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# Local organization works to bring Congolese village fresh water



Lynne Brouillette with the children of Bibwa.

Courtesy Photo

**BY KAYCEE ROY  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT**

STURBRIDGE — If someone asked you to find Bibwa on a map, how long do you think it would take you to find it? Would you even know where to begin? Most would be hard pressed.

Over the past week, however, we learned about this small village in the Democratic Republic of Congo while sitting down with Lynne Brouillette, cofounder of the nonprofit organization Kids in the Congo.

In 2008, Brouillette teamed up with Father Salvator Musande, of Kyondo in the DRC, with a goal of sponsoring two children's education.

"After he told me his story about how kids couldn't go to school because they had to pay school fees, I said 'How much is the fee?' and he said '\$50,'" Brouillette recalled. "I said '\$50 a month?' And he said 'No, \$50 a year.' I said 'So if I give you a check for \$100, I'll have two kids at school?' And he said yes, and that's how we started."

Please Read **CONGOLESE**, page **A7**

# Local shelter saving lives with Best Friends Strut Your Mutt

BRIMFIELD — Brimfield shelter Here Today Adopted Tomorrow along with hundreds of animal rescue groups across the country, is participating in the Best Friends Animal Society's Strut Your Mutt.

Since the very first Strut Your Mutt in 1996 in Salt Lake City, national animal welfare organization Best Friends Animal Society has combined celebrating everything wonderful that dogs and cats bring to their families with supporting the urgent work of saving the lives of homeless pets. Over the years, Strut Your Mutt has grown into a national series where local animal rescue organizations and animal shelters raise money to help the pets in their care and community.

In celebration of Strut Your Mutt, Here Today Adopted Tomorrow is holding our 7th annual Tails on the Trail, from 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Sept. 14 on the Brimfield Commons. Registration begins at 9 a.m. It's so much more than a charity walk! It is a fun-filled festival with so much to see and do including, food, a free photo booth, vendors, the farmer's market, raffles, contests and more.

smudge@heretodaysanctuary.org for more information.

About Here Today Adopted Tomorrow Animal Sanctuary Here Today Adopted Tomorrow, HTAT, was founded by mother-daughter team Barbara Horn and Rachael Max. HTAT is a volunteer driven group focused on reducing the number of homeless animals in our community through prevention and adoption services. In 2012, we opened our no kill, cageless cat adoption center for adult cats and kittens in Brimfield. Our ultimate goal is to decrease the number of animals entering the shelter system. It is deeply important to us that every resident's stay at HTAT is comfortable and healthy, making for well-adjusted, happy animals. We have programs to help special needs cats flourish and get adopted, including shy, fearful and senior cats. Shortly after opening, we realized there were more homeless cats than we could handle by adoption alone, so we started programs to spay and neuter local community cats. To date, Here Today has helped more than 2,200 cats. For more information, visit [heretodaysanctuary.org](http://heretodaysanctuary.org).

To become a fan of Here Today Adopted Tomorrow on Facebook, go to [Facebook.com/heretodaysanctuary](https://www.facebook.com/heretodaysanctuary).

About Best Friends Animal Society Best Friends Animal Society is a leading national animal welfare organization dedicated to ending the killing of dogs and cats in America's shelters. In addition to running lifesaving programs in partnership with more than 2,600 animal welfare groups across the country, Best Friends has regional centers in New York City, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Salt Lake City, and operates the nation's largest no-kill sanctuary for companion animals. Founded in 1984, Best Friends is a pioneer in the no-kill movement and has

## BRIMFIELD ANTIQUE SHOW DRAWS INTEREST THE WORLD OVER

BRIMFIELD – Shoppers from throughout the country and the world converged on Route 20 for the final time this year, as the Brimfield Antique Show closed out its 2019 schedule.

Attendance was once again impressive for the three shows this year. From families to antiques collectors, there is something for everyone at each event. Kevin Flanders photos.



Carol and Dan Camerota, of Union, have some unexpected company as they take a quick rest.

Kevin Flanders Photo

# Opacum Land Trust hosts author of "Stone Prayers"

**BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE  
CORRESPONDENT**

STURBRIDGE — Throughout the woods of New England, you will find structures or enclosures built of stacked native stones. These structures differ from the ubiquitous stone walls, familiar to New Englanders, that marked property borders in centuries past.

This other type of stone structure in New England is more of a historical mystery and the topic of the book "Stone Prayers" by Dr. Curtiss Hoffman, released earlier this year. Hoffman will give a talk on the topic Wednesday, September 18 at the Barn at Wight Tavern in Sturbridge. The event is an annual fundraising dinner and author talk to benefit Opacum Land Trust.

Hoffman will discuss four popular ideas about who created the stone structures and for what purpose. Beliefs about the structures include that they were built by colonial farmers removing rocks from their fields, that they were built by pre-Columbian trans-Atlantic travelers, that they are the result of natural forces such as erosion and glaciers, or that they were built as sacred structures by Native Americans. According to the event description, "the purpose of Dr. Hoffman's latest book, "Stone Prayers" is to provide quantitative support for the indigenous construction hypothesis."

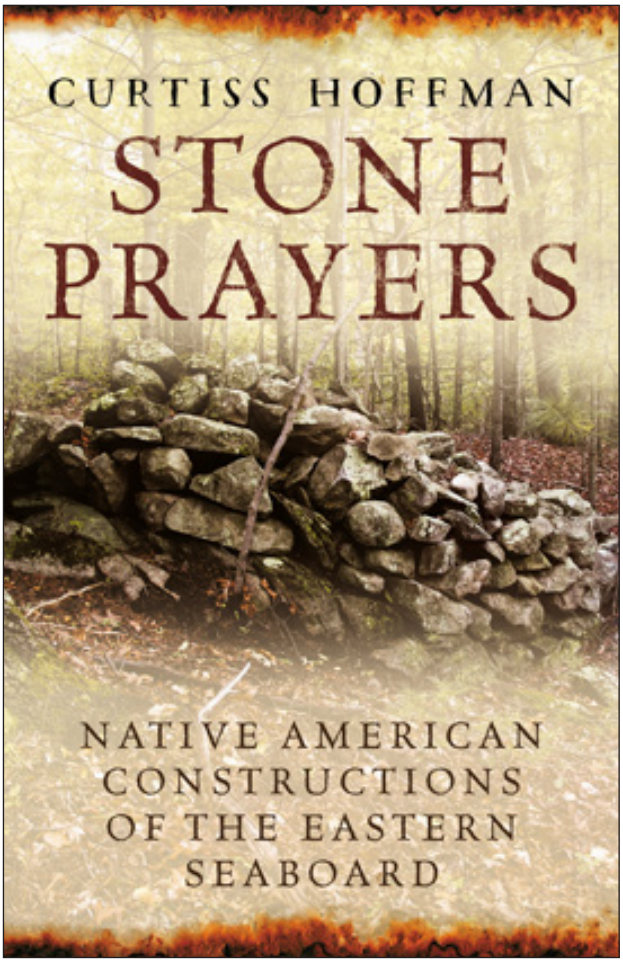
Hoffman has a Ph.D from Yale University and taught at Bridgewater State University's Anthropology Department for decades. Technically retired, he still teaches part time. He is

also the author of "People of the Fresh Water Lake: A Prehistory of Westborough, Massachusetts" and "The Seven Story Tower: A Mythic Journey Through Space and Time."

"I have been interested in stone structures and generally, what I refer to as 'cognitive archeology' for all of my career. This refers to trying to understand the way earlier peoples construed and constructed their view of the world," Hoffman says of his fascination on the topic and his expertise.

Dr. Hoffman has identified 18 different types of stone structures including stone piles, stone rows, chambers, balanced rocks, petroglyphs, effigies and many more. He presents evidence of the theory that these structures were created

Please Read **OPACUM**, page **A6**







# Hitchcock Happenings

BRIMFIELD — Following is the schedule of events and activities for next week at Hitchcock Academy.

Monday, September 16  
REMINDER: You can sign up for all classes and find more information regarding classes on our website: [hitchcockacademy.org](http://hitchcockacademy.org)  
WEIGHT WATCHERS: Traditional Weight Watchers meetings! Times: Weigh-in/Registrations: 5:30PM Meeting: 6:00 PM Leader: Angela Kramer. Visit [www.weight-watchers.com](http://www.weight-watchers.com) to become a member or to learn more about Weight Watchers.  
SEN-I JUDO CLUB: 4:30 – 6 PM For the months of September, October and November this course is FREE. It runs all year long and is well

suited for all levels of practitioners including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez 413 279-4330 for more information.  
CHI KUNG: 6:00 – 7:00 PM An ancient form that uses slow, deliberate movements to better understand the body's restrictions and performance. Benefits of the practice include better balance, flexibility and endurance. Instructor: Sharon Palmer, M. Ed., Kripalu Yoga Instructor and RYT.  
HATHA YOGA: 7:15 – 8:45 Relax and rejuvenate with postures and guided meditation to restore the body. Bring a mat, wear comfortable clothing. All levels welcome. Instructor: Sharon Palmer, M. Ed., Kripalu Yoga Instructor and RYT.  
Reminder: Tickets for September 23 All You Can Eat Publick House Dinner Under the Tent are on sale at

Hitchcock Academy M-F 6 to 9 PM  
Tuesday, September 17  
ART GROUP: 9 – 11:30 AM Bring your own art and enjoy the company of other artists as they explore and encourage each other in creative adventures.  
PILATES: 9:00 – 10:00 AM; Improve flexibility, balance, posture and strength by targeting the core muscles which are essential to lifelong health. Instructor: Karen Larsen.  
MEDITATION 101: 7:00 – 9:00 PM For beginning and experienced practitioners. Discover the Bliss of a quiet mind as you learn to build a successful daily practice. Instructor: Phil (Krishna) Milgrom, CSYT  
LET'S CAKE DECORATE A SCARECROW CAKE: 6 – 8 PM A great class for kids and adults. Learn decorating techniques; have fun and leave with your own decorated cake. All supplies included. Fee: \$51 Instructor: Sue Gaulin  
Wednesday, September 18  
WATERCOLOR: 9:00 – 1:00 For all levels – ongoing

watercolor classes with new paintings every three weeks. Instructor: Beth Parys. For more information and to register call: 413.245.3295  
YOGA NIDRA: 7-8:30 PM Unwind and release tension with a gentle Yoga practice and then enjoy Yoga Nidra, or “psychic sleep.” Bring a mat, blanket, pillow and anything else for your comfort. \$20 per class; Instructor: Sharon Palmer, All Can Do Yoga  
Thursday, September 19  
VIOLIN LESSONS: 2-5 p.m. Instructor: Linda Day Newland, violinist in the Austin Symphony Orchestra for 22 years. Lessons available for all ages and all levels  
FENCING: 6:15-7:15 Youth and adult classes with Andy Bloch.  
K9 NOSEWORK® 7 – 8:30 PM. This is a sport open to all breeds of dogs and their people. Progressive training levels offered. Offered at 3 levels. (6 classes) Fee: \$145 Instructor: Laurie Merritt, MEd, CPDT-KA, CNWI; Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed;

