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Auburn Historical Society to present program on Civilian Conservation Corps

AUBURN — The Auburn Historical Society and Museum's November monthly meeting will feature Ken Ethier, Auburn Town Historian, who will be talking on the history of the Civilian Conservation Corps, including the work on the state parks and the stone walls that were constructed in Auburn. Many Auburn residents were involved with the CCC.

The meeting will be at the Auburn Senior Center on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 6 p.m. It is free and opened to the public.

DA announces drug related arrest

REGION — Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early, Jr., is alerting the public about a recent drug arrest in the county and a new overdose risk.

In September and October, investigators from several agencies worked in the Blackstone and Woonsocket, R.I., area to address a rash of counterfeit pills. As a result, roughly 750 counterfeit Oxycodone tablets containing fentanyl, along with more than 100 grams of cocaine, were recovered.

The investigation was a joint action conducted by State Police detectives assigned to the Worcester County District Attorney's Office; the Drug Enforcement Administration; the

Blackstone Valley Drug Task Force; the State Police Tactical Diversion Squad; the Blackstone Police Department; and the Woonsocket Police Department.

The investigation resulted in one arrest on the charge of trafficking in fentanyl. More than 10 grams were seized.

Officials say the investigation highlights the potential lethal dangers of fentanyl that many area residents don't know much about.

"This recent arrest highlights one of the changes we're seeing in the drug market in Worcester County and nationally," Early said. "We want to warn people that the pills they buy on the street are often cut with fentanyl and can be

just as likely, if not more, to result in a deadly overdose as heroin."

In 2020, there were a record 93,000 overdose deaths in the United States. According to experts, fentanyl is the driving force behind overdose death increases in recent years.

Looking ahead, local officials aim to continue cracking down on dealers, but they want residents to be aware of the dangers of fentanyl.

"I'm proud of the work our State Police Detective Unit and local police are doing to combat this influx of fentanyl and its distribution in all forms. It's important that the public be aware and take caution with all different types of drugs," Early said.

Auburn Scout's quick action saves swimmer



Courtesy

Nathan Castellano, a 12-year-old Scout from Auburn, receives Certificate of Merit for saving a child from drowning. Shown with Nathan are his parents Brian and Amy Castellano.

AUBURN — Nathan Castellano doesn't consider himself a hero. The 12-year-old from Auburn says he simply did what he knew had to be done to save a five-year-old from drowning. For his quick and decisive reaction, Nathan was recognized with a Meritorious Action Award by the Heart of New England Council, Boy Scouts of America.

In early September, Castellano's Boy Scout Troop 53 held an overnight campout at Pine Acres Campground in Oakham. During the campout, a group of Scouts were swimming in one end of an inground pool. At the shallower end of the pool, a five-year-old boy entered and started heading towards the troop. Unfortunately, while moving towards the Scouts in the deeper end, the child sunk to the pool's bottom.

Soon after, Castellano turned around and noticed the boy at the bottom of the pool, not moving. Without hesitation, he dove to the bottom, grabbed the young boy under his shoulders and pulled him out of

the water. After placing him on the walkway surrounding the pool, the boy coughed up water and gasped for air. The boy's mother rushed over to the scene and comforted her son. Had it not been for Castellano, the child easily could have drowned.

Mark Barbernitz, Scout Executive and CEO of the local Boy Scout Council in Central Massachusetts, said Castellano exemplifies the many lessons and skills youth learn through their involvement in Scouting.

"That day in the pool, Nathan was prepared and he was brave — two critical qualities that we teach youth in our program," Barbernitz said. "Nathan's courageous action and quick thinking exemplify our mission to prepare young people to be active and responsible citizens in their community and become leaders of tomorrow. It is remarkable and praiseworthy that Nathan, a 12-year-old boy, saved another child's life that day."

Castellano was recognized for his heroism on November 3rd during the Heart of New England

Council's Annual Awards Dinner. In addition, several adults were honored for their distinguished service and significant contributions to Scouting by being awarded the highest service awards for volunteers, the Silver Beaver Award and North Star Award. The North Star honoree was Richard Shells, Jr., and the Silver Beaver honorees were Stephen Hoff, Mike Prifti, Ken Simpson, Richard Spurr, John Szymczak, Dale Wheeler, and Bill Williams, Jr.

The Boy Scouts of America provides the nation's foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training, helping young people be "Prepared. For Life. ®" The Heart of New England Council is a 501(c)(3) organization based in Rutland that serves about 4,000 youth throughout Central Massachusetts, involving more than 1,800 adult volunteers. Visit www.hneb-sa.org for more information. To find a Scouting unit in your local community, visit beascout.org.

Minutemen fall to Uxbridge in State Tournament opener



Nick Ethier

Hailey Cournoyer of Bay Path, left, stretches in an attempt to get the ball away from an Uxbridge player.

UXBRIDGE — Coming off a 9-4-3 regular season slate, the Bay Path Regional girls' varsity soccer team earned the No. 26 seed in the

MIAA Division 4 State Championship bracket. They tangled with No. 7 Uxbridge High in a Round of 32 contest, played on Thursday, Nov. 4.

And the Minutemen hung tough in the first half of play, trailing by a manageable 1-0 score. But the Spartans' Kathryn Cahill, who scored the goal in the first half, added four more in the second half as she single-

handedly led Uxbridge to the 5-0 victory.

