest is a new advertiser from Auburn, DINKY REPTILES & AQUATICS. I visited them last week and enjoyed watching the chameleon and bearded dragons... so much so that I'm thinking of getting a dragon! Good idea? Bad idea? If you have an opinion about it, please email me! I'm hoping they'll let me hold one this week. They are located at 809 Southbridge Street in Auburn (across from KFC on the right just before the lights heading East).

I'd like to welcome two more businesses to our WARE YOUR NEIGHBORS page. DIOGUARDI JEWELERS, 95 Main Street, Ware has a coupon this week for a free verbal appraisal, inspection, and cleaning of your favorite piece of jewelry, plus 5% off of your purchase with mention of the ad. NEEDLE THERAPY & BODY PIERCING is located at 49 Main Street in Ware. Check out their Facebook page for a gallery of their body artwork! (All the businesses in this section are within walking distance of each other, downtown Ware). Thank you for joining us!

TIS THE SEASON TO SHOP LOCAL starts on November 22 and runs till December 20. It's buy 4 weeks get one free. If you'd like more info or to join us, please let me know by Fri. Nov. 15 noon. The page runs in spot color red and green on page two! Great exposure for your holiday advertising!

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OBITUARIES

Christopher R. Smith, 61

WEST BROOKFIELD - Christopher R. Smith, 61, of West Brookfield passed away in South Carolina.



He leaves his wife of 39 years, Yvonne Smith of West Brookfield; his son, Jeremy Smith and his fiancée Michelle of Easthampton; his daughter, Sarah Smith of Quincy; two sisters, Linda DeMatte and her husband Roberto of Ware and Karen McNabb and her husband Robert of Tampa, FL. plus many nieces and nephews. He was born in Wichita Falls, TX, son of the late Norman A. and Rose D. (Fuller) Smith.

Christopher was a machine operator at Kanzaki Paper for 25 years before retiring 2017. He loved spending time working in his yard and had a green thumb for gardening. He enjoyed reading, spending time at the beach and was a huge Patriots fan.

Calling hours will be held Sunday, November 3, 2019 from 2 to 4PM in Varnum Funeral Home, 43 East Main Street, West Brookfield. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Christopher's name to Baystate Health Foundation/Cancer Research, 280 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA, 01199 or baystatehealth.org/giving.

An online guest book is available at varnumfuneralhome.com

Shirley Jean Smith, 71

SPENCER- Shirley Jean (Blodgett) Smith, 71, passed away Wednesday, October 23 2019 peacefully at home surrounded by her children, after a courageous battle with cancer.



Shirley leaves her children, Lisa Hall and her fiancé, Brian Desmarais, Deanna Blood and her husband, Kevin, Steven MacNevin, Pamela MacNevin, Dawn Giacobbi and her husband, James, Frederick Henschel and his fiancée, Crystal Clark; 15 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; her loving brother, Arthur "Skippy" Blodgett; nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly. She is predeceased by her two sisters, Linda Johnson and Pamela Wood along with the love of her life, Francis Mailea.

Shirley was born in Worcester, daughter of the Leo and Constance (French) Blodgett and graduated from Commerce High School in 1967.

Shirley worked for many years at The Meadows in Leicester in the activities department, a job she truly loved. She was an avid Red Sox fan.

The family would like to thank Dana Farber in Milford for all their love and support through her illness.

To honor Shirley's memory Red Sox attire is encouraged for her services.

Callings hours were held on Monday, October 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street, Webster. A funeral service followed at 11:00 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle of remembrance.

Nancy Lynn Schmitz, 50

SPENCER- Nancy Lynn (Cline) Schmitz, 50 of Spencer, died Friday, October 18, 2019 at UMASS Medical Center, Worcester after a brief illness.



She was born in Saginaw, MI, the daughter of Danny Cline of Birchrun, MI and the late Judith (Bryce) Cline.

In addition to her father, Nancy leaves her fiancé and love of her life and best friend of 18 years, Lawrence C. Littlehale, with whom she lived; her son, Danny Schmitz and his wife Tiffany of Saginaw, MI, and her daughter, Julie Cline of Frankenmuth, MI; grandchildren, Jason Shands and Matthew Schmitz; brothers Scott Cline of MI and Matt Cline of TN and sisters, Brenda and Cindy Cline of MI.

A Celebration of Nancy's life will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 2 PM in The Spencer Brewery, 167 N. Spencer Rd, where she often helped Larry the Brew Master and the monks with the beer. A reception will follow.