Certified K9 NoseWork® Instructor- National Association of Canine Scent Work  
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE: 7:15 – 8:15 PM. Learn this visual language using hands as well as facial and body expressions. Laughter guaranteed. Instructor: May Marques, Rehabilitation Counselor for the Deaf, MA Rehabilitation Commission.  
Friday, September 20  
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Traditional open AA meetings in a friendly setting. Come early to chat and share in refreshments. Time: 7:30 PM  
Saturday, September 21  
FARMER'S MARKET: 9 AM – 2 PM Enjoy the area's freshest offerings of meat, eggs, fruits, vegetables, plants and more.  
TAI CHI: 9 – 11 AM This two hour seminar includes a variety of Tai Chi and Chi Kung. Some previous experience required. Pre-registration required. Fee: \$24; Instructor: David Masera

## Bay Path hosts annual College Fair

CHARLTON — Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is pleased to announce that it will be hosting its annual College Fair on Thursday, Sept. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. This event is open to the public and free of charge.  
This free event focuses on higher education and career preparation and provides the opportunity for students to explore college and career readiness options. Students will be able to interact with admission representatives from a wide range of post-secondary institutions as well as connect with the branches of the military. Representatives will discuss course offerings, admissions procedures, financial aid requirements, and other information pertinent to the higher education selection process

and/or preparing for a career in the military.  
Bay Path staff members will be available to answer timeline questions and will support parents and students as they navigate through the process of applying to colleges, the military, handling financial aid, and applying for scholarships. Bay Path encourages anyone who is interested to take advantage of this exciting opportunity.  
Several reputable colleges and universities will be in attendance, including but not limited to:  
American International College  
Anna Maria College  
Assumption College  
Bay Path University  
Becker College

Bridgewater State University  
Central Maine Community College  
Colby Sawyer College  
Curry College  
Dean College  
Fisher College  
Fitchburg State University  
Franklin Pierce University  
Husson University  
Johnson and Wales University  
Keene State College  
Lesley University  
Mass Bay Community College  
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts  
Massachusetts Maritime Academy  
National Aviation Academy  
New England Institute of Technology  
Nichols College  
Plymouth State University  
Quinebaug Valley Community College  
Quinsigamond Community College  
Rob Roy Academy  
Roger Williams University  
Salve Regina University  
Southern New Hampshire University  
Southern Maine Community College  
Springfield College  
St. Joseph College  
UMASS Lowell  
Unity College  
UMASS Amherst  
UMASS Dartmouth  
University of New Haven  
University of Southern Maine  
Western New England University  
Westfield State University  
Worcester State University  
UMASS Boston  
United States Marines

## Historical Society meets Sept. 26

STURBRIDGE — The Sturbridge Historical Society will hold its first program meeting at the Publick House Historical Inn on Sturbridge Common on Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7 p.m.  
The guest speaker will be Tom Kelleher; Historian and curator of Mechanical Arts at the Old Sturbridge Village. He will talk about sending a letter : A History of the U.S. Post Office before the Civil War.  
In the early 19th century, America was far from either the largest or richest country in the world, but its postal service was already by far the biggest.  
This examination of the early American mail system, its significance and how it worked, includes a look at how a letter went from sender to an address in early 1800 hundreds, and how the post office grew and changed as it shaped America.  
In his role at Old Sturbridge Village, Tom has worn many hats both literally and figuratively for more than 30 years. He is currently President of the International Association for Living History. Farm and Agricultural Museums, and has taught and demonstrated at museums and historical societies around the country. Tom holds a masters in history from the University of Connecticut, and writes often for a variety of magazines and journals, including Early American Life.  
Historical meetings are free of charge with dessert and meeting room provided by Michael Glick, Publick House Innkeeper.  
Society Annual Dues are \$10, which help support the cost of speakers. Meetings are held September through May on the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December. November's meeting is held the first Thursday in December.  
All meetings start at 7 p.m.

## Students named to Dean's List at Western NE University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates more than 500 students named to the Spring 2019 Dean's List. Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.  
Adam Jensen of Brimfield, working toward a BS in Information Technology.  
Jacob Jolin of Sturbridge, working toward a BSBA in Pharmaceutical Business.  
Celebrating its Centennial in the year

2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.



## The Purple Post

Greetings fellow residents and welcome to the Purple Post provided to you by Purple Porch Properties. Say that fast 3 times. This is a bi-weekly real estate column that will focus on a variety of topics. It's meant to be brief, informative and fun. We hope you enjoy it!  
Okay let's do this. In 2019, approximately 90 single family homes sold in Sturbridge with an average sale price of \$344K. In Charlton there have been a whopping 148 sold at an average of \$303K. (MLS stats only- not including FSBO's) Some sell fast and some take time to sell... when you add it all together it takes on average 2-3 months. Why do some take longer to sell? Well, let me say this to that... If you have a house that's priced "right" and is in good condition it should sell quicker. Houses that show well also tend

to sell quicker- so get out the cleaning supplies and go to town, slap on some fresh paint (don't forget that front door), get out in the yard and mulch and edge and plant flowers to get that curb appeal going! Sound like a lot of work? It sure is... getting a home ready for sale that dazzles buyers is a project. But well worth it if you ask me. You will get more and sell faster in my opinion.  
**Question du jour:** Why can't this room in my house count as a bedroom? Well maybe it can! But it has to meet some criteria first. And it's not all about a closet either like many people think. Before we address the almighty closet, let's talk Septic System. If you have one, you cannot advertise more bedrooms than the system is rated for. That's a no-no. Bedrooms must be at least 70 Sq Ft and not less than 7 Ft long in any horizontal direction.

Speaking of lucky #7, the ceiling height must be... yes you guessed it! At least 7 Ft. There must be 2 egress points or 2 ways out of the room. To be considered a bedroom the room must be temperature controlled also. Finally, the important closet... is it a must? Well, if the home was built prior to WWII, an era that lacked closets before they went viral, then it would be OK. Outside of that though, you do need a closet for it to be a bedroom.

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## CHECK OUT THE SPORTS ACTION!



# Girl Scouts to offer new badges

HOLYOKE/WORCESTER — As the school year begins and families in central and western Massachusetts are considering extracurricular activities for their daughters, Girl Scouts is debuting 42 new badges for girls in grades K – 12 that allow them to make their own choices about how they want to experience and influence the world. The badges enhance the organization's existing girl-led programming, offering girls everything from adventuring in the snow or mountains to learning how to use coding to solve problems they care about. Girl Scout programming has long promoted independent decision making, which helps girls challenge themselves to move beyond their comfort zones, and build confidence in their leadership abilities.

Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts (GSCWM) is inviting girls to join the fun and register for Girl Scouts. Providing countless opportunities for trying new things and exercis-

ing leadership skills through activities like building robots, participating in the Girl Scout Cookie Program, playing sports, and more, Girl Scouts is an exciting way to engage girls all year round.

Girl Scouts is open to all girls from kindergarten through grade 12. Look for Girl Scouts at your school's open house or check out the website [www.gscwm.org](http://www.gscwm.org) for upcoming events and troops with openings.

Anyone over the age of 18 can become a Girl Scout volunteer. Girls cannot experience the positive impact of Girl Scouts without adult volunteers, and each adult who volunteers has the opportunity to make a real difference in the life of a girl. Girl Scout volunteers come from all walks of life; they are men, women, young professionals, retirees, college students, and more. Both girls and adult volunteers can join at any time of the year. To join Girl

Scouts or learn more about volunteering, please visit: [www.gscwm.org](http://www.gscwm.org).

Interested in learning more? <http://www.gscwm.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-council/2018-Web-To-Lead.html>

Explore the 42 new badges here: <https://blog.girlscouts.org/2019/07/big-news-42-new-girl-scout-badges-to.html>

About Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts  
Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts serves over 7,000 girls in grades K through 12 with the strong support of 3,800 adult volunteers in 186 towns and cities in central and western Massachusetts. The Girl Scout program allows girls to discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together, while building their own personal leadership qualities. GSCWM offers a wide range of programs in the arts and culture, health and well-being, science, technol-



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ogy and engineering, life skills and the environment. GSCWM supports girls by giving them extraordinary opportunities to explore, experience and learn about their world and helps girls recognize that they are vital members of their communities.

# Wings of Song to host fall auction

STURBRIDGE — Wings of Song (WoS), formerly Quinebaug Valley Singers (QVS), will be having their annual fall auction on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale.

The church is located at 8 Maple St., which is at the corner of Maple and Main Streets between the Sturbridge Town Hall and Joshua Hyde Library. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for registration and to preview items up for auction, and live musical entertainment performed by members of WoS will take place before the auction starts. Light refreshments will also be provided.

We always have many different items available to bid on between a live auction and a silent auction. Donations are still coming in but we will have various handmade items, gift certificates to many local businesses of all types, and all sizes and types of themed baskets just to name a few. A prime example of the generosity of our supporters is a 50-minute scenic flight over Southern Worcester County/Northern Connecticut in a four seater Cessna that will be up for bid in the live auction.

For more information, please contact Carol Curtin at 508-341-6828 or [carolcurtin77@gmail.com](mailto:carolcurtin77@gmail.com) or you may check our Web site, [www.wingsofsong.us](http://www.wingsofsong.us).

# Students named to President's List at Western NE University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates more than 300 students named to the Spring 2019 President's List. Students are named to the President's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.80 or higher.

Kevin Riel of Brimfield, working toward a Pre-Pharmacy degree.  
Nathan Lachapelle of Holland, working toward a BS in Computer Science.  
Joshua Bolte of Brimfield, working toward a BSE in Electrical Engineering.  
Joseph Gonzalez of Holland, working toward a BSE in Electrical Engineering.  
Matthew Dumas of Holland, working toward a BSE in Mechanical Engineering/Mechatronics Concentration.

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# Harrington nominated in three Best of Central Mass categories

SOUTHBRIDGE — Harrington HealthCare System has received nominations in this year's Best of Central Massachusetts contest.

A link to vote can be found at [harringtonhospital.org](http://harringtonhospital.org).

The annual contest is sponsored by Gatehouse Media/Worcester Telegram and Gazette and features numerous nominations across eight different categories, including health, food/beverage, shopping, lifestyle and hospitality.

This year, Harrington has received nods in three different categories, all under the Local Health and Well-Being subhead:

The community can vote for Harrington in the Hospital category;

Four of the six providers listed in under Physician also belong to Harrington's medical staff: Dr. Christine Carey, Dr. Martin Devine, Dr. Talal Bou-Harb and Dr. Paul Harrington;

Finally, Harrington's Marilyn Reynolds has received a nomination in the Audiologist category.

Voting takes place online through September 30. Guests register with basic information to cast their votes in as many categories as they wish.

Last year, Harrington received three nominations: one in hospital, and two in physician. At the awards ceremony, Harrington's Dr. Christine Carey won Best Physician award, securing the most votes of the top three finalists.



Courtesy Photo

Dr. Christine Carey, who won Best Physician at last year's Best of Central Mass. awards ceremony, has been nominated once again this year, along with several other Harrington HealthCare staff members.

# Daughters of St. Nicholas holding Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Daughters of St. Nicholas will hold its annual Albanian Kitchen & Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church, 126 Morris St., Southbridge.

The bake table will feature traditional Albanian spinach, leek, sauerkraut, and squash pies; baklava, orange-date cookies, kurabias, and twist cookies along with many of your other favorites. An Albanian-style café will offer garden salad, egg-lemon and great northern bean soups, meatball and vegetable casserole, stuffed peppers, leek and cornmeal casserole, cabbage rolls, spinach triangles, baked macaroni and cheese. You may either Dine In or Take Out.

This event will also feature theme baskets, handmade jewelry, children's books by author Ruth Sanderson, turkey basket raffle.