Bay Path finished its season 9-5-3, while the Spartans (8-5-4) were set to tangle with crosstown rival No. 10 Northbridge High (8-6-3) in the Round of 16 after press time.

Bay Path boys' also fall: On the same day, the Minutemen's varsity boys' soccer squad partook in the MIAA

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Nichols College promotes two to associate dean



Robin Frkal

DUDLEY — Nichols College has named Robin Frkal, PhD, to the position of associate dean for the Graduate School of Business and Professional Studies, and Allison McDowell Smith, PhD, to associate dean for the Graduate School of Liberal Arts.

Frkal, associate professor of human resource management, has been at Nichols for three years. She is program chair for the BS in human resource management and has been the director of the Master of Science in Organizational Leadership (MSOL) program. In her new role, she will oversee three of the four Nichols master's programs: MBA, MSOL, and Master of Science in Accounting.

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Allison McDowell Smith

of choice,” said Frkal.

Prior to joining the Nichols faculty, she was an assistant professor of management and directed the MBA program at Assumption University. Her research has focused on why women opt out of corporate leadership and on women's leadership development programs. Understanding the critical career moments and underlying themes behind women's decisions to leave corporate leadership has practical human resources value for organizations focused on retaining female talent.

A resident of Dudley, Frkal holds a BA in foreign affairs from Assumption, an MS in communication from Clark University, and a MS and PhD in human and organizational systems from Fielding Graduate University. She also has a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the Workplace Certificate.

McDowell-Smith, associate professor of criminal justice and counterterrorism, will oversee the Master of Science in Counterterrorism (MSC) Program. She has been at Nichols for seven years,

serving as the program chair for the BA in criminal justice and BS in criminal justice management and the founding director of the MSC Program, the first graduate program in the U.S. with a focus on violent extremism and leadership.

“As an interdisciplinary researcher and educator, I strive to identify and advance criminological approaches that may be relevant to violent extremist and terrorist thought and violence, offering unique perspectives on the often-overlooked relationship between the two,” said McDowell-Smith. She has spearheaded pioneering innovative approaches to shape understanding of violent extremism and terrorism globally while pursuing data-driven policy security solutions and tackling unique proficiencies needed to understand the field of study at both private and public sector levels.

A resident of Ashford, Conn., She holds a BS in criminal justice from Rochester Institute of Technology, a MS in criminal justice administration from Niagara University and a PhD in business administration with a concentration in homeland security, leadership, and policy from Northcentral University.

McDowell-Smith is the co-founder and deputy director of the American Counterterrorism Targeting and Resilience Institute (ACTRI), a cross-disciplinary, nonprofit research organization focused on the broad spectrum of transnational extreme-right, extreme-left, and militant jihadi political violence. She is also a contributor to Homeland Security Today.



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Nichols College names endowed professor of data science and emerging technologies

DUDLEY — Nichols College Interim Provost Megan Nocivelli, DBA, has announced the appointment of Kevin D. Mentzer, PhD, to the new endowed position of Trustee Professor of Data Science and Emerging Technologies.

Mentzer, who most recently served as associate professor at Bryant University, teaches in the fields of data science, business analytics, and management information systems. He will develop a curriculum to advance the competencies of Nichols students in the new technologies that are transforming business.

“At Nichols College we partner with industry to ensure our curriculum is aligned with the demands in the marketplace. Today, every student needs data science education, and we are thrilled Dr. Mentzer will join us in preparing our students for the explosive demand in all fields associated with data science,” said Dr. Nocivelli. “He brings exceptional experience in the field and as an educator, and we expect him to facilitate interdisciplinary collaboration to benefit our students and industry partners.”

Mentzer is co-author of the book “Movie Analytics: A Hollywood Introduction to Big Data” and several journal articles and has presented internationally. He is co-founder and co-leader of the Analytics without Borders conference and serves as mini-track chair for Data Analytics, Data Mining, and Machine Learning for Social Media at HICSS.

An experienced information technologist, he has served a variety of professional roles at Energy Services Group Inc., Blue Cod Technologies, CounterPoint Technologies Corp., Progress Software, and the Hanover Insurance Group.

A resident of Holden, Mentzer earned a BS in business administration at Bryant University, and an MS in information technology and a PhD in business with a concentration in business analytics at Bentley University. He is also a certified blockchain solution architect.



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Bay Path student receives grant to pursue nursing career

CHARLTON — Sarah Garcia, a student at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Charlton, Massachusetts, was awarded a P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education Grant from the P.E.O. Sisterhood. She was sponsored by P.E.O. Chapter R, Worcester.

Garcia, a resident of Charlton, Massachusetts, is pursuing a Certificate in Practical Nursing as a stepping stone to reach her ultimate goal of being a registered nurse. Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Gretheline Bolandrina, Academy Director, is a part of the Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational Technical School District, whose mission is to provide students with the life-long learning skills that will enable them to become contributing members of the community.

The P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education was established in 1973 to provide need-based grants to women in the US and Canada whose education has been interrupted and who find it necessary to return to school to support themselves and their families.

