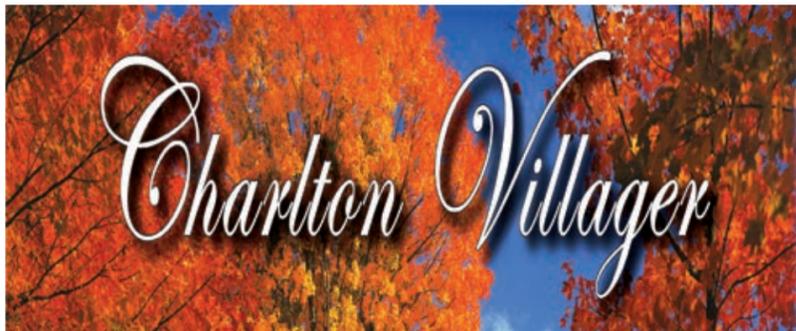


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It looks simple enough. Shiny, smooth and midnight black, it holds pencils, pens, Sharpies, dry erase markers for our calendar whiteboard, a lighter for candles, and even a screwdriver. Just looking at it, you would never think it was anything else but a normal, black box that came right from the Walmart or Target aisle.

But there's a lot more meaning behind that little black box than meets the eye. It's one of my most treasured possessions, and it all started in the fall of 2014.

It was a day like every other day. I was driving about town in my pickup truck (nicknamed "Blackie"). For regular readers of my column, you all know that my truck is very special to me, as it was purchased with money left over in my brother's bank account when he died more than 10 years ago. It's a truck that he himself wanted (that's why I bought it). It's a truck that my father also owns a version of, and it even contains components of the car my brother was in when he died in that fateful car accident in 2006. A piece of him lives on in that truck, and I treat it as such. No burnouts, no senseless speeding, no showing off. Just tender, loving care.

So one can imagine the emotions running through my mind in September 2014 as I stared blankly across the street after having just gotten into a car accident after someone pulled out right in front of me. I had no time to react. My foot had barely reached the break when I slammed into the other person's driver-side door.

My first thought was that I had just killed a person. I couldn't understand the gravity of what I was facing. I was panicking, praying out loud to God that the other person was OK. Even if I was injured, I wouldn't have been able to tell, as I was going on pure adrenaline at that point. The airbag in the other car had deployed, and they coasted to a stop about 50 feet away. Police and ambulances were called. Witnesses flooded to the scene. Everyone was OK. The other person's car was totaled, and I thought Blackie was done for, as well. The impact had made it so that I couldn't even open my driver's side door. My hood was crumpled, and front end looked destroyed. I was fighting back tears as the tow truck was called because the last tangible remnant of my brother's memory was about to be thrown into a compactor.

I started calling people to let them know what was going on. My hand holding the cell phone was shaking as I called my wife, then my mother and then my friend, who owned the place my truck was about to be towed to.

"The front end is real bad," I

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# Gobi re-elected to State Senate

DEFEATS GOP CHALLENGER EHRHARD FOR SECOND TERM



Anne Gobi

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

It was a close race for the two candidates running for the two-year term Senate seat for the Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire & Middlesex District, but Democratic incumbent Anne Gobi was voted back into office on Tuesday, Nov. 8, with 54.4 percent of the vote (43,926), defeating Republican challenger James Ehrhard (36,809).

As eventual President-elect Donald Trump gained more and more states throughout the night, Gobi said she felt she did "very well," considering the large outpouring for the Republican soon-to-be-president in the district. Despite the dis-

trict's support for Trump, Gobi was able to win 23 of the 28 towns, which was an improvement over the last time she ran (the district includes the towns of Ashburnham, Ashby, Athol, Barre, Brimfield, Brookfield, Charlton, East Brookfield, Hardwick, Holland, Hubbardston, Monson, New Braintree, North Brookfield, Oakham, Palmer, Paxton, Petersham, Phillipston, Rutland, Spencer, Sturbridge, Templeton, Wales, Ware, Warren, West Brookfield and Winchendon). According to Gobi, even in the communities she lost, the margin of the loss had been "cut down quite a bit" and that was very positive for the re-elected

senator.

Gobi said she believes that people voted for her — despite party affiliation — because of her work ethic.

She explained: "I've been doing this job and people know it's a full time responsibility that I take very seriously. I think it's my work ethic and people can see that. They know that the issues that are important to them are important to me as well and I'm not happy unless we get satisfaction for people. I take that very personally."

Another reason Gobi felt she may have pulled ahead was her opponent's "negative campaign-

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## Bay Path Chowder Fest a tasty treat

FUNDRAISER BENEFITS NYC TRIP FOR STUDENTS

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON—It was another successful year for Bay Path's Junior American Culinary Federation students' Chowder Fest fundrais-

er. More than 300 people attended the event on Sunday, Nov. 6, trying out various chowders from 20 local vendors. For new JACF advisor and Culinary Arts Instructor Marcie Wood, the event was a huge success.

"It has a reputation for being a great venue to get some really tasty food," she said. "We

had so many types of chowder and so many people love chowder. There was sweet potato with chicken sausages. There was a Mediterranean seafood chowder and chicken corn chowders."

Guests had the opportunity to try out every chowder (multiple times) and vote on their favorite one. There were three winners this year: The Nazareth Home For Boys, The Twisted Fork and Tantasqua's The Cornerstone Café.

"I liked Tantasqua's

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Photos courtesy Jeremy Guay

Bay Path culinary arts students Caitlyn Churchey and Timothy Kunz helped serve Bay Path's chowder. Other Junior American Culinary Federation students helped in the kitchen or cleaning tables.

## State lawmakers respond to passage of Question 4

BY JASON BLEAU  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The people of Massachusetts have spoken, and as of Dec. 15, recreational marijuana will officially be legalized in the Commonwealth.

Massachusetts voters turned out in droves for the 2016 election, where four state-wide questions compli-

mented the state and national elections, with Question 4 seeking to legalize marijuana for recreational use in the Commonwealth. In a vote of around 53 percent to 46 percent statewide, the question passed, marking a landmark decision for the state, and setting the controversial substance to be legalized on Dec.

15. Leading up to Election Day, the public opinion of approving the question was clearly mixed. Those opposed to the legislation argued that marijuana would be a gateway drug, and voiced concerns about the many questions remaining about regulating the substance, while those

in favor leaned on lasting arguments that the drug is seemingly non-addictive, and has proven medicinal advantages. In Southern Worcester County, it seems the majority related to the latter opinion, and local towns all voted in favor of the legislation, albeit

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## Frost defeats Dotson in rematch

GOP REP SET FOR 11TH TERM



Paul Frost

BY JASON BLEAU  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Republican Paul Frost will continue his service to the Commonwealth and the 7th Worcester District after claiming his 11th term as the district's state representative on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, defeating Democratic challenger Terry Burke Dotson for the

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Julyzia's social worker hopes to find a supportive two-parent family with a mom and dad or two moms with either no children or older children. Julyzia will need continued contact with members of her birth family including her birth parents. She is close to a 9-year-old sister who is also in foster care, and they could either be placed in separate homes or possibly together in a skilled, experienced family. She also has two other half siblings placed in a pre-adoptive home.

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# Durant, Fattman, McKenna re-elected in unopposed campaigns

BY JASON BLEAU  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

While the 2016 presidential election brought quite a bit of drama to the national stage, locally, voters in Southern Worcester County had a little less drama to deal with when deciding some of the state leaders that will represent local districts in the State Senate and State House.

Despite the most recent state election coinciding with a presidential election, a circumstance that usually leads to much higher voter turnouts than normal, and thus more contested races, many of the local elections turned out to be very cut and dry. Three of the four local state races were uncontested, with Republican lawmakers such as Worcester-Norfolk District State Sen. Ryan Fattman, 18th Worcester District State Rep. Joe McKenna, and 6th Worcester District State Rep. Peter Durant all securing re-election without competition from the Democratic Party.

All three lawmakers expressed optimism in the future for the Commonwealth as they looked toward the next two years, and all three said they took their re-elections as a sign of trust from those they represent.

## PETER DURANT

For the first time since taking office in a May 2011 special election, Republican Peter Durant was unopposed for the 6th Worcester District, claiming his fourth term for the seat representing Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge and Spencer. After being contested for the seat for every election prior to 2016, Durant said it was a very unique experience to know he would likely be remaining in the State House even before Election Day.

"You like to think that hopefully running unopposed is because the people in the district saw that I was doing a decent job, and so it feels really good to not have had an opponent. It also gave me the ability to help out other candidates and allowed me to be able to do other things on an election level," said Durant. "It's much less stressful when you don't have opponent, for sure."

Durant said he hopes to continue

working with the Town of Charlton as they finalize a water line project for local residents off of Route 20, and the landfill issues in that town, as well as special projects in Dudley and Southbridge. With a new year on the horizon, Durant hopes to work even harder to service the 6th Worcester District and its residents.

"I think going into the New Year, I'll be working on some new legislation and review some things that didn't go through, some that are specialized, and some that are brand new," Durant said. "I'll be working with my staff and setting priorities to see what we want to work on over the next two years."

## RYAN FATTMAN

Fattman ran unopposed for a seat he claimed in an upset victory over Richard Moore in 2014, after initially serving as the 18th Worcester District state representative. Fattman said that he felt honored to be re-elected for another two years, and said he looks forward to getting back to work.

"I'm humbled by it and I'm really excited for the next two years," Fattman said. "I've said in the past that I got really frustrated as a member of the House and sometimes felt like my voice was ignored, and in the Senate, I feel that not only have I been heard, but I've been successful in representing the people who voted for me and trust me to represent them. I've worked to bring money and projects and laws to fruition and that, for me, has been awesome so I'm really excited about the next two years."

Fattman said his focus will turn to helping local law enforcement officials get their say in Boston, and he will continue the course towards making Massachusetts a more financially sound state.

"I do want to make sure we honor our police officers. Right now it's not a felony when they're assaulted. It should be. To me that's just common sense and it's one of the things I plan to work really hard on," said Fattman. "I want to keep taxes down and keep working on reforming state government to make it work for the people."

McKenna said. "You're first few years you kind of get your feet under you. I've been able to build some relationships in Boston and really understand the intricacies of how things work. I felt like I had a pretty good grasp of that coming in, but getting my first term under my belt really allowed me to start to be more effective than I was already and I was confident in what I was already accomplishing in my first term."

McKenna said he has some big plans for the next two years as he will be working hard to push forward new legislation and pursue continuing projects that will benefit both the state and the towns in his district.

"I'm looking forward to looking at a number of pieces of legislation that were brought to my attention from people throughout the district and to have the ability to move those forward," McKenna said. "I'll be pushing real hard to work with Congressman [Jim] McGovern to try and get some funding for the water filtration plant in Webster. That has risen to be a top priority for me. I'm still pushing very hard for the Yellow Dot Bill, which is a piece of legislation that will provide lifesaving information for drivers so that if they are in an accident then first responders will have access to information that could save their lives and give them the information they need. I'll also be working on a corrective piece of legislation for the PAWS Act which was filed in 2012, before my time, and is an animal rights bill that, on the whole, is a very good bill but has some flaws that put people in a tough position that just need to be corrected."

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6:30 p.m., Board of Selectmen will meet at the Town Hall

### JOE MCKENNA

Fattman's successor for the 18th Worcester District state representative seat in 2014, Joe McKenna, also maintained his seat unopposed, saying he was excited to continue working for his local communities and continue building on the progress he has made as a lawmaker in his first two years in the State House.

"I'm excited. Running unopposed to me is gratification for me in that people have noticed the amount of work and energy that I've put into the district over the past two years. It tells me they think I've done a good job and that they are confident in me so that's encouraging,"

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## LOCAL PERFORMER REACTS TO 'CREEPY CLOWN' TREND



Courtesy photos



During the month of October, Nicole Portwood (second from right) — better known as Maggie the Clown — traveled to India to participate in the 5th Annual International Clown Festival.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

BRIMFIELD — Her name is Nicole Portwood, but most people know her as Maggie the Clown.

Usually seen at events throughout Southern Worcester County handing out balloon animals, riding her unicycle and juggling, it's hard to imagine anyone being afraid of her, in her bright mismatched clothing and smiling face paint.

But last month it seemed as though alleged creepy clown sightings were taking social media by storm and it truly disheartened Portwood and other local clowns, who were even told they couldn't wear their face paint in some circumstances.

Even while she was in India celebrating the 5th International Clown Festival last month and spreading joy throughout the country with fellow clowns, Portwood kept thinking about her friends back home and the contrasting responses they were receiving.

Olivia Richman sat down with the accomplished and beloved entertainer to discuss her amazing time in India, the importance of clowns and why she feels she was always meant to be one.

**How did you end up at the International Clown Festival?**

"Last year, there was the first-ever worldwide circus summit at the Big E. Different circus people from all over came to it. I met the president of the World Clown Association, which I've been a member of for years, and she asked me if I wanted to go to India. In India, we visited three cities, where we performed in auditoriums and some smaller venues."

**How was it being a clown in India?**

"The thing about India is they don't know clowning like Americans know. It's much more advanced in the U.S. The vice president of the WCA is from India — he's been a clown for over 20 years — and he was trying to bring the art of clowning to the country. For them, they think of clowns as the Joker from Batman. They never see people in makeup. Their circus is basically dying. The new generation doesn't even know what a clown is. So this has been his dream."

**How did the public react when they first saw you and the other clowns?**

"People were not used to seeing us. In India, they're a lot more reserved, especially the women. So at the beginning — when we would

Maggie the Clown and fellow clowns from all over the world put on shows in three major cities in India. The country barely knows what clowns are or what they do, but when they saw the clowns perform it not only made them laugh, but inspired them.

be performing in malls or the auditoriums — they didn't know what to think. But once they would see the show it was like night and day. It was amazing. At the end of the show we would need all 15 of the mall bodyguards to keep people back. Everyone wanted to take selfies with us and hug us and shake our hands. It was crazy."

**How did you feel about people's reactions? To see their excitement over something you are so passionate about doing?**

"It was amazing to hear some of the comments. We let all the kids come up and shake our hands afterwards. Every single one of those school kids made a line. We were there for an hour. Some had little notes for us saying it was the best day ever. One 10-year-old boy said it was the best day of his life and he wants to be a clown someday."

**That's amazing to think you changed some children's lives!**

"It was very touching. They were so appreciative. We had one elderly Indian lady and she had to touch every single one of us. She kept saying 'God bless you.' It was amazing. My friend went last year. She said she had a pregnant Indian woman come up to her after the show and said her baby was going to be born healthy now. In India, they believe if you're not happy the baby may be born sick. But the

show had made her smile so much."

**Wow! You must have felt great being there and making such a positive impact on all of these people.**

"What was really neat was experiencing all of that positivity. But meanwhile in the states we were hearing all of the negative creepy clown things. It was very disheartening to see what we were doing — how positive it was — and knowing our friends in the U.S. couldn't even wear clown makeup to some of the Halloween festivals they were doing."

**That is horrible. That must have felt terrible knowing you were making such a huge difference with clowning, but back in the U.S., they were not getting the same responses. I felt the whole "creepy clown" thing on Facebook was so obnoxious.**

"Movies and things don't help. People tell me they're afraid of clowns. I ask why. They reference a movie nine out of 10 times. These kids are 7 or 8. Who is letting them watch these movies? I tell the children they can control what they watch. They can close their eyes and leave the room. I never saw a creepy clown movie as a child."

**How did you become interested in being a clown?**

"I've been doing this for 32 years. I started being a clown as a teenager. Everybody I knew

Nicole Portwood (right) has been performing as Maggie the Clown for 32 years. She loves to entertain, especially with skills like juggling and balancing acts. She also hopes to spread awareness that clowns are not scary: They're there to make you smile and laugh.

worked at Riverside (an amusement park in my small town), whether they did rides, games ... My first year of high school I did games. I would see this clown walking around. I said to myself, 'I can't believe he is getting paid to play.' I wanted that job. The next year I heard they were doing a clown show and I auditioned. I got in."

**And you kept going with it.**

"I was supposed to be a nurse. I was a senior in high school. But I literally found out four weeks before I was supposed to go to college that I was accepted to Ringling Brothers Clown College. If you had told me I was going to be a clown the rest of my life a few years earlier ... I would have laughed all the way home."

**What do you like about being a clown?**

"I think I like the fact that you can do and be whatever you want. The neat and cool thing about clowning is that whatever you like to do, you can incorporate it into clowning. For me, the skills — unicycling, juggling, stilt walking — were what got me. When I watched the clowns at the circus, it wasn't about being funny, it was about entertaining."

**A lot of people associate clowns with just being funny.**

"There's two clown categories — skills or funny. I'm a skill clown. At Ringling each group would tease each other. They'd joke about how I'm not able to make people laugh! Some people can walk into a room and just entertain for hours. I don't necessarily look for the laughs. But I do like to talk to people, young or old. I like talking to people, a s k i n g them questions. I love

the friendliness aspect. I like that I can use my creativity and my artistic talents, like sewing the costumes. I like thinking up shows and magic shows. For someone who has high energy, it's just never-ending, the possibilities. It's a huge toy box in front of you. That's your world."

**Being a clown is obviously your passion. How do you feel that you were able to be so successful in this tri-community area doing something you love?**

"When I first moved back from California in 2009 — where I was with my husband for 17 years — it was hard. Everything was social media, not the phone book like I had been used to in previous years. One thing I did with my marketing degree is to just get out there. If people aren't seeing you, you just need to get out there. I looked in the paper to see what events were coming. The first year I was here I simply called all the places with events in the newspaper and I asked if I could come to the event for free, volunteering this year. They were all over it. That's all it took was one time. Then they wanted me back next year after seeing what I did and were willing to pay me."

**Having such a positive response must feel great.**

"Part of my reasoning for wanting to get a positive article in the paper is to combat what just went on last month. Clowns are doing really great things for people. If you look at clowns and what they were always meant to be — they're supposed to make you happy, make you smile. That's all we're still trying to do. The last thing we want to do is scare people or make people not like us. We just want to brighten your day. That's all we want to do. That's all I want people to know. That is our number one goal. There's enough stuff in the world to make you not smile. We're just trying to spread a little joy, that's all."

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# Bay Path opens up first food pantry

## ‘WE ARE JUST LOOKING TO HELP EACH OTHER OUT’



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Cabinet Making Instructor Ray Mahon with some of the cabinet making students who help organize and stock the growing food pantry.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — Faculty, staff and teachers at Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School came together at the beginning of the school year to create a food pantry for students in need.

Through fundraisers, donations and generosity, Bay Path hopes to keep expanding their food pantry to further help students and their families.

One afternoon, some instructors got together, including Cabinet Making Instructor Ray Mahon, and they began to discuss the idea of kids being hungry over the weekend.