She will be laid to rest with her mother in Michigan.

J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing arrangements for the family. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

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CALENDAR

Saturday, November 2

CHRISTMAS FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., St. Joseph's Parish Hall, 296 Main St., North Brookfield. Bake sale, handmade crafts, flea market, and raffles. Lunch is served from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., featuring homemade soups, great sandwiches, and delicious apple pie. Come one, come all!

11TH ANNUAL WESTBROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY VENDOR AND CRAFT FAIR: The West Brookfield Elementary Parent Teacher Group will be holding their 11th Annual Vendor and Craft Fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 2 at West Brookfield Elementary School, 89 North Main Street. There will be crafters, vendors, raffles, and more. Food will be available for purchase. Admission is free, all are welcome to attend.

Thursday, November 7

TOWN HALL OPEN HOUSE: From 4-7 p.m., the Brookfield Town Hall Improvement Committee invites residents to come and see the recent updates, improvements and changes that have been made at the town hall! Snacks, pizza and drinks will be served.

Saturday, November 9

STRAWBERRY HILL FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Leicester First Congregational Church, 1 Washburn Square. Handmade knitted items, secondhand treasures, holiday decorations, doughnuts & hot dogs, baked goods, gift baskets, raffles, crafts, a café, and more!

ST. JOHN'S HARVEST THYME CRAFT FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., St. John's Church Hall, 131 Blaine Ave., East Brookfield. Come and enjoy the variety of crafts, baked goods, a silent auction, gift basket raffles, and a lottery tree raffle! A delicious café-style lunch will also be served. Bring your family and friends to this wonderful annual event! For more information, please call (508) 867-3738 or visit www.stjohnssebma.org.

FALL FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., George Whitfield United Methodist Church, 33 West Main St., West Brookfield. Baked goods, candy, homemade jams & jellies, handiwork table, children's activity table, Gram's Attic Treasures, Mission Table. Luncheon available featuring soups, sandwiches & desserts. We welcome you. Please come join us.

ANNUAL RED DOOR FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Christ Memorial Episcopal Church, 133 North Main St. (corner of Main and Spring streets), North Brookfield. The bake table is always impressive; jammed with our famous apple, pumpkin and fruit pies as well as breads, brownies, cookies and much more. Find that special gift at the craft, "exquisite" and Christmas tables. The raffles are always the best! Sit down to a homemade luncheon served by church youth. Menu: clam chowder, cabbage soup, sandwiches (chicken, egg, and ham salad) and apple crisp. Find that unique Christmas gift!

TACO NIGHT: 4:30-7 p.m., New Braintree Town Hall, 20 Memorial Dr. Oakham Boy Scout Troop 144 invites everyone to their

first ever Taco Night. Tickets will be pre sold by your local Scouts of Troop 144 priced \$10 for adults and seniors and \$5 for kids 10 and under, and if you want tickets you can also contact Erin at Erin.labarre@gmail.com. Limited tickets will be sold at the door so get some while you can. The dinner will include all you can eat beef tacos with all the fixings including dessert and drinks as well. All proceeds will be going to Troop 144's Seabase Trip in the Florida Keys. For any additional information, please contact Erin at Erin.labarre@gmail.com.

Thursday, November 14

FAMILY DINNER: 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 91 Manville St., Leicester. Menu features a choice of stir fry or baked fish. Cost is \$12, and includes salad, rolls, entrée, coffee, and dessert. Call for reservations by Wednesday morning, Nov. 13, at (508) 892-4528.

Saturday, November 16

HARVEST DINNER: 6 p.m., North Brookfield Senior Center. Sponsored by the Friends of the North Brookfield Council on Aging. Menu includes ham with raisin sauce, mashed potatoes, harvest vegetables, rolls, dessert, and beverage. Adults \$10, children under 10 \$5. Please call (508) 867-0220 for tickets.

Thursday, November 21

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON: Local seniors are invited to a Thanksgiving performance by Brookfield Elementary School starring Mr. Healy's fourth grade students. The program will be accompanied by a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings, provided by our fabulous cafeteria staff. Back doors open at 12:35 p.m., cafeteria seating begins at 12:45 p.m. Please call (508) 867-8774 to RSVP by Thursday, Nov. 14. Food and/or cash donations for the Brookfield Ecumenical Food Pantry are welcome.