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## Veterans Day Salute November 7-8, 2018

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# A day at the (Antique) Fair



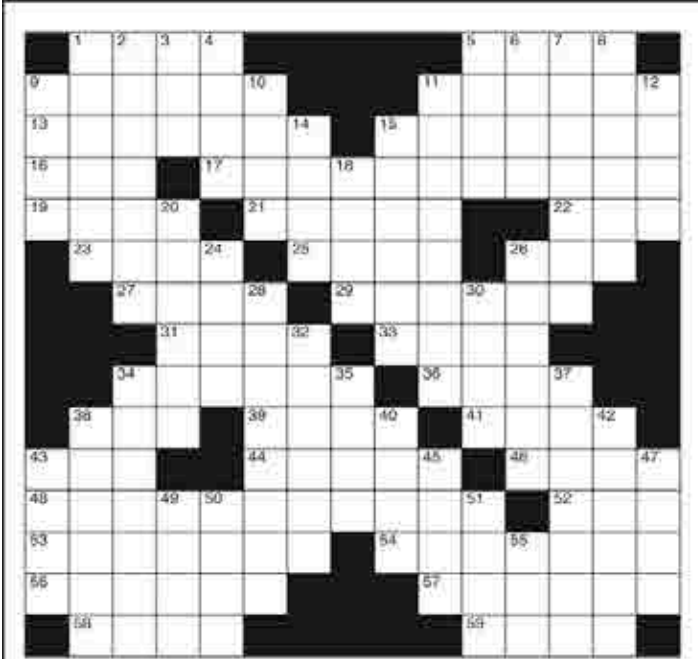
Nicky Dequattro and Audra Parrillo, of Providence, R.I., take a tour of the showgrounds.



Cathy Curboy, of Charlton, has attended the show for several years.



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Babies' eating accessories

5. Charge on a coat of arms

9. Set of five

11. California town

13. One who cites

15. Elected official

16. Japanese delicacy

17. Couldn't be happier

19. Enormous

21. Hunter's tool

22. Georgia rockers

23. Cold wind

25. Beginner

26. Where you sleep

27. Without

29. We all have them

31. Spoiled
33. Platform

34. Drama and horror are two

36. In abundance

38. Turf

39. Inventor Musk

41. Negative answers

43. French river

44. Saps of energy

46. Type of sandwich

48. Sets apart again

52. Engage in a contest

53. Sufferings

54. Freestanding sculpture

56. Digs into

57. Fish have them

58. Speaks

59. Storage unit

CLUES DOWN

1. Spread over

2. Dyes

3. British thermal unit

4. Small city in Maine

5. Having an affection for

6. Welsh for John

7. Plays that ridicule

8. Not of your right mind

9. A way to get there

10. Hideaways

11. Relating to neurons

12. "Family City USA"

14. Proof of payment (abbr.)

15. Flew high

18. Wreaths

20. Got rid of

24. Shortly

26. Confer
32. Objects of an earlier time

34. Flat-bottomed boats

35. Small waterbird

37. Willingness to please others

38. Military actions

40. Brooklyn hoopsters

42. Took to the seas

43. Romanian city

45. What the sun eventually does

47. Titans' DC Dean

49. Resentful longing

50. Ceases to live

51. Pouches

55. Humbug



Muhamad Saho, of New York, N.Y., welcomes guests to his tent.

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**Interested candidates are encouraged to submit a resume and writing sample to Editor Brendan Berube at [news@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:news@stonebridgepress.news).**



# CALENDAR

## Saturday, September 14

**TAILS ON THE TRAIL DOG WALK:** Come and “Strut Your Mutt” or “Just Your Stuff” at our annual Tails on the Trail Dog Walk to support the Here Today Adopted Tomorrow Animal Sanctuary in Brimfield. The walk is on Sept. 14 on the Brimfield Town Common. All walkers are welcome! A dog is not required! There will be vendors, crafts, raffles and food for purchase. Can’t be there in person? Be a virtual walker! Please see heretoday-sanctuary.org to sign up for the walk or to be a virtual walker.

## Thursday, September 19

**TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY:** 10 a.m.-8 p.m. A drop-in craft event at the Joshua Hyde Library in Sturbridge. Supplies may be limited. Free. Sponsored by the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Library.

**TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY MOVIE NIGHT:** 6:30 p.m., Joshua Hyde Library, Sturbridge. We’ll enjoy Pirate Booty snacks while watching “Pirates! Band of Msifits” (PG). Sponsored by the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Library. Pre-register.

## Saturday, September 21

**THE NATURE OF MY BACKYARD:** 11 a.m.-noon, Norcross Sanctuary, 30 Peck Rd., Wales. The Creature Teachers are coming to Norcross, and bringing live animal ambassadors to explore the lives of the creatures living in our own backyards. A great program for all ages to meet some of the common animals that we encounter every day. Reserve your spot: Call 413-267-9654 or email lectures@norcrosswildlife.org.

## Sunday, September 22

**BURGESS BEAR 5K 4UN/WALK:** Save the date! The second annual

Burgess Bear 5K run / walk will be held on Sunday, Sept. 22! Proceeds will go to the Student Activity Fund to support the sixth grade extracurricular educational experiences. Race will begin at Burgess Elementary School, 45 Burgess School Rd., Sturbridge. Kids’ Fun Run at 9 a.m.; 5k Run/Walk at 9:30 a.m. Half Mile Kids Fun Run (ages 12 and under): \$5 -pre-register or day-of registration; All Kids Fun Run Participants must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Registration: 5k pre-registration 12 and under = \$15; 5k pre-registration 13 and up = \$25; Register ahead at: www.light-boxreg.com by searching for “Burgess.” Same day 5k registration = \$25 all ages. T-shirts: Register by Sept. 1 and receive a free race t-shirt. T-shirts are not available for those registering after Sept. 1. Parking: On-site parking will be limited. Shuttle buses will be available from parking lots at former Country Curtains building and OSV Education Center (1 Old Sturbridge Village Rd., Sturbridge).

## Tuesday, September 24

**KONMARI — THE LIFE-CHANGING METHOD OF TIDYING UP:** 6:30-8 p.m., Charlton Public Library, 40 Main St. The KonMari method is a system of simplifying and organizing your home by getting rid of physical items that do not bring joy into your life. It was created by organizing consultant Marie Kondo and described in detail in her best-selling book “The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up.”

## Thursday, September 26

**JOHNNY APPLESEED’S 245TH BIRTHDAY:** 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Joshua Hyde Library, Sturbridge. Supplies may be limited. Free. Sponsored by the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Library.

## Saturday, September 28

**SPAGHETTI DINNER:** Please join us for a spaghetti dinner between 5:30

and 7:30 P.M. (spaghetti, salad, bread, homemade desserts, coffee, tea and soft drinks. Beer and wine available for purchase. Raffles and Door Prize. Dine In or Carry Out. Sponsored by the Mary Martha Guild and the Knights of Columbus.

## Saturday, October 5

**STOP ABUSE TODAY INC. “TRIFECTA”:** A 5K, 10K, and marathon in support of Stop Abuse Today at Holland Elementary School, 28 Sturbridge Rd. T the 5K and 10K both start at 9 a.m. Register online at event.racereach.com/stop-abuse-today-5k-10k-13.1/register. Please note that the Half Marathon portion previously advertised has been canceled due to logistical issues. To register or for more information, visit https://event.racereach.com/stop-abuse-today-5k-10k/register.

## ONGOING

**THE STURBRIDGE FARMER’S MARKET** is held every Sunday through Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Town Common.

**CHARLTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 391** meets every fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Charlton Grange Hall. All veterans are welcome. We’d love to see you. We sponsor Boy Scout Troop 165, as well as three Boys Staters & assist young men interested in attending the State Police summer school. We also assist the Charlton Little League financially, as well as other things such as veteran’s wakes & funerals. There’s plenty we can still do to help our community.

**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL:** Please come join us for a fun evening of exercise and basketball at the Heritage School gym in Charlton. We play pickup basketball from 7-9 PM every Monday evening from September to June based on the school schedule. There are no set teams and participation is free for women 18 years and older. Please contact Deb at 508-248-3600 for more information.

Pilgrimage to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje  
St. Joseph’s Church in Charlton is sponsoring a Pilgrimage Sept. 29- Oct. 9, 2019 to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje with Fr. Robert Grattatori. The cost is \$4,599; 11 days includes 4-5 star hotels, airfare, luxury transportation, and breakfast/dinner daily. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. Please contact parishioner Dr. Karen Zaleski for trip details at karenzaleski42@gmail.com or you may call Proximo Travel directly for information and to register at 1-855-842-8001, or 508-340-9370.

**ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP:** First and third Thursday of each month, 2:30-3:30 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 infor-

mation, 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.

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

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

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** Traditional open AA meetings in a friendly setting. Come early to chat and share in refreshments. Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m., Hitchcock Academy, Brimfield.

**K9 NOSE WORK:** A sport open to all breeds of dog and their people Saturday mornings over six weeks at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield starting Jan. 19. Progressive training levels offered. Fee: \$145 per dog, per session. Instructor: Laurie Merritt, M.Ed., CPDT-KA, CNWI, Certified K9 NoseWork Instructor – National Association of Canine Scent Work.

**SEN-I JUDO CLUB:** This course runs all year long on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield, and is well suited for all levels of practitioners, including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez at (413) 279-4330 for more information.

**WEIGHT WATCHERS:** Traditional Weight Watchers Meetings Monday evenings at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield. Times: WeighIn/Registration 5:30 p.m., meeting 6 p.m. Leader: Angela Kramer. Visit www.weightwatchers.com to become a member or to learn more about Weight Watchers.

**YOGA:** Hatha Yoga benefits are stress-relieving. Relax & rejuvenate with postures & guided meditation to restore the body. Bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing. All levels welcome. Six weekly classes held on Monday nights at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield from 7:15-8:45 p.m., beginning Jan. 21.

**FENCING:** Fencing is a sport of combat that originally started as practice for dueling with swords. Since that time, it has grown into a modern sport while maintaining those virtues that made it great: honor, valor, and grace. Bring a water bottle, sneakers and comfortable clothing. Youth and adult classes with Andy Bloch at Hitchcock Academy. Fee: \$99.

## OPACUM

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by Native Americans, but he reviews competing theories on their origin, including that the stone structures were created by pre-Colombian transatlantic travellers.

The idea of contact with the American continent by transatlantic travellers earlier in history than currently hypothesized is intriguing to many, as evidenced by the popularity of the Travel Channel show America Unearthed.

Dr. Hoffman says that while he believes that pre-Columbian travel to the American continent is not impossible, and is even documented in the case of Norse travellers, he does not believe that the structures in question were created by transatlantic travellers. In fact, one could argue that the pre-Colombian theory has a distinct eurocentric bias.

“Evidence I have gathered strongly indicates that the overwhelming majority of the structures are of indigenous

origin. Native people in this region consider the popular notion that they were incapable of putting one rock on top of another and needed allegedly superior Europeans to show them how to do this to be insulting. I agree!” says Hoffman about the theory.

Dr. Hoffman draws his conclusions from historical accounts from the 17th through 20th centuries and observations he has recorded at over five thousand sites of the stone structures. Unfortunately, protected status for the stone structures is limited. They are protected for their historical status in some states, especially in the Southeast. However, the Massachusetts Historical Commission considers them to be the result of colonial farmers clearing their fields, rather than having a cultural significance deeper in history. Hoffman says that his research tells a different story.

The Fall for Opacum Dinner and author talk will take place Wednesday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are sold online or by contacting Opacum Land trust at (508) 437-9144.