He recalled: “We felt we take a good job of taking care of kids during the week, free or reduced breakfast or lunch. But what happens over the weekend or over vacation without those services? That’s really how it was born.”

One major component of the food pantry is its discreetness. Located in a pantry in the school, not many students even know where the pantry is. There are no forms, no eligibility requirements. If an instructor knows a student in need of assistance, they bring it to the attention of guidance, who will provide the student with a small pull-string backpack with spaghetti, granola bars,

canned food and other easy-to-make food items, as well as toiletries. The food is usually given to someone who the child feels most comfortable dealing with, making it “very low-key,” noted Mahon.

“It’s tough enough being a kid. Tough enough being in this situation,” he continued. “We don’t need to add to that stress and that stigma. We are just looking to help each other out.”

Many of the students are already benefiting in big ways from the faculty’s generosity. Senior Nadia Colone said she’s been struggling to get government assistance so the food pantry has put food on the table for her and her family.

“I haven’t gone hungry because of it,” she said. “I think it’s awesome. It’s very beneficial. I’m honestly shocked they did it. You don’t hear about a lot of schools doing it. But there are so many needy kids out there who need programs like this. I’m very happy that Bay Path has come up with this.”

The faculty’s philosophy is to help and make a difference, one student at a time. But the food pantry is on the fast track to helping more and more students, because of the generosity of the community and employees.

“On half days the superintendent allows staff to wear jeans, but it comes at a price. Some organization charges \$5 or whatever the case may be. The



The food pantry doesn’t only help out students by providing easy-to-make food items. It also has toiletries and soon they hope to provide clothes to needy students as well.

food pantry put out a request – bring in one non-perishable food item and that will allow you to wear jeans for the day. The amount of food that came in that day was unbelievable,” said Mahon. “People were bringing boxes and shopping bags full of stuff. We continue to have teachers bring in on a weekly basis, a box of food items.”

There are a handful of students who stock all of the received food items and put it away, categorizing it in the pantry. They also help put together the packages, based on the kit that’s requested.

There is also talk of expand-

ing the food pantry to include clothing items. According to Mahon, this is another need many students have. Some students even skip school if they don’t have any clean clothes to wear.

Working with local grocery stores and organizations, Bay Path’s food pantry is looking into future fundraisers to keep the food pantry growing more and more, in hopes of helping out every student in need at the school.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Brimfield Area Master Singers schedule local concerts

BRIMFIELD — The Brimfield Area Master Singers (BAMS), under the direction of Steve Carlson, with guest conductors Bob Willis and Susan Ingram, will perform three winter concerts this season — Tuesday, Nov. 29, at United Church of Ware, 49 Church St.; Tuesday, Dec. 6, at St. Patrick’s Church, 22 Green St., Monson; and Dec. 20, at United Church of Brimfield, Main Street.

This year’s concert, “Wondrous,” features a variety of musical numbers from around the world, including two gospel arrangements, “Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child” and “Hallelujah! Thine the Glory,” as well as creative arrangements of Franz Gruber’s “Silent Night” by Pepper Choplin and Patrick Tierney. In reflecting on the winter season, the chorale will sing a new piece, “In Winter” by Victor C. Johnson while the women’s choir will offer “Winter Is a Quiet Celebration” by Ruth Schram and Linda Marcus. The chorus will be accompanied by Gay Paluch on keyboard, Pat Gelinas on violin, Elizabeth Sutton on percussion and Michael Bouchard on guitar. Members of the 40-voice choir hail from Palmer, Charlton, Monson, Brimfield, Sturbridge, Ware, Holland, West Warren and Warren, Fiskdale, Southbridge, and the Brookfields.

All performances will commence at 7 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public. A free will donation will be taken to support the mission of BAMS which is to involve surrounding communities in singing and experiencing the sounds of music from around the world. Light refreshments will follow each performance.

### Gobi announces upcoming office hours

Tyler Wolanin, District Director to Sen. Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of November and December.

Due to the difficulty of scheduling in the holiday season, the normal office hours schedule has been halved, with 14 towns covered in November and 14 in December. Constituents and town offi-

cial are invited to meet with Tyler to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have.

Walk-ins are welcome, but to set up an appointment you can e-mail Tyler at tyler.wolanin@masenate.gov, or call at 508-641-3502. Appointments are encouraged during so that information on cancellations can be shared.

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Charlton Senior Center, 2 to 3 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 28  
Brookfield Town Hall, 10 to 11 a.m.  
West Brookfield Senior Center, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 6  
North Brookfield Senior Center, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
East Brookfield Municipal Complex, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

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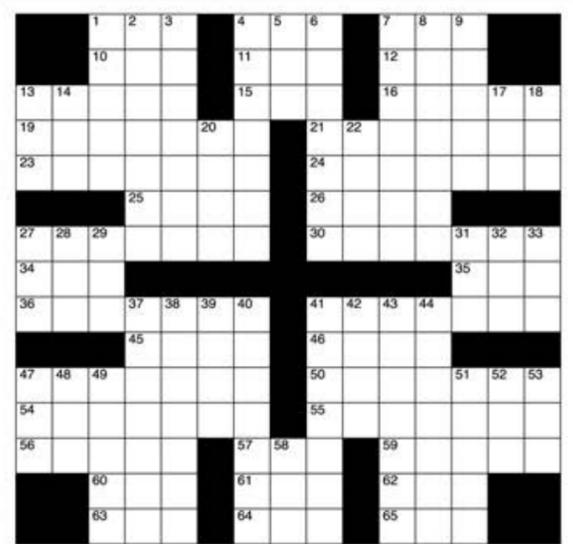


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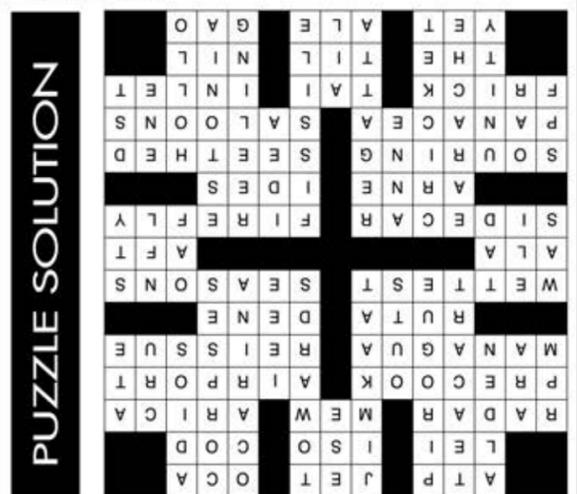


### CLUES ACROSS

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- 4. Plane
- 7. Plant cultivated for its tubers
- 10. Wreath
- 11. Equal, prefix
- 12. Type of fish
- 13. Measuring instrument
- 15. High-pitched crying noise
- 16. Chilean seaport
- 19. Make in advance
- 21. Where planes land and take off
- 23. Nicaraguan capital
- 24. Reprint
- 25. Evergreen genus
- 26. Vale
- 27. Not the most dry
- 30. There are four of them
- 34. Pie \_\_ mode
- 35. At or near the stern
- 36. Attached to the side of a motorcycle
- 41. Soft-bodied beetle
- 45. “Rule, Britannia” composer
- 46. \_\_ of March: rough day for Julius Caesar
- 47. A way of changing taste
- 50. Bubbled up
- 54. Remedy
- 55. Barrooms
- 56. Henry Clay \_\_, industrialist
- 57. A citizen of Thailand
- 59. Cove
- 60. One and only
- 61. \_\_ death do us part
- 62. Zero
- 63. Thus far
- 64. Brew
- 65. Crunches federal numbers

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. John \_\_, Pilgrim settler
- 2. Drink table on wheels
- 3. A canoe
- 4. Baseball player nicknamed “Kitty”
- 5. Midway between east and southeast
- 6. Direction of attention
- 7. Egg-shaped wind instrument
- 8. Cadavers
- 9. Farewell
- 13. Revolutions per minute
- 14. Small constellation
- 17. Vineyard
- 18. Consumed
- 20. Pitchers need to get them
- 22. Educational assn. (abbr.)
- 27. No longer is
- 28. Peyton’s little brother
- 29. Small amount
- 31. An awkward stupid person
- 32. Popular pro sports league
- 33. Pigpen
- 37. Type of head pain
- 38. “Jimmy” is one
- 39. Diarist Frank
- 40. Boat race
- 41. Can be split
- 42. Thought
- 43. Staggering
- 44. Baltic country
- 47. Sunscreen rating
- 48. Paddle
- 49. Togetherness
- 51. Beat-influenced poet Anselm
- 52. Midway between northeast and east
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- 58. Afflict



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# Sides still at odds over motor sports venue construction

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — Many residents in Charlton and Sturbridge believe that 508 International (formerly Sunset City) is a “done deal.”

The sports entertainment hub — which features motor sports for people of all ages and experience levels—has already begun construction and plans to be open in the spring of 2017. But Residents Against Noise & Traffic (RANT) want the community to understand that it’s not “good to go,” and the project is still “in limbo.”

When RANT didn’t agree with Building Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer Curtis Meskens’ determination that the racetrack was allowed in an agricultural and residential zone, RANT founder Ron Charette filed to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The issue ended up making its way to court.

For a while, RANT and other residents were quiet. 508 International had begun to build their race track and many believed that the words of the Zoning Enforcement Officer had ended RANT’s efforts to stop the construction of the track, which they believe

will create dangerous traffic on Brookfield Road and cause an extreme amount of noise and dust pollution to the residential areas surrounding it.

But Charette stated that it’s time the public became aware of the facts — Justice of the Superior Court Thomas P. Billings ruled on Oct. 20 that the opinion of the zoning enforcement officer was only advisory.

Said Charette: “He doesn’t have the right to make a judicial determination whether or not it’s allowed in the zone. That was false information for us and for the town.”

According to findings from Billings, “Neither the ZBA’s decision nor the Jan. 8, 2015 decision of the Zoning Enforcement Officer in response to Ronald Charette’s inquiry shall have any force or effect.”

508 International co-owner Russ Jennings said that within the town’s zoning bylaws, they are allowed build and open their venue “by right” and that RANT are just “beating a dead horse.” A page out of the Charlton Zoning Bylaws book shows that “other private predominantly recreational area” have a “Y” written next to it, meaning that the project

is allowed by right without a site plan review.

“Many, many other things that exist in our town are not specifically spelled out in zoning, but they’re allowed,” said Jennings. “It’s a recreational sport. RANT’s argument is that it’s not spelled out in hearing. But many, many other things that exist in town like disc golf are not specifically spelled out but they’re allowed. This project involves outdoor recreation in many other forms other than motocross. That’s just one of the many things that we do.”

Feeling jaded by some of the town’s elected officials — who RANT members feel are not properly addressing the situations or hearing out their citizens — the group’s focus right now is educating the town on this newly received information.

Said Charette: “The town made a number of missteps in this process that we learned about, starting with giving out wrong lists of abutters and empowering the zoning enforcement officer with the wrong powers and making a ruling at Zoning Board of Appeals that is absolutely wrong. In my opinion, Meskens caused harm to all

parties by his decision. We are going to present it to the town. Corrective actions need to be taken. We want to make it very clear that 508 International has no authority to go forward.”

As of press time, members of RANT are looking at a number of different areas of concern, looking for ways to interject if that’s what they choose to do.

“They’re in limbo. They’re moving forward, not knowing if they can legitimately open or not,” Charette explained. “They can move forward in any direction they want. But when there’s a need for permits, that’s when enforcement action have to be taken into account. Nothing is final. They may not be permitted. It may not be allowed. We are looking at all of our options and seeing what makes the most sense.”

Jennings stated that he believes RANT is a “very small group of people” that “continue to fight an issue that’s never been an issue.” He stated that they “won’t let it die” and refuse to give up on a cause they have dedicated themselves to.

“We plan to open in April,” said Jennings. “It’s all been going amazing so far. We are really excited about what we

are bringing to the community come 2017.”

Members of RANT also noted that this is also a huge concern for the future, noting other projects like this may arrive down the road. Despite 83 percent of Charlton being considered agricultural zones, Charette stated that Meskens stated in court that “anything can go in those zones,” including amusement parks, strip joints and shooting galleries.

“This is very concerning to us,” said Charette. “There’s really no protection. There’s nothing in place that will protect any residents from this. We aren’t just a bunch of antagonists. These are our homes, where we’ve lived for 20, 30, 50 years. Our rights are not being protected. We aren’t out to hurt people. We aren’t anti-anything. There’s just no protection for anyone in this town and that concerns us. It’s very troubling.”

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## Festival of (Giving) Trees presents educational program

SOUTHBRIDGE — The 19th annual Festival of (Giving) Trees is a four-day extravaganza of family-friendly holiday cheer to benefit breast cancer prevention efforts.

As an educational component of the Festival, special guest speaker and Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition Board member, Dr. Justine Dymond will present “Life After Diagnosis: One Woman’s Path” on Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Fins and Tales Restaurant (858 Main Street, Southbridge).

Dr. Dymond is an associate professor of English at Springfield College, where she teaches literature and writing. A published author, Dr. Dymond has been awarded The Briar Cliff Review Fiction Prize and the O. Henry Prize, one of the most prestigious recognitions for short fiction, and her stories have appeared in numerous literary journals. In 2013, her co-edited collection Motherhood Memoirs: Mothers Creating/Writing Lives was published by Demeter Press. Her chapter on memoirs of postpartum depression intertwined her scholar-

ship with her own personal narrative. In April 2014, she was diagnosed with Stage III breast cancer and is currently working on an essay about her experience.

“We are honored that Dr. Dymond will share her story with Tri-State citizens. Her passion and inspiration has galvanized many citizens into action to support the prevention of cancer,” says Cheryl Osimo, executive director of the Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition and co-founder of its sister organization, Silent Spring Institute.

Hors d’oeuvres will be served. Admission is free, but donations are welcomed. Seating is limited so reserve your seat today by contacting Janet Garon at jgaron98@aol.com or 774-230-7382

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# Overlook program honors veterans for their service

*Olivia Richman photos*

CHARLTON — U.S. Marine Corp World War II veteran Keith Krewson hosted his powerful Veteran's Day Ceremony at the Overlook Friday, Nov. 11, an annual tradition to honor the independent living veterans at the nursing home.

"Someone has to do it for the people who can't get out to the big programs," said Krewson. "These people are kind of locked in here. If we didn't do this, very few would get out to a program."

For Krewson — who has put together Veteran's Day programs for over 50 years all over the country — hon-

oring veterans is something very important and dear to his heart.

"I believe very deeply that what the veterans accomplished for our country is extremely important to continue remembering," he explained. "We wouldn't have the liberties we have without them."

Krewson was asked to speak at a high school a few months ago, where he discussed World War II to some junior and senior classes. One of the students said to him, "I suppose you're one of those people that hates that people burn the flag and stamp on it."

To the weary students, Krewson stated: "Do I like it? No. I deplore it. It's disgusting to me. But would I

go back out to fight for those people to do it? We would fight for that freedom again, even if we think it's wrong. That's what America's all about."

The student came up and hugged him.

A big accomplishment for the veteran was being interviewed by the Library of Congress, where he talked about his experience in World War II for three hours. Krewson served in the Pacific from Thanksgiving of 1942 when he was 17 through Christmas of 1945. Some of the men he served with had perished. For Krewson, speaking with the Library of Congress was a way to have the men remembered forever.



"It's wonderful we have this," said Bob Grieve and Charles Williams. "We are so grateful for Krewson. We wouldn't have this without him."



World War II Army veterans Clarence Bachand and Harry Howard have been attending the Veteran's Day ceremony for the past few years.



The American Legion Charlton Post 391 and Boy Scouts performed the posting of the colors.



Keith Krewson wanted to recognize a Marine Corp. veteran who was pronounced dead on the battlefield. As he told his story, Krewson couldn't hold back the tears.



Air Force veteran Bill Brown read a "salute to the veterans," a letter about thanking servicemen and women and their allies for the sacrifices they made "to ensure the triumph of freedom and democracy."



Charlton Police Chief James Pervier sang "My Buddy," an annual tradition. Said Pervier: "I went to the World War II memorial in Hawaii. It was overwhelming to stand on the spot where the Japanese surrendered to the United States. That memorial is maintained by veterans and volunteers."



"As often as I speak in public, speaking to you, our veterans, I feel as if I don't have the worthiness to speak to you," said Overlook Executive Director Maureen O'Toole. "I have such little understanding. I'm not a veteran."



Each independent living veteran was recognized individually. Director Maureen O'Toole shook everyone's hands and the audience clapped, the veteran's proper song playing in the background.

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# Harrington delivers message of gratitude to local veterans

Courtesy photos

SOUTHBRIDGE/WEBSTER — Forty veterans were served at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center on Tuesday, Nov. 8, while 160 were served at Point Breeze, Webster, on Thursday, Nov. 10, during a pair of Veterans Luncheons last week to honor our country's heroes.



Heather Peck Quellette sings the National Anthem at the Southbridge event.



Boy Scouts presenting the colors and leading the Pledge of Allegiance from Troop 160 (Southbridge) were Jonathan Martin, Joshua Martin, Antonio Sanelli, Benjamin Peters, Ryan Peters and Erik Tavares, and from Troop 151 (West Boylston) were Benjamin Lapidus (who delivered the blessing) and Joshua Lapidus.



Veterans enjoy the meal during the Southbridge event.



Harrington President and CEO Ed Moore (pictured), State Rep. Peter Durant, State Rep. Todd Smola, Veterans Agent Mike Trombley and Southbridge Town Manager Ron San Angelo all delivered remarks during the Southbridge event.



State Rep. Todd Smola speaks at the Southbridge event.



State Rep. Peter Durant speaks at the Southbridge luncheon.



In Webster remarks were made by Harrington President and CEO Ed Moore, as well as State Rep. Joe McKenna (pictured). The National Anthem was sung by Sgt. John E. Dougherty, USMC, and the blessing was delivered by Rev. Robert M. Fredrickson.



Boy Scouts presenting the colors and leading the Pledge of Allegiance from Troop 173 (Webster) were Aaron Aguilar, Adrian Aguilar and Jonathan Truscott, and from Troop 151 (West Boylston) were Benjamin Lapidus and Joshua Lapidus.



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# OPINION

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## TO THE EDITOR We the people

To the Editor:  
 I am a very grateful and proud husband, father, businessman, active member in various areas of the community, and American citizen.

Although many are disheartened with the divisiveness and discord we've witnessed in the political arena, particularly over the past year, let's remember that we have the power to rise above negativity and lead great positive lives.

Please consider the following:  
 To paraphrase John F. Kennedy: Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your family, work place, neighborhood, schools, church, community, and country.

Am I just a complainer or do I recommend solutions to problems? i.e. Are

you part of the problem or are you part of the solution?