Saturday, November 23

ANNUAL MEAT RAFFLE: 6 p.m. (doors open at 5 p.m.), Spencer Country Inn, 500 Main St. Cash only. Open to the public. Bring your friends! Early bird tickets available. Bring an unwrapped, brand new toy to be donated to the Toys for Tots program and receive free tickets good for any table! Grand prize raffle for a Green Mountain portable grill/smoker with cover, utensils, and a \$50 gift card to Ed Stearns in Charlton!

ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP: The First Congregational Church's Economy Shop invites you to come in and see our Holiday items and our weekly specials. Our shop hours are Wednesday 8 a.m.-Noon, Thursdays 8 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. and Fridays 8 a.m.-noon.

DEJA NEW: Art, Antiques & Collectibles Marketplace which is open in the St. Joseph's Rectory building at 759 Main Street Leicester. Hours are Tuesday 5-7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m.-

noon, Thursday 3-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, all proceeds going back into the town's Food Pantries, Hearts for Heat and programs for the needy. We are non-profit and run on volunteers. We are open May into December.

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

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

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: On the third Wednesday of each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system,

exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508) 434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

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

FREE FOR MOM & KIDS: There will be free weekly parent/child programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com.

SUPPER TIME: A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop

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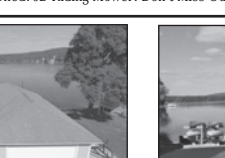


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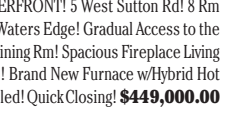
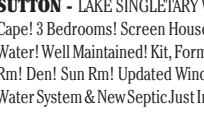
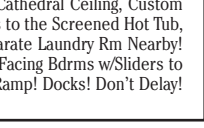
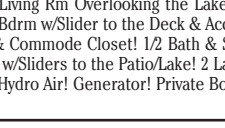
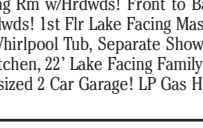


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WEBSTER LAKE – 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, Has It All! 2 Story Foyer! Granite Kit w/Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances & Walk-in Pantry! Din Rm w/ Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm w/Lake Views, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplc! 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 Bdrn w/Frplc & 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 1 1/2 Rm Ranch! Ideal 2nd Home! Renovate or Enjoy As 1st Open Fir Plan! Appliance Cabinet Packed Kit! Lake Facing Din & Liv Rms w/Water Views! Sliders to Screen Enclosed Porch! Master w/Ceiling Fan & Dble Closet! 2nd Bdrn w/Dble Closet! Full Bath off Hall! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/25' Fam Rm w/Door to Lakeside Patio, Bdrn, 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**

WEBSTER LAKE – 603 Treasure Island! 1,874' Townhouse! 6 Rms, 2 Bdrms, Master Bath, 2.5 Baths Total! Recent Maple & Corian Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm w/ Sliders to Deck! Frpld Fam Rm! Patio! Newer Oil, Heat & Hot Water! Garage! 2 Slips! Pool! Beach! Listed by Another – "SOLD" by C21 Lake Realty! **\$355,000.00**

WEBSTER LAKE – Steps Away From! 110 S. Shore Rd! Killdeer Island! Access to Swimming & Boating w/Killdeer Island Club Assoc Membership! Perfect 1st Home or Summer Retreat! 7 Rms! 2 Bdrms! Full Bath! 12x25 Deck w/Water Views! Garage! Don't Delay! **\$249,900.00**



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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 Vistas! Featuring Appliance Kitchen w/Land, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplace Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Floor & 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**

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WOODSTOCK, CT - 64 LYON HILL RD



SORRY, SOLD!

Estate like long paved driveway! 3158 Sq Ft Colonial! Geothermal built. Open floor plan, ash flooring throughout! Granite and s/s appliance kitchen! Large master bedroom, coffered ceiling, master bath, W/letted tub! Walk in closets. Two car garage. Radiused catwalk on upper level! A 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.**

DUDLEY - 71 EAGLE DRIVE



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Wow! Young 8 room Center Hall Colonial! Better than new! 3 bedroom, 3 full baths! 23' X 23' Cathedral ceiling Family Room! Hardwood & Ceramics throughout. Heat by forced hot air/oil, Central air! 2880 Sq Ft of living area. In one of Dudley's finest developments with underground utilities! **\$420,000.**

SOUTHBRIDGE - 79 N.WOODSTOCK RD



ON DEPOSIT

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POMFRET, CT - 280 RIVER RD



Cape gutted to the studs and remodeled, 3 Br, 1 bath; 1.7 acres. New kitchen cabinets w/granite counters and center island. New electrical/plumbing. Large Gambrel Post & Beam. 2 bay garage w/loft. New septic. **\$264,900**

WEBSTER - 212 SCHOOL ST



ON DEPOSIT

Large 4 Family! 3 car garage! Off street parking. 2 bedrooms each unit! Walk-up attic with a lot of potential! Solar panels!! Fully Rented. **\$369,900.**

WEBSTER - 3 STEFANIAK AVE.



