

## Local students get a taste of politics



Pictured here on the left with Rep. Frost are Auburn teachers Spencer Kennard and Vincent Benacchio, along with their students, Madison Poshkus and Alexis McGrail. In the right-hand photo are the Representative and Shepherd Hill teacher Kathryn Pellegrini, with students Anya Grondalski and Ryan Moore. These students joined other students from across the Commonwealth to learn first hand about state government and how it operates.



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BOSTON — On Friday, April 5, Rep. Paul K. Frost (R-Auburn) welcomed Auburn High School students Alexis McGrail and Madison Poshkus to the State House for the Annual Student Government Day. Ms. Poshkus served as Governor and Ms. McGrail served as a member of the House of Representatives. From Shepherd Hill Regional High School, the Representative welcomed students Anya Grondalski, who served as House Representative, and Ryan Moore as the House Representative Alternate. Frost commented, “This is a terrific program run every year for students across the Commonwealth to come together and participate in the 3 branches of state government. I hope and trust these students got a better understanding of the process. It is always great to have students from the district participate and to greet them at the State House.”

## Openings available in Oxford NJROTC program

OXFORD — The School Committee for Oxford Public Schools voted at its regular public meeting of March 25 to offer a specific number of additional seats and accept new students to Oxford High School through the state’s School Choice program, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 76, Section 12B. The additional seats will be available specifically and only for the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC) Program at Oxford High School. The specific number of seat openings are as follows:

- a maximum of 10 seats for freshmen to NJROTC Program at Oxford High School;
- a maximum of 10 seats for sophomores in the NJROTC Program at Oxford High School;
- a maximum of five seats for juniors in the NJROTC Program at Oxford High School.

The Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

(NJROTC) has been in existence since Congress passed the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps Vitalization Act of 1964. Congress created the program because it saw the need for informed young leaders who understand the duties and responsibilities associated with being an active citizen of the United States. NJROTC programs are conducted at accredited secondary schools throughout the nation and taught by instructors who are retired military officers and/or enlisted personnel. The NJROTC accredited curriculum emphasizes citizenship and leadership development, maritime heritage, the significance of sea power, and naval topics such as the fundamentals of naval operations, seamanship, navigation, and meteorology. Classroom instruction is augmented throughout the year by extracurricular activities of community service, academic, athletic, drill, marksmanship, and physical fitness training. NJROTC programs promote

patriotism, high school completion, continuing on to higher education, community service, and an understanding of the basic elements and need for national security. The program assists in the development of informed and responsible citizens with a respect for constructed authority, leadership potential, and a high degree of personal honor, self-reliance, individual discipline, and leadership. The program provides information on the military services as a possible career, and incentive to live healthy and drug free. There are many benefits to the NJROTC program. For example, approximately 60 percent of the NJROTC cadets graduating seniors continue to higher education. It provides the opportunity for students to learn the basic elements and need for national security, it encourages initiative and individuality to develop natural gifts, to teach self-control, develop personal character, responsibility, and qualities of integrity, loyalty,

and dedication. Cadets derive self-esteem from belonging to the NJROTC program and are better behaved, have higher attendance, are role models for the avoidance of substance abuse and develop positive life skills. The values, principles, and self-discipline taught promotes positive and productive behaviors. The NJROTC Unit at Oxford High School was established in 1995, and is a nationally recognized unit. Since inception, the unit has earned special recognition from the Chief of Naval Education and Training. It continues to build responsible cadets keenly interested in developing academic and leadership skills, providing selfless service to school and community. In Drill and color guard competitions, Oxford’s cadets have enjoyed much success. They’ve earned multiple New England Regional Championship titles at multi-service championship. In Marksmanship, OHS Pirates have earned Top Shooting Club awards as the best high school team in the country. Oxford

continues to excel in competitive drill meets as part of the All Navy New England Drill League as well as national postal academic and physical fitness competitions and local shoulder-to-shoulder live fire competitions. The unit recently earned the Commander Naval Service Training Command Distinguished Unit Award for the 17th time. Oxford’s Senior Naval Science Instructor, Captain Russell Knight, was hired by Oxford Public Schools in 2017 after the retirement of longtime instructor Commander Michael Masley, who was hired as the first Senior Naval Science Instructor and began the NJROTC unit at Oxford High School in 1995. Captain Knight graduated from the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil/Ocean Engineering. He received his naval commission in 1982, and was designated a Naval Aviator in 1984. Captain Knight completed the

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## The fields are ready for spring