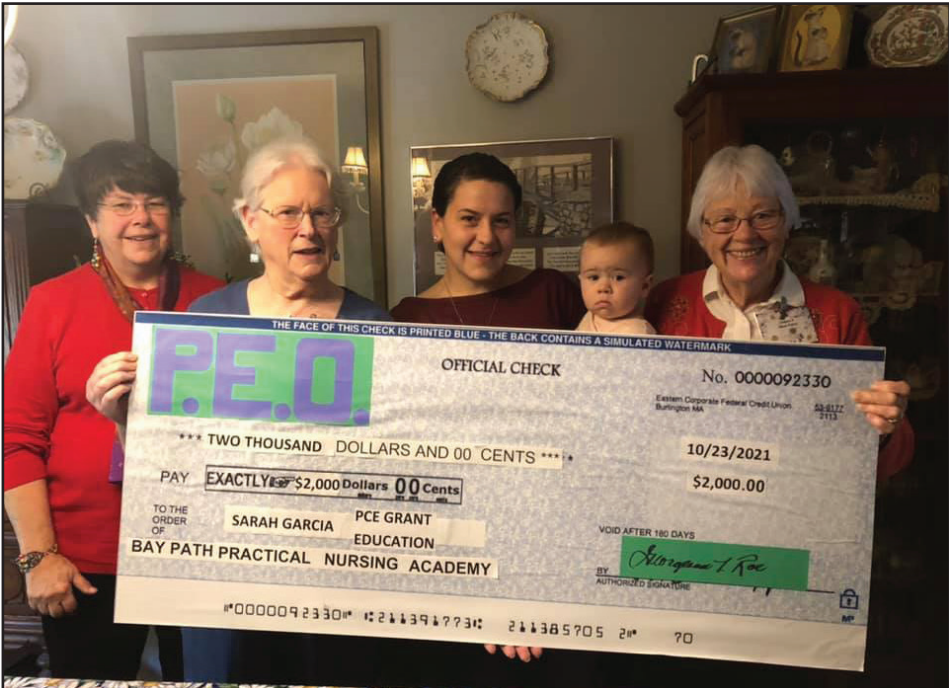
Chapter R has been a part of the Greater Worcester community since it was organized in 1958.

Georgeanne Roe, chair of the PCE committee, stated, “We are proud to assist Sarah as she advances through the Bay Path program. She is focussed and determined to succeed in her chosen career.”

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What started with a bond of friendship among seven women in



Sarah Garcia with her baby daughter between three members of P.E.O. Chapter R: Pamela Thomas-Nielsen, Georgeanne T. Roe, and Jane Flynn.

Mount Pleasant, Iowa, in 1959 is now one of the oldest women’s organizations in North America

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see stories of women who have benefited from the programs, visit peointernational.org.

Bay Path PN students receive Worcester Women’s Leadership Conference scholarships

CHARLTON — Five Bay Path Practical Nursing (PN) students —Rachel Carr of Thompson, Conn.; Jaelynn Colon of Southbridge; Darcey Howe of Palmer; Rebecca Lorre of Oxford; and Melanie Pariseau of Ware — are winners in this year’s prestigious 2021Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce and Worcester Women’s Leadership Committee scholarship.

Stefanie Silva, Programs and Events Coordinator for Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce, reached out to the PN students with a congratulatory email with the admission to this year’s event. “Our generous sponsors have offered the tickets. .

. to those who applied for a waitlist scholarship,” stated Silva.

The \$250 value event scholarship is a wonderful opportunity for the PN students to expand their network and leadership skills.

“Rachel, Jaelynn, Darcey, Rebecca and Melanie present the best of Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy and we had the great pleasure to work with caring students who ultimately will have extraordinary careers that will increase the reputation of Practical Nursing,” stated Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN CRRN, Director at Bay Path RVTSH Practical Nursing Academy.

The Worcester Women’s Leadership Conference was held Thursday, October 28, 2021, at the DCU Center Ballroom in Worcester. Keynote speaker included Cynt Marshall who the PN students had the great opportunity to mingle with.

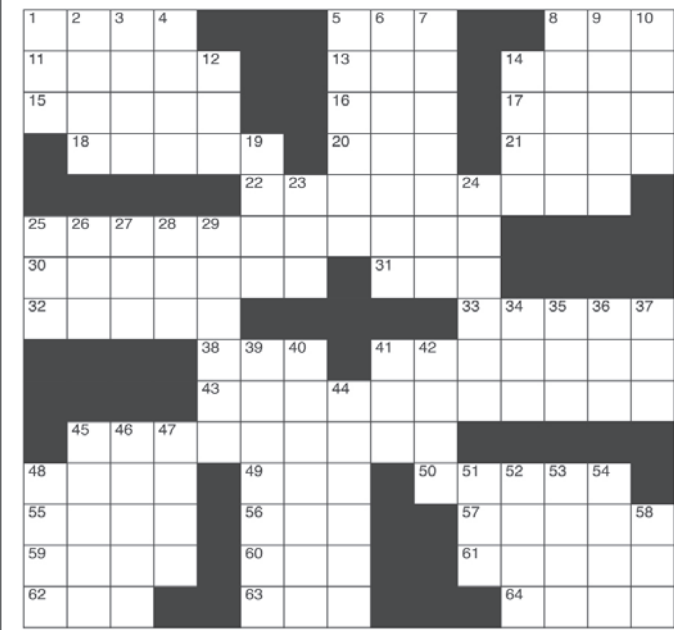
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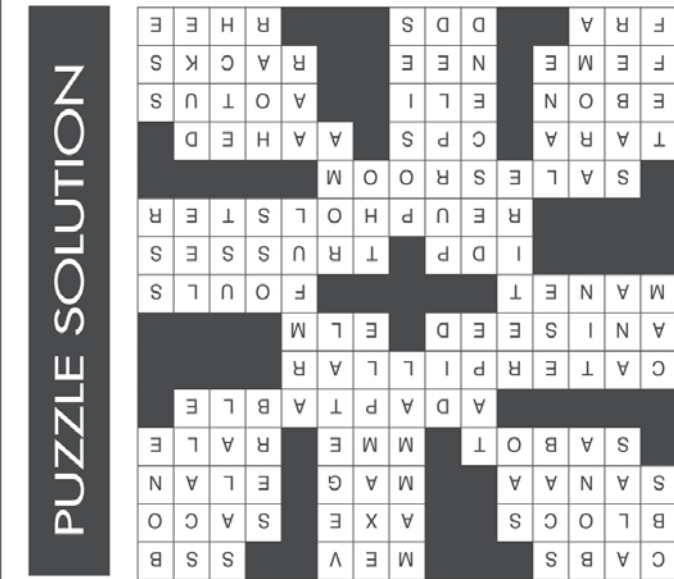