Cute 2 Bedroom Ranch! All hardwood floors, gas Fireplace living room! 2 baths. Appliances included. 2 zone heat. Large deck! Young asphalt roof. Walk out lower living level. Town Water & Sewer, City Gas **\$229,900.**

DUDLEY - 188 WEST MAIN ST



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WEBSTER/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS LAND!

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 abuts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**
Webster - 3 Lots Cooper Rd. Attention Developers! 3 abutting house lots, potential to divide into 5-6 Buildable lots! Lake Residential area, water/sewer access **\$129,400**
Oxford- 4 Leicester St. approx. 8.47 acres! River frontage! Highly possible to be subdivided. **\$119,900**

WEBSTER - 34 EASTERN AVE UNIT A



ON DEPOSIT

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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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Spencer - Lincoln St - Affordable Colonial on private 3/4 acre lot in a great location. 1155 sq ft, 4 bdrm, 1 ba. Spacious country kitchen & large living room. Town water/sewer. Walk up attic. **\$199,900**

Spencer - Wall St - Business owners/investors take a look! 5442 sq ft. Conference room, 1.5 baths, individual offices plus a reception area. Two heated, oversized garage bays. Town utilities, plus apartment. Off Rt 9. **\$260,000**

Spencer - High St - Rare 3-family home w/ 2 duplex style & 1 ranch style apartment. 3083 sq ft, 5 bdrm, 3 ba. All separate utilities. Washer & dryer hookups. Full, walkout basements. **\$244,900**

New Braintree - West Brookfield Rd - Over 153 acres. 2 story building has 3 bdrm, 2 ba apartment, 3 bay garages for large equipment & fully equipped commercial kitchen. All solar powered! Detached barn & greenhouse. Over 1/2 mile of road frontage! **\$899,000**

Leicester - Main St - Mixed use property on Rt 9. Office space & 2nd flr apartment. 2280 sq ft. New boiler, updated electrical, oil tank & windows on 1st floor. **\$329,900**

Spencer - Lyford Rd - Contemporary home on 2 acres in a great location! 2100 sq ft, 3 bdrm, 2.5 ba, 1 car garage. Vaulted ceilings, lower level family room w/ separate entrance. **\$309,900**

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EASTFORD- You don't want to miss this 2,400 sq ft updated cape with 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, a study/office and family room. New kitchen appliances with tile floor, dining room with French door and wood floor. Outside offers a long farmers porch which leads to a wrap around deck. Two car attached garage plus barn/storage building. Privately set on 2 acres on country road. Beautiful retaining wall lines a portion of the driveway. A MUST SEE. **\$329,500**

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

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 10am-5:30pm. Along with our regular booths (baking, lottery, indoor flea market, thanksgiving basket etc...), this year we will be introducing a new money raffle drawing replacing the special gift raffle. St. Andrew Bobola Church 508-943-5633



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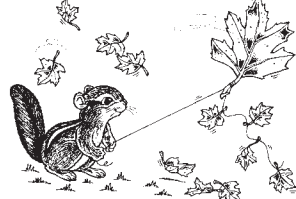


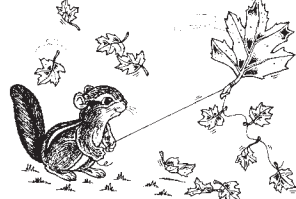
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LEGALS

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Steven H. Rafer and Ellen Rafer to Bank of America, N.A., dated March 13, 2008 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 42726, Page 204, subsequently assigned to Federal National Mortgage Association by Bank of America, N.A. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 52059, Page 96, subsequently assigned to MTGLQ Investors, L.P. by Federal National Mortgage Association by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 60021, Page 128 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on November 22, 2019 at 12 Oak Lane and Parcel U35-29, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land referred to in this policy is situated in the State of MA, County of WORCESTER, City of SPENCER and described as follows: THE LAND IN SPENCER, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL 1