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## Friday’s Child



Alia ~ Age 9

**Hi! My name is Alia and I have a very kind personality and good sense of humor!**

Alia is a very happy and bubbly young girl of Hispanic descent. Alia enjoys arts & crafts and dancing. Those who know Alia best describe her as being a creative child who is eager to learn. Alia has the ability to be engaging, co-operative, and helpful. She is invested in her school work and has built positive relationships with her classmates and teachers.

Legally freed for adoption, Alia would benefit from being part of a 2-parent family with or without older children in the home. The ideal family for Alia

would be patient and nurturing with the ability to keep up with her active nature. A family must also continue the services she currently has in place to address her emotional and academic needs. She does well with structure, routine and guidance and would like a family who is able to provide her with that. She would like to find a family with someone who is able to manage her hair, or willing to learn! Alia shares close relationships with her birth parents, who she currently visits with individually on a bi-weekly basis, as well as two brothers she will need to remain in contact with after placement.

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The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit www.mare-inc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have “a permanent place to call HOME.”



To sponsor Friday’s Child call Patricia at 508-909-4135 x321 or email patricia@stonebridgepress.news

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# Fall stocking begins



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Mass. Fish & Wildlife will be stocking trout in numerous lakes and ponds throughout the state, starting in the next two weeks. The state has 60,000 Rainbow trout and 4,000 Brown trout available for this year's fall stocking. Rainbow trout are not as easy to catch in the fall after they are stocked. It takes a few days and sometimes weeks to become acclimated to their new home. It is a great time to fish freshwater, as most anglers are gearing up for hunting season, leaving the freshly stocked trout to only a low number of anglers.

A few of the local ponds to receive a fall trout stocking are Wallum Lake, Webster Lake, Singletary Lake, Pratt Pond. For a complete list of ponds, click on to the Mass Fish & Wildlife Web site. Rivers and streams are rarely stocked with trout in the fall locally, but many of them do have hold over trout. It is worth giving them a try, but this year's spread of EEE require anglers that fish the streams and brooks to take necessary measures to protect themselves from the life threatening disease.

It is almost time to purchase a surplus deer permit in Mass. starting at 9 a.m. each day! On Sept. 24, surplus antlerless deer permits for zone 11 will go on sale. Zone 10 permits go on sale Sept. 25. Zones 9, 13, and 14 will go on sale Sept. 26. Log onto the MassFishHunt Web site. Type in your last name and birth date. Click the license sales button at the bottom of the screen.

From the menu, select surplus deer permits. Next, click add next to surplus antlerless deer permit. Click next to the zone for which you would like to purchase a surplus permit. Click check out on the bottom right of the screen and proceed to checkout. Do it early as the permits are sold



out very quick. Remember all above mentioned permits go on sale at 9 a.m.!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field day on Sept. 21. The annual event draws a good number of people to the club grounds to enjoy good food, music and entertainment. Clams, Lobster, Chowder, Chicken BBQ, along with hot dogs and hamburgers, will be available to all in attendance. Call the club to reserve your tickets prior to the event to ensure you are not left out on lobsters and clams.

Nine local bear hunters from the valley returned from Maine recently with seven harvesting their bear, including Jerry Gareri of Uxbridge. The other two had shots, but missed their target.

Fresh water bass fishing is slow, but one angler made up his own fishing lure and landed a 6.8 lb. largemouth bass from Hopedale Pond last week. This week's picture shows Bill Philips with his huge largemouth bass which was weighed in at Jerry's Bait & Tackle shop in Milford. The huge bass was kept alive and released into Hopedale Pond. Hopedale Pond has its share of big largemouth bass and it is a favor-

ite fishing hole for many local anglers.

On the saltwater scene, this week's picture shows a large seabass that was caught by a Mass. Marine Fisheries Analyst Nichola Meserve during a 2018 pilot study to identify Black Seabass "hot spots." Black Seabass can grow up to 25 inches, and can live up to 25 years, and weigh up to eight pounds!

Unfortunately, commercial fishermen in Massachusetts & Rhode Island. have open and closed seasons for seabass, resulting in a wasted resource when they are catching them and throwing them back during the closed season. As I mentioned in one of my columns recently the seabass that are caught during the closed season most often die from stress after they have been caught and returned to the ocean during the closed season. Strippers are also wasted after be released by commercial anglers fishing with nets.

Now the Mass. Marine Fisheries Biologist are contemplating a plan to ask Charter boat Captains not to fish in areas where there are high haddock and cod populations. They have made a map for recreational anglers and



Rod & Reel anglers on charter boats to fish in that have a good population of haddock and very few cod, hoping to cut down on mortality of the released cod which stands at 15 percent or higher. Reeling in cod from depths of 100 feet to as much as 200 feet often results in mortality of the species, when released. I have seen bladders of fish often coming out of their mouths when reeled in from these depths.

Have the commercial and recreational anglers keep all of there catch on numerous species. Allowing a daily

limit of 10 fish per day of cod or haddock for recreational anglers, should help stop this crazy waste of our fish stocks. Commercial limits on poundage for trawlers including there bycatch, needs to be implemented. The sooner they catch their quota of fish, the sooner they stop fishing, resulting in less fishing being caught and wasted. Just an idea. Something needs to be done, and soon.

*Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!*

## CONGOLESE

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Since then, the organization has exponentially grown from those two kids, to this year anticipating having about 750 kids in school. While this growth is tremendous, Brouillette says that there's no slowing down for the organization.

"It's not just about kids in school anymore," she said. "It's about healthy families and improving their lives. Making sure it's not a struggle for daily survival."

The nonprofit is currently partnering with Well Aware, an organization that provides successful clean water systems in East Africa, to fund-raise for a solar powered pump

well in Bibwa. After they get the funding and build the well, the organization wants to build a medical clinic in Bibwa that could service hundreds of people who are currently without access to medical care.

Brouillette says that she was overwhelmed by the poverty she saw during her last visit to Bibwa but sees a chance for positive change in the community if they could have access to clean water. Nearly 60 percent of wells installed in communities like Bibwa will fail in the first year due to poor planning or implementation. Much of the soil in these areas is fine, like sand, and requires a well that contains a steel encased tube to keep the well from failing. While it is more expensive, the investment of a well like this could last any-

where from 20 to 25 years.

"If we can provide a clean water source, they'll be able to cook, clean, grow crops and keep livestock. Kids will be able to finish school," she said.

According to Brouillette, one of the main things keeping kids from completing their education is sickness.

"I have seen 80 kids begin the school year, and only 65 finish because [the rest] got sick," she explained.

Most families are too poor to afford any medicine meaning kids can get sick in the beginning of the school year and may not return until the next academic year because their recovery time is so much longer.

The passion and motivation Brouillette and the com-

munity of people already involved in her organization is unmistakable. While looking through photos of the last time Brouillette was in Bibwa she speaks with determination to return and help as many people as she can.

"This last time when I went to Bibwa was life changing," she said. "I have never been so appalled by the level of poverty there is in that community."

Brouillette said, "They don't let their poverty run their lives though. They don't know how impoverished they are compared to other communities so they have the same hopes and dreams that kids here have. Their parents have big dreams for them like parents here."

There is no solid deadline for this fundraiser, simply a goal to help as many families for as

long as they can. Brouillette plans to return to Bibwa next summer with a team of people that include religious order members, nurses and even a builder to help further develop their plans of building a medical clinic. It will take a great deal of help and donations can be made easily online.

Brouillette encourages everyone to visit their facebook page to view the photos from the last trip she took to Bibwa and see the people whose lives you can help make a difference in as well as stay connected for information on future fundraising events. Their Web site, to donate or sponsor a child's education for only \$10 a month, is <http://kidsinthecongo.org/>.

Lastly, Brouillette and the organization can be reached by phone at (413) 209-6526.

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## EDITORIAL

# Extracurricular activities make for a better student

Day in and day out, we see high school students bust through the doors when the clock strikes 2:45 p.m. to make their way for home. Some students are headed to an after school job or to help out with the family business; however, those cases are few and far between. Some of the best learning actually happens after school due to the fact that any extracurricular activity you are a part of is by choice. Being a part of a sports team teaches teamwork, discipline, commitment, keeps you fit and healthy; not to mention, it's fun.

If your budding student isn't into sports, have no fear — there are a plethora of clubs and activities that go on after school that do not require a mouth-guard or running shoes. The list of clubs is nearly endless — Spanish club, French Club, FFA, FBLA, Film and Art clubs, Odyssey of the Mind, TSA, to name a few. If you can think it, there's a club for it. Oftentimes, students aren't aware of the fact that they may excel at a specific sport because they have not yet been exposed to it. If there isn't a club your Sally or Johnny are interested in, have them form one of their own. To participate in just school during regular hours is to rob yourself from the full experience, it can also be viewed as simple laziness.

Extracurricular activities can help a student 'push their paradigms' as a wise teacher once said. High endurance activities train athletes to practice patience and resilience in the face of intense conditions and also teaches what it means to set and achieve a goal. Leadership clubs such as YLTA fosters management and delegation skills and debate clubs can teach students how to gain more confidence for public speaking.

When a student is involved in extracurricular activities, they expand their social circle. It presents a chance for students to spend time with those who share similar interests. Time management skills are honed due to the balancing act that being more involved in hobbies requires.

Students who branch out into other facets of school life are more likely to settle into a career they are passionate about. When they expose themselves to different things the chance becomes higher that they will meet a diverse group of students as well as formulate their own ideas on their future.

According to one study, students who are involved in extracurricular activities surpass their peers in the classroom and maintain a sense of belonging and overall well being. Clubs play a large role in developing a student's self-esteem and also allows them to feel like they're contributing to a larger cause.

Colleges hold students who are more involved in their school community in higher esteem. The clubs and sports they are involved in gives a clearer picture of what the student is like and what they can offer the university.

Schools should require every student to be involved in at least three different extracurricular activities by the time they graduate. Oftentimes, parents will give in to their child's lack of motivation; however, adolescence is when they need our guidance the most. If you raise the bar, they will reach it.



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# OPINION

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## Fall Foliage: Facts and Tracks

(Each year Mother Nature puts on a spectacular show across New England. Blazing colors paint the landscape as lush crimson and gold canopies line the winding roads of our region. People travel from across the nation (and the world) to view the majestic foliage that is uniquely "New England."

While the highly anticipated show of colors typically arrive in mid to late September through October, it's impossible to accurately track the path of nature's paintbrush. Factors that affect the timing of autumn leaves changing colors include biology of the trees and environmental influences such as rainfall, sunshine and nutrients in the soil. In the spirit of planning this year's leaf peeping jaunts, the following info is offered.

**The Trees They are A Changin':** The USDA Forest Service reports the three most important influences on fall foliage is a tree's particular leaf pigment, the length of night hours, and the weather.

As fall approaches and the nights are longer, production of chlorophyll (which accounts for the green in leaves) is slowed and eventually halted. It's during this time that the carotenoids (yellow, orange and brown) and anthocyanins (red) in the leaves are exposed. Autumn is when most of the anthocyanins are produced as the plant responds to sunshine and the stored plant sugars.

Other factors also affect the leaves' coloring, including the amount of rainfall in a season. According to the Forest Service a late spring or summertime drought can delay the time it takes for leaves to change color while a warm period during the autumn season can result in muted hues. In addition, heavy winds and rains can cause leaves to fall before they've changed color.

So what are the best weather conditions for show-stopping fall foliage?

"A warm wet spring, favorable summer weather, and warm sunny fall days with cool nights should produce the most brilliant autumn colors," the Forest Service reports.