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Taxis
- 5. Mega energy unit (abbr.)
- 8. Single-strand break
- 11. Combinations of countries
- 13. Cutting tool
- 14. Small bay in Gulf of Maine
- 15. Actress Lathan
- 16. Chatter incessantly
- 17. Energy, style and enthusiasm
- 18. Simple shoe
- 20. Woman (French)
- 21. Abnormal rattling sound
- 22. Able to change
- 25. Future butterfly
- 30. Used in cooking and medicine
- 31. A street for nightmares
- 32. French modernist painter
- 33. Dishonors
- 38. Integrated data processing
- 41. Frameworks
- 43. Apply new materials
- 45. Where merch is displayed
- 48. American figure skater Lipinski
- 49. Cycles per second
- 50. Oohed and __
- 55. Dark olive black
- 56. Peyton’s little brother
- 57. Plant in the bean family
- 59. A wife: __ covert
- 60. Born of
- 61. Arranges balls on the pool table
- 62. Title of Italian monk
- 63. Tooth caregiver
- 64. American feminist poet

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Dan Rather’s old network
- 2. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 3. __ fide (Latin)
- 4. Sign of healing
- 5. Warm-blooded vertebrate
- 6. Model
- 7. Of or relating to plants
- 8. Plant of the heath family
- 9. Where to weigh something
- 10. Internal structure
- 12. __ Paulo, city
- 14. South Slavic person
- 19. A way to record
- 23. Have already done
- 24. As much as one can hold
- 25. Auburn legend Newton
- 26. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 27. Beloved dog Rin Tin __
- 28. Midway between east and southeast
- 29. Call it a career
- 34. Former CIA
- 35. American time
- 36. Confederate general
- 37. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 39. Travel downward
- 40. Made red-blue
- 41. Vietnamese revolutionary Le Duc
- 42. Capital of Italy
- 44. Small bunches of flowers
- 45. Calvary sword
- 46. A distinctive, pleasant odor
- 47. A well-defined track or path
- 48. Cereal used to make flour
- 51. Retrospective analysis (abbr.)
- 52. Grayish white
- 53. Engrave
- 54. Famed men’s basketball program
- 58. Midway between south and southeast



Charlton to hold Fall Town Meeting Monday

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The town of Charlton will hold a fall town meeting on Monday, Nov. 15, where 12 articles will be discussed over the course of the night, some housekeeping items and others larger initiatives pertinent to the future of the town.

The first five articles of the night are considered housekeeping measures. Town officials will address any unpaid bills, interdepartmental transfers, budget amendments, and capital improvement project discussions that have come to light since the annual town meeting in May. Article 6 is where most of the meat of the meeting will begin. That article will seek to appropriate \$425,000 to replace Tanker 2 for the Charlton Fire Department and discuss whether or not the appropriation would be raised through borrowing or other means. Article 7 is another borrowing article which will seek the appropriation of \$2 million to cap the old town landfill. After voting on whether or not to transfer monies to the town stabilization fund, Article 9 will seek to rescind unissued borrowing authorization of \$72,000 for the South Charlton Dam Project. This was voted under Article 19 of the May Annual

Town Meeting in 2018. The final three articles of the evening may garner the most discussion. Article 10 will seek to establish a special act to remove police officers in the town from civil service. If approved, the move would allow for a more competitive hiring process rather than being tied down to assessment centers to pick qualified candidates. Charlton previously removed the Police Chief position from civil service in 2019; however, an article to remove the lieutenant position from civil service failed at that same meeting.

Article 11 should be no surprise to Charlton citizens, as the incoming Amazon project on Sturbridge Road has been the talk of the community for months. The article on the fall meeting warrant will seek a tax incremental financing agreement (TIF) with Amazon. TIF agreements are usually defined as partnerships that subsidize companies by refunding or diverting a portion of their taxes to help finance development of their project with the expectation that the partnership will help pay for a variety of improvement projects in town. The details of the agreement are expected to be presented at the meeting. The final article of the night will address a zoning change on Old Worcester Road from agricultural to community business.

The fall town meeting will be held on Monday, Nov. 15 starting at 7 p.m. un the Charlton Middle School at 2 Oxford Road. A full warrant and documents pertaining to individual articles are available on the Town of Charlton Web site.