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERLY SHORE OF THOMPSON POND IN THAT PART OF SPENCER, KNOWN AS NORTH SPENCER, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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THENCE WESTERLY BY THOMPSON POND, FIFTY-SIX (56) FEET TO LOT NO. 10 ON SAID PLAN;

THENCE SOUTH 44 DEG 20' EAST BY LOT NO. 10 ON SAID PLAN ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE (159) FEET TO SAID OAK LAND;

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY BY SAID OAK LANE, FIFTY (50) FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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PARCEL 2

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THENCE NORTH 45 DEG 40' EAST BY THE SAID EASTERLY LINE OF OAK LANE, FIFTY (50') FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. BEING LOT NO. 44 AS SHOWN ON A PLAN OF LAND IN SPENCER, MASS, OWNED BY MAURICE BARSKY, DATED JULY 16, 1951 DRAWN BY JOSEPH SWARTZ, C.E. AND CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 4,750 SQUARE FEET, SAID PARCEL 2 IS CONVEYED SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS AND RESERVATIONS AS SET FORTH IN A DEED DATED JANUARY 7, 1997 AND RECORDED AT SAID REGISTRY IN BOOK 18553. PAGE 215.

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**Town of Spencer
Conservation Commission
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

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

Bill Krukowski has filed an NOI with the Spencer Conservation Commission to improve stormwater management from Donnelly Cross Road Right-of-Way, Spencer, MA.

Cody Berman has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to rebuild a deck on the same footprint as the original deck at 43 Point Eastalee Drive, Spencer, MA.

Colin Derhammer has filed an NOI with the Spencer Conservation Commission to construct a Solar Array at Ash Street, Spencer, MA.

Bill Krukowski has filed an NOI with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace culverts at 40, 80 & 96 Clark Rd, Spencer, MA.

James & Rachel Laliberte have filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to remove an inground pool and fill it in at 195 Charlton Rd, Spencer, MA.

Rosemary Reis has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to reconstruct the shoreline wall at 97 Wilson Ave, Spencer, MA.

Arthur Tatro has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace the wall and bushes at 8 Bellevue Drive, Spencer, MA.

Andrew Sweet has filed an RDA with the Spencer Conservation Commission to accept the wetlands delineation and work in the buffer zone at 53 East Charlton Rd, Spencer, MA.

Jeffrey Donahue has filed a Request to Amend the Order of Conditions at 53 Jolicoeur Ave, Spencer, MA

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

Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman
November 11, 2019

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family
Court
225 Main Street
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Docket No. WO19P3435EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Jamison Mitchell Davis
Also known as: Jamison M Davis
Date of Death: 01/20/2019**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Jackie M Lavallee of Holden MA** and **Mitchell Davis of Spencer 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 **Jackie M Lavallee of Holden MA** and **Mitchell Davis of Spencer 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 11/19/2019.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written ap-

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

Date: October 21, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
November 1, 2019

(SEAL)

**TRIAL COURT OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE SUPERIOR COURT
Worcester Superior Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, Massachusetts
01608-1203
Docket No: 19Cv1474C
ORDER OF NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION
Central One Federal Credit Un
vs.
Jodi E Lloyd**

TO: Jodi F Lloyd of Cherry Valley (Leicester) Worcester County, Massachusetts , all in said Commonwealth; and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. §501 *et seq.*: Central One Federal Credit Union, a Massachusetts credit union with a usual place of business at Shrewsbury, Worcester County, Massachusetts claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Cherry Valley (Leicester) Worcester County, Massachusetts numbered 15 Ingram Road given by Jodi F Lloyd to Central One Federal Credit Union dated 01/08/2010, and recorded in Worcester County District Registry of Deeds, in Book 45345, Page 203 has/have filed with this court a Complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemember status. If you now are, or recently have been, in active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Worcester Superior Court on or before 11/29/2019 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, Judith Fabricant, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Superior Court, at Worcester, Massachusetts, this 17th day of October 2019.

Dennis P. McManus
Clerk of Courts
Corinne L. Gorman
First Assistant Clerk
November 01, 2019

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Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the band or musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www.emmanuelorthodox.org).