It's obvious that different species of trees typically turn a particular color. Most anticipated in New England is the Sugar Maple, which explodes in brilliant orange hues. Red Maple trees turn scarlet as Aspens and Poplar add a rich gold color to the landscape. Oak trees offer bronze and brown leaves as Black Maples burst with bright yellow foliage.

During "peak" leaf peeping season, New England back roads, strewn with colorful fallen leaves is a sight to behold. Thankfully, such scenes have been captured via a myriad of snapshots, picture postcards and calendar scenes.

**Tracking the Trees:** Timing when the trees will change color in New England has been a favorite pastime for generations of leaf peepers. Thanks to the internet, there are several "leaf tracking" sites that can help you plan a scenic autumn road trip.

**\*foliagenetwork.com:** This website is an interactive foliage tracker that logs information from "foliage spotters" twice a week. It's a reliable tool to check before you head out on a sightseeing journey.

**\*yankeefoliage.com:** From Yankee Magazine, this interactive website offers a "real time" foliage map that is updated even during off season. A peak foliage prediction map offers a "heads up" for leaf peepers. A foliage driving tour includes visuals that are live during peak foliage season. Want more? You can download Yankee's Leaf Peeper App for iPhone and Android for free!

**\*jeff-foliage.com:** For those who need a "fall foliage fix", this website is all about the autumn landscape. From regional color updates and a fall foliage forum to spectacular landscape photography and foliage forecast, this is an informative and entertaining site.

**\*massvacation.com:** As autumn



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nears, this site offers a foliage map of Massachusetts that highlights peak dates for statewide regions. A "must see" for those serious about viewing the color show at its peak.

**Scenic Routes:** The Massachusetts Bureau of Travel and Tourism has rounded up top foliage destinations that include the following scenic routes that are a comfortable drive from the Our Town region.

**Central Massachusetts:** Enjoy superb color at a relaxed pace when you drive along the less frequently traveled routes to the Quabbin Reservoir: From Rt. 128, follow Rt. 117 to Stow, in the heart of apple country, then Rt. 62 South and West to Princeton. Turn north on the unnumbered route to Wachusett Mountain Reservation. There you can drive, hike or take a "skyride" to the summit for a sweeping view of the countryside. Return to Rt. 62 and head west to Barre, then south on Rt. 32 to Old Furnace Rd. Follow the unnumbered road west to Hardwick. Turn north on Rt. 32A, which runs along the Quabbin Reservoir to Petersham. At Petersham follow Rt. 101 East through Templeton, Gardner and the Ashburnhams to the junction with Rt. 119. Head east on Rt. 119 through the Willard Brook State Forest in Ashby and Townsend.

**Greater Springfield/Franklin County:** The secondary roads of Rt. 116 and Rt. 9 wind through rolling countryside and hill towns. Rt. 116 passes through the picturesque towns of Conway and Ashfield; Rt. 9 leads through the village centers of Cummington and Goshen and the college towns of Northampton and Amherst. Scenic routes 143 and 112 travel through rolling New England countryside in the towns of Goshen, Chesterfield, Worthington and Huntington.

**The Berkshires:** Follow Rt. 7 North from Sheffield to Williamstown. Rt. 8 runs from Sandisfield to Dalton and is a superb route between two state forests. Rt. 183, from Great Barrington to Lenox, follows the Housatonic River and passes through small villages. Take Richmond Rd., off Rt. 183, just south of Tanglewood, and stop at the overlook for views of Stockbridge Bowl and the southern Berkshire Hills. Rt. 43 East, off Rt. 7, is the lower road to Williamstown, and passes through lovely farmland. Rt. 23, from Great Barrington to Monterey, and then right onto Tyringham Rd., takes you through the Tyringham Valley and eventually to Lee.

**Mohawk Trail:** The Mohawk Trail, which runs 63 miles along Rt. 2 from Orange to North Adams, is one of the state's most popular foliage routes. Excellent "up-country" viewing sites include: the Whitcomb Summit; the hairpin turn before North Adams; the 10-mile drive to the summit of Mt. Greylock; the French King Bridge, Millers Falls; the Bissell Covered Bridge, Charlemont; and the enchanting Bridge of Flowers, Shelburne Falls.

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Here are some of the key services a financial advisor can provide:

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**Help make sure you're well-protected** — If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult children for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs.

**Help you adjust your financial strategy** — Not much will stay constant in your life — and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of events — a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination — can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the factors influencing the financial markets — economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed — and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other.

While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you'll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you'll want to pick someone who understands what's important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you'll want someone who will be with you in the long run — someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

A financial advisor can make a big difference in your life. So, work diligently to find the right one — and take full advantage of the help you'll receive as you move toward your important goals.

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# Is your oil tank or oil supply line older than “Woodstock?”

BY DANA GEORGE REED

If the answer is yes, or “close enough,” now is a good time to give some professional attention to that often overlooked fuel-supply section of a regular heating equipment cleaning and tune-up. With another early morning 50F reading on the outdoor thermometer at our home, it was a pleasant and gentle reminder that August was waning and the fall not far away. Americans, in particular, also recently marked the 50th anniversary of the historic Woodstock Music Festival, the three-plus day event of a generation on August 15-18, 1969 in Bethel, N.Y. America had a new and 37th President, Richard M. Nixon, and we had just put the first man on the moon nearly a month earlier, fulfilling the late President John F. Kennedy’s vision. I was seven years of age then, no awareness or interest yet in the political, social or cultural upheavals of that turbulent decade. However, I do remember watching the historic moon landing on our Black and White tube-type TV set with a 30-foot-high roof-mounted antenna and electric antenna rotator. No “Cable TV” back in the day! Fast forward to 2013 and later. My challenging experiences with our older oil-fired heating system, a Burnham warm-air furnace (Model BOL-96) and the oil tank/supply line—when it all reached that half-century or more of age, prompted me to share my findings and offer some professional advice to other owners of aging residential and commercial oil-fired equipment. For background, I became interested in the many different types and manufacturers of oil burners and associated heating systems as a young teenager in the 1970s, those installed at our home and those of relatives and friends. Nonetheless, my undergraduate education and career took a different path. More recently, I took classes and studied for—and passed—the Massachusetts Oil Burner Technician License exam, to take an avocational interest “next level” to professional.

Cleanliness, safety, reliability and efficiency of heating oil: Whether it’s newer heating equipment with advancements in efficiency, oil-burner and primary-control/safety technology, or most of the older equipment still remaining in service—regularly cleaned and tuned for its best efficiency while maintaining a smoke-free flame, burning oil is typically a clean, safe, comfortable, reliable and efficient experience for oil heat customers. The emissions from residential oil burners properly maintained and tuned are so clean they are not even regulated by the U.S. Government! Contrast and compare to vehicle engines powered by gasoline or diesel, or U.S. power plants. One gallon of No. 2 heating oil contains approximately 139,000 British Thermal Units (commonly expressed as either BTU or Btus). For reference, 1 BTU is the amount of heat required to raise 1 pound of water 1-degree F. Some brief comparisons: Kerosene yields nearly 132,000 Btus per gallon; Propane 91,330 Btus per gallon; Natural Gas averages 1,027 Btus per cubic foot and about 135 cubic feet equals one gallon of oil; One full cord of Wood has the heat value of between 95 and 140 gallons of oil (this wide range is likely due to the many different kinds of wood that is burned and significant combustion-efficiency differences in a variety of wood-burning appliances); Anthracite Coal yields 12,000 Btus per pound, and about 12 pounds of coal equals the heat content of one gallon of No. 2 oil, and lastly, Electricity yields 3,412 Btus per kilowatt hour (kWh), so 40.6 kWh equals one gallon of No. 2 oil. (NORA Oilheat Technicians Manual, 2008 Edition/Silver, at Glossary VIII). Oil heat has a remarkable reliability record despite wars, embargoes, political unrest and natural disasters; oil heat keeps its customers warm. (ibid. at 2-3). This reliability is partly due to the variety of places where crude oil is found, the resourcefulness of everyone from the refiners to the local oil dealer, the flexibility of the delivery system, and the stability and safety inherent in heating oil. (ibid.). Heating oil has a fairly low “flash point” (ASTM specified for No. 1 and No. 2 oil is 100 degrees F minimum) where hydrogen flashes off but the fuel will not continue to burn,

and a much higher ignition point—over 500 degrees F for No. 2 oil making it relatively safe and stable (ibid. at 2-4, 2-5), as compared to gasoline and propane and their vapors, or natural gas.

They don’t make them like they used to: That oil furnace mentioned above that came with our home was installed around 1963 under a previous owner. I oversaw its necessary removal and replacement in May of 2016. An increasing hole or breach was discovered in the heat exchanger from an unpleasant but temporary “diesel” odor at oil-burner startup. This is a potentially dangerous operating condition. The furnace lasted an amazing 53 years in service, but probably had a smaller breach of the heat exchanger that wasn’t obvious several years earlier. It could have been replaced a little sooner based on age alone, but being proficient with tune ups and routine cleanings over the decades, I squeezed a few extra years from it. Typical heating season oil consumption, with some minor amount of wood burning in the outer great room, was typically two to two and a half tanks of heating oil. Not bad for a Kennedy-era heating system and over 1,400 square feet of living area to heat. The Burnham furnace fired up to 0.85 gal/hour at 96,000 BTU output, a little more than necessary for the home, but they oversized them typically in the old days. It still had the original lower-speed Crane Oil Burner (Burnham Model 55J) with a cast-iron head. The new furnace fires up to 0.75 gal/hour at 85,000 BTU output, still more than enough for this home. It came with a newer high-speed flame-retention-head oil burner, the ubiquitous Beckett AFG that more efficiently burns the oil in the combustion chamber at a higher flame temperature. While this replacement scenario/equipment upgrade is very common over time with furnaces (warm air output), water heaters and boilers (boilers produce primarily either hot water to circulate for heat, or steam), what often receives less attention on an annual basis is the fuel tank and supply line, oil condition and good filtration for oil purity. For purposes of this article, I am focusing primarily on these oil-supply components and the importance of maintaining a clean and leak-free supply of oil to the burner for efficient smoke-free operation and reliable performance on especially those cold winter days and nights. This applies whether you are using older or newer oil-fired equipment. With our newer furnace and flame-retention oil burner, we now use between 1.75 and 2 tank loads of oil per heating season, a fuel savings of approximately 17 to 20 percent annually.

Keeping an older-but-tight oil tank: Our indoor 275-gallon oil tank is very old, but still working with no leaks. Nameplate indicates “Wachusett Tank and Welding Corp., Leominster, Mass.” How old is it? The fuel gauge atop has the manufacturer’s address listed as “Rochester 10, NY.” That’s right, it pre-dated zip codes, so I place its age at least the same as the old failing furnace now replaced, and it may be even older! The important thing to remember is that older oil tanks, especially those installed outside and more exposed to the elements including wider temperature variations, will typically develop some amount of internal sludge and other corrosion/deposits (rust, sediments) depending on the environment they are subjected to. Water and condensation—even becoming ice in outside tanks and lines, quality of the particular fuel delivered over time and age of the fuel can contribute to a less-than-optimal internal tank environment and fuel quality that can cause problems, and often at an inconvenient time (e.g., bitterly cold weather). In extreme cases, heavy deposits in older tanks can cause the outlet, fuel piping or copper fuel line to become partially or completely blocked requiring service. Fuel oil also degrades over long periods of time if used infrequently due to an empty residence or building, or chiefly using other home heating sources such as wood, coal, or pellet stoves, solar, etc. A brief discussion about heating-oil additives: Some oil companies pre-treat their fuel with additives to provide a premium quality fuel product.