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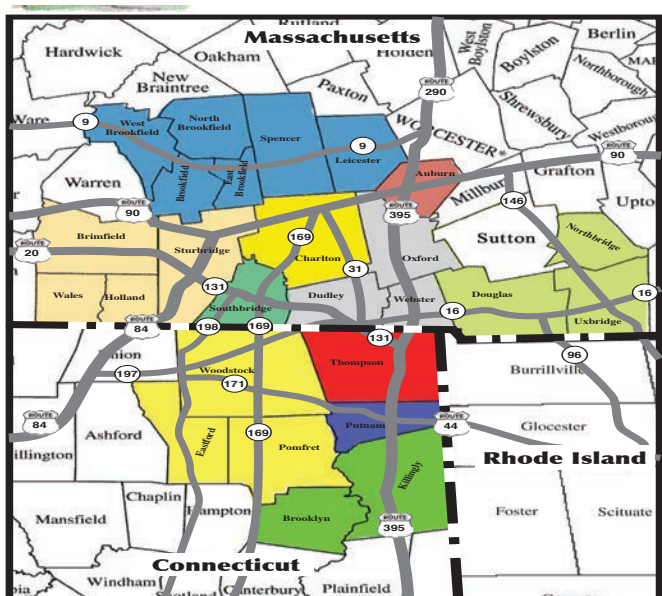
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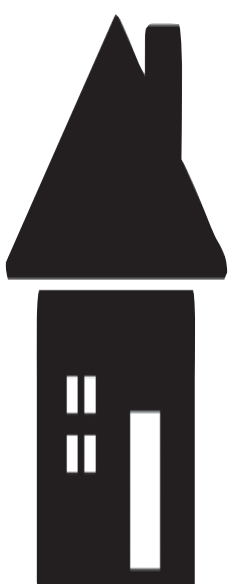
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The origins of Veterans Day

We would like to begin this Editorial by sharing words of gratitude to our veterans. Thank you for your valor, your sacrifices and your courage to defend our rights and to keep us safe.

In honor of all those who have served our country, past and present, we thought we would share some history behind how Veteran's Day came to be.

The Great War was officially over when the Treaty of Versailles was signed in June of 1919, in France. Actual fighting ended seven months earlier between Germany and Allied nations, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Since then, Nov. 11, 1918 is known as "the war to end all wars."

In 1919, President Wilson proclaimed Nov. 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day. Wilson stated, "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations."

In June of 1926, Congress officially recognized the end of WWI, passing a resolution. Part of that resolution stated, "Whereas it is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this date should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and Whereas the legislatures of twenty-seven of our States have already declared November 11 to be a legal holiday: Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the President of the United States is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples."

In 1938, Nov. 11 became a legal holiday to celebrate all veterans in WWI and WWII. Armistice was replaced with Veterans. In 1954, Veteran's Day would honor all veterans in all wars.

Gift ideas for bird watchers and gardeners

Give a gift that provides beauty, entertainment, and health benefits throughout the year. With the recent increase in people gardening and bird watching, what could be more perfect than a gift that supports both interests?

Birds visiting feeders, munching on the coneflower seeds in the garden and perching in the shelter of evergreens help brighten the long, often dreary days of winter. Just like gardening, bird watching helps us connect with nature, reduces stress, and elevates our mood. Plus, the gardeners on your list will appreciate the help birds provide managing insect pests. Protein-rich insects and spiders are an essential part of the diet of 96 percent of North American terrestrial birds.

Growing a landscape filled with plants that provide seeds, berries and shelter is a great way to attract these welcome guests to our gardens. Providing additional sources of food, water and shelter can increase the number and diversity of the winged visitors.

Help your gift recipient create a bird feeding station so they can easily watch the birds and enjoy their songs. Include a variety of feeders suited to the birds they want to attract. Select feeders that are easy to fill and clean and protect seed from weather and squirrels.

You'll attract a wide range of birds with tray and platform feeders. Look for ones like the Gardener's Supply Twigs Platform Bird Feeder which has a cover to protect the seed from rain and snow and a removable mesh floor for easy cleaning. Platform feeders like this, with excellent drainage, help minimize the risk of wet seed sprouting or supporting bacteria and fungi that can harm the birds. Help keep seeds safe and fresh with regular cleaning and by only providing enough seed for a day or two.

Hopper or house feeders protect seed against the weather and bird droppings. But if the seed gets wet, the closed environment is perfect for bacteria and fungi to thrive. Plus, they are more difficult to clean.

Tube feeders are cylinders with perches and feeding ports. Those with perches above the openings attract birds like goldfinches and chickadees that can feed upside down. Those with small perches discourage large birds from feeding. Select tube feeders with small ports for smaller seeds like Nyjer thistle and ones with larger openings for large seeds.

Look for ones with wire surrounds to keep out squirrels and those that are easy to clean like the Gardener's Supply Cleaver Clean Tube Feeder with a removable bottom. Reduce problems on other tube feeders by blocking the bottom of the tube that extends below the lowest feeding port. Seed and water can collect there, increasing the risk of fungi and bacteria.

Clean feeders regularly with a 10% non-chlorine bleach solution, commercial birdfeeder cleaner or mild solution of unscented dishwashing soap. Wash the inside and outside of the feeder, perches and feeding ports. Once cleaned, rinse



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Roosting pockets provide some needed insulation for birds and are easy for them to enter and exit.

with clear water and dry before refilling.