STRE-E-E-TCH: Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

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

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

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

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

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

PITCH at the Spencer Senior Center will begin on Sept. 18 at 6 p.m. Cost \$5.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP IN W. BROOKFIELD: The First Congregational Church of West Brookfield, UCC has partnered

with Faith and Family Hospice of Marlborough, MA to offer a local bereavement group for individuals who are living with the loss of someone they care deeply for. This program honors the reality that there is no perfect way to grieve or say goodbye to someone that we love—we each have our own process and our own time. Grief is not something that we “get better” from or that ever leaves us. Rather, we build coping skills to help us carry it through our lives. This group is open for all ages and all kinds of losses. It is a circle that strives to be mutually supportive and free of judgment. Sessions are held on Fridays at 5 pm in the church office at 36 North Main Street, West Brookfield, MA. Please call the church office to indicate you will be attending (508)867-7078 or email 1stcongo.westbrookfield@gmail.com. There is no charge for this group. This group has recently started and wishes to welcome others in joining them. Sessions will be offered for six weeks with a two-week break between the next. (There is no limit to the number of times any individual can sign up for this program.)

PETS

How to choose the right dog collar

New pet parents quickly learn just how many supplies they need to raise happy, healthy animals. Collars and leashes are two essential items dog owners will need. No matter how well-trained a pooch may be, collars and leashes are oftentimes necessary, especially when taking dogs to public places.

In addition to helping keep pets close, collars are a great place to hang identification tags, increasing the likelihood that dogs will be safely returned if they dash off.

There are various types of collars, each offering unique attributes. Choosing a collar involves investigating the key functions collars can serve, and assessing the pros and cons of each.

FLAT COLLAR

A flat collar is the standard collar used by many dog owners. Flat collars are typically made from nylon, fabric or leather, and many come with plastic or metal quick-release tabs. Some may have buckles similar to a belt.

Flat collars are useful for many dogs. However, some pet parents find dogs are more apt to pull when wearing flat collars, choking themselves in the process. A properly fit collar shouldn't slide off and should be gentle on the dog's neck.

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PRONG COLLARS

Sometimes called pinch collars, prong collars are controversial. Prong collars are made of various links that can be expanded or shortened by “pinching” the links and removing or adding links. When the dog puts tension on the leash, the prongs will add pressure to the neck to help correct pulling, offers the Canine Journal, a pet care resource. Many trainers advise that prong collars should be used only as a training tool and not for extended periods of time as the primary collar. Also, the Humane Society emphasizes that prong collars must be properly fitted with the size of the prong links appropriate for the size of the dog, and it must sit high on the dog's neck. A chain collar works similarly as a pinch collar, in that it also tightens when tension is applied.

HARNESS

Some pet owners like a harness, which puts the pressure on the dog's chest and back instead of its neck. Harnesses come with back clips or front clip attachments to offer control where owners want it.

A knowledgeable pet store employee or a dog trainer can help guide new pet parents in regard to which type of collar may be most appropriate for their dogs.

HEAD COLLAR

A head collar is reminiscent of a horse's halter, as it slips over the dog's snout and attaches behind the ears. The purpose of head collars is to redirect a dog's attention so pulling is minimal. Some dog's do not like the feeling of a collar on their faces and may resist.

This common virus can affect young pups

Juvenile dogs, much like their similarly aged human companions, have immature immune systems that develop over time as they gain more exposure to their environment. Many dogs are immunized against certain harmful bacteria, parasites and viruses that can cause serious illnesses. But exposure to certain viruses may catch new pet parents off guard when their furry friends begin to exhibit symptoms.

Canine oral papilloma virus is a contagious DNA virus that can be spread anywhere dogs interact. It is common at dog parks, daycare facilities, overnight boarding houses, or even among multiple dogs in a household. Transmission is spread through direct contact with an infected dog or through indirect contact from shared toys or communal water bowls, advises the pet health resource Vetstreet.

Oral papillomas, also known as oral warts, are typically small, benign tumors of the mouth caused by the papilloma virus. They can produce white or gray cauliflower-like eruptions on the lips, gums, mouth, and other mucous membranes, advises the Pet Health Network. These papillomas typically affect young dogs under the age of two, as they are more susceptible to the virus due to an underdeveloped immune system. Immunocompromised dogs also may be affected.

A report in The Canadian Veterinary

Journal says the growths can form after a roughly four-week incubation period. The oral lesions are usually mild in most cases and will not produce any discomfort or complications. In most instances, the papillomas will resolve themselves within a one- to two-month period.