Do I recognize that we live in a democracy, have the good fortune to choose our political leaders and representatives, and also have the responsibility to make our opinions known to them regarding specific issues and the direction of our communities and our country? Never forget that silence is ascension!

Let's work with each other to make this next chapter in our lives and American history extraordinary. We the people have, and are, the power!

RICHARD CAYER  
 CHARLTON

## How should you use retirement plan distributions?



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During your working years, you are (hopefully) putting money into your IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. But once you've retired, how can you maximize the benefits you get from these plans?

First of all, you need to be aware of the rules governing withdrawals from your retirement plans. If you are older than 59½, you can withdraw money from your traditional IRA without paying penalties, though the withdrawals will typically be taxable. But once you reach 70 1/2, you generally must start taking "required minimum distributions" (RMDs) from these accounts, with the annual amount determined by your age, the account balance and other factors (the situation is different with a Roth IRA. If you are the original account holder, you are not required to withdraw funds from your Roth IRA at any age. You can choose to withdraw your contributions at any time, tax and penalty free. To withdraw your earnings tax and penalty free, you generally must have owned the account for at least five years and have reached age 59 1/2).

So, assuming you do have a traditional IRA and a 401(k) or similar plan, what should you do with the RMDs? You'll probably require at least some of these distributions for your living expenses, but if you don't need it all, what should you do with the "excess"?

Here's one suggestion: As part of your overall retirement investment portfolio strategy, you can reinvest the money into these three "buckets":

**Near-term income bucket** – For this bucket, you're not concerned with high returns – you just want the money to be there when you need it for expenses and unexpected costs, such as a major car repair, a new furnace, and so on. It's always a good idea to have an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses – and your short-term income bucket could be an ideal source to help build such a fund.

**Medium-term income bucket** – During retirement, you can probably never have too many sources of income, so you may want to fill a bucket with intermediate- and long-term bonds, which make regular interest payments.

**Long-term income bucket** – Even when you're retired, you will need some growth potential in your portfolio to help keep you ahead of inflation in the long run. So this bucket should be filled, not surprisingly, with growth-oriented investments. These investments can fluctuate in value, but as long as you don't need to tap into them in a hurry, you may be able to avoid taking withdrawals when the price is down.

In addition to this "bucket" approach, you do have other options for your RMDs. For example, you could give your grown children some financial assistance, possibly for help in funding their IRAs. Or, you could contribute to a college-savings vehicle, such as a 529 plan, for your grandchildren. And you can always make charitable contributions, which allow you to support worthwhile organizations and, by doing so, earn some potential tax benefits.

Clearly, you can do a lot with your RMDs. And you worked hard for them – so make sure they work just as hard for you.

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REALTOR'S REPORT  
**JAMES BLACK**

## Best process for selling your home

People most of the time decide to sell their home because that is what they need to do in order to buy the home they really want.

A common phone call we will get is: "I just found the perfect home online. I want to go see it before we miss out on it."

This call, many times, is from people we didn't know had interest in buying and it was just this one house that sparked their interest. We could go look at the house and fall in love with it, but if another buyer does the same thing and they are preapproved and either don't have to sell a home or already have a buyer for their home then they will most likely get their offer accepted instead, even if their offer is lower.

My suggestion is, if you are thinking about moving, then talk to a lender to get preapproved so you know how much you can spend and be prepared if you do find the right house. If you do have a home currently, I would find out from the lender if you need to sell your home in order to buy a new home. If you don't then you could decide to wait to list your home for sale to ensure you find the perfect house first. If you do have to sell your home to buy, then I would have your realtor do a comparative market analysis on your home, and if the price makes sense for you, to sell it, then list it for sale, and wait until you have a ready, willing and able buyer on your home before finding the home you are moving to. It will eliminate lots of stress and frustration on your part.

However, I think it is a great idea to go to open houses in the location where you are looking to buy a home just to get a good idea of what you will get in your price range but mentally knowing that it is best to wait for a buyer for your home before offering on another home.

We have definitely had some scenarios that we didn't follow the exact process above and it worked out fine, but the majority of the time it didn't. I would recommend discussing this with your realtor if you are planning on moving to decide what will be the best process for you to achieve your goals.

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## Political memorabilia



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Now that our presidential race is over, I thought this would be a good time to discuss collecting political memorabilia.

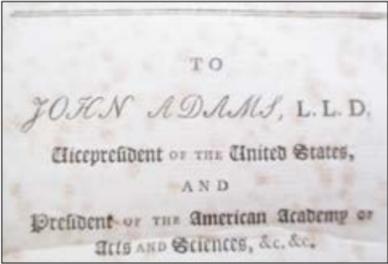
A good place to begin is with our first president. A collection of 37 George Washington inaugural and memorial buttons drew considerable interest when they went to auction in 2003. J. Harold Cobb started collecting Washington buttons in the 1950's. He had over 60 at one point before trading some while keeping the finest examples. One of the buttons had an interesting Massachusetts connection. In the 1940's a library was being renovated in Southampton. A tree limb was cut during the work. A bag fell out with five Washington buttons. One of them made its way into the Cobb collection. A button with "Pater Patriae" (father of our country) picturing George Washington brought the highest price at the auction selling for \$25,300.

Innovation changed political memorabilia throughout history. The introduction of photography allowed images of candidates to appear on buttons and pins. Printing went from one color ink broadsides to brightly colored campaign flags, textiles and lithographed posters. Candidates would make use of all of the new advances to campaign. Prices for some pinbacks and posters of presidents from the 19th and early 20th century can easily fetch prices in the thousands of dollars.

Signed documents by George Washington and Abraham Lincoln can command figures in the five-figure range. If there is important historical content prices can go much higher.

The website justcollecting.com listed the top 10 prices for U.S. Presidential memorabilia at auction. They are:

10. Abraham Lincoln's inaugural speech sold for \$1,320,000 at auction in 1992.
9. A letter by Thomas Jefferson regarding plans for the Lewis and Clark expedition letter sold for \$1,439,500 in a 2002 auction.
8. A letter by George Washington written to John Armstrong regarding the Constitution brought \$1,439,500 in 2013.
7. Saddle pistols owned by the Marquis de Lafayette and George Washington fetched \$1,986,000 in a 2002 auction.
6. Abraham Lincoln's final speech



Courtesy photo

A 1793 "History of Worcester County" dedicated to John Adams in our January auction.

from just four days before his death in 1865 reached \$3,086,000 in a 2002 auction.

5. A letter by George Washington to his nephew regarding the proposal of a new U.S. Constitution brought \$3,218,500 in a 2009 auction.

4. An 1864 letter by Abraham Lincoln to Mrs. Horace Mann discussing a petition asking him to free slave children sold for \$3,401,000 in 2008.

3. The handwritten manuscript from Abraham Lincoln's victory speech was auctioned for \$3,442,500 in 2009.

2. A typed copy of Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation freeing all slaves resulted in a price of \$3,778,500 in a 2010 auction.

1. George Washington's copy of the Constitution and Bill of Rights with annotations in his hand sold for \$9,826,500.

One of the items featured in our January auction has connections to one of our first presidents and a local patriot. "The History of the County of Worcester in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts" was written by Peter Whitney in 1793. The book is dedicated to Vice President John Adams (before he became president) and was published by Isaiah Thomas who published the pro-independence Massachusetts Spy newspaper.

We are holding an estate sale on Nov. 19, and Nov. 20, at St. Nicholas Ave. in Worcester. It will feature pressed steel toys and a wide variety of collectibles, tools and furnishings. Some of the items in our Jan. 26 auction range from coins and jewelry to historical and sports memorabilia. We continue to pickup items from local estates for this sale. See www.centralmassauctions.com for more information on these and other upcoming events.

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## Freezer meals

I know I am not as busy as I will be as my kids get older, but right now I feel like there are not nearly enough hours in my day to do much of anything, especially cook an elaborate healthy dinner for my family.

The one thing I have going for me is that my son will eat just about anything, having a preference in healthy, and my daughter who was once pickier than anything, is starting to actually give in and try something other than plain pasta and peanut butter sandwiches. Everywhere I turn lately, I feel like I am seeing these meals called freezer meals, and my curiosity was peaked. If someone mentioned "freezer meals" to me years ago I would have assumed they meant those sodium packed TV dinners that barely fill up a toddler. So, I started my research.

With crock-pot season upon us I was very excited to see that not only are these meals ready to go, but all I would have to do is thaw it in the fridge overnight and stick it in my favorite appliance (my Crock Pot) and not have to do another thing. All I needed to do was food shop for meals as opposed to just ingredients and get a large box of gallon size freezer bags. I should also mention that while I love my money savings on store brand, this is one thing I think you should consider getting the best quality you can. It will guarantee a good seal to defend against freezer burn, and it will also help minimize the chance of cross contamination in your freezer in the

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event of leakage. So while going through I compiled some of my favorites, and I hope you enjoy making some of these for your family and as always I love getting feedback and recipes.

- Mexican Chicken Soup
- 1 pound carrots, peeled and diced
  - 2 large cloves of garlic, minced
  - 2 tomatoes, chopped
  - 1 can tomato sauce
  - 1 teaspoon cumin
  - 1 teaspoon fennel seeds
  - 1 teaspoon chili powder
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - Juice from 1/2 lime
  - 1 pound boneless skinless chicken breasts

- 4 cups fat-free, reduced-sodium chicken broth on the day of cooking
- Easy peasy...place in freezer bag, seal well, and label it. I usually try to use them within a week or two but if sealed properly it should last about 6 weeks. Thaw and place in the crock-pot on high for 4 hours or low for 6-8. Serve with some tortilla chips and the most work you will have is a one pot clean up.

- Hawaiian Chicken
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into bite-sized pieces
  - 1 fresh pineapple, stalk, and core removed and fruit cut into bite-sized pieces
  - 2 tablespoons light brown sugar
  - 2 tablespoons low sodium soy sauce

# Historic helpings for Thanksgiving

Americans have much to be thankful for, and while details of the “first” Thanksgiving are debatable, there is no denying the major role American Indians played in the lives of early settlers.

From teaching colonists to hunt turkey and deer and cultivate corn to showing them how to tap Maple syrup and cook wild cranberries, Native Americans are credited with preventing mass starvation in early settlements.

In appreciation of the American Indians’ vast contributions to the dinner table, this week’s column will spotlight some Thanksgiving-worthy Native American classics.

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**Indian Pudding:** Among the most memorable of New England comfort foods, Indian Pudding is a regional dessert that frequently makes an appearance on the Thanksgiving table. The many hours required to cook the thick cornmeal and molasses custard, along with the high calories and richness of the old fashioned dish make the “once a year” dessert worth waiting all year for.

While the sweet, steamy pudding continues to be served up as a rustic treat in fine Yankee restaurants, the traditional dish boasts a humble history.

Tracing its roots to the Colonists’ love of England’s “hasty pudding,” Indian Pudding was made with cornmeal, which was plentiful in the New World, along with molasses and maple syrup, two common sweeteners of the day.

History reveals President John Adams and First Lady Abigail served homemade Indian Pudding at White House receptions.

Below is an old fashioned recipe, courtesy of the Plimouth Plantation kitchen:

**Plimouth Plantation Slow Cooker Indian Pudding**

**Ingredients:** Three cups whole milk; 1/2 cup cornmeal; 1/2 teaspoon table salt; two tablespoons unsalted butter, plus extra for greasing cooker; two large eggs; 1/3 cup molasses; one teaspoon cinnamon; 1/2 teaspoon ginger; 1/2 cup dried cranberries (optional); Serve with ice cream or whipped cream.

**Directions:** Grease the inside of your slow cooker with butter and pre-heat on high 15 minutes.

In a large, heavy-bottomed pot, whisk together milk, cornmeal, and salt, and bring to a boil. Continue whisking another 5 minutes; then cover and simmer on low 10 minutes. Remove from the burner and add but-

In a medium-size bowl, combine eggs, molasses, and spices. Add some of the hot cornmeal mixture to the egg mixture to temper the eggs; then transfer egg mixture into the pot. Stir in cranberries, if you like.

Scrape batter into the slow cooker and cook on high 2 to 3 hours or on low 6 to 8 hours. The center will be not quite set.

Serve warm topped with ice cream, whipped cream, or light cream.

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**Cranberry Chutney & Sauce:** Wild cranberries have long held an important rank in Native American culture. American Indians ate cranberries in a variety of dishes and used the bright red berries as a natural dye to color textiles. The native fruit was also hailed as valuable medicine, as a poultice of the berries was applied to wounds, including serious war injuries.

Native Americans introduced the tart berry to the settlers who gave the cranberry its current name. The pink flower blossoms on the cranberry reminded early Colonists of the Sandhill Crane in their native



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Vitamin C, were also coveted by early 19th century whalers as they brought cranberries on board their vessels to prevent scurvy.

Today, cranberry sauce served along with a traditional turkey is a much anticipated Thanksgiving Day tradition. Read on for an old fashioned homemade cranberry authentic chutney from Native American recipe files.

**Cranberry Chutney, American Indian Style**

**Ingredients:** Three cups cranberries; one dozen cored apples; one onion, sliced; one cup golden raisins; 1 1/2 tablespoons ground ginger; two ounces chili peppers; four cups apple cider vinegar; two tablespoons salt; one pound dark brown sugar; two tablespoons flour dissolved in 1/4 cup water.

**Directions:** In a heavy large saucepan mix together apples, onion, raisins, ginger, chilies, vinegar, salt and brown sugar. Cook over low heat for about 30 minutes. Add cranberries and flour/water mixture. Simmer

land, thus they called the fruit “cranberries.”

Raw cranberries, which are an excellent source of

until cranberries pop and mixture thickens, about ten minutes. Let set to cool and further thicken. Refrigerate after cooling.

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**Succotash:** Corn was a staple crop of American Indians and they prided themselves on cooking it many different ways. Succotash, of which corn in a main ingredient, is a simple yet delicious dish that is familiar to most folks of Native American descent. The hearty “stew” typically consists of corn, beans, and sweet peppers. The low cost and relatively easy access to homegrown ingredients made this common fare at Thanksgiving time and all year round.

**Succotash Stew**

**Ingredients:** Four ears of fresh sweet corn; four cups of fresh lima beans (frozen may be substituted); 1 1/2 cups of water; 1/2 cup butter; 1 1/2 cups of sliced green onions; one green and one red bell pepper, diced

**Directions:** Cut corn cobs into 1 1/2 inch lengths. Place corn, beans, water, and butter in a large saucepan. Salt and pepper to taste. Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir in onions and peppers and continue to simmer for 6 to 10 minutes, until beans are tender

and peppers are slightly tender. Remove lid and cook over high heat for 3 to 4 minutes, until liquid is reduced to about a half cup.

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**Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House —** Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three-course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! 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 publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdr@atol.com.*

## The little black box

### MINOR

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told him, my voice breaking. “I can’t lose this truck.”

“We’ll do what we can,” I remember him saying. He knew how much Blackie meant to me. After all, he was the one who helped me purchase it all those years ago.

“We’ll do what we have to do,” he added. His tone was reassuring.

As the days went on, I dealt with insurance companies, and the process stretched out over a few weeks. At first, they wanted to total the truck, but we fought for the money and did all the necessary repairs. I soon had what looked like a brand new truck in my driveway. My brother would have been proud to see Blackie 2.0 in all its glory.

My apologies for the long introduction to what this column is really about, but the explanation is necessary.

Maybe a month after getting my truck back, my friend Howard, who was working at the aforementioned car shop at the time, approached me with a wrapped box. My birth-

day had already passed, and it wasn’t Christmas yet. Puzzled, I opened it up, and inside was a little black box — smooth, shiny and midnight black. He saw the curious look on my face, smiled, and told me, “I made it from one of the old pieces we had to take off your truck. I know how important that truck is to you. I thought you might like to have a piece of it to keep with you. It’s nothing fancy, but you can use it for pencils, or whatever, for your desk.”

After a nice man hug, I nearly broke down at the generosity of the gift. He had fashioned a small pencil box out of sheet metal from one of the broken pieces of my truck. He told me it was from one of the fenders. I couldn’t believe how thoughtful it was. Yet, I wasn’t surprised at all, because that’s the kind of guy Howard is — thoughtful, loving and sincere — and always willing to do something to make you smile... ..Which is why it was so heartbreaking when he got sick about a year later. He started getting unexplained pain in his abdominal area. After several doctors’ visits, he was diagnosed with appendiceal

cancer in January. He battled it with everything he had. He had surgery, but they couldn’t remove the tumor. He tried chemotherapy, but nothing worked. Finally, on Thursday, Nov. 10, Howard succumbed to the cancer and he passed away, leaving behind a loving wife and three grown children that I have come to love as well.

I’ve known Howard and his family for years — since I was a kid, really — but have developed an even closer relationship with the family over the past decade or so. I lived next door to Howard for seven years up until 2014, and our relationship grew even deeper over that time. I would often walk next door with the wife and kids and we would just talk — about random, hilarious YouTube videos of people blowing stuff, shows we were watching on Netflix, random movie quotes, welding and automotive projects he was working on, kids, my youth group, and all kinds of other topics. He would also work on my car from time to time, free of charge, just because he wanted to help me.

He was a mechanic and an engineer, with an artistic flair.

He created a giant advertising sign out of foam board insulation for a water-themed night at my youth group, one of the coolest pieces I have ever seen. A metal owl sculpture he built from a saw blade, nails and various other metal pieces (similar to the one pictured in this week’s headshot box), sits at my front door, a Christmas gift I bought for my wife just because I thought it was so cool. The talent exuding from that man was ridiculous. He was gifted in so many ways.

But as much as he was talented, he was also humble. In fact, if he were here to read this, he probably wouldn’t care for me writing this about him. He was a caring friend who showed me time and time again what it looked like to love and serve others, whether it was helping someone split and stack wood, or going on missions trips to foreign countries to help pave, build or design something, he was always doing something to benefit someone else. He’s a man who was guided by his faith in God, and remained unwavering, even in the fearsome face of death. That’s an example I will strive to follow.

I was blessed to have a friend

like Howard, and I know I am only one of many that can say the same thing. I will miss him dearly...

There’s a little black box that sits on a countertop in my kitchen. One would normally pass by it without a second thought. But now, that little black box means more to me than it ever has. It represents the loving kindness of a great friend. It represents something broken that was made new, much like his earthly body that was made new when he finally met his Savior last week. That little black box, which holds pencils, pens and all sorts of other knick-knacks — also holds a whole lot of love.

So, as I said goodbye to Howard last weekend, amongst his family and friends at our church, I thought about that little black box ... and even in my tears, I smiled.

Goodbye for now, Howard — I’ll miss you, but I’ll see you soon.

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## POLICE LOGS

**Editor’s Note:** The information contained in these police logs was obtained through either press releases or other public documents kept by each police department, and is considered to be the account of police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. If a case is dismissed in court or the party is found to be innocent, Stonebridge Press, with proper documentation, will update the log at the request of the arrested party.

### CHARLTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### ARRESTS

Friday, Nov. 4

10:44 a.m.: Scott W Smith, 43, of 31 Prindle Hill Road, was arrested on a warrant

Monday, Nov. 7

2:20 p.m.: Jason A Gannon, 34, of 29 Lake Road, was arrested for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, armed robbery and trespassing

### OTHER ACTIVITY

Friday, Nov. 4

10:42 p.m.: Police investigated suspicious activity on Ramshorn Road

Saturday, Nov. 5

1:05 a.m.: Police investigated a suspicious motor vehicle on H. Putnam Road EXT Road

8:15 a.m.: Police investigated theft on Griffin Road

4:16 p.m.: Police responded to a motor vehicle accident on Sturbridge Road

Sunday, Nov. 6

11:39 a.m.: Police investigated a suspicious motor vehicle on Griffin Road

5:14 p.m.: Police investigated suspicious activity on Sturbridge Road

Monday, Nov. 7

7:38 p.m.: Police responded to a motor vehicle accident on Stafford Street

Tuesday, Nov. 8

2:57 p.m.: Police investigated suspicious activity on N. Main Street

10:16 p.m.: Police investigated suspicious activity on City Depot Road

Wednesday, Nov. 9

2:25 a.m.: Police investigated a disturbance on Main Street

6:20 p.m.: Police investigated suspicious motor vehicle on Old Worcester Road

### MOM

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• 1 cut up red bell pepper  
Thaw and cook on high for 4 hours. Serve over rice or noodles.

**Pull Apart Pork**  
• 1 pork butt roast  
• 1 cup grape jelly  
• 1 cup ketchup  
• 1 tsp. or chili powder or all spice  
Thaw and cook on low for 8 hours.

**Sweet and Sour Meatballs**  
• 1 pound of ground turkey seasoned and formed into 2inch rounds (I season with S&P, crushed saltines, and parsley)  
• 1 cup ketchup

• 1 jar chili sauce  
Thaw and cook on high about 5 hours.

**Auntie’s Kielbasa**  
• 3 pounds of kielbasa sliced (believe me, it will go fast! This is perfect for parties, you wont have any left)

• 1 cup dark brown sugar  
• 1/2 cup ketchup  
Thaw and cook on low for 8 hours.

*Please write in and share your thoughts! As always, take what you want from what we discuss as advice or information, share with me your favorite tip or recipe and join me on our next edition of “Mom in Motion.” E-mail me your thoughts and tips at jill@stonebridgepress.com.*

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# CALENDAR

The calendar page is a free service offered for listings for government, educational and non-profit organizations. All calendar listings are due Fridays at 12 p.m., for publication on the following Friday's edition. Mail to Editor Adam Minor at Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; send by fax at (508) 764-8015 or by e-mail to [aminor@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:aminor@stonebridgepress.news). Please write "Calendar" in the subject line. We will print such listings as space allows. Please note: Items with an RSVP date will be listed by their RSVP date, not by the date of the actual event, unless otherwise requested.

## Thursday, Nov. 17

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Republican Town Committee will meet on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Veterans Room of the Town Hall in Southbridge. Any registered Republican is welcome. For more information about the meetings or about joining the Republican Town Committee, please contact Chairman Michael Jaynes at 508-764-6555.

The Harrington Hospital Auxiliary is hosting its annual Bake Sale on Thursday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the hospital lobby at 100 South Street, Southbridge. A variety of baked goods from cookies and cakes to pies and cupcakes will be available for purchase. In addition to a variety of pastries, you might also find fudge, homemade spaghetti sauce, Polish specialty dishes, spinach pie, soup and seasoned nuts. Proceeds from all Gift Shop purchases enable the Auxiliary to provide equipment and programs that benefit the health and well being of the members in the communities the Harrington HealthCare System serves.

You're invited to the Southbridge Business Partnership's official launch event at 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 17, on The Green Restaurant at Cohasse Country Club, 393 Eastford Rd., Southbridge. The SBP is a volunteer group committed to supporting and enhancing economic opportunities in the Town of Southbridge. Please join us to hear about the many benefits of becoming a partner in this dynamic new initiative! Refreshments and cash bar. Please RSVP to Rosemary Scrivens, [rscrivens@southbridgemass.org](mailto:rscrivens@southbridgemass.org).

### STURBRIDGE

Village Toastmasters hosts a festive food-related meeting on Thursday, Nov. 17, 7-8:15 p.m. All aspects of a traditional Toastmasters meeting, from the Word of the Day and prepared speeches to the opening joke and Table Topics, will be re-baked with a flavor for food. It is a meeting style that is anything but stale! For a sampling of the night's offerings, Sharon Como, Village Toastmasters VP of Membership, will blend together family stories related to her generations-old baked bean recipe. She'll top of her presentation with a tasting of her smooth and rich dish. On the lighter side, Lisa Centola will demonstrate the ease of making one of her family's favorite salads - the caprese. After slicing, mincing, peppering and drizzling, all while talking with the poise and directness of a typical Toastmasters speech, she'll pass out samples of delectable basil-topped tomato and mozzarella slices. Guests are welcome to join in for a taste of Toastmasters, and some delicious food too.

## Friday, Nov. 18

### SOUTHBRIDGE

On Friday, Nov. 18, the Harrington Hospital Auxiliary will feature its annual Holiday Gift Sale in the hospital lobby in Southbridge. Begin your holiday shopping with a splendid selection of jewelry, clothing and accessories, decorations, ornaments, floral arrangements, wreaths, toys, sports gifts, stocking stuffers and more. Light refreshments will be served and free gift wrapping will be available. For more information, please call Charlene LaPorte at 508-764-7777. Proceeds from all Gift Shop purchases enable the Auxiliary to provide equipment and programs that benefit the health and well being of the members in the communities the Harrington HealthCare System serves.

### BRIMFIELD

The Brimfield Senior Center is once again celebrating Thanksgiving with a down-home holiday feast on Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. Come join us in "Giving Thanks" for the bounty of the land, the warmth of friendship and camaraderie we share with each other, and each and every blessing that has touched our lives. The feast will include: Oven roasted herbed turkey, homemade gravy, seasoned bread stuffing with apples, onions & celery, golden butter-nut squash, green beans almandine, seasoned turnip, creamy mashed potatoes, warm buttered rolls, and cranberry sauce. For dessert there will be homemade pumpkin pie and apple pie a la mode. The Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield. Seating is limited



## Walktober explores Optical Heritage Museum

Courtesy photo

SOUTHBRIDGE — For the first time, 2016 Walktober calendar of events included the Sunday, Oct. 9 opportunity to examine the history and the artifacts of the American Optical Company (the AO, as it is locally referred to), a major employer in northeastern Connecticut and south/central Massachusetts over the span of its operations. The office and production areas have been re-purposed into a corporate conference center.

About 45-50 were in attendance. Executive Director Dick Whitney conducted official narrated tours but attendees were free to examine the

for this event. Please call 413-245-7253 for reservations.

## Saturday, Nov. 19

### WALES

"Have Fun and Learn" will be the theme at a free Ukulele Edu-Concert (ukulele workshop) for all ages at the Cable Access Studio (in Town Hall) in Wales, on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 2 to 3 p.m.

Edu-Concert participants will be introduced to the ukulele, a very portable instrument that is versatile, inexpensive, easy to learn, and a ton of fun. Workshop leader Dave Yubruh of ComedyAndMusic.com will bring 15 ukuleles for people to play, and anyone who has a ukulele should bring it along. Before long everyone will be singing and playing to songs including children's, pop and rock 'n' roll.

Dave Yubruh is a teacher, musician and comedian who presents Ukulele Edu-Concerts in libraries, schools, and other community centers.

The program is supported in part by a grant from the Wales Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

The Cable Access Studio is located in Old Town Hall, 3 Main St. For more information please contact Dave Yubruh at [ComedyAndMusicInfo@gmail.com](mailto:ComedyAndMusicInfo@gmail.com).

### DUDLEY

Shepherd Hill Music Parents Association will hold their annual Festival of Crafts on Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Shepherd Hill Regional High School located at 68 Dudley Oxford Road in Dudley. Admission is \$5. More than 200 top-quality New England crafters and artisans. Fine hand-made holiday gifts, reasonable prices, drawings, fresh food, home baked desserts, Free package carry out service and free shuttle from Dudley Middle School.

### BRIMFIELD

St. Christopher's Parish, Route 20, Brimfield will hold its annual craft fair on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Santa will be visiting on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for pictures. More than 35 vendors offering anything from handcrafted jewelry, primitives, blankets, quilts, scarfs, Christmas decorations and ornaments, organic lotions and soaps, knitted goods, pet gifts, toys and more. A cookie walk will be held on Saturday morning. Winter boxes will be available for holiday decorating at your home or cemetery. Several raffles will also take place with nearly 100 items to win. The kitchen will be serving delicious food throughout the fair. Admission to the craft fair is free. For more information contact the parish at 413-245-7274 or email [stchrisbrimfield@gmail.com](mailto:stchrisbrimfield@gmail.com) or check it out on the church's Facebook page.

Troop 7 Brimfield "Fill The Tent" Food Drive, Brimfield Town Common, Saturday, Nov. 19, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. This year Troop 7 is collecting goods for the Wales Food Bank (which serves Brimfield, Wales & Holland). Along with the usual non-perishables, (please check the expiration dates) we will also accept frozen turkeys, frozen vegetables and stuffing, to aid the food bank's Thanksgiving baskets. Cash, checks (payable to the Wales Food Bank) or grocery store card donations will also be accepted.

## Sunday, Nov. 20

### SOUTHBRIDGE

Please join us for our "All-You-Can-Eat" breakfast buffet 7 to 11 a.m.

extensive exhibits at their own pace. Located at 12 Crane Street near the downtown section of Southbridge, the museum, which is sponsored by Zeiss as well as by donors, is open to the public.

Whitney was an engaging commentator at the AO Museum, very knowledgeable about the history of the area and the company, but also about its products and the impact they have had on the vision difficulties individuals have faced over the millennia.

Noting the AO's local impact on employment during its operation, over several generations, Whitney noted that his father had worked for the company, as did he. In fact, in the AO Lens Division, he is the last man standing, the only one still employed there having just observed his 42nd anniversary.

Sunday, Nov. 20, at the Quinebaug Masonic Lodge, 339 Ashland Avenue, Southbridge. Our extensive menu includes French toast, Belgium waffles, custom omelets, sausage gravy and biscuits, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, toast and more. We ask for a donation of \$9 for adults and \$7 for senior citizens.

### HOLLAND

Holland Church invites the entire community to join them for their annual free Thanksgiving Dinner. Held at the Holland Elementary School on Sunday, Nov. 20, the seating times are 2 and 4 p.m. To make reservations or to order your meals to be delivered please call 413-245-9926.

## Wednesday, Nov. 23

### HOLLAND

Holland Church, 11 Sturbridge Rd., Holland, will be holding its annual Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 7 p.m., and invites the public to join them for this special service of Communion, personal testimonies and hymn singing. Nursery will be provided and the entire family is welcome. For more information please call 413-245-9926.

## Thursday, Nov. 24

### REGION

All S.C.M. Elderbus offices will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25, to observe the Thanksgiving holiday.

## Friday, Dec. 2

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Garden Club will hold their Annual Greens Sale on Friday, Dec. 2, from noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at The Arts Center, [www.QVCAH.org](http://www.QVCAH.org), 111 Main Street, Southbridge. The Southbridge Garden Club has been hosting this event for more than 15 years. All items sold are hand crafted by club members using fresh greens purchased locally or harvested from their personal gardens and the nearby woods. Holiday items, including wreaths, centerpieces, roping, swags and arrangements will be offered. Bundles of greens will also be available for purchase. During the Green Sale there will be an opportunity to win a basket of holiday related items. Proceeds from the Annual Greens Sale provide the garden club with funds to support beautification efforts at the Arts Center, The Town of Southbridge and surrounding communities. In addition, the Greens Sale funds annual scholarships for local high school students planning to major in horticulture, environmental science or related studies.

## Saturday, Dec. 3

### CHARLTON

Free Christmas Fair, Saturday, Dec. 3. Bake sale, cookie sale, craft tables, silent auction, special choir performance at 10 a.m., Christmas wreaths, lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., free gift wrapping station, Nativity scene collection on display, visit from Santa, free face painting, Christmas movies and crafts for kids, outdoor campfire, s'mores and hot cocoa. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 74 Stafford St., Charlton.

## Wednesday, Dec. 7

### STURBRIDGE

Richard Clark as "Ernest Hemingway Alive!" Life, Language and the Pursuit of Happiness. Wednesday, Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m. This is the story of a remarkable

life, a rough and tumble journey into the soul of one of the 20th century's greatest literary figures. Joshua Hyde Library, 306 Main St., Sturbridge.

## Friday, Dec. 9

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Southbridge Woman's Club will meet on Friday, Dec. 9, at 12 noon at the DOD Conference Center for their holiday luncheon. The program will feature Franny Mik, who will entertain us with his Frank Sinatra and Elvis Presley musical arrangements.

## Sunday, Dec. 11

### HOLLAND

Holland Elementary School Craft & Vendor Fair, Sunday, Dec. 11, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shop: Finish your holiday shopping or find something unique for yourself. Raffles from each vendor/crafter. Candy bars for sale. Please help support our Student Activities Fund toward the 6th Grade Field trip to the Ferry Beach Ecology School. Holland Elementary School, 28 Sturbridge Rd., Holland, MA 01521.

## Monday, Dec. 12

### STURBRIDGE

Come for a night of shopping at the Publick House in Sturbridge to benefit the Sturbridge Nursery School! We have some amazing vendors. Grab food and drinks at the bar/restaurant down stairs and come up for some of your holiday shopping! We'll have raffles and a wrapping table as well. Vendors include: Tupperware, LuLaRoe — multiple consultants, Unique, 31 Bags, Rodan and Fields, Norwex, and more. For more information please visit our Facebook event page, Holiday Shopping Event. The event begins at 6 p.m.

## Thursday, Dec. 15

### STURBRIDGE

Come grab a drink and meet some new people. We will be the ones with books at the bar...JHPL Books on Tap, Thursday, Dec. 15, 7:30 p.m., at Oxhead Tavern, 366 Main St., Sturbridge. Ernest Hemingway: "A Farewell to Arms" or "The Garden of Eden." This laid-back gathering gives folks the chance to discuss a book in a relaxed atmosphere, no quizzes, no lists of questions. Heck, we don't even care if you finish the book or not! Books are available from the Joshua Hyde Public Library, 306 Main St., Sturbridge. Sponsored by the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Public Library.

### ONGOING

### CHARLTON

Grief Support Group at Overlook Hospice — 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.

### SOUTHBRIDGE

The Winter Coat Closet at Holy Trinity Church, 446 Hamilton St., Southbridge, will be open every Saturday morning from 9-11 a.m., beginning Oct. 22 through Dec. 17. This ecumenical effort is supported by many churches in the area. There are coats available for men, women and children, as well as scarves & hats & mittens at no charge. Come down and browse through our racks. People wishing to donate clean, gently used winter coats can drop them off at the church on Saturday mornings. Please no light weight or dry clean only coats and no other type clothing, as space is limited. Children's and men's coats are especially needed. Call Chris McTigue, coordinator at 508-248-4726 for more information.

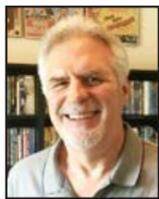
Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

### STURBRIDGE

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.

# OBITUARIES

## Alan Roland Fontaine, 63



ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. — Alan Roland Fontaine, 63, of St. Augustine, Fla. (formerly of Southbridge), died Sunday, Nov. 6, at the Community Hospice of Northeast Florida Bailey Center in St. Augustine, Fla.

Alan is survived by his wife of 35 years, Gay Marie (Langlois) Fontaine. He is also survived by two children, his son, Michael Fontaine, and his daughter, Nicole Fontaine, both of New York City; his parents, Roland and Lillian (Vlach) Fontaine, of Southbridge; his brother and sister-in-law, Jason and Pamela (Loubier) Fontaine, of Charlton; his mother-in-law, Lorraine (Hebert) Langlois, of St. Augustine, Fla.; and his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Gary and Denise (Madore) Langlois, of Ponte Vedra, Fla.

Alan was born in Southbridge, on March 28, 1953, and was a lifelong res-

ident of Southbridge until moving to St. Augustine, Fla., with Gay in April 2013. He graduated from the former Marianhill Central Catholic High School in 1971. He owned and operated the former A.R.F. Video Productions for many years until his retirement in April 2013. Alan was a film historian, a Charlie Chaplin and a Laurel and Hardy enthusiast, and was rarely seen without a camera in his hands. He was loved by all, and was an inspiration to many.

A Funeral Mass for Alan was held Monday, Nov. 14, at Notre Dame Church, 446 Main Street, Southbridge. There are no calling hours. Burial will be private.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, you consider making a memorial donation to The National Parkinson Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131 or [www.parkinson.org](http://www.parkinson.org).

Visit [www.sansoucyfuneral.com](http://www.sansoucyfuneral.com).

## Richard E. Barnes Sr., 80

CHARLTON — Richard E. 'Dick' Barnes Sr., 80, passed away Sunday, Nov. 6, in his home.

He leaves his wife of 50 years, Marjorie E. (Gregg) Barnes, their children, James Mitchell of Auburn, Cheryl Alden of Charlton, Cheryl Lindsey of Hopkinton, New Hampshire, Richard E. Barnes Jr., of Charlton, James Barnes of Buffalo, N.Y., Donna Gilbert of Rockland, Karen Peltier of West Palm Beach, Fla., and Ron Barnes of Washington, one brother, Edwin Barnes of Charlton and a sister Beverly Ebbing and her husband Hank of Whitinsville, numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Dick was born in Worcester, Sept. 3, 1936, son of the late Merton and Anna (Metcalf) Barnes and lived in Charlton most of his life. He was also predeceased by a son Thomas Mitchell. Marg and

Dick were married July 2, 1966.

Dick worked for 27 years at the former General Motors plant in Framingham and later kept busy as a medical courier.

He was a NASCAR fan, and enjoyed following sports, especially baseball, basketball, football and golf.

Dick was a member and former vice president of the New England Country Music Club in Uxbridge.

There are no calling hours. Services will be private, as Dick had requested. Burial will be in West Ridge Cemetery.

The Robert J. Miller-Charlton Funeral Home, 175 Old Worcester Rd., is assisting the family with arrangements.

To send a condolence or to share a memory of Dick, please visit: [RJMillerfunerals.net](http://RJMillerfunerals.net).

## Theresa V. Hwalek, 87

WESLEY CHAPEL, Fla. — Theresa V. (Szlosek) Hwalek, 87, of Wesley Chapel, Fla., died Nov. 3.