Provide some shelter from wind, snow, rain, and predators for birds spending the winter in your landscape. Supplement what trees and shrubs provide by including a few roosting boxes and pockets. Gardener's Supply fair trade roosting pockets (gardeners.com) are attractive, easy to hang, provide some needed insulation and are easy for birds to enter and exit.

Make sure to provide water throughout the year. Those in colder climates will need to add a heater, bubbler, or aerator to prevent the water from freezing. Providing fresh water reduces the calories and body heat a bird uses when melting snow and ice.

Select a birdbath that can be left outside year-round to avoid cracks and leaks as water freezes and place it in a sunny area. Add a few stones so the birds can take a sip without getting totally wet. Keep these clean just as you do during warmer months.

Looking for more ideas? Help your favorite birder prepare for the nesting season with a gift of one or more birdhouses. These make attractive additions to any landscape while providing more homes for visiting songbirds.

When selecting the right gift for your favorite bird watcher or gardener consider creating or expanding your own bird-friendly landscape. A small investment in creating a bird habitat reaps wonderful benefits all year round.

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Giant killers

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Everybody loves a good story about an underdog— who overcomes impossible odds. Many movies are made with the central character as the underdog. This is the accepted structure of most screenplays in Hollywood today. The protagonist must be up against impossible odds, facing a literal or a figurative giant.

Real-life underdogs include George Washington, Susan B. Anthony, Harriet Tubman, King David, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, and Gandhi, to name a few.

Only a tiny percentage of us want to slay giants. If you are called to battle giants in a given industry or profession, learning lessons from those who have done the same will be necessary.

Arreguin-Toft is a political scientist who calculated the odds of weaker countries winning wars against stronger countries. He found that when weaker countries fight by the same rules as the stronger countries, they only win 28% of the time. When they fight using unconventional methods, they win 64% of the time.

Vivek Ranadive never played or coached basketball before. In his first year as coach of his twelve-year-old girl's basketball team, he brought his inexperienced team to the national championships and almost won. How was this possible? He refused to play the traditional game of basketball. Instead, he taught his girls to play using unconventional methods.

George Washington sometimes fought the British using conventional warfare but often used guerilla tactics to win. If he had fought only using European-style tactics, he wouldn't have won.

Never play by the Giant's rules. My favorite underdog is King David of ancient Israel. He was unappreciated by his family and considered unworthy of greatness. Until he decided to become a giant killer, he spent most of his time alone in the pastures tending his father's sheep.

During this time, the Israelites were at a standoff against the Philistine army and were powerless to stop a giant named Goliath, nine and a half feet tall.

Every day Goliath emerged from his tent, dressed in armor, carrying a spear, a sword, and a weapon slung on his back. Daily he terrified the Israelites and challenged their best soldiers to face him in battle. Nobody was up to the challenge.

One day, David was called out from the fields and sent to bring food to his brothers. When he arrived, he learned of Goliath's challenge and accepted. He was mocked and made fun of, but David paid them no mind. He prepared himself for the fight of his life.

The Israelites tried to outfit David with traditional battle weapons like heavy armor, a sword, and a spear. They wanted to get him to fight the way Goliath wished to fight. David found the weapons awkward; it was then he decided he wasn't going to play by Goliath's rules. David opted to use a sling and a stone.

Slings in David's time weren't like the slingshots we used as kids. Ancient slingers could defeat infantry armed with swords and armor most of the time. A good slinger could penetrate the skull of his enemy.

When the contest began, David didn't hesitate. He sprinted to the fight, quickly finding a few smooth stones; swinging his sling, he released the rock and sunk it straight into Goliath's forehead. David walked over to Goliath and chopped off his head using Goliath's sword.

This was a great victory that cemented David's position as a giant killer; and he went on to become the greatest king in Israel's history.

How did David win? He refused to play by the giant's rules. Indeed if David had approached Goliath dressed in full armor and armed with a sword, David would have lost his life.

Giant killers in modern times won't be using slings, swords, and spears. Our weapon will be the knowledge of the giant's weakness and a refusal to play the game the way the giant wants to play it.

If you choose to be a giant slayer, then remove all doubt and replace it with faith. People will laugh at you but do not pay attention. Sprint into battle, knowing your victory is secure.

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Deer season in full swing

Deer hunting is in full gear, with archers harvesting numerous big bucks in the last couple of weeks. The rut is now entering its peak time, and should provide archers with some great opportunities to bag a big buck prior to shotgun season. The shotgun season in Massachusetts opens on Nov. 29, and will close on Dec. 11, with primitive arms season opening Dec. 13 and closing on Dec. 31. During the first week of the shotgun deer season, all deer must be brought to a Mass. official checking station within 48 hours of the harvest. For the remainder of the deer hunting seasons, they must be registered within 48 hours online.

Antlerless deer permits for zones 13 -14 are still available for \$5 each, and can be purchased on line at the Web site MASSFISHHUNT. Zones 13-14 have an extremely high population of deer in them and often require land owner permission to hunt them. Keeping a legal distance from an occupied dwelling is the biggest challenge. Bow



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Although Mass. Fish & Wildlife failed to pass a crossbow permit for hunters, the sales are going through the roof. Most states allow the use of a cross bow for hunting, and sportsmen are flocking to the nearby states to use them. Keeping a good inventory of crossbows in their sports section has been a bit hectic, especially for some of the high-end bows like the Raven. The Raven is

extremely accurate up to 100 yards. Crossbows also required extreme caution when using them. They should never be dry fired (firing them with-out an arrow in them). That goes for any bow.