Treatment is not necessary for oral papillomas unless the case is severe and is affecting the animal's ability to eat or drink or if the warts cause a respiratory obstruction. Treatment also may be necessary if the lesions become infected. Because the virus often has a short lifespan with no long-term health consequences, many people do not seek confirmatory testing of the papillomas. Vets can typically perform visual examinations to determine if papillomas are the culprit. It is a good idea to have a vet diagnose papillomas to rule out cancerous lesions.

Once a dog has had the papilloma virus, he or she likely will not get it again, as immunity is established after exposure. The virus is species-specific, so pet parents should not worry about catching it from sloppy kisses. However, owners should keep infected dogs away from other canines for a period of time to prevent spreading the virus.

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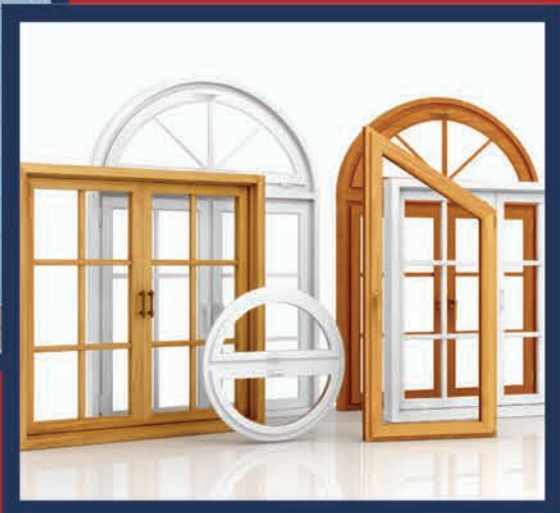




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PETS

How to transition pet food

The food a companion animal is eating today may not be the food he or she consumes in the near future.

Pet owners alter their pets' diets for a variety of reasons. These can include food allergies or intolerances that develop, new formulations that boast health benefits or the cost of food. Food transitions also occur when juvenile pets mature into adults and then require different foods to meet age-related dietary requirements.

Anytime pets owners introduce new foods to their pets, owners should follow a gradual introduction process to minimize the risk of potentially negative reactions, which can include loose stool or stomach upset, according to the pet retailer PetSmart. In addition to taking things slowly, pet owners can employ a few other strategies so pets seamlessly transition to their new diets.

- Choose a similar formulation. PetMD advises pet owners to find foods with similar formulations if existing foods need to be switched due to a recall or if a brand is no lon-



ger carried. That means if you were feeding chicken and rice, look for chicken and rice products when buying new foods. A similar nutritional analysis also can help make the transition go smoothly.

- Opt for a gradual switch. Mixing the old food with the new food gradually can ease diarrhea or stomach upset. Hill's Pet Nutrition, the maker of Science Diet®, suggests a seven-day transition. On days one and two, make it 75 percent current food with 25 percent new food. On days three and four, serve a 50-50 mix. On days five and six, the ratio should be 25 percent current food and 75 percent new food. Starting on day seven, serve only new food. Pets with sensitive stomachs may require a transition period that lasts between 10 days and two weeks.
- Consult with a veterinarian.

ian. If you are unsure about food choices or want advice about making a switch, talk to your veterinarian. He or she can suggest foods, including some that may be breed- and need-specific.

- Watch for side effects. It can take as long as 12 weeks before you determine if a diet regimen is working. But most companion animals will resume normal digestive function within a few weeks of transitioning to new foods. Avoid new edible toys or food treats during the transition period to isolate potential food reactions to the new food. If vomiting or diarrhea is present and persists, it could be a result of sensitivity to the new food and a vet should be called.
- Use the same technique for wet or dry food switches. When switching from a wet to dry food or vice-versa, adhere to the same gradual transition process.

When transitioning to a new pet diet, adhere to the feeding guidelines on product labels, as portion sizes may need to change depending on differences in nutritional values.

Shopping for a well-dressed dog



Size, fabric and comfort are important factors when choosing clothing for dogs.

Dog lovers go to great lengths to ensure their pets have everything to keep them healthy, safe and comfortable. Many dog owners extend their love even further to ensure their furry friends put fashionable paws forward.

The American Pet Products Association says that total pet industry expenditures reached more than \$60 billion in 2015, and the spending continues to grow. In fact, pet spending is remarkably resistant to economic downturns, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. While food, grooming, vet care, and more are included in the list of necessary items people buy for their dogs, clothing — a nonessential item — has grown in popularity.