She was the wife of the late Walter Hwalek Sr., and leaves five children: Walter Jr., Suzanne, Donna, Sharon, and David, along with many nephews, nieces, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She was born on June 16, 1929, daughter of the late Walenty and Amelia (Zajac) Szlosek in Southbridge. She leaves her brother Walenty Jr. of Southbridge, and sisters Wanda Zach of Auburn, N.Y., and Bertha Siekierski of Southbridge, MA. She was predeceased

by: her brothers Edmond, Stanley, Winslow, John and Peter; and her sisters Louise Peterson, Rose Szlosek, Rosie Paciokowski, Helen Roberts, and Stephanie Szlosek.

Theresa was a registered nurse on the orthopedic floor and retired from St. Joseph's Hospital in Tampa, Fla.

Visitation and Catholic Rites of Christian Burial were held in the Chapel at Hodges Family Funeral Home in Zephyrhills. She will be laid to rest at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Zephyrhills, Fla. A celebration of her life followed services. On line memorial and guest book at: [www.hodgesfuneralhome.com](http://www.hodgesfuneralhome.com).

## Rocco J. Guinta Jr., 64

SOUTHBRIDGE — Rocco J. Guinta, 64, of Mill St., passed away on Monday, Nov. 7, in the Sandalwood Care and Rehabilitation Center, Oxford, after an illness.

He leaves his wife of 40 years, Karen E. (Hayes) Guinta; his son, Joseph R. Guinta of West Brookfield; a daughter, Tammy J. Guinta of Webster; and two grandchildren.

Rocco was predeceased by a son, Lance J. Guinta, in 1977.

He was born in Flushing, N.Y., the son of Rocco J. and Alice (Morway) Guinta, Sr.

Rocco worked for Westwood Textiles for 25 years as well as for the Charlton Woolen Mill for 10 years prior to retiring due to his illness. He was an avid New England sports fan and loved to watch and follow the New England Patriots and the Boston Red Sox.

Funeral services and burial for Rocco will be private. There are no calling hours.

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

Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## Jeanne C. Morrell, 72



STURBRIDGE — Jeanne C. (Bergeron) Morrell, 72, passed away on Monday, Nov. 7, surrounded by her family in Bay State Medical Center, Springfield, after a brief illness.

Her loving husband of 27 years, Paul L. Morrell, passed away in 2010. She leaves her three daughters, Kim Marcucci and her husband Richard of Southbridge, Amie LeCours and her husband Kenneth of Palmer, and Sue Anne Mallette and her husband Dennis of Palmer; her son, John Paul Morrell and his wife Liza of Woodstock, Conn.; her sister, Shirley Minarik and her husband Eugene of Webster; nine grandchildren, Kristi Marcucci, Luke Kuszewski, Rebecca Sauvageau and her husband Justin, Melissa Mallette, Matthew LeCours, Hannah Marcucci, Sarah LeCours, Lillian Morrell and Zia Donais; seven great grandchildren, Caydin Kuszewski, Halli Kuszewski, Marcus Marcucci, Isabella Sauvageau, Sophia Mallette, Elijah Sauvageau and

Garrett Kowal; nieces and nephews, Debra and her husband David, Doreen and her husband Marc, Kristina and her husband Sean; and many great nieces and nephews. She also leaves her loving cat, Lilac.

She was born in Webster, the daughter of the late Leo and Viola (Houle) Bergeron. She was a graduate of Bartlett High School in Webster.

Jeanne worked for Johnson Corrugated for 20 years, retiring in December of 2000. She enjoyed watching the New England Patriots and NASCAR.

Her funeral was held on Friday, Nov. 11, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass in St. Anne's Church, 16 Church St., Sturbridge. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours in the funeral home were held on Thursday, Nov. 10.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 516 Carew St., Springfield, MA 01104.

Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## Mary L. Laroche, 89



SOUTHBRIDGE — Mary L. (DiPaolo) Laroche, 89, of Lyons St., passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 9, in the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, Southbridge, after an illness.

Her husband, Raoul "Ralph" E. Laroche, died in 1979.

She leaves a son, David Laroche of Southbridge; a daughter, Carol A. Dashnaw and her husband Merton of Southbridge; a brother, John J. DiPaolo for Southbridge; a sister, Elizabeth M. Allard of Florida; a grandson, James E. Dashnaw and his wife Kathy; two great granddaughters, Emma Dashnaw and Madison Dashnaw; and a very special nephew, Michael DiPaolo of Melbourne, Fla.

Mary was predeceased by a brother, Dominic DiPaolo and two sisters, Rose Desourdy and Josephine DiPaolo.

She was born in Everett, the Daughter

of Antonio and Lucia (Buchiacho) DiPaolo.

Mary worked for many years as an inspector for the American Optical Co. in Southbridge before retiring several years ago. She was a member of the American Optical Quarter Century Club, past president and member of the St. Rita's Society, member of St. Anne's of the Sacred Heart Sodality, and a member of the Southbridge Women's Club. Mary was an avid cook and baker as well as a loyal Boston Red Sox fan. She was a loving grandmother and great grandmother and cherished her time spent with her family and friends.

Mary's funeral was held on Tuesday, Nov. 15, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass in St. Mary's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial followed in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Southbridge. Calling hours in the funeral home were held on Tuesday, Nov. 15, prior to the Mass.

Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## Gloria L. Kania, 88

STURBRIDGE — Gloria L. (Tucci) Kania, 88, of Shepard Rd., passed away on Friday, Nov. 4, in the UMass Memorial Medical Center, University Campus, Worcester, after an illness.

Her husband, Albert T. Kania, died in 1974. She leaves two sons, Jan Kania, his wife Maryann of Brimfield and Paul Kania of Sturbridge; five grandchildren; ten great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Gloria was predeceased by two brothers, George Tucci and Victor Tucci; and five sisters, Rose Pettinella, Ida DeAngelis, Yolanda Kuzdzol, Carrie Arsenaull, and Josephine Sullivan.

She was born in Southbridge the daughter of Fortunato and Anna (Pettinella) Tucci. Gloria was a graduate of Mary E. Wells High School in Southbridge. She was a co-owner of

JP Manufacturing in Southbridge and operated the family business for 40 years until her retirement. Gloria loved people, enjoyed playing cribbage with her friends at the Sturbridge Senior Center, scrabble with the grandchildren, and in her early years she enjoyed playing golf at Cohasse Country Club. She was a loving grandmother and great grandmother and cherished her time with her family and friends.

Calling hours for Gloria were held on Saturday, Nov. 12, in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Funeral service and burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

Visit [www.morrillfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrillfuneralhome.com).

## Claire O. Palmerino

SUN CITY CENTER, Fla. — Claire O. Palmerino, of Sun City Center, Fla., died on Oct. 30.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy of Arlington, Virginia and two sons, Kim of Manchester, Conn., and Charles, of Southbridge. Her third son, Gregory, of Sturbridge, passed away in January of this year. She is also survived by five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Anthony G. Palmerino, formerly of Southbridge and Sun City Center, Fla., died in 1993.

Mrs. Palmerino was born in Southbridge, the daughter of Arthur J. and Corrine (Ducheneau) Paquette. She graduated from Mary E. Wells High School and Boston University.

A memorial service will be held at a later date at the Notre Dame Cemetery and Mausoleum in Worcester.



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**SHEPHERD HILL  
REGIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL**

Monday, Nov. 21: Chicken, Caesar salad wrap, potato puffs, fruit, variety of sandwiches

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Turkey wrap, sweet potato fries, salad, fruit, variety of sandwiches

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Breakfast: Early Release

Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

Friday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

### CHARLTON MIDDLE

### SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 21: Chicken, Caesar salad wrap, potato puffs, fruit, variety of sandwiches

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Turkey wrap, sweet potato fries, salad, fruit, variety of sandwiches

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Breakfast: Early Release

Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

Friday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

### CHARLTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 21: Teriyaki chicken on a whole grain roll, potato puffs, fruit

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Turkey wrap, sweet potato fries, salad, fruit

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Pancakes, sausage, syrup, fruit

Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

Friday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Recess: No Lunch Served

### BAY PATH

#### BREAKFAST

Monday, Nov. 21: Pancakes with syrup, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Bacon, egg and cheese on a croissant, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Homemade coffee cake, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz. fruit juice, fruit variety

Thursday, Nov. 24: Happy Thanksgiving! No School Today

Friday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Break: No School Today

#### LUNCH

Monday, Nov. 21: Soft tacos (seasoned ground beef, lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa) and sour cream in a whole wheat wrap), black bean and corn salad, fruit variety

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Spicy chicken patty sandwich on a whole wheat bun, baked sweet potato fries, veggie sticks with dip, fruit variety

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Half Day

Thursday, Nov. 24: Happy Thanksgiving! No School Today

Friday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Break: No School Today

### TRI VALLEY INC.

Monday, Nov. 21: Vegetable cheese bake, Roman vegetables, fresh fruit

Tuesday, Nov. 22: Holiday Meal — Roast turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, stuffing, cranberry sauce, cream puffs — congregate, vanilla mousse — home.

Wednesday, Nov. 23: Chicken Murphy, seasoned potatoes, country blend vegetable, pears.

Thursday, Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Day: No Meal Served

Friday, Nov. 25: Pork chow mein, brown rice, oriental blend vegetables, mandarin oranges.

# SPORTS

## Local cross-country runners compete in sectional championships

GARDNER — On Saturday, Nov. 12, the area's best high school cross-country student-athletes took to Gardner Municipal Golf Course for the Central Mass. championships. There were four races that were all of 5K length (3.1 miles). In order, from start to finish, they were Division 2 boys, Division 1 boys, Division 2 girls and Division 1 girls.

The top three teams in each race advanced to the state final (Saturday,

Nov. 19, back at Gardner Municipal), while the top 10 individuals outside of the top three teams also go to states.

Below, please find all local results and finishers.

### DIVISION 1 BOYS

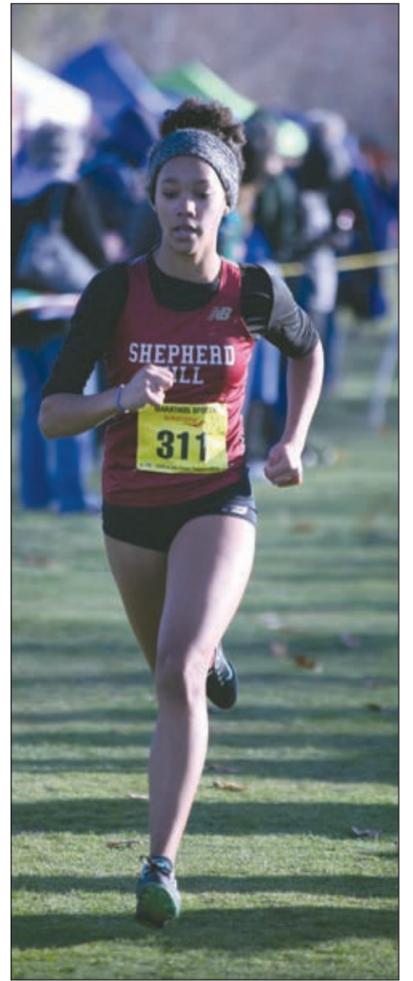
- Team  
3. Shepherd Hill (advanced to states)

### Individual

14. Dan Roy, Shepherd Hill, 17:25  
15. Dan Stevens, Shepherd Hill, 17:27  
19. Chris Ethier, Shepherd Hill, 17:40  
25. Ethan Weiland, Shepherd Hill, 17:58  
28. Brian Belmonte, Shepherd Hill, 18:03  
41. Colin Stoddard, Shepherd Hill, 18:27  
88. Richard March, Shepherd Hill, 20:07

### DIVISION 1 GIRLS

- Individual  
6. Gabrielle Lawrence, Shepherd Hill, 20:11 (advanced to states)  
7. Julia Carrier, Shepherd Hill, 20:33 (advanced to states)  
14. Emma Sullivan, Shepherd Hill, 21:10 (advanced to states)  
70. Emily French, Shepherd Hill, 24:21



Nick Ethier photos

Gardner Municipal Golf Course hosted the Central Mass. cross-country championships on Saturday, Nov. 12.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Ski or snowboard at Wachusett Mountain

Are you interested in having a lot of fun while also helping to make the winter fly by? Any student, parent or teacher from any of the surrounding towns can ski or snowboard for eight consecutive Saturday nights at Wachusett Mountain for just \$150 through the Southbridge Ski Club. You drive to Wachusett Mountain on your own. The eight-week program begins on Saturday, Jan. 7 and ends on Saturday, Feb. 25. Ski or snowboard rentals as well as lessons are also available at a very reasonable cost. You may also be able to ski or snowboard for

free through your health insurance coverage.

Also, anyone (students or non-students) can purchase Gold, Silver and Bronze Century Passes at a lower discounted price through our Club. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

### Worcester State University set to host plenty of baseball clinics

Various baseball clinics will be held at Worcester State University this year and rolling into the next. Please visit <http://www.wsulancers.com/camps-clinic/index> for additional information on

any of the clinics.

First Holiday Fun Baseball Clinic: Dec. 27-29, 9 a.m. to noon in the multipurpose gym/cages.

10th annual Friday Night Baseball School: Jan. 27, Feb. 3, Feb. 10, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, March 3, hitting from 6-7 p.m., pitching from 7 to 8 p.m. in multipurpose gym/cages.

22nd annual Hitting Clinic: Feb. 20-22, 9 a.m. to noon in multipurpose gym/cages.

10th annual Pitchers and Catchers Clinic: April 18 and 20, 9 a.m. to noon outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

Third annual U.S. Baseball Academy: June 26 and 29 outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

10th annual Instructional Prospect Clinic: Aug. 15, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Lyons Diamond.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Community Recovery Awareness Fair to be held next week

SOUTHBRIDGE — Harrington Behavioral Health & Recovery and St. John Paul II Parish will host a Community Recovery Awareness Fair on Tuesday, Nov. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. in St. Mary's Ministry Center, 279 Hamilton St., Southbridge.

The event is being hosted by Fr. Peter Joyce, Pastor, Harrington's Director of Recovery Services Christina Beesley, MA, LAHC and Program Director Tracey Weeden, MSW, LICSW.

"The Community Recovery Awareness Fair is open to the general public, individuals in recovery or seeking it, family members or friends who have been affected by substance abuse disorder," said Weeden. "Many local agencies have banded together for this fair to help tackle the critical need for programs and services that address this community healthcare crisis."

The following programs and services will be in attendance to offer information, advice and support: Harrington Recovery Services, Harrington HealthCare Emergency Services, Southbridge Police Department Community Assisted Recovery for Everyone (CARE) Program, Southbridge Fire Department and EMS Narcan Training, Southbridge

Community Connections, Families Helping Families Support Group, Spectrum Health Systems, Saint John Paul II Parish, Tradewinds Clubhouse, AdCare Hospital, Learn to Cope, In Plain Sight, Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous and numerous additional agencies.

Questions about the event may be directed to Christina Beesley at (508) 765-2725.

### Gateway Players to hold 'The Cover of Life' auditions

SOUTHBRIDGE — Auditions for "The Cover of Life", by R.T. Robinson, will be held Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 5 and 6, at 6:30 p.m. Six women, ages 20-50, and one man in his 20's are needed for this February production directed by Lou-Ellen Corkum.

Auditions will consist of readings from the script. Dress comfortably and plan to have a fun time. The read-through will be Wednesday, Dec. 7. Rehearsals will pick up after the holidays, but the cast will have several weeks to learn lines in preparation for rehearsals. Rehearsals will be held on Sunday and Tuesdays. Production dates are Feb. 10, 11, 17, 18 and 19. Presented by permission through special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Tood, Weetsie, and Sybill are brides in rural Louisiana in 1943. Each mar-

ried a Cliffert brother. The men are off to war and a local news story about these young wives keeping the home fires burning intrigues Henry Luce. He decides that they belong on the cover Life Magazine and assigns Kate Miller to the story. She has been covering the war in Europe and, though she views doing a "women's piece" as a career set back, she accepts because it will be her first cover story. Kate spends a week with the Cliffert women and her haughty urban attitude gives way to sympathy as she begins to understand them while coming face to face with her own powerlessness in a man's world. Filled with charm and fun, "The Cover of Life" is a deeply affecting story about the struggle for self worth.

### Harrington Hospital gets high marks for patient safety

SOUTHBRIDGE — New Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades, which assign A, B, C, D and F letter grades to hospitals nationwide and provide the most complete picture of patient safety in the U.S., were announced on Oct. 31 by The Leapfrog Group, a national patient safety watchdog. Harrington Hospital once again earned an "A," accomplishing the difficult task of being awarded 10 Straight "A's" since the inception of the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade in 2012. Harrington is one of 72 hospitals out of

over 2,600 across the country to attain this honor.

"To be counted in the top 3 percent of hospitals in the country to consistently score high marks for hospital safety says a lot about the commitment of our staff to keep patients safe every day within the Harrington HealthCare System," said President and CEO Ed Moore.

"Earning Straight 'As' in the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is a remarkable achievement and testament to a hospital's ongoing vigilance and commitment to patient safety," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "We thank Harrington Hospital for being an example of excellence in preventing harm to patients, and urge you to continue championing patient safety."

Developed under the guidance of an Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 30 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign A, B, C, D and F grades to more than 2,600 U.S. hospitals twice per year. It is calculated by top patient safety experts, peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public.

To see Harrington's full grade, and to access consumer-friendly tips for patients, visit [www.hospitalafetygrade.org](http://www.hospitalafetygrade.org) or follow The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade on Twitter and Facebook. Consumers can also download the free Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade mobile app for Apple and Android devices.

## Sheriff's Office K9 Maya receives gift of protective vest

The Worcester County Sheriff's Office announced its K9 Maya, a 2-year-old single purpose trailing bloodhound, has received her bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from the non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. K9 Maya's vest was sponsored by the Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. 2015 "Santa Paws and Grinch" fundraiser hosted by Especially for Pets in Medway, and is embroidered with the sentiment "In memory of K9's Molly and Adam."

Officer Peter Campo has been Maya's handler since January 2015. Together they work out of the Worcester County Sheriff's Department where they are trained to conduct missing persons searches, criminal apprehensions and routinely assists local communities in active searches.

"Maya is now safer on the job, thanks to her bullet and stab resistant vest donated by Vested Interest. We're grateful to Vested Interest in K9s for facilitating this donation for Maya, as well as the community members that attended the fundraising event that made the donation possible," said WCSO Officer Peter Campo.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c(3) charity located in East Taunton, whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. The



WCSO Officer Peter Campo, K9 Maya & Worcester County Sheriff Law Evangelidis pictured at the Worcester County Jail & House of Correction. The Sheriff's Office announced this week that Maya, a 2-year-old single purpose trailing bloodhound, has received her bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from the non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc.

non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their

four-legged K9 officers. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 2,000 protective vests, in 50 states,

through private and corporate donations, at a cost of more than \$1.7 million. All vests are custom made in the USA

by Armor Express in Central Lake, Mich.