The bow strings need to be constantly inspected for wear, and sporting goods stores that carry the new crossbows are seeing a lot more wear on the new bows because of the extreme pressure that the bows are under.

One bow hunter was using his cross bow for the first time, when the bow exploded as he was resting the bow alongside his leg. The bow suddenly exploded and caused severe damage to his leg. It may have been damaged previously, but the crossbows are at an extremely high pressure, and need to be used with the utmost caution. A warning from some of the companies that manufacture the cross-bows state that they should not be left cocked for more than six hours. You should have your crossbow checked by a dealer every year, to make sure that they are



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This week's picture shows a Bonito taken last week in front of the lighthouse at Point Judith, R.I.

safe to use.

Goose hunting in the valley area has been good for hunters that had private corn fields to hunt. A lot of flight birds were observed by hunters, and if they were hunting the day that the birds were passing through the had the opportunity to harvest a couple of the migrating birds. Snow geese are often accompanying the Canada geese as they migrate south giving the hunter an opportunity to harvest a few of them also. Fifteen snows are

the daily bag limit. Goose hunting ends Nov. 27, and reopens Dec. 13.

Wild Turkey hunting in the fall is a real challenge. Their eye sight is amazing, and sneaking up on one to shoot is not easy. During the spring hunting season, they are receptive to turkey calls, and are a lot more exciting to hunt. Basically, you need to ambush the bird which is not easy.

Trout fishing has been great for most anglers that have not put their boats into winter storage. Shore

fishing anglers are also catching some impressive trout.

Veterans day will be celebrated this coming Monday by thousands of people paying respects to the fallen, wounded veterans and those who served in our armed forces. It is because of them we get to enjoy our freedom every day. A big thank you to all those that celebrated this special day, and to all of our veterans.

Take a Kid fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Halloween Leftovers = Post Holiday Treats

Halloween has come and gone and if you find yourself with a few perfectly good pumpkins and an accumulation of candy bars, read on for some creative ways to enjoy the post holiday leftovers without waste!

If your kids took home a huge Halloween haul, here are some “repurposing” ideas to save the sweets for later!

*Small, hard candies such as Jolly Ranchers and other bright treats are ideal to stow away to use for holiday gingerbread house decorations. Best of all, even stale candy works well!

*Collect plain Hershey bars and mix with chocolate melting wafers to make holiday bark and other seasonal chocolate confections.

*Individual bags of Skittles, M&Ms and other small candies can all be opened and tossed into a candy jar for a colorful candy dish medley to put out during the holidays.

*Even boxes of raisins, mini bags of nuts, and teeny chocolate buttons can be put to good use when mixed into a whole-

some trail or granola mix.

Butterfinger Brownies
Butterfingers are one of the most popular candy bars in trick or treat bags. Instead of sending kids into sugar overload, save some of the sweets to make these impressive Butterfinger Blondie Brownies.

Ingredients: 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour; 1 teaspoon baking powder; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 3/4 cup butter; 2 1/4 cups light brown sugar; 3 large eggs; 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract; 4 regular-sized or 12 fun size Butterfinger candy bars, crushed

Directions: Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour a 13x9-inch baking pan. In a small bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder and salt; set aside. In a medium bowl, with electric mixer at medium speed, combine butter and brown sugar. Beat in eggs and vanilla until smooth. Stir in flour mixture and 1 cup of crushed butterfingers. Spread in prepared pan. Sprinkle remaining crushed Butterfinger bars over top of batter. Bake 30- 35 minutes, or until brown-



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ies are a bit firm to the touch. Cool completely before cutting into bars. Makes one dozen brownies.

Candy Bar Cookies
What could be better than an assortment of fun size chocolate bars? How about melting them into a cookie! This recipe uses up candies big and small:

Ingredients: 1/2 cup brown sugar; 2 eggs ; 2 tsp vanilla shopping; 1 tsp salt; 1 tsp baking soda; 1 1/3 cups flour; 2 cups quick oats; 2 cups of chopped up candy bars (Milky Way, Snickers, Kit Kat, M&Ms, peanut butter cups, etc. all work).
Directions: Cream together sugars, butter and shortening. Add in eggs and vanilla. In a separate bowl mix together dry ingredients add into mix. Stir in candy. Drop by tablespoons onto ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 for 10-12 minutes.

Repurposing Pumpkins: Whether leftover pumpkins were used as harvest decorations, or just never ended up making the grade as Jack-O-Lanterns, the big question is: What to do with these perfectly good pumpkins? Freezing cooked, pureed pumpkin is a favored way to preserve the taste and texture of pumpkin. Sugar or pie pumpkins are ideal candidates for freezing as the pulp is thicker and firmer. To easily prepare a pumpkin for pureeing, simply place the whole fruit in the microwave for about a minute or so to soften the skin. This will make the pumpkin much easier to peel. Cut the pumpkin in large slices, peel the skin and remove the strings and seeds. Then cut the slices into smaller pieces. Boil the pumpkin pieces until tender, then mash or process the pumpkin pulp until it forms a smooth, thick puree.