The National Retail Federation

states around 27.7 million Americans dress their furry friends in costumes for Halloween and other holidays. But buying clothes for everyday occasions also has become the norm for many pet parents, as dog apparel does everything from making pooches look fashionable to protecting them from inclement weather. When shopping and dressing dogs, dog owners can consider these tips.

- Be certain of measurements. Measure a dog from neck to tail, as this is how many manufacturers size their apparel. Going by the measurement is more accurate than estimating whether a dog is small, medium or large on breed charts.
- Avoid overbuying for a puppy. Like

children, puppies grow quickly. Those who stocked up on outfits while the dog was very young may find dogs quickly outgrow their wardrobes. Stick to a few items at a time until the dog has stopped growing.

- Select machine-washable pieces. Dogs get dirty and their clothes likely will as well. Look for items that can be put into the washing machine and withstand frequent laundering.
- Skip the zippers. Zippers can catch on fur or skin, making dogs reluctant to wear clothes. Look for buttons, snaps or other closures instead of zippers.
- Choose comfortable fabrics. Breathable cotton can keep dogs comfortable, but it may not be the best insulator or moisture-wicking fabric.

Select clothing based on desired use, and choose high-quality materials for comfort and durability.

- Avoid obstructions. Select well-fitting pieces that are neither too tight nor too loose. This way dogs can move around unencumbered and will not trip and fall.
- Keep disposition in mind. Some dogs tolerate clothing well, while others may bite and pull at garments. Do not force dogs to wear something if they're resistant.

Pet clothing can be stylish, make a statement or protect dogs from the elements. Keep comfort, budget and sizing in mind when shopping.

Get to know your feline friend

Cats are stealth and lovable but somewhat unpredictable. Ancient Egyptians revered cats for their companionship and ability to keep dangerous creatures such as poisonous snakes, rats and scorpions at bay. The Egyptians were among the first peoples to domesticate cats, and now thousands upon thousands of people share their homes with feline companions.

According to a world survey by the German organization Gesellschaft für Konsumforschung (Society for Consumer Research), published in PetfoodIndustry.com, dogs are the most popular pet globally, owned by 33 percent of respondents. However, cats are not that far off at 23 percent. The United States, China and Russia have the highest pet cat populations. And according to a 2014 report by The Washington Post, Massachusetts, Maryland and Maine boast the highest percentages of cat-lovers in the United States.

Cats are coveted for a variety of reasons, including their regal countenance and graceful movements. Many people are surprised to learn that cats boast several characteristics



that make them wonderful pets.

Those looking for vocal companions may be surprised to learn that cats can make roughly 100 different sounds, compared to the 10 sounds dogs make.

Cats only meow to human friends. In addition to purring, cats will rub up against people to show affection. This trait also serves to mark territory. Cats have scent glands around their faces, paws and tail area.

While cats are thought by many to be aloof and less feeling than dogs, science says otherwise. According to the book "What Cats Are Made Of," by Hanoch Piven, a cat's brain is biologically more similar to a human brain than it is to a dog's. Both humans and cats have identical regions in their brains that are responsible for emotions.

For those worried about a pet getting lost and running away, cats may be preferential com-

panions. That's because cats have an ingrained ability to find their way home known as "psi-traveling." Experts think that cats use the angle of the sun or magnetized cells in their brains to act as internal global positioning systems.

Contrary to popular belief, cats can be trained. Although they're not likely to be as motivated by praise as dogs, cats can respond to food treats — particularly something soft and smelly. However, that may take some practice as, according to Petfinder, cats are less instinctively driven to work in partnership with humans. But those tasty treats may inspire them to stay and come and even use a toilet in lieu of a litter box.

People who welcome cats into their homes can expect a companion for a long time, as cats can live up to 20 years or more.

Cats make wonderful pets. In contrast to dogs, cats have not undergone major changes since being domesticated, and their ancient characteristics still make them desirable companions to this day.



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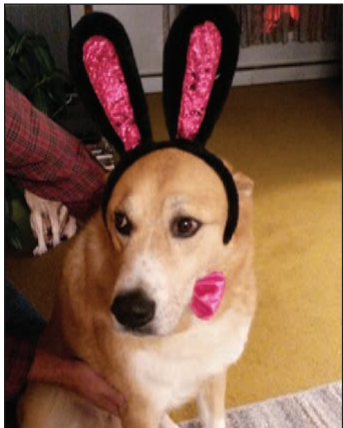
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