The program is open to dogs actively employed in the U.S. with law enforcement or related agencies who are certified and at least 20 months of age. New K9 graduates, as well as K9s with expired vests, are eligible to participate.

The donation to provide one protective vest for a-law enforcement K9 is \$1,050. Each vest has a value between \$1,795-\$2,234 and a five-year warranty, and an average weight of 4-5 pounds. There is an estimated 30,000-law enforcement K9s throughout the United States. For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call 508-824-6978. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provides information, lists events, and accepts tax-deductible donations of any denomination at [www.vik9s.org](http://www.vik9s.org) or mailed to P.O. Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718.

"The Worcester County Sheriff's Office is very appreciative of the Vested Interest in K9s Organization for their generous donation of a bullet and stab protective vest for our K9 Maya. Our K9's work very hard each day facing challenging situations and keeping us safe, it's extremely important we do all we can to help keep them safe in the line of duty," said Worcester County Sheriff Law Evangelidis.

Courtesy photo

## SCU supports WCAC Read for the Record Event

SOUTHBRIDGE — SCU presented WCAC with a sponsorship of \$1,000 for their Read for the Record event. This national event took place on Thursday, Oct. 27.

The sponsorship allowed for WCAC to purchase over 200 copies of the book, "The Bear Ate Your Sandwich," by Julia Sarone-Roach; a copy of which was given to each Head Start pre-school student.

Several community volunteers were welcomed at WCAC to take part in

this event. Among the volunteer readers were Colleen Lynch and Yolanda Alvarado, both of Southbridge Credit Union. The volunteers were paired up with teachers and staff from the Head Start program some of which read the book in Spanish as well. SCU is passionate about the importance of all aspects of literacy for all ages. SCU proudly sponsored this event as WCAC shares a similar mission of serving the underserved throughout our local communities.



Courtesy photos

SCU's Director of Marketing & Community Outreach, Lismarie Collazo, presents WCAC Co-Directors Evelyn Velez and Kathy Dow with a check for \$1,000 to support their Read for the Record event.

LEFT: Yolanda Alvarado and Colleen Lynch, both of SCU, volunteered at WCAC's Read for the Record event.

# Legislators: Marijuana legalization still poses issues

## QUESTION 4

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by relatively close numbers to other areas of the state.

The following is the results from the question in the Stonebridge Press coverage area:

- Charlton: 3,760 Yes (52 percent), 3,466 No (48 percent)
- Sturbridge: 2,797 Yes (51.9 percent), 2,592 No (48.1 percent)
- Brimfield: 1,113 Yes (52.8 percent), 993 No (47.2 percent)
- Holland: 809 Yes (60.3 percent), 532 No (39.7 percent)
- Wales: 610 Yes (61.1 percent), 388 No (38.9 percent)
- Southbridge: 3,798 Yes (55.8 percent), 3,010 No (44.2 percent)
- Webster: 4,000 Yes (55.2 percent), 3,247 No (44.8 percent)
- Dudley: 2,800 Yes (51.7 percent), 2,614 No (48.3 percent)
- Oxford: 3,797 Yes (54.8 percent), 3,136 No (45.2 percent)
- Spencer: 3,089 Yes (53.4 percent), 2,692 No (46.6 percent)
- Leicester: 3,056 Yes (53.1 percent), 2,694 No (46.9 percent)
- Brookfield: 1,012 Yes (56.1 percent), 793 No (43.9 percent)
- North Brookfield: 1,459 Yes (57 percent), 1,100 No (43 percent)
- West Brookfield: 1,109 Yes (53.5 percent), 964 No (46.5 percent)
- East Brookfield: 608

Yes (51.2 percent), 580 No (48.8 percent)

- Uxbridge: 4,190 Yes (54.4 percent), 3,518 No (45.6 percent)
- Northbridge: 4,161 Yes (50.4 percent), 4,097 No (49.6 percent)
- Douglas: 2,795 Yes (56.9 percent), 2,116 No (43.1 percent)
- Auburn: 4,633 Yes (50.6 percent), 4,530 No (49.4 percent)

Following the results, Stonebridge Press reached out to some local state officials about the new law, and while the bulk of the region's elected leaders in Boston openly opposed the question, they said they certainly accept the fact that the voters have spoken.

State Rep. Joe McKenna (18th Worcester District), said he doesn't necessarily agree with the decision, but noted his opposition was based purely on concerns with the legislation itself, and not his personal beliefs about marijuana use.

"I was very outspoken against it, not on a philosophical level or whether marijuana was good or bad, but because of the details and the tax rate that was included," McKenna said. "There are so many details of this bill that are deeply flawed. We as a Legislature will need to correct that. It will be a major agenda item statewide."

McKenna's fellow state representatives seemed to agree that while the voters had their say and

approved the legalization of marijuana, there are concerns about abuse of the drug, how to regulate it, taxation of the substance, and the legal ramifications of its abuse that all still need to be resolved.

"I did vote against it, but the people have spoken and we will respect the will of the people," 6th Worcester District State Rep. Peter Durant said. "Now we will have recreational marijuana, but because now it is a law, or will be, it's subject to amendments just like any other law, and we will consider some of those amendments. We're just starting to talk about it, really. Maybe we'll have a roundtable with local lawmakers and police chiefs to discuss it ... that's something we're considering. We'd like to get some ideas of what we may need to do to look at some of the problems with this law."

"The challenge now is getting the tweaks done on this new legislation, but overall it's something that will now happen in Massachusetts," 7th Worcester District State Rep. Paul Frost said. "I know my district was close. Statewide it was fairly close. It's going to be a law, it passed ... and I don't foresee the Legislature preventing it, but I do see some potential flaws and tweaks and what exactly will happen, I think, will take shape over the next few weeks. I think there is room to make sure we address

some of the vagueness in the law and some public safety concerns. We want to make sure that local communities will be able to properly zone where any sort of store is and we want to make sure edibles won't get into the hands of children. There are some issues of concern, but we will have to find a way to work within the law without overturning it."

Worcester-Norfolk State Sen. Ryan Fattman said he too disagrees with the legislation, but said now the real work begins as lawmakers prepare to initiate the law and resolve some of the loopholes and issues that still remain a concern.

"I do have concerns about it, one of which is law enforcement has no ability to measure or gauge when someone is high and driving. There's not a scientific way of testing it like there is with blood alcohol level," Fattman said. "Also, it's still illegal on the federal level, and I'm concerned because I don't know what (President-elect Donald) Trump's Justice Department is going to do. Back in 2005, the Bush Justice Department had prosecuted people selling medical marijuana in California. So, I'm always cautious that you have to be careful with things like this because just because the state made it legal, federal law still exists and is supreme. I doubt anything would happen there. I think we're living in a different

age where these laws will be changing, and at the end of the day, you have to respect the will of the people."

Stonebridge Press also spoke with Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis about the new legislation, who said he was also against the question, and while many in favor of making marijuana legal looked to law enforcement arrests of users to ridicule its illegality, he said the issues he has with the substance stemmed from much more wide-spread consequences of using the drug.

"One of the rationales people had about it was that it's unfair for people to get arrested and go to prison for possession of marijuana and things like that. From the get go, that was a red herring," Evangelidis said. "It doesn't happen, and that's the fact so there are no people incarcerated today for possession of marijuana or small amount of marijuana, unless there is the complication of a small undercharge, like breaking probation. But we are in the middle of an opioid crisis, and I talk to inmates every day and they tell me the same story. It was always essentially marijuana that was a gateway for them to try other drugs. When they got high it changed everything for them. I don't think it's a good message to send to young people. It's a gateway drug for a lot of

people, and I saw it as the wrong signal at the wrong time."

Evangelidis said it's the first time he remembers in his six years that sheriffs throughout the state were on the same page with a piece of legislation, and while he respects the voters' decision, he hopes that some of the concerns he and others in the state have are addressed properly before the law takes effect.

"We respect the will of the voters, and we'll work to help it be put into place in a responsible and careful way taking into consideration the potential of marketing to children, driving under the influence and other things that can and need to be regulated properly so it doesn't get out of control and we start looking back thinking that it was a bad decision," Evangelidis said.

With less than a month before the new law takes effect, it appears lawmakers have a lot of work ahead of them. While many are cheering the decision to approve marijuana for recreational use in the state, others fear the decision may cause more harm than good. Only time will tell just how harmful or insignificant the decision will be.

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## 'It's so nice to see the community come together'

### CHOWDER

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the best, personally," noted Wood. "I liked the contrast of the crunchy bacon on top of the smooth chowder, the textural differences and the layers of flavor."

But what Wood liked even more than the chowders was the community support. Many of the restaurants donated not only their chowder, but their time. They spent all Sunday preparing the food and serving it at Bay Path's Chowder Fest. Vendors that couldn't make it either sent their chowders to be served by Bay Path students or provided gift cards. Individuals that weren't from any particular restaurant also participated in the event, serving their special recipes.

"It's so nice to see the community come together," said Wood. "The money raised at this fundraiser pays for the students' membership in the JACF and for their trip to New



More than 300 people attended Bay Path's Chowder Fest, which featured more than 20 chowders made by local restaurants and residents.

York City."

A culinary instructor at Bay Path for the past six years, Wood recently applied to take over the Junior ACF. For the trip to NYC Wood hopes to let the students experiences they wouldn't normally get in "small rural areas," like checking out ethnic markets and nice restaurants with meals served by NYC professionals. And Wood is also hoping to get on a taping of The Chew, which features a panel of professional and famous chefs.

Members of the Junior ACF are culinary students at Bay Path that want to "do a bit extra," said Wood. The students come after school to try out ice carving and other things that aren't taught in class, like breaking down a fish and working with foods that the classes don't have during service.

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## Frost cruises to victory in 7th Worcester District

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second consecutive time at the polls.

Representing Millbury, Auburn, Charlton and Oxford, the race for the district seat featured a heated rematch between the two candidates, who faced each other in 2014 as well, and saw two very different ideologies come to light, as Frost put the focus on his experience and long-standing dedication to the district, while Dotson challenged Frost's true dedication to the needs of the people and focused on the impact of national finances on the local level through issues like the Glass-Steagall Act. While Dotson criticized Frost for what she saw as a lack of availability and professionalism from her dealing with Frost directly on a personal level, Frost fired back, stating that Dotson's focus on national issues was in the wrong place for someone running to be a state representative.

In the end, Frost dominated the vote, more than doubling Dotson's total, with Frost garnering 13,558 votes to Dotson's 6,857, and told Stonebridge Press that it was a challenge running a re-election campaign in the highly competitive environment that comes with any presidential election year.

"It's a challenging campaign cycle when you run in a presidential year, and I think, especially when you have a presidential race as volatile and divisive and polarizing as this one, there's just so much attention," Frost said. "You need to fight for attention and name recognition because there are a lot of people who only come out to vote once every four years. There are a lot of voters who are new to it, so those are the voters that are more challenging to read and they may not be as aware about what's happening with the local elections."

After her defeat, Dotson vowed to return for a third try at Frost's seat in two years, and said she felt early voters gave Frost the edge he needed to pull away.

"I believed what gave Frost an advantage was that about one half of the voters in the towns voted early, and regrettably, I had trouble getting my fliers out, and when they finally went out, it was mostly after early voters had cast their votes, but the people I spoke to in Auburn at the polls were impressed that I was an educator and a veteran, and when I explained things to them they said I had their vote. Being an educator and a veteran is a heck of a lot different than Paul Frost, who was a security guard before he was a state

representative," Dotson said. "I will run again. I think if my mailer hadn't gotten messed up it would have been a very different story."

Frost gave Dotson credit for running a much harder campaign than she did in 2014, but restated his concerns that Dotson's focus may be in the wrong place for serving in the State House, but admires her commitment to what she believes in.

"I know Terry tried a little harder this time and she is a passionate person who cares about the federal banking issue, but that again is not really something that relates to a state representative race, but she stands by it. I think she would be a very interesting candidate for Congress," Frost said. "I know she worked hard and she did what she could do and got some votes from her party, and hustled, and I can recognize that she put in a good effort. I've always appreciated her military service, and I still do, and I know she has said she will be back in two years. I know she likes to be on the ballot to talk about her concerns, and that's her right to do so, and I can respect anyone for their passion, and my focus will now continue to be on state and local issues and what's best for the district."

With an eye on 2018, Dotson said she has already begun working on her cam-

campaign for the seat in the next election cycle. She expressed hope that Paul Frost will work to be more aware of how national issues will impact the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the local districts, and challenged Frost to be more diligent in his role as a state representative.

"I'm already starting work now on that campaign. Whether a Republican or Democrat got into the presidency, Glass-Steagall was going to be reinstated, and it's important stuff for our towns, and I hope Paul Frost makes the effort to learn about Glass-Steagall and makes the effort to acquire those funds through the state for our town. That will help us an awful lot with our taxation and what we can do," Dotson said. "It appears the towns won't be reimbursed for this early voting thing and it cost them a lot of money. I'm not sure it's a good idea. It certainly didn't help me. Next time, I'll run harder and I'm getting an early start. Paul better start getting to work. He better start doing what's right and showing up for work, otherwise he shouldn't even bother running next time through."

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# Gobi: 'Nothing is changing ... I'm back at it'

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ing," which she felt may have turned a lot of people off, noting people "saw through it."

Despite that, Ehrhard only had positive words for Gobi after the race ended.

He said: "It's unfortunate we lost, but we wish Gobi the best."

Although seemingly disheartened by the loss, Ehrhard said he was very proud of their campaign and noted that

their race was the "closest Republican race in the entire state. We were the number-one Republican challenger by far. This district should have a Republican state senator and it's as simple as that. It can be done."

The loss wasn't hard on Ehrhard because he lost. For Ehrhard, it was hard seeing the faces of his supporters and campaigners when the election results were announced.

"I would have liked to get those people a win," he stated. "This election isn't about me. It's about the people who

came out and supported us. Looking at their faces on election night was the toughest part. It was all about the team we put together."

Meanwhile, Gobi didn't take even a minute break from her job as senator. The next day, Wednesday, Nov. 9, Gobi was already in Charlton discussing their contaminated water issues and attending Veteran's Day programs.

"Nothing is changing," said Gobi. "I'm back at it."

Gobi wished to thank the town clerks and poll workers throughout the state

who "did an awful lot of work and continue to make sure the integrity of our voting system is kept." She is also thankful to her supporters.

Said Gobi: "I have great people that help me and many people who have been here with me since 2001. I'm very fortunate to have a big and loving family. I have the best supporters anywhere."