Pumpkin Hummus: Pureed sugar pumpkin adds just the right flavor to this hummus. To do: Mix together in a food

processor until smooth: two cups pureed sugar pumpkin; one 15 oz can of garbanzo (chi chi) beans; one tablespoon tahini, two teaspoons vegetable oil; one teaspoon cumin; one teaspoon salt; one eighth teaspoon cayenne pepper; one crushed garlic clove, and three tablespoons of water. Adjust thickness by adding a little water if it is too thick. Makes two cups. Serve with pita bread or crackers.

Perfect Pumpkin Seeds: Roasting up a batch of pumpkin seeds is not only an annual treat, it's a great way to use up every bit of the vegetable: To properly toast pumpkin seeds, remove all pulp and clean strings from the seeds. Place seeds in a bowl and stir in melted butter or olive oil and salt to coat the seeds. Spread seeds on a cookie sheet and bake in a 275 degree oven for about an hour or until the seeds are golden brown and crisp. Avoid overcooking as seeds can become hard and tough. Prefer crisper seeds? Prior to toasting boil the seeds in salted water for about ten minutes, drain and prepare for roasting.

Win Dinner for Two

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

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

LEGALS

AUBURN WATER DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: FOR THE LEASE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY FOR A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITY

The Auburn Water District is seeking RFP's for the lease of an area of District owned property at the Leicester St. Water Tank Site for the permitting / construction / operation of a wireless communication facility. Copies of the RFP will be available beginning on 11/8/2021 on the Auburn Water District website at <http://www.auburnwater.com> and at the District office 9am-12pm M-W-F November 5, 2021 November 12, 2021

(SEAL)

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket No. 21 SM 001374 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: John R. Goodney a/k/a John Goodney, Beverly M. Goodney a/k/a Beverly Goodney, Sara Spooner, as Conservator and Co-Guardian of Beverly Goodney a/k/a Beverly M. Goodney and as Conservator and Co-Guardian of John Goodney a/k/a

John R. Goodney, Mark Goodney, as Co-Guardian of Beverly Goodney a/k/a Beverly M. Goodney and as Co-Guardian of John Goodney a/k/a John R. Goodney and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 177 Boyce Street, given by John R. Goodney and Beverly M. Goodney to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Financial Freedom Acquisition LLC, a Subsidiary of Onwest Bank, FSB, dated January 12, 2010, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45362, Page 114, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/ have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that

basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer 12/13/2021 in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 11/1/2021. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder November 12, 2021

(SEAL)

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 21 SM 001388 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Heirs, Devisees or Legal Representatives of the Estate of Phyllis M. Vario, Michael P. Vario and Tamara M. Bahnan a/k/a Tamara M. Vario and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 et seq.: Community Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 52 Harrison Avenue, given by Phyllis M. Vario to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.,

as nominee for Mortgage Trust Group, Inc., dated November 24, 2003, and recorded or filed in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 32365, Page 16, as affected by Loan Modification Agreement, dated September 30, 2008, and recorded or filed in said Deeds, In book 43911, Page 139, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before 12/20/2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of non-compliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on 11/2/2021.

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CHARLTON — After a very successful transition to a virtual holiday auction last year, CCUMC will again host our annual fundraiser online for 2021!

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As always, we are incredibly grateful for the wide array of donors this year, both within the church membership and the businesses of our surrounding communities. You can sneak a peak at the fantastic auction items ahead of the fundraiser by going to <https://bit.ly/CharltonCity> or by searching for our auction on BiddingOwl.com. Items will continue to upload throughout November.

Stay ahead of potentially sluggish holiday shipping times this year and get your shopping done early! Some of the items up for bidding are: Family Pass to Old Sturbridge Village, 2-Person Pass to Southwick's Zoo, Cormier's Jewelers gift certificate, gift baskets, handmade wares, and much more!

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MINUTEMEN

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Division 4 State Championship Tournament. Bay Path, seeded 33rd, took on No. 32 Ipswich High in a preliminary round game. Unfortunately for the Minutemen, they lost a 2-0 decision and finished the year 8-6-3.

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Bay Path's Kailey Jones runs up to the ball before making a play on it.

Top right: Bay Path's Sophia Ballestracci has a half-step advantage on her Uxbridge opponent while on the pursuit of the ball.



Sandwiched between two Uxbridge players, Kayla Nguyen of Bay Path plays a loose ball while on the attack.

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POSTSEASON SCOREBOARD

Local teams compete in State Tournaments

The following are local results from teams that competed in MIAA State Tournament games last week:

Wednesday, Nov. 3
Division 4 Volleyball Round of 32
(14) Malden Catholic 3, (19) Bay Path 0 — Although the end result wasn't what the Minutemen wanted, they still finished off an impressive season at 13-6.

Thursday, Nov. 4
Division 3 Boys' Soccer Preliminary Round
(32) Pittsfield 2, (33) Auburn 1 (PK) — Having to travel out West, being the lesser seed by a single ranking, the Rockets fought all the way through regulation and overtime before falling in penalty kicks. Auburn finished 11-6-2.

Division 3 Girls' Soccer Preliminary Round
(31) Cardinal Spellman 4, (34) Auburn 0 — The Rockets may have lost to finish 9-9, but their end of season surge propelled them into the postseason.

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Age 15

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Legally free for adoption, McKenzie's ideal family would consist of one or two moms, with no other children in the home. Because McKenzie's social worker believes she could thrive in any type of family, she will consider all families who express interest. McKenzie's one wish is that her future family be caring and understanding. They should also be willing to abide by the Open Adoption Agreement with her birth parents, and also maintain contact with her siblings who are placed separately.

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