Alternately, a homeowner can directly treat their oil supply using one of several high-quality fuel additives available today. It is nonetheless important to follow the instructions for adding same, and pay particular attention to not over-treat the fuel volume. Use only the dosage recommended for the particular volume of gallons you will be treating. More additive is usually not better! Many additives are concentrated fuel-system cleaners and using too much can loosen and liquefy objectionable amounts of tank sludge that may now residually pass through the filter(s), fuel pump and get to the smallest orifice in the system—the oil-burner nozzle—where it can begin to solidify, clog and distort the proper oil-spray pattern required for good combustion. This undesirable process can escalate rapidly at the combustion chamber environment due to the widely-varying temperatures the small oil-metering nozzle is often subjected to. Another and often better way to aggressively treat fuel oil from an older on-site storage tank, either in addition to using a fuel additive, or in lieu of same, is to have an independent licensed oil burner technician, or your oil company serviceman, install a high-efficiency oil filter. It is very cost effective compared to replacing the oil tank, although the latter has its benefits and is often the right decision, especially if the tank is leaking! Regardless, you may also benefit from upsizing an older, small cartridge filter design to a larger model and using the newest (tighter) filter-element media technology available for it, and/or you can have one or more high-efficiency spin-on fuel oil filters installed inline to further assist in removing the smaller particles and “fines” of sludge and other impurities as small as 10 microns in size. In extreme cases of transitional sludge and repeated oil burner nozzle fouling, using 2-3 high-efficiency

oil filters in series between the tank and oil-burner fuel unit (oil pump) is not too many if replacing an aging tank is not desired, or in your budget. This is known as multi-stage filtering and the result is a very clean and impurity-free fuel oil to the burner. The only normal downside is the cost of replacing more than one filter element every year, or whenever they are deemed ready to be replaced. An increasing vacuum reading across a filter during burner operation, over time, indicates increasing flow restriction and the element should be replaced. Finally, although some such services and equipment are available, I don’t generally recommend attempting to have a very old oil tank manually cleaned of sludge and deposits, for reuse of origi-

nal purpose. Leaks have been reported following such cleanings. That type of direct cleaning of an older age-weakened steel tank can actually expose smaller pin holes, especially at the bottom of the tank where the water/condensation will end up and corrosion will often manifest (water is heavier than oil—it goes to the bottom of the tank).

Benefits of replacing the tank: It must be emphasized if an oil tank (indoor or outdoor) of any age is leaking, it should be professionally inspected and remedied immediately, or replaced if necessary. Installing a new oil tank with fresh heating oil rather than transferring any unused oil that may remain in your older tank is the better and more complete way to eliminate a sludge problem—by avoiding re-introducing any contaminated oil. Use it all up first from the older tank, if you can. Also, outdoor above-ground oil tanks can often leak undetected by their owners due to the leak fumes directly vented to the outdoors. Even smaller oil leaks are generally more noticeable from indoor or basement oil tank installations due to their enclosure within a contained space/room. Although new oil tanks come in several different styles and can feature other material besides steel, the ob-round steel configuration used for decades is still the most common tank. You can spot newer oil tanks as they have the outlet port at the very bottom of the tank, not on the side of the tank. Oil is drawn from the bottom of the tank to reduce the amount of condensation (water) and sludge build-up in the tank. Again, water is a contaminant that can form rust in the steel tank and fuel system, bacteria and increase sludge. If large amounts of water are found in an oil tank, or evidenced elsewhere in an oil burner fuel system, the likely source must be identified and the situation corrected as soon as possible to

prevent any further tank and fuel-system damage.

A Reminder—Oil Lines and Massachusetts legal requirement to upgrade: By Sept. 30, 2011 and as a result of a then-new law to address oil leaks from home heating systems, Massachusetts homeowners of 1- to 4-unit residences who heat their homes with oil were (are still) required to upgrade the oil supply line by either the installation of an oil safety valve (OSV) or an oil supply line with a protective sleeve, on systems that do not currently have these devices. I have observed some Bay State residences in non-compliance well after the date above using older, un-sleeved copper line on or beneath a basement concrete floor. This law’s other major provision requires insurance companies that write homeowner policies to offer coverage for leaks from heating systems that use oil. Either device must be installed by a licensed oil burner technician. It is important to note that heating oil systems installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990 most likely are already in compliance as state fire codes implemented these requirements on new installations at that time. Exemptions apply if 1. The oil burner is located above the oil storage tank and the entire oil supply line is connected to and above the top of the tank, OR 2. An OSV or oil supply line with protective sleeve was installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990, AND 3. Those changes comply with the oil burning equipment regulations; a copy of the oil burner permit from the local fire department may be used to demonstrate compliance. Beyond the legal requirement, homeowners who take these preventative measures can avoid the disruption and expense that can be caused by heating oil leaks. A leak may result in exposure to petroleum vapors in your home. If the leak reaches the soil or groundwater beneath your house, then a cleanup must be performed to restore your property to state environmental standards. Further, leaks that affect another property or impact drinking water supply wells can complicate the cleanup and increase the expense dramatically. The cleanup cost for a “simple” leak can be as much as \$15,000. In cases where the leak affects groundwater or is more extensive, the cleanup costs can reach \$250,000 or more. Finally, the typical and relatively small cost of installing either an OSV or oil supply line with a protective sleeve ranges from \$150-\$350, includ-

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# SPORTS

## Now healthy, Rodrigues a key component toward Tantasqua’s season and opening victory over Indians



Nick Ethier photos  
Tantasqua’s Brandon Rodrigues hopes to make a move around Bartlett’s Dexziel Arvelo.



Tantasqua’s Ethan Eroh keeps his head up, looking for an open teammate, while approaching the ball.

**BY KEN POWERS**  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — Brandon Rodrigues scored a pair of goals in the first six minutes of Tantasqua Regional’s boys’ varsity soccer game with Bartlett High on Thursday, Sept. 5, and then added two second-half assists to lead the

Warriors to a rousing 7-0 victory over the Indians in the season-opening game for both teams.

Before the majority of the fans on hand at the Cage out on The Reservation had settled into their seats, the junior put Tantasqua ahead, 1-0, scoring in the fourth minute off an assist by senior

teammate Roger Leland.

Leland started the goal-scoring play by taking a right-side free kick from about 20 yards out. Instead of taking a shot directly at the goal Leland sent the ball to the left of the net, where Rodrigues gathered it in and then booted it right-to-left past Bartlett goaltender Taven Phanthavong (12 saves) and into the far side of the goal.

Rodrigues pushed the Warriors’ lead to 2-0 just two minutes later, taking a left-to-right crossing pass from classmate Ethan Eroh and pounding it into the back of the Indians’ net.

“I got great passes from my teammates; they set me up perfectly. I was happy I was able to finish off those scoring opportunities,” said Rodrigues, who missed most of last season because of injury. “I’m looking to stay healthy this season and I’m excited to be back playing again. I was really looking forward to getting out there for this game and I’m definitely looking forward to the whole season.”

Tantasqua head coach Matt Guertin broke into a wide smile when asked about Rodrigues.

“Brandon is a great player; he is very highly skilled and he does a lot of good things,” Guertin said. “He plays a lot of high-quality soccer. He has a high soccer IQ. We just want to keep him healthy this year. We know if we do that he will do good things for us. He’s a great player to have.”

Tantasqua led 4-0 at halftime. The Warriors’ other two goals in the first 40 minutes were scored by Leland, on a

direct kick, and junior Spike Austin, off an assist from senior Sam Valcor.

Leland, who finished with two goals and an assist, increased Tantasqua’s lead to 5-0 in the fifth minute of the second half, scoring from about 25 yards out on a rocket of a shot that was still rising when it slammed into the back of the net. Eroh (goal, two assists) pushed the Warriors’ lead to 6-0 with 30 minutes left in the game and then junior Abel Lidonde closed out the scoring three minutes later.

Rodrigues assisted on the final two goals, sending a pair textbook right-to-left crossing passes to his teammates.

“We work on crosses a lot,” Rodrigues said. “I look to get crosses in from the right side every chance I get.”

After the game, Guertin was pleased by his team’s performance.

“The guys were doing good things with the ball, especially moving the ball, which is what we wanted to do because possession is what we work on all the time,” Guertin said. “It paid off; we got some good looks and the guys capitalized on their shots today. It was a good start but this only Game 1.”

Bartlett’s best chance to score came in the third minute of the game, senior captain Jacob Vosburg just missing curling the ball inside the left post on a shot from the right side. The Warriors’ defense pretty much shut the Indians down after that.

“That was a good opportunity for us,” Bartlett head coach Ryan Renauld said. “I thought we had a decent build-up early, but we just couldn’t finish. Then, falling behind 2-0 changed what we were trying to do.

“The quick start by Tantasqua knocked us back on our heels,” Renauld continued. “We’re a pretty veteran team, but as far as their experience in the positions they’re playing right now, it’s a learning experience for some of them. But it’s a long season; we’ll be OK. We’ll get there.”



Tantasqua keeper Braylon Casinghino moves in to try and secure the ball.



Sam Smith of Tantasqua boots the ball away from an incoming Jacob Vosburg of Bartlett.

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### HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Thursday, Aug. 29  
Tantasqua 168, Quaboag 228 — In the first golf match of the season, played at Hemlock Ridge, the Warriors dispatched the Cougars. Will Pieczynski was the medalist for Tantasqua, carding a 3-over par 39.

Friday, Aug. 30  
East Longmeadow 163, Tantasqua 168 — The Warriors’ varsity golf team squared off against East Longmeadow at Hemlock Ridge for their annual, pre-Labor Day weekend match. Medalist honors went to

Will Pieczynski of Tantasqua, who shot a 2-over par 38 despite the team loss. Tantasqua is now 1-1, and East Longmeadow is 1-0.

Thursday, Sept. 5  
Quaboag 10, Palmer 0 — The season-opener for the Cougars’ varsity field hockey team was a good one, as Darian Shepherd led the way with a three goal and two assist output. Other scorers for Quaboag included Isabelle Burgess, Paisleigh Atwood, Abby Bouchard, Lauren Cook, Hannah Dumas, Kiara Gauthier and

Vanessa Ricci. Atwood (two), Burgess, Bouchard, Dumas and Gauthier also picked up assists. The goaltending duties were split between Caitlin Rice and Arianna Masterjohn for the combined shutout.

Tantasqua 6, Bartlett 1 — In boys’ junior varsity soccer action, the Warriors topped the Indians. Owen O’Brien, Shawn Bradway and Josh Baldracchi all scored two goals for Tantasqua, while Bradway also had two assists and Gavin Lataille added a helper. Matt Schirm and Bradway manned the goaltending duties.





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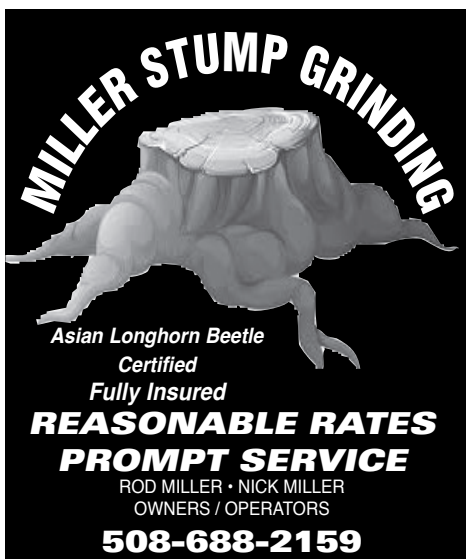
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# OBITUARIES

## Norman R. Power



SOUTHBRIDGE- Norman R. Power, 90, formerly of Southbridge, passed away on Thursday, Aug. 30th, in the Overlook Masonic Healthcare Center, Charlton, of an illness.