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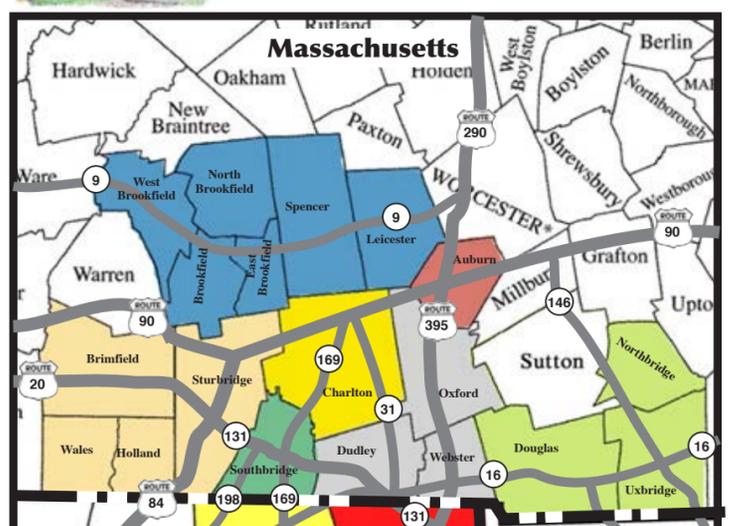
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<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>THOMPSON</b> - 449 E Thompson Rd! 6 Rm Contemp! Beautiful! 1.5 Acres! Appliances! Kit w/Quartz Counters, Cherry Cabinets, Breakfast Bar! Formal Din Rm! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Frplc! Master w/Walk-in Closets, Private Deck &amp; Full Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! C/Air! Mitsubishi A/C! Wired for Generator! 2 Car Garage! 2 Sheds! <b>\$299,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>REDUCED</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 52 Upland Ave! 6 Rm Cape! Spacious! Appliances! Eat-in Kit! Formal Din Rm or 3rd Bdrm w/Hrds! &amp; Built-ins! Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrds! Flr Den or Office! 1 1/2 Bath on Main Level! 2 Overized Bdrms w/Hrds on 2nd Flr! Full Bath! Mud Rm! Full Walk-out Basement! Rear Patio! Immediate Occupancy! <b>\$164,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 43 Mason Rd! Remodeled 7 Rm Ranch! Appliances! Eat-in Kit w/ Quartz Counters, Breakfast Bar &amp; Tile Flr! Large Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrds! Din Area w/Hrds! 3 Bdrms w/Hrds! 2 Full Exceptional Bathrooms! Fam Rm! Office! Security! Oil Heat! AG Pool! Trex Deck! Shed! 2 Car Garage! <b>\$264,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>SUTTON</b> - 58 Stone School Rd! Easy Access! Rte 148! 7 Rm Colonial! 1.22 Acres! Farmers Porch! Appliances! Kit! w/Din Area, Tile Flr, Slider to Deck! Din Rm w/Hrds, Custom Wood Ceiling w/Crown! Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrds! Office w/Hrds! 3 Bdrms! 1 1/2 Baths! Master! 2 Baths! <b>\$294,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set! On 1.34 Acres! Appliances! Granite Kit! Frplc Dining Rm! Living Rm w/Hrds! Cathedral Ceiling! Family Rm! 3 Bdrms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garage! <b>\$359,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - New England Commons! Adult 55+! 2 Bdrms! 1 to 2 Baths! Master! Appliances! Granite! Hrds, Tile &amp; Carpet! Basements! Garage! C/Air! Security! Community Center! Walking Trails! Low Fees! Convenient! <b>From \$234,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 4 Cross St! Newly Renovated 6 Rm Cape! Appliances! Granite Kit w/Tile Flr! Picture Din Rm &amp; Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrds! New Bath w/Marble Shower &amp; Tile Flr! 1st Flr Master! 2nd Flr w/2 Bdrms w/Walk-in Closets! 3 Season Sunrm! New Furnace, Plumbing &amp; Electric! <b>\$149,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>SOUTHBRIDGE</b> - 32 Glenview Ave! Custom 6 Rm Contemp! Open Kit &amp; Din Area w/Cathedral &amp; Skylight! Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Slider to Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Private Deck! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Finished Lower Level w/Frplc! New Kit Cabinets, Counters &amp; Roof 2014! <b>\$249,500.00</b></p>
<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 17 Fort Hill Rd! Looking for ACRES OF PRIVACY &amp; SERENITY! 5 Rm Ranch! Eat-in Kit w/Updated Cabinets! Formal Din Rm! Liv Rm Leads to Screened-in Porch Overlooking Pond! 2 Large Bdrms! Updated Bath! Full Basement w/Laundry! 2 Car Detached Garage! Oil Heat! Gas Hot Water! <b>\$274,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 129 Lower Gore Rd! 6 Rm Split! Immediate Occupancy! 1.5 Acres of Privacy! Appliances! Eat-in Kit w/Tile Flr! Din Area w/Sliders to Deck! Liv Rm w/New Carpet! 3 Bdrms w/Wall to Wall! 1.5 Baths! 6 Panel Doors! Newer Furnace! Town Services! 2 Sheds! <b>\$219,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 26 Poplar Dr! 7 Room 1,790' Ranch! SS Appliances! Kit &amp; Din Area w/Tile Floor! Formal Din Rm &amp; Liv Rm w/Hrds! Family Rm w/2 Bdrms w/Hrds! Master w/Bath &amp; Walk-in Closet! 2 Full Tile Baths! Huge Basement! Patio! Circular Drive! Great Yard! <b>\$219,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 16 Elm Street! 6 Rm Colonial! Conveniently Located! Off Street Parking for 3+ Cars! Nice Back Yard! Newly Appliances! Kit w/Tile Flr! Liv &amp; Fam Rm w/Refinished Hrdwd Flrs! 2/3 Bdrms! Spacious Master! 1.5 Baths w/New Vanities! Gas Heat &amp; Hot Water! Walk-out Basement! Deck! <b>\$119,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - NEW ENGLAND COMMONS! 55+ Adult Community! 5 Rm 1 Level Living! Kit w/Pantry, Tile Flr, Corian Counters &amp; Breakfast Bar! Liv Rm &amp; Master w/Trey Ceiling, Master Bath w/Step-in Shower! 2nd Bdrm w/Cathedral Ceiling! 2nd Full Bath! Attached Garage! Farmers Porch! Full Basement! <b>\$249,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 174 Klondike Rd! Pierpont Meadow Waterfront! West Facing! Beautiful Sunsets! Full Recreational! Coy Yr Rd Gateways! Renovated! Appliances! Kit w/Hrds! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Frplc &amp; Hrds! 1 Bdrm! Updated Bath! Heated Sunroom Overlooking Water! Recent Electrical, Plumbing, Well &amp; Septic! <b>\$199,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 36 North Main St! 6 Room Cape! Cabinet Packed Kitchen w/Dining Area! Living Room w/Wall to Wall! Den w/Wall A/C! 1.5 Floor Bedroom! 3/4 Bedrooms! 8,147 Sq Ft! Recent Roof! Furnace! Will be Updated to Circuit Breakers! Nice Back Yard! Off Street Parking! <b>\$99,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER</b> - 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 Rm Colonial w/Greenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm w/Wood Floors! Full Bath! Den w/Built-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to Schools &amp; Churches! <b>\$114,900.00</b></p>
<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WOODSTOCK</b> - 1420 Route 169! Custom Built! 10 Rm 3,154' Colonial Set on 5 Secluded Acres! Grand Entry Foyer! 9ft Ceilings! Loads of Upgrades! Appliances! Kitchen w/Huge Granite Island! Formal Dining w/Hrds! Fireplaced Family Room! Master Suite! 4 Bdrms &amp; 2.5 Baths! C/Air! 2 Car Garage! <b>\$389,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WOODSTOCK</b> - 291 E Quasset Rd! WAPAQUASSET "QUASSET" POND! Hidden 88 Acre Recreational Gem! Woodstock Fairgrounds Near! Yr Rd or 2nd Home! 6 Rm Ranch! 152' Waterfront! 34,848' Lot! Appliances! Kit! Frplc Fam Rm! 2 Bdrms! Full Bath! A/C! Garage! <b>\$259,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>DUDLEY</b> - 9 Chestnut St Unit 221 "Stonegate" Conveniently Located! Freshly Painted 4 Rm 2 Bdrm Condo! Appliances! Eat-in Kit w/Pantry Closet, Tile Counter, Dble Sink &amp; Ceiling Fan! Liv Rm w/Wall A/C &amp; Flat Panel TV! Full Bath! Electric Heat &amp; Hot Water! Storage! 2 Parking Spaces! Coin Op Laundry! <b>\$69,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 71 Birch Island! 7 Rm Colonial w/Lake Views from Every Rm! Hrds in Din/Liv &amp; Master Bdrms! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Walkout Lower Level! Fam Rm! 239' Waterfront! New Metal Roof! 2 Car Attached Garage &amp; 3 Car Detached w/2nd Flr! Needs to be Seen to Appreciate Everything it Could Be! <b>\$674,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 402 Treasure Island! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874' Hardwood Floors! Appliances! Open Floor Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Frplc Fam Rm! Clair! Gas Heat! Recent Trex Deck! Garage! 2 BOAT SLIPS! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! <b>\$299,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 701 Treasure Island! Townhouse End Unit! 6Rms, 2 Bdrms, Master Bath, 2.5 Baths! Total! New LG Stainless Appliances! Din Rm w/Sliders to Deck! Frplc Fam Rm w/Sliders to Patio! New C/Air! Garage w/Storage! 2 BOAT SLIPS! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! <b>\$284,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 46 Pt Pleasant Rd! Middle Pond - Southern Expo! 8 Rm Custom Cape! Open Flr Plan! Fully Appliances w/Lunch Counter! Lake Facing Brick Frplc Liv Rm &amp; Fam Rm! 19' Master! 4 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! 2 Baths! Huge Trex Deck! Buderus 52 Oil Heat! <b>\$449,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>CHARLTON</b> - South Charlton Reservoir! 3022 Partridge Hill Rd! Full Recreational! 75' Waterfront! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! Great Water Views! Open Flr Plan w/Cathedral, Skylights, Frplc! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage! Sandy Shore, Great Swimming! Dock! <b>\$329,900.00</b></p>
<p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 82 Lakeside Ave! South Pond! Prime 157' Waterfront w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 10+ Rm, 4 Bdrm, 4.5 Bath, A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Technical/Electrical Marvel! 2 Story Grand Entry! Fully Appliance Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/2 Dishwashers, Heated Flr w/Pantry! Spacious Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit &amp; Slider to the Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplc Liv Rm w/Entertainment Center! Din Rm w/Trey Ceiling! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master w/Trey Ceiling, Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool &amp; Corner Shower! Upstairs 3 Comfortable Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Both connect to a Full Bath, the 3rd has its Own Full Bath &amp; Walk-in Closet! Walkout Lower Level Lake Facing Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Cedar Sauna &amp; Full Bath! Separate Utility Rm &amp; Workshop! 3 Car Attached Garage! Detached 1 Car Garage! Security System! LP Gas Whole House Generator! Boat House that Auto Draws Boat Out of the Water, Launches It on a Rail System! Weather Station! Well Irrig System! See/Ask For All Attachments! <b>\$1,195,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - Reid Smith Cove WATERFRONT LOT! South Shore Rd! Build Your Dream Home or Summer Retreat! Set on Quiet Road, Surrounded by Woods! Sloping Lot Down to Level Waterfront! 7,200' Lot! 57' on the Water &amp; Road! Town Water &amp; Sewer Available! <b>\$249,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 103 Treasure Island! 1,874' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/ Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet &amp; Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm &amp; Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! <b>\$279,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>ON DEPOSIT</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 113 Birch Island Rd! Overlooking Middle Pond! Eastern Expo - Beautiful Sunrises! 5 Rm Round Waterfront Home! 2 Bdrms! Renovated Kit &amp; Bath! Din Rm! Liv Rm w/Frplc! Listed by Another, SOLD by Century21 Lake Realty! <b>\$285,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW PRICE</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 15 South Point Rd! Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Build Your Waterfront Dream! 100+ of Shoreline! 53'4" Front Porch! Land Area 8,147' Town Water &amp; Sewer Available! 2 Docks Already in the Water! Lots on Webster Lake are a Rarity, Don't let this Slip by Without Your Consideration! <b>\$189,900.00</b></p>			
<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND!</b> 2 Checkerberry Isl! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Appliances! Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake Facing 38' Din/Liv Rm w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting &amp; Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 2 1/2 Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Sliders to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skywalk Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit, SS Appliances, Open Din &amp; Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrm, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frplc Liv Rm, Bdrm &amp; Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Ideal Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! <b>\$1,449,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 17 Lakeside Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! West Exposure - Sunsets! 100' Level Waterfront! 7 Rm Yr Rd or Ideal 2nd Home! Enjoy Music from Indian Ranch - Free! Fantastic 12,298' Flat Lot w/Plenty of Space for Outside Enjoyment! 2 Docks! 3 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! <b>\$489,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE</b> - 36 Laurelwood Dr! Magnificent Lake Property! .75 Acres! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! Frplc Liv Rm! Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 3 Car Garage! Mahogany Deck! Cabana! Sandy Beach! New Dock! Boat Ramp! <b>\$799,900.00</b></p>	<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>HOLLAND - Hamilton Reservoir Waterfront!</b> 430 Mashpague Rd! 8 Rm 2,864' Custom Cape! 200' Waterfront, 3.2 Acres, Estate Like Grounds! Situated in a Cove Sheltered from Storms, Idle Out to Main Lake! Grand Entry Foyer! Open Floor Plan! Custom Cherry Kit w/Sliders to Deck! Frplc Living Room w/Walk-in Closet &amp; Bath w/Granite Dble Vanity &amp; Custom Glass Shower w/Waterheaven Tower! 1st Flr Office w/French Pocket Doors &amp; Custom Desk! Full Side Entry Mud Rm w/Custom Desk, Cabinets &amp; Counter w/Sink, Guest Closet, Laundry Closet &amp; Hall Bath w/Pedestal Sink! Upstairs 3 Water Facing Bdrms, 2 w/Cathedral! 2nd Full Tile Bath w/Custom Vanity &amp; Linen Closet! Add Storage! Full Walkout Basement - Nest More Rest! Zoned Hydro Heat! 3 Car Garage! Sheds! Dock! Long Driveway or Direct Access from Shore Dr! Full Recreation Lake! <b>\$799,900.00</b></p>				

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Welcome to the country at its best! This gorgeous 3 bedrm 2.5 Bath contemporary home, nestled on a private beautifully manicured yard on 2.64 Acres! Granite countertops and Island! Brazilian cherrywood throughout kitchen, dining, & living room! Cathedral ceiling living rm! Propane fireplace heater! Downstairs master bedroom, full bath! First flr half bath w/ washer dryer. 2 Car garage!  
**\$304,900.**

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**AUBURN- 5 PINEDALE RD**

Centrally Located to All Major Routes! Route 390/290/12 and Mass Pike. Charming 4 Bed Cape 1,493 sq. ft. +/- Huge Family Room 22x20 to Deck 20x15, Hardwoods, Newer Roof, Vinyl Siding, Spacious Flr Level Lot, Paved Drive, 2 Sheds, Town Services.  
**\$239,900.**

<p><b>NORTHBOROUGH - 11 SHADYLANE AVE</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>Vinyl Sided Ranch in Desirable Neighborhood, Close to schools. 7 Room, 4 bed 1 Full Bath Hardwoods, Tile, Fully Appliances Kitchen, Oil Heat and Pellet Stove, Deck, Shed. Flat level backyard. Lots of Storage, Corner lot. <b>\$249,000.</b></p>	<p><b>OXFORD-10 CAREY LANE</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>New listing! Charming cape! 3 Bedroom 2 bath on a dead-end st! Newer roof and updated electrical panel! Second floor is perfect for teen suite. Complete with bedroom - large den area and full bath! Flat lot and very reasonable taxes! Call today - don't delay! <b>\$185,000.</b></p>	<p><b>DUDLEY - 17 EAGLE DR</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>First Time Offered "WOW" is the Reaction when Entering this Beautiful Home! Outstanding Quality in this Custom Colonial! Large Upscale Kitchen w/ Solid Maple Cabinets! GE Profile Appliances! Granite Countertop! Upgraded Breakfast Bar! Formal Dining Room! Hardwood Flrs Throughout both Levels! Brick Fireplace! Cathedral Ceiling, Second Floor Balcony! 1st Flr Master w/Lux Bath &amp; Spa, Shower, Double Vanity w/Granite! 1st Flr Laundry w/Sink! 2nd Flr - 3 Bdrms, 2 Full Baths, 2nd Home w/2nd Flr Deck! 14x20' Security Slat! Central Air! Detached Garage!  <b>\$424,900.</b></p>	<p><b>DUDLEY - 23 INTERVALE RD</b></p> <p>Welcome home to this charming 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath cape! One acre! First floor master bdrm w/full bath! Living room w/pellet stove! Lower level has additional heated family room! W/2nd full bath! Sit out and grill on the recent deck and enjoy the fresh air! Make sure you put this one on your "to see" list!  <b>New Price \$199,900</b></p>	<p><b>LAND!</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER/DUDLEY BUILDABLE LOTS</b></p> <p>Webster - Lot 1198 Thompson Rd Town Water &amp; Sewer \$43,500.          Webster - Lot 119A Thompson Rd Town Water &amp; Sewer \$43,500.          Webster - 114 Lake St. Multi-Family Zoned. 12,000 +/- Sq Ft Lot. Town Water &amp; Sewer, and City Gas! \$56,900.          Webster - 122 Gore Rd. Lot Approx. 1-1.2 +/- Acres. Town Water &amp; Sewer. Level Lot. <b>Business Zoned \$110,000.</b>          Dudley - Lot# 149 Southbridge Road - 4.5 +/- acres. 150 ft +/- of Rd. Frontage 610 ft +/- - River Frontage <b>\$85,000.</b></p>
<p><b>WEBSTER - 9 GORE GABLE RD</b></p> <p>1st Time Offered! Beautiful 4 bedroom colonial! Front to back Fireplaced formal living room! Formal Dining Room! Family room with cathedral ceilings! Eat in Kitchen! Screened in summer room! 2 Car Garage. Forced Hot Water by Oil!  <b>\$264,900.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER-4 PANARELLI WAY</b></p> <p>Beautiful Colonial Located In A Quiet Cul De Sac! Amazing Grand Foyer With Cascading Stairway! 7 Room, 3 Bed 2.5 Bath Home! Gleaming Hardwoods! Fireplaced Living Room! Appliances Kitchen! Master Suite! Jacuzzi Tub And Shower Stall! Private Back Deck! 2 Zone Heating And Cooling!  <b>New Price \$309,900</b></p>	<p><b>THOMPSON CT - 85 FABYAN RD</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>Very Young Cape on approximately 2 acres, about gov! land! Master suite - entire second level! Large 12x13 bathroom w/ double vanity, shower, and jetted tub. First floor has a bedroom, office could be a third bedroom. Multi-level deck. Walk out basement, Three stall detached garage, assisted sale  <b>\$251,000</b></p>	<p><b>DUDLEY - 217 DUDLEY SOUTHBRIDGE RD</b></p> <p>Lovely Country Setting for this 3 Bedroom Cape! Motivated Seller! Private setting on 1 Acre. Roomy 2 Car Garage Open Concept Floor Plan. Living-Dining Area. Country Kitchen with Eat in Dining Area. Access to Rear Deck for Summer Fun. Walk out Basement for Convenient Access to Backyard. Electric Fence to Keep The Dogs Safe! Good Value!  <b>NEW PRICE \$244,000</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - TREASURE ISLAND</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>Welcome to Treasure Island! Located on the Shores of Beautiful Webster LAKE! Current Owner's Remodeled every inch of this Unit with a "Magazine worthy" Flair! Each Room is Elegantly Appointed! Bamboo Floors! Family Room in Lower Level has Gas Fireplace with "Floor to Ceiling" Custom Granite &amp; Marble! Tastefully Finished w/ Crown Molding! Lux Master Bath! White Marble Tile Shower Surround! Enjoy the Outdoors Deck, Private Beach &amp; Heated "Salt Water" Pool 2 Boat Slips!  <b>New Price \$334,900</b></p>
<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 113 BIRCH ISLAND RD</b></p> <p><b>SORRY, SOLD!</b></p> <p>Webster Lake Waterfront! Breathtaking view of Middle Pond! Catch the Early Morning Sun at breakfast right at water edge or in the huge 4 season porch! Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted! Fieldstone Fireplace! Hardwoods! Oil Heat! 2 bedrooms! And much more!  <b>NEW PRICE \$319,900</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 60 LAKESIDE AVE</b></p> <p>Authentic LOG HOME Summer Cottage! 100' Waterfront! Western Exposure! 10,000+ sq. ft. Lot offers loads of enjoyment! Other possibilities due to the size and frontage of the lot! EXPANSIVE VIEW OF SOUTH POND! Inground Sprinkler System! Don't let this one pass you by!  <b>\$374,000.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE - 16 PATTISON RD</b></p> <p>Webster Lake Waterfront! Private, Quiet &amp; Peaceful Location on Dead End Street! Colonial Park on Highways! South Pond! Prime Waterfront! Large Lot - 41 Acres - 17,869 Sq. Ft. with 130' +/- of Water Frontage! 2900 Sq Ft +/- Lake Home! Great Swimming! Relaxing Views! Over-sized 12x12' Screened Gazebo! Evening Shade! 3 Bedrooms! 3 Full Baths! Gas Fireplace in Master Suite w/Roman Stone Ceramic Shower! Cathedral Ceiling! Also, The Entire Top Level is One Suite with Large Sitting Area! Study &amp; French Doors Leading to Bedroom! Lower Level offers 2 Car Heated Garage! Multi-Level Deck w/Waterfall Landscaping. Beautiful Full Pines for Shade! Suggested Dock And 50' Much More!  <b>\$625,000.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE • 7 WAKEFIELD AVE</b></p> <p><b>WATERFRONT:</b> Summer has ARRIVED and so Should YOU! Roomy Ranch! Lots of House for the Money! \$3.3 Floors of Living Space provide Lots of Room for Family Get Togethers or Quiet Enjoyment of the Priceless "Waterfront" Living! Large Tiered Deck gives Access to a Level yard and Water Access! Spacious Lower Level with Wide Open Spaces for Game Tables and Movie Shows! Property is Located in a Cove!  <b>\$349,000.</b></p>	<p><b>WEBSTER LAKE • 2 SOUTH POINT RD</b></p> <p><b>WEBSTER LAKE: PANORAMIC VIEWS OF WEBSTER LAKE!</b> Great South Facing Location! 62' prime lakefront, large deep lot 10,498sq. ft. flagstone &amp; concrete patios, full concrete walkway at water's edge, dock, retaining walls &amp; stonework, privacy fence, storage shed, recently paved drive, plenty offstreet parking in driveway &amp; area at roadside, spacious, year-round, 2 story Cape home, 4 Bdr (1 on 1st flr), 2 full BAs, Harvey replacement windows, 6 year +/- young roof.  <b>\$445,000</b></p>



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<b>SOUTHBRIDGE</b>				
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<b>Southbridge:</b> One of a kind custom built home located in Country Club Location! Beautiful 11 room 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath Cape with front to back living room with fireplace. 1st floor den with French doors leading out to great outdoor living room! Master bedroom front to back with fireplace & master bath! 4th bedroom has it's own bath-great for guests or in-laws or au pair. Separate Exercise room with hot tub which overlooks backyard. Hardwood floors! Basement is finished like an English Pub with fireplace. Fabulous private property! \$339,900.	<b>Sturbridge:</b> HORSE LOVERS- this home can be used as a single family with in law, or a two family! The good news is there is a 30 x 30 Barn with 6 stalls. Has not been used for horses for many years, you would need fencing. Exterior updated with siding & roof. First floor has 6 rooms 3 bedrooms and second floor has 5 rooms- 1-2 bedrooms full bath plus kitchen, DR, & LR. Located on dead end street just minutes to RT84 & Mass Pike. \$249,900.

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## TRIPS OFFERED

The "Trips Offered" section is for non-profit organizations and will run as space allows. Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this space must submit a copy of a not-for-profit certificate to Editor Adam Minor. Mail your certificate and information to *Trips Offered*, c/o Adam Minor, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; fax to 508-764-8015 or e-mail to [aminor@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:aminor@stonebridgepress.news).

### UNION SAINT JEAN-BAPTISTE

Union Saint-Jean Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring "Celebrate the Christmas Season" — three family excursions for the year 2016. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled excursions. All are welcome. Gift certificates in any amount are also available which can be applied to any event at face value. We are a family oriented, non-profit Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. On some occasions sponsored activities are benefits providing monetary assistance to worthy causes.

It is never too late to capture the true spirit of this special time of the year — Christmas. For information/reservation please call Ted at 508-764-7909.

- Dec. 3: "Christmas at Olde Mystic Village" — the annual Christmas Holiday Festival with 50 one-of-a-kind gift shops, restaurants, and free entertainment through the village and at Gazebo Square, special sales and more. \$45 for adults; \$35 children 4-12 years, free under 3 years. An optional visit on your own is the nearby Mystic Sea Aquarium. Departure: 9 a.m. from Southbridge, with return time at 6:30 p.m. Reservation deadline is Nov. 30.

- Dec. 10: "Festival of Christmas Lights" at Our Lady of LaSalette Shrine, concert with Fr. Pat, the singing priest, Museum of the World Nativities, Gift & Book Shop, Chapel of Light, a Bistro for refreshments and snacks, optional Trolley Ride and a Carousel, complete luncheon at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Cost: \$49/per person, \$39 children 3-10 years, under 3, free. Reservation deadline is Dec. 7. Departure from Southbridge with return time about 7:45 p.m.

- 2017 Preview: Jan. 8, "Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Gian Carlo Menotti, a Christmas light opera performance with a great cast — in Notre Dame Church, 444 Main St Southbridge — benefit for the church Casavant organ — more to be announced.

### CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

2016 Trips with Charlton Senior

Center — Please call Elaine for more info at 508-248-2231. Sign-up sheets and flyers available at the Senior Center. Mail all payments to Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Charlton, MA 01507. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Please note the updated costs for the trips.

- Christmas Around the World w/ Dan Gabel & The Abletones at Chez Josef — Dec. 19, \$72, includes transportation, Big Band show, lunch, taxes and gratuities. Check payable to: Landmark Tours.

### MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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

- Australia & New Zealand: Jan. 28 to Feb. 18, 2017
- America, Our Land: from Albuquerque to Tucson: May 22 to June 4, 2017
- Alaska (land and cruise): June 27 to July 10, 2017
- Greece and the Islands: Sept. 14-26, 2017
- Grand Tour of India: Jan. 5-19, 2018
- Grand Tour of France: May 30 to June 15, 2018

### UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER/ SUNSHINE CLUB

The Uxbridge Senior Center, in conjunction with the Sunshine Club will be offering the following bus trips for 2016:

- Monday, Nov. 28 to Wednesday, Nov. 30: White Mountain Hotel, North Conway, \$439. There are still seats available for this trip!

- Wednesday, Dec. 7: Newport Playhouse "Nana's Naughty Knickers," \$75. This trip is full.

- Saturday-Monday, Dec. 10, 11 and 12, NYC at Christmas with 9/11 Museum, \$339.

Here's a rundown of what's coming up so far for 2017:

- March 16, 2017: Lion King — sorry, full (waiting list), leaves from both Westboro (9:15 a.m.) and Whitinsville, 10 a.m., \$99.

- March 30, 2017: Newport Playhouse, "The Foursome," \$76.

- April 1-9, 2017: Branson — full (waiting list), both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$759.

- April 27-May 1, 2017: Virginia: International Tattoo and oceanfront Virginia Beach, leaves from

Whitinsville only, \$799.

- May 17-20, 2017: 1,000 Islands w/ Tulip Fest, leaves from Westborough only, \$769.

- June 5, 2017 — Day trip to Gloucester Lobster Bake and Cruise, both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$76.

- June 25 and 26, 2017: Hudson River/West Point, from Whitinsville only, \$319.

- Aug. 21-24, 2017: St. Andrews By-the-Sea and Campobello Island; staying at the Algonquin Hotel and Resort, leaves from Westborough only, \$819.

- Sept. 24-26, 2017: Lake Placid & Adirondacks, from Whitinsville only, \$479.

- Oct. 11, 2017: Day Trip to the Turkey Train, both Westboro and Whitinsville, \$72.

- Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2017: Saratoga Victorian Christmas, from Whitinsville only, \$319.

- Dec. 8-9, 2017: Christmas in Vermont, leaves from Westborough only, \$299.

New York City is an especially fun place at Christmas Time. The huge tree in Rockefeller Center will be lit, there will be skating on the rink, the stores are all decked out, and the hustle and bustle makes you get into the spirit of the season. It includes two nights' hotel, two breakfasts, two dinners and sightseeing with a local guide for two days, and entrance to the 9/11 Museum. A local guide will take you all around the city visiting places like Central Park, Times Square, Wall Street, and of course Rockefeller Center. All trips originate from the Whitinsville WalMart. Everyone is welcome to join the group on any of these trips. Call Sue L'Heureux at 508-476-5820 for more information on any of these trips.

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### DUDLEY SENIOR CENTER

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Performing proactive head lice checks at home can prove beneficial for families.

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The Problem

Lice are most commonly

spread through direct head-to-head contact—not typically through sharing hairbrushes, scarves and hats. Research also shows that lice are often transmitted between siblings or neighborhood playmates.<sup>1</sup> Performing weekly head

checks at home can be a smart way to stop an infestation before it affects the entire family.

It can take four to six weeks for infestation symptoms (such as itching) to show up.<sup>2</sup> And catching lice early is vital to

controlling them, so vigilance is key.

What You Can Do

Here are three tips on how to check your child's head for lice:

- Work under a bright light and use a nit comb to remove anything you find. Part your child's hair and watch for movement (lice quickly travel away from light).

- Part the hair to look for eggs stuck to the shaft near the scalp. About the size of a poppy seed, lice often look like dandruff that can't be easily removed.

- Pay particular attention to the nape of the neck, behind the ears and from bangs to the crown of the head. Recently laid eggs are nearly transparent, so it's helpful to examine hair from different angles.

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Lice can quickly advance through several life cycles before being caught, so conducting routine head checks is a vital step toward helping your entire household stay lice-free all year.

Learn More

For a downloadable reference card, visit [www.vamousse.com/head-check](http://www.vamousse.com/head-check).

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# Teaching Your Child Healthy Habits

(NAPS)

If you're like most parents, you work hard to make sure your children eat their veggies, brush their teeth and always say "please" and "thank you," but one important habit is often forgotten.

Experts advise parents to teach children the importance of smiling. Smiling can positively affect you and the people around you, and lower stress, which should improve your child's quality of life.

What You Can Do

Here's a look at a few of the habits that can be crucial to ensuring children enjoy a healthy lifestyle:

1. Setting a regular bedtime: According to the National Sleep Foundation, children need at least 10 to 12 hours of sleep. By the age of 2, children have spent more time asleep than awake. Why is this? Sleep is vital to children's development and lets them be alert, fresh and ready to learn every day. While bedtime tantrums can be frustrating, they may well be an indicator that your child needs sleep. Avoid active endeavors right before bed and replace them with 30 minutes of relaxing, quiet activities. This



Healthy kids are happy kids and instilling the right daily habits in your children can help you get a lot more smiles from your family.

will encourage a healthy bedtime routine for kids and may help them to see the importance of a good night's sleep.

2. Keeping active: Encourage your children to play outside, join a team or take part in some other activity outside of school. This provides a

great opportunity to meet and socialize with other kids they may not meet otherwise. Developing hobbies from a young age helps keep children busy and gives them a chance to learn beyond the classroom.

3. Eating fruits and vegetables: Reinforcing

a healthy diet will improve your children's mood, health and even their smiles. Instilling a healthy diet early will create lifelong habits that will benefit your child for years to come.

4. Smiling more often: Teach your child the importance of proac-

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5. Reading for pleasure: Encourage your kids to take a break from video games, social media and other distracting forms of technology and pick up a book instead. Reading for pleasure will help expand your children's imagination and develop their reading skills. Once their homework is complete, designate a daily "screen-free" hour or make it a family activity by reading a chapter or two together before bed each night.

Learn More

For further facts and tips on proper oral care, you can visit [www.gumbrand.com](http://www.gumbrand.com) or find GUM on Facebook, Twitter @Sunstar GUM and Pinterest.

# Five Tips To Prepare Your Children For Success In School

(NAPS)

One of the best things you can do for your children is to make sure they attend school every day. After all, we want our kids to have the best possible chance of doing well in school and achieving their dreams. But getting a child to school isn't always easy. While some absences are understandable, it's important to understand the impact of each absence.

Although most parents understand the importance of getting their child to school every day, many believe that missing three or more days of school each month won't make a difference. In reality, as early as elementary school, students who miss just two school days per month are more likely to fall behind in school, and less likely to graduate from high school. Even when the absences are excused or understandable, absences add up. Students who miss just two days of school each month end up missing 18 school days, or 10 percent of the school days in a year.

By following these five simple tips, you can help ensure your child attends school every day. Attending school every day puts your child on the path toward success in school and in life.

What to Do:

1. Keep track of how many days of school your child has missed.

2. Figure out why your child is absent from school. Is your child dealing with a chronic illness such as asthma? Is he being bullied or struggling at school? Is she staying home to help care for a family member?

3. Ask teachers and community leaders for advice and specific resources. Reach out to other parents, too, to ask for help and share tips.

4. Consider enrolling your child in a mentoring or an afterschool program. When kids work with mentors, they learn about the importance of attending school every day. With an additional support system in place, kids learn strategies to address their day-to-day challenges. Similarly, when kids get involved in afterschool programs, they are more likely to feel connected to their school communities and are less likely to be absent.

5. Visit [AbsencesAddUp.org](http://AbsencesAddUp.org) for information on the impact of absences and resources to help prevent them in the future. On the website, you'll learn how to help children who are struggling in school, being bullied, managing chronic illness or dealing with mental health challenges. Additionally, the site



Many parents may be surprised to learn that even two absences a month can seriously hurt a child's academic progress.

also provides parents with resources to assist with caregiving, housing and food challenges.

Learn More

Families can visit [AbsencesAddUp.org](http://AbsencesAddUp.org)

to find resources and tips that can help them through many challenges, whether their child isn't feeling well, their family is struggling with housing, or anything in between.

## FAMILY

# Sleep Is Key To Helping Teens Recharge For Success In School



Most teens, research suggests, lack sufficient sleep, putting them at risk for health and behavioral problems.

(NAPS)

Here's eye-opening news: For most teens, one of the best ways to find success in school is to get enough sleep.

When well rested, teens are more likely to be healthy, energetic and have a positive attitude toward life in general—helping them be their best and do their best in school and at home.

To help, the National Healthy Sleep Awareness Project launched the "Sleep Recharges You" campaign, urging teens

to get eight to 10 hours of sleep per night to promote optimal health.

"It's important to make sleep a priority," said Dr. Ronald Chervin, president of the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM) and spokesperson for the National Healthy Sleep Awareness Project. "Setting and sticking to a routine to get as much sleep as possible is one of the best things teens can do for their health, academic achievement and athletic performance."

Lack of Sleep Jeopardizes Teens' Grades, Health and Safety

More than two-thirds of high school students in the U.S. are failing to get enough sleep on school nights, according to a 2016 study published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Results show that 69 percent of surveyed students in grades 9 to 12 reported sleeping less than eight hours on an average school night. Insufficient sleep in teens

can impact everything from grades to safety.

Sleepy teens may fare worse in school than their well-rested peers. Studies show that teens who are sleep deprived may be more easily distracted and recall information more slowly. Sleeping fewer than the recommended hours is also associated with attention, behavior and learning problems.

Lack of sleep may also affect teens' athletic performance. When teens sleep, hormones are

released that help them grow taller and develop muscles. Sleep helps restore energy to the brain and body.

Studies show that teens who sleep less than the recommended hours are more likely to be overweight and develop hypertension and diabetes. Additionally, insufficient sleep in teenagers has been found to increase the risk of depression and is associated with increased risk of self-harm, suicidal thoughts and suicide attempts.

Insufficient sleep also significantly increases teens' risk for drowsy-driving accidents. A 2014 study found that teen drivers who start class earlier in the morning are involved in significantly more motor vehicle accidents than those with later start times. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens in the U.S., according to the CDC.

Parents, Caregivers Play Crucial Role

Teens should be encouraged to get enough sleep every night to recharge. The AASM advises parents and caregivers to help by modeling healthy sleep habits, promoting a consistent sleep schedule and creating a quiet sleep environment for their teens.

Additionally, setting restrictions on screen time before bed is key to helping teens get to sleep on time. Teens may be

tempted to keep using their laptops, smartphones and game consoles late into the night rather than going to sleep.

"Teens are still growing and developing and sleep is a crucial part of these processes," said Dr. Chervin. "One of the best things parents and caregivers can do for their children's health and well-being is to encourage routines that will help them get enough sleep."

According to the AASM, a natural shift in the timing of the body's internal "circadian" clock occurs during puberty, causing most teens to have a biological preference for a late-night bedtime.

It is also important that parents and local school boards work together to implement high school start times that allow teens to get the healthy sleep they need to meet their full potential.

**Official Consensus**  
The AASM recommends that teens sleep eight to 10 hours per night on a regular basis to promote optimal health.

Parents concerned that their teen is sleeping too little or too much should consult a board-certified sleep medicine physician or visit [www.sleepeducation.org](http://www.sleepeducation.org) to find an accredited sleep center nearby.

**Learn More**  
For further facts, visit [www.sleepeducation.org/healthysleep](http://www.sleepeducation.org/healthysleep).

## Making The Grade: Getting High School Seniors Ready For College

(NAPS)

Nearly 17 million high school seniors graduate each year, the U.S. Department of Education estimates, and many plan to attend college. But are they all really college-ready?

Data suggests the answer is a resounding "no." According to the 2015 "Condition of College & Career Readiness" report from American College Testing (ACT), 31 percent of the ACT-tested graduating class is not meeting any of the four subject benchmarks: reading, English, science and mathematics.

These low-readiness test scores coincide with college dropout figures that top 29 million, making the number of Americans who have dropped out of college greater than the number of American adults who have not obtained their high school degrees.

"While test scores provide a benchmark for high school seniors, college readiness is an important issue for everyone headed to college, whether they are a new high school graduate or an adult learner returning to the classroom," said Jennifer Fletcher, Ph.D., program dean for general education at University of Phoenix. "Being prepared for the challenge can help ensure students aren't forced to take remedial course work and are able to stay motivated and on top of their workloads, ultimately resulting in a successful collegiate experience."

The pressure to earn a college degree is higher than ever. The White House has set an ambitious goal of producing a higher share of college graduates than any other nation by 2020. The plan is to return the United States to the top-ranked nation after dropping into twelfth place.

"More and more, employers are seeking college graduates for jobs that previously required a high school diploma or other subbaccalaureate training," Dr. Fletcher said. "For the nearly two-thirds of U.S. adults who do not have a bachelor's degree or higher, this can create barriers to career growth, unless they are able to pursue higher education."

She offers the following advice to high school seniors and adult learners heading off to college:

- Use summer months to take courses in English and mathematics to refresh high school level skills. Courses can be taken at community colleges or via online professional development resources such as University of Phoenix's continuing education programs, Udemy, StraighterLine and Lynda.com.

- Don't overburden your first semester course load. There are always opportunities to add courses deeper into your college career or over summer and winter intersessions.



A few simple steps before you go to college can help make sure you do well when you get there.

- Team up with your college adviser your first semester. College advisers are available to discuss your goals and a graduation timeline and can offer guidance on the best ways to manage coursework.

- Attend skills center sessions for assistance in coursework and free proof-reading.

- Organize study groups

with peers to work together on complex materials and to gain different perspectives to approaching assignments.

- Take advantage of college tools and resources. Computers, Internet access, office hours and a study location free of distractions are all things students can access that affect student success. When you couple this with healthy

organizational and study habits, students can improve their chances of having a positive academic journey.

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# KIDS' CORNER

**New word**

**MONITOR**

device used to check something

## BODY FACT!



THE HORMONE INSULIN HELPS MAINTAIN STEADY SUGAR LEVELS IN THE BLOOD. INSULIN IS PRODUCED IN WHICH PART OF THE BODY?

ANSWER: PANCREAS

### How they SAY that in...

**ENGLISH:** Blood

**SPANISH:** Sangre

**ITALIAN:** Sangue

**FRENCH:** Sang

**GERMAN:** Blut

THIS DAY IN..



## HISTORY

- \* **1792:** THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE IS ESTABLISHED BY A GROUP OF 24 BROKERS AND MERCHANTS.
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### Crossword Puzzle

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	█	█					
			6				
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7							

**ACROSS**

- Metabolism disorder
- Burn crisply
- Opposite of "outer"
- Type of sugar

**DOWN**

- Healthcare providers
- Prevents movement
- Occupants
- Sweet substance

Answers:  
 Across: 1. Diabetes 5. Char 6. Inner 7. Sucrose  
 Down: 1. Doctors 2. Barrier 3. Tenants 4. Sugar

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