Norman was born in Southbridge the youngest child of Christopher and Anna (Nicholson) Power. He was a US Army veteran of World War II. Norman fell in love and married Claire O. Paulhus of Southbridge in 1950. They were long-time residents of Southbridge where they raised their ten children. He worked for several firms including Palmerino Wholesale, Bay State Manufacturing, and Southbridge Roofing before retiring in 1991 from McKinstry Oil. Norman then moved to Houston, Texas where he spent many years working for his son James' plumbing company.

Claire O. (Paulhus) Power, preceded him in death in 1981 after 31 years of marriage. He was also predeceased by; his son Michael and wife Diane Cote Power, son Peter, daughter, Jill Power Foley and husband Richard Foley, and daughter in law Sherri Brousseau Power. granddaughter Lindsey Power, and his 8 brothers and sisters.

He leaves seven sons, William Power and his wife Sharon of Sturbridge, James Power and his wife Susan of Houston, TX, Martin Power and his wife Shelly of Houston, TX, John Power of Riverside, CA, Steven Power and his wife Diane of Southbridge, Thomas Power and his wife Maura

of Southbridge, and Paul Power and his wife Donna of Southbridge; 19 grandchildren, Tiffany Davis and her husband Shawn, Toby Power and his wife Jessica, Erin Power, Rozlind Tache and her husband Mathew, Jenni Power and her spouse Alycia, Kerry Collins, Lindsey Beauregard and her husband Robert, Brittney Power, Nicholas Power, Kirsten Barry, Ashley Power, Nathan Power, Christopher Power, Jacob Power, Sean Power, Timothy Power, Whitney Power, Michael Power, and James Power II, and; 6 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank all his friends in Houston that made his years there so enjoyable and also the friendly caretakers at Overlook where he spent his final months after returning to Massachusetts.

His funeral was held on Thursday, Sept. 5th, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass at 11:00am in St. Mary's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge. Calling hours in the funeral home were held on Wednesday, Sept. 4th, from 4:00 to 7:00pm.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Claire Power Scholarship c/o Southbridge High School, 132 Torry Rd, Southbridge, MA 01550.

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SOUTHBRIDGE- Catherine E. "Cathy" (DiGregorio) Nikolla, 63, passed away, September 4th, peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family after a long illness.

She is survived by her sons Gregory M. Nikolla and his wife Sunni of Sturbridge, and Michael E. Nikolla of Los Angeles, CA and her grandson Evanwhom she adored. She also is survived by her former husband Theodore Nikolla and his wife Patricia of Southbridge, her brother David and his

wife Jan DiGregorio of Southbridge, her sisters Mary Beth Parent and her husband Danny of Fiskdale, Julie Begin and her husband Rick of Milford, and her uncle Fred DiGregorio of Southbridge. She also leaves her nieces and nephews Dana Lee DiGregorio-Mallon, Lauren DiGregorio, Nicholas DiGregorio, Christopher Parent, Daniel Parent, Paul Bastien, Michelle Bastien, Candace Staples, and Marc Respass. She also leaves many aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was predeceased brother Dana DiGregorio who died in 2017

Cathy was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Rudi (Rudolph) and Constance (Gravel) DiGregorio and has lived in Southbridge all her life. She graduated from the former Marianhill Central Catholic High School Class of 1973, and obtained her BA from UMass. She was a lifelong member of Saint Mary's Church (St. John Paul II Parish). Cathy was employed at Mapfre Insurance Company, retiring due to illness. She served on the Southbridge Town Council for 9 years and served as its chairwoman from 2008-2009 and from 2011-2013.

Cathy enjoyed traveling, art, and especially her favorite sports team the Boston Celtics, but she most enjoyed spending time with her family.

The funeral Mass will be held at 10AM, Monday, September 16, 2019, at Saint Mary's Church, 263 Hamilton Street, Southbridge, MA 01550.

Calling hours at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA, will be Sunday, September 15th, from 4-7PM. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Mermory of Cathy to the Cancer Center, 55 Sayles Street, Southbridge, MA 01550.

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## Richard J. Parrettie, 73



STURBRIDGE- Richard J. Parrettie, 73, a longtime resident of Sturbridge, died at home Monday, September 2, 2019, surrounded by his loving family.

He leaves his wife of 50 years, Julianne (Leduc) Parrettie. They were married April 19, 1969. He also leaves his son Jonathan Parrettie and his wife Danielle of Charlton, and daughter Jolene Parrettie of Sturbridge.

He also leaves 3 grandchildren Megan Smeltzer of Sturbridge, and MacKenzie and Peyton Parrettie of Charlton, and a brother Louis Parrettie of Holland.

He was born in Southbridge, October

26, 1945, son of the late Louis and Marion (Foisey) and attended the former Cole Trade High School. He worked for 28 years for CPC Engineering in Sturbridge until they closed, and worked for 18 years for D&D Welding in Southbridge. Mr. Parrettie was also a retired longtime call firefighter for the Town of Sturbridge.

He enjoyed travelling with his wife, NASCAR Racing, skiing, and most enjoyed time with his family especially his grandchildren.

Calling hours were held on Saturday, September 7, 2019, from 10AM to Noon at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial will be private. [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com)

## M. Jeanne Lavallee, 92

SOUTHBRIDGE- M. Jeanne Lavallee, 92, a former longtime resident of Southbridge, died Friday, August 30th at The Overlook in Charlton.

She is survived by her cousins Roger Lavallee and his wife Joanne of Sturbridge, Diane Gagnon of Southbridge, Pauline Servant of Southbridge, and Paul Laliberte and his wife Sandy of Florida.

Jeanne was born in Southbridge, July 21, 1927, and was a member of the former Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, and now of St. John Paul II Parish. She was retired from the American Optical Company where she worked for 44

years. She was especially kind and generous with her church and charities. She loved to do arts and crafts.

The funeral Mass was held on Monday, September 2, 2019 (Labor Day) at 10AM at Saint Mary's Church, 263 Hamilton Street, Southbridge. Visitation was from 8:45AM-9:30AM prior to the mass at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550.

Burial was Thursday, September 5th at 10AM at St. George Cemetery, Paige Hill Road, Southbridge. [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com)



UMass Memorial Medical Center, Memorial Campus, Worcester, after a brief illness.

Her husband of 65 years, Albert J. DiGregorio, passed away in 2010. She leaves her two daughters, Lynne Sarty Petersen and her husband Christian J.E. Petersen of Sturbridge and Lisa D. Lannon and her husband William R. Lannon, II of Southbridge; her brother, Richard Perron of Falmouth; her three grandchildren, Nathan Hastings Sarty of Denver, CO, Tara King of Woodstock, CT and Maxwell Lannon of Southbridge; five great grandchildren, Deagan Jonathan Sarty, Evalina Isabella Sarty, Rylie Belle King, Layla Hope King and Wyatt Asher King; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her two sisters, Gloria Brousseau and Julie Gifford. Doris

was born in Southbridge the daughter of Omer L. and Anna (Bombardier) Perron. Doris attended St. Claire Academy in Woonsocket, RI and was a graduate of Mary E. Wells High School in Southbridge. She went on to attend the University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL.



Doris was a devoted wife and mother and was an active member of the Harrington Memorial Hospital Auxiliary for over 30 years. She was also a member of the Southbridge Women's Club and a Girl Scout leader. She enjoyed golf and was an active member of Cohasse Country Club in Southbridge for over 30 years. Doris was also an avid reader and enjoyed decorating and tulle and oil painting.

Her funeral service and burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge, will be private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

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# What's hot at auction?

I've discussed items that are selling well and those that aren't in several past columns. Our August auction showed that many of the antiques and collectibles that have sold well over the past decade continue to do so. I thought I'd share some of the results from that auction in this article.

I've mentioned in previous columns that most furniture isn't selling well, but mid-century modern furniture is an exception. Mid-century pieces sold very well last month. A pair of Conant Ball club chairs attributed to Russel Wright sold for \$300. A dining room set with sideboard also attributed to Wright sold for \$500. A mid-century Danish Teak dining set and sideboard by Bernhard Pedersen brought \$1,000.

Older artwork drew strong bidding at auction. A small painting by listed artist Edward Potthast sold for \$1,000 to a telephone bidder. An early 18th century folk art painting of a little girl went for \$3,000.



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Better collectibles and ephemera drew plenty of bidder interest. A 1960's "Great Gorloo" battery operated toy went for \$270. A Victorian era trade card album sold for \$275 and another from the same estate brought \$400. Older superhero comics continue to sell well. The Incredible Hulk comic book issues 3, 5, and 6 brought \$675, despite being well read and worn copies. A group of nine 1878-CC Morgan silver dollars topped the coins being offered when they sold for \$3,100.

Sterling silver prices have been trending upward and flatware brought figures well above silver melt prices. A small ornate Stieff partial flatware set went for \$925. A larger International Silver Wedgwood pattern set reached \$2,700.

Also noteworthy in our August auction was a 1979 Datsun 280 ZX with a little over 64,000 miles. After telephone and in-house bidding, it reached \$6,500.



Jewelry was the top selling item in our auction last month. A 14-karat white gold estate jewelry pin shaped like a bee sold for \$275. A platinum and diamond ladies watch went for \$650. Quality loose diamonds and diamond rings led the way at auction. A ring with 3 diamonds brought \$2,000, despite having been appraised as clarity enhanced. An approximately 2-carat pear shaped diamond had considerable wear but still sold for \$2,900. A brilliant cut .95 carat loose diamond reached \$3,000. A deep cut 1.46 carat diamond ring fetched \$4,000. A loose 2.3 carat

diamond that we sold had a chip. The appraisal report recommended it be recut to a smaller size because of the chip. Despite the flaw, it sold for \$8,500 proving that diamonds continue to shine at auction.

I hope to meet some of you at my "Evaluating your Antiques" class at the Bay Path Evening School in Charlton on Sept. 17. I'll be lecturing at the Auburn Public Library at 10 a.m. on Sept. 21 and I'll be back again on Oct. 5 for appraisals. My next appraisal event takes place at 1 p.m. on Sept. 21 for the Finnish Heritage Society Sovittaja in Rutland. I'll be lecturing at the Worcester Senior Center on Oct. 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Another appraisal event takes place at the Shrewsbury Historical Society on Oct. 23. Please see [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for details on these and other events.

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ing labor, parts and local permit fees. (Homeowner Oil Heating System Upgrade and Insurance Law fact sheet, February 2011, Mass. Department of Fire

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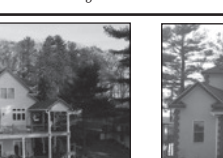
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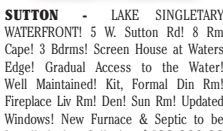
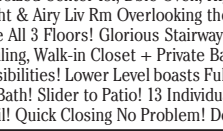
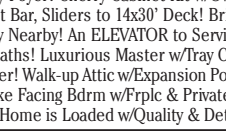
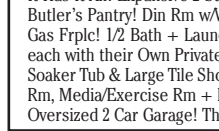
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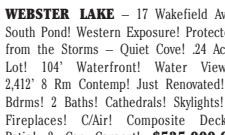
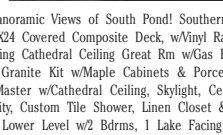
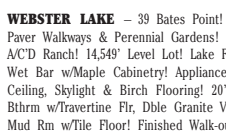
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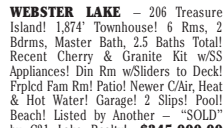
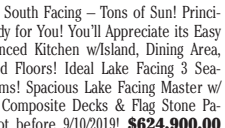
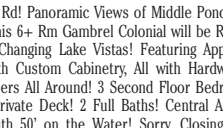
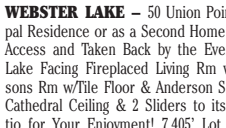
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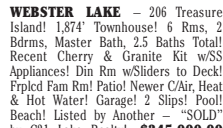
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**WEBSTER LAKE - 206 Treasure Island!** 1,874' Townhouse! 6 Rms, 2 Bdrms, Master Bath, 2.5 Baths Total! Recent Cherry & Granite Kit, w/SS Appliances! Din Rm w/Sliders to Deck! Frplce Fam Rm! Paid! Newer C/Air, Heat & Hot Water! Garage! 2 Slips! Pool! Beach! Listed by Another - "SOLD" by C21 Lake Realty! **\$345,000.00**



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ON DEPOSIT

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## WEBSTER LAKE - 32 JACKSON RD



ON DEPOSIT

AN INTRIGUING OPPORTUNITY TO OWN AN EXTREMELY UNIQUE 3.32 ACRE WEBSTER LAKE WATERFRONT PROPERTY! Charming, year-round, 2 BR, 2 bath Ranch, located at the Southern most end of Webster Lake's South Pond beyond Cedar Island! Extremely private w/direct Lake access. The home offers a full finished LL w/walkout access, a screened-in 18x20 patio, 18x26 det'd garage & 8x8 storage shed. Park like grounds! **New Price \$375,000**



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**165 Peterson Rd., Palmer**  
Gorgeous custom built 3 BR 2 full BA Cape w/ breezeway & 2 car garage awaits a lucky buyer! This home sits pretty on a lovely landscaped yard w/ granite & brass meticulously maintained by owners. Sit out on the 40x60 farmer's porch or the 800 sq foot deck with stone patio great for entertaining. You will love the flow of the home with an updated gourmet kitchen packed with custom built cabinets, ceramic tile floor, granite countertops and sink, tile back splash, peninsula, pantry closet, newer appliances, open flr plan and sliders open out to the back deck. Separate dining room for those special occasions or use all the time! Spacious living room and bedrooms with 2 walk in closets in the master and down the hall a laundry room! Freshly painted throughout including the ceilings. The railings on the porch and deck have been replaced by vinyl. Don't forget the new generator and a great location close to the Mass Pike. A wonderful place to call home! Call today! **\$289,900**

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Location! Location! A great spot on the corner of rt 9 and s maple street. Lots of traffic going by rt 9 and well visible! Currently used for an auto body repair shop. Building has an office, restroom, 3 bay garage at 12 ft and other space. So many other possibilities! Sellers want to sell and retire! No lease! Many updates include rubber membrane roof only 15 years old, twin compressors only 15 years old and well maintained. Garage doors 10-12 years old. Fire extinguishers maintained on a regular basis and up to code. Garage holds up to 6 cars. Fantastic price! Current owners have had their business for 42 years! Call today! **\$149,000**

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**20 NICHOLS ST, PUTNAM \$259,500  
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**OPEN HOUSE 12-2PM SATURDAY  
157 CHAPIN ST, SOUTHBRIDGE**  
Antique Colonial with 8 rooms 4 bedrooms 1 1/2 Baths. Hardwood floors. Economic gas heat. Newer roof, boiler, & HW heater. Front & rear stairways to go upstairs. Fireplace. Needs TLC. Garage **\$159,900.**



**WEBSTER:** Fabulous Ranch! Simple move in & enjoy. 6 rooms 2 bedrooms but possible 3rd in basement. Pretty kitchen with stainless steel appliances & granite counters. Cathedral ceiling. 4 season room with sliders to great deck. Lower level finished with possible bedroom & family room. Level yard. Tranquil colors. **\$229,900.**



**SOUTHBRIDGE:** Spacious Split Level Home with wonderful flex space over garage! 8 rooms 3 bedrooms 2 baths! Slider from dining room to back deck. Lower level has wonderful family room, option to have another bedroom plus large storage area. Fabulous 2 car garage with finished room above-great for office or man town, "she shed". Roof redone, vinyl sided, replacement windows. Large yard! **\$259,900.**



**STURBRIDGE:** Nice Mobile Home in Sturbridge Retirement Park! 1987. Single Wide with 4 rooms 2 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths. Large covered deck. Kitchen has nice size dining area & peninsula w/extra storage. Cathedral ceiling in living room. Whole back of mobile is master bedroom and master bath! Nice yard. Estate sale. **\$69,900** does not include park share of **\$25,000** which must be paid at closing.



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**132 Cooney Rd., Pomfret \$350,000 NEW PRICE**  
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A 3298 SF Colonial in a desirable neighborhood. Privately set back from the road on 2.10 acres w/views of the valley.  
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**Brooklyn \$235,000**



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**ESTATE SALE**  
32 ST. JOHN ST. N. BROOKFIELD, MA SAT. & SUN. SEPT. 14-15 10AM-4PM Mostly antique furniture. and misc items

**YARD SALE**  
Saturday - 9/14/19 7AM - 1PM  
60 Richardson Street Uxbridge, MA 01569  
Small Furniture, baby items, home decor, textiles and much more.

**YARD SALE**  
Saturday Sept. 14 9am-2pm  
22 Hillcrest Ave. Southbridge  
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## 300 HELP WANTED

## 310 GENERAL HELP WANTED

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## 433 CLEANING

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## 442 LICENSED DAY CARE

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## 700 AUTOMOTIVE

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## 740 MOTORCYCLES

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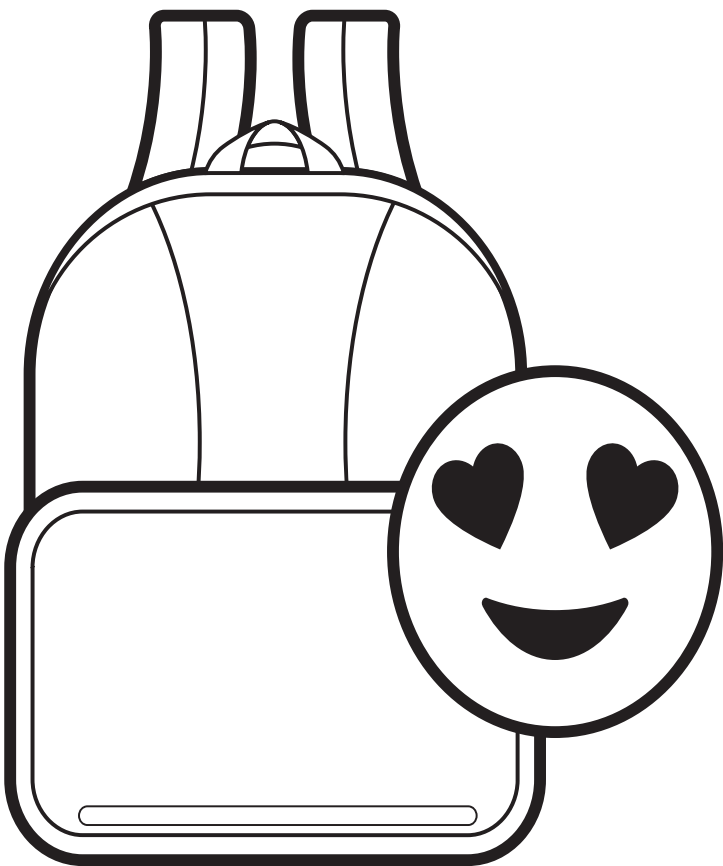
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TRUE OR FALSE?  
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ANSWER: TRUE

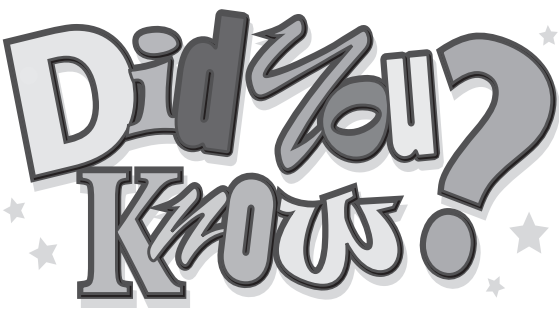


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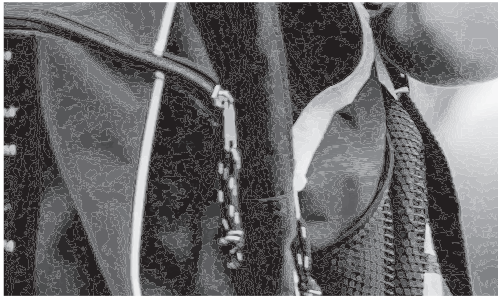
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How they SAY that in...

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- SPANISH: Alumno
- ITALIAN: Studente
- FRENCH: Élève
- GERMAN: Schüler



A PADDED BACK AND SHOULDER  
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CAN MAKE BACKPACKS  
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Can you guess what  
the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: BACKPACK

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CRYPTO FUN

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to chicken.  
Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: 14 = i)

A. 26 7 18 8 19 2 14 21 5

Clue: Chicken leg

B. 15 14 11 9

Clue: Used for flight

C. 19 5 14 11

Clue: Outer covering

D. 16 12 18 10 2 7 6

Clue: Fowl

Answers: A. drumstick B. wing C. skin D. poultry

SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

7	3	9	6	2	5	6	1	4
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ANSWER:



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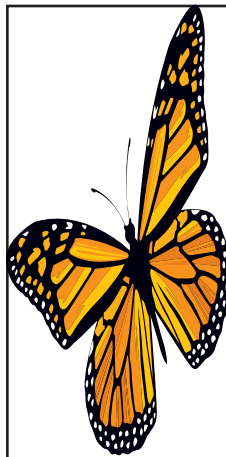
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In accordance with the provisions of  
M.G.L. Ch. 40A Section 11, the Plan-  
ning Board will hold a Public Hearing on  
September 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the  
Wales Senior Center, 85 Old Stafford  
Rd., Wales, MA 01081, on the appli-  
cation submitted by Nexamp for Wales  
Solar, LLC, for a Special Permit for the  
installation of a Solar Photovoltaic Array  
with Grid Battery System, Power Con-  
version System, and AEROS Controls  
System on the property known as Brad-  
way Farm.  
Any person interested and wishing to  
be heard on this application should ap-  
pear at the said date and time. Copies  
of the application and plans are avail-  
able to view at the Town Clerk's Office.  
September 6, 2019  
September 13, 2019

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ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, 18" ALLOYS  
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**2016 DODGE JOURNEY** NEW Retail Price: ~~\$29,295~~  
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MOONROOF, POWER LIFTGATE  
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**SAVE \$10,200 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!**

**LIKE NEW 2017 CHEVY EQUINOX  
PREMIER SUV**  
#40041L  
NEW RETAIL PRICE: ~~\$40,455~~  
**WHOLESALE PRICE: \$25,777**  
Leather, Moonroof, All-Wheel Drive,  
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