BY JOSEPH FAHEY  
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The snow is finally off the fields, and spring is here. Our sports fields and track will soon be used continuously. These fields will not only be used by Auburn Public Schools

physical education classes and athletics, but also will be used by the youth groups and our community at large. In order to provide safe environments and to protect the fields and track, rules must be followed. These rules were provided to us by the manufacturers of the turf field and track. They

are to protect not only the athletes but to extend the life of the track, fields, courts and playgrounds. There is signage posted on the fences for all to read and we ask that everyone please follow them. Please understand that while gym classes are outside on the field, that is their class-

room space. No one is allowed on the grounds during the school day. Please think about it in the eyes of a teacher who is responsible for all of the students. All of our staff are trained that if a stranger is seen, they are to report them to the office. They have been trained to follow the A.L.I.C.E.

protocol, which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate. Think of it like a classroom inside the building: you wouldn’t want a stranger to show up and start walking around. Please do not take it personally; sadly,

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## Valley Green Grow appeals planning board decision

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CHARLTON – An appeal has been filed in land court arguing against the decision of the Charlton Planning Board to deny the plans of Valley Green Grow to develop what has been called the largest marijuana growing operation in the nation on the site of Charlton Orchards. The appeal document, dated April 1, argued that the Charlton Planning Board unlawfully denied the plan by Valley Green Grow, also known as VGG, and argued that the company made effective arguments during public hearings on the matter justifying its approval. The 18-page document states Valley Green Grow’s belief that the Planning Board violated Massachusetts law and the town of Charlton’s own subdivision regulations calling the decision “arbitrary,” “capricious” and “not grounded in substantial evidence.”

“As evident in public record, the Planning Board’s determination was motivated by bias and personal animus and was entered in bad faith,” the document states, specifically naming Planning Board chair Patricia Rydlak in these accusations. The complaint seeks the annulment of the Planning Board’s decision and the approval of the subdivision plan. It also seeks to hold the town responsible for legal and engineering fees associated with the process. In addition to laying out the application process undertaken to that point, the document also references YouTube video copies of Planning Board meetings as well as a screenshot allegedly made by Patricia Rydlak (identified as “Patsy Ann”) on the Preserve Charlton’s Character Facebook page indicating that the chair’s position against the VGG project. The Planning Board put its final stamp of disapproval on the project by denying the subdivision plan in March, leading to the challenge in Land Court. “Throughout the public hearing process, all of the plaintiffs’ consultants and representatives testified that the proposed project would meet and satisfy the criteria and conditions necessary for approval in accordance with Charlton’s subdivision regulations



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Tuesday, March 26 marked the 12th Annual Health & Business Expo presented by Auburn Chamber of Commerce, Sponsored by bankHometown and Beltone Hearing Aid Centers. The Expo featured many industries, including healthcare, retail, education and finance. The purpose of the event was to bring the community a lot of local businesses in one location to be able to speak with them directly. Some are new to the Auburn Expo and some were returning. It’s a different atmosphere when you can have your questions answered by one-to-one contact instead of a phone call. By meeting these businesses in person and seeing what they have to offer you, it is a more personal experience. Often when people come through, they learn of local businesses they did not know existed until seeing them at the Expo. For more information on future Expos, contact: [auburnchamberma.org](http://auburnchamberma.org).





# Selectmen remove petitions from warrant

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CHARLTON – The Charlton Board of Selectmen has decided not to include a pair of citizens’ petitions on the upcoming annual town meeting agenda, ruling that they would lead to actions or discussion that would create potential legal issues for the town.

The petitions presented votes of no confidence in town leadership stemming from the ongoing debate over the Valley Green Grow project, as well as possibly censoring the Planning Board. During meetings in the month of March, the town attorney argued that the petitions should not be put on the town meeting warrant.

One of the petitioners, Cathy Benjamin, who owns the Charlton Orchard property where Valley Green Grow hopes to set up shop, spoke during the public comments section of the March 26 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, and said she agreed with the town attorney.

“I would like to express that I am very agreeable to removing the petition from town meeting, as I do agree it only adds fodder to the press and it also will add to the lack of decorum to the town meeting, and that’s not something I would like to see. I think we’ve seen too much of it whenever the subject of Valley Green Grow appears,” Benjamin said.

Selectmen noted that the process was not that simple as the petitions had received more than ten signatures meaning everyone who signed them would also have to sign off on removing them. Otherwise, the Board of Selectmen had the power to prevent the petitions from progressing. A third option was to have the petitions remain

on the agenda and be passed over at town meeting. In the end selectmen were mostly in agreement that the petitions overreached the authority of town meeting. Selectman Joe Szafarowicz said the petitions would lead to “mudslinging,” and would set a negative precedent for any situation where there is a disagreement, no matter how minor, between a town employee and a citizen or group of citizens.

“The Planning Board doesn’t deserve to be dragged through the mud during this discussion. The town administrator doesn’t deserve to be dragged through the mud. If allowed by precedent - if someone has a disagreement with a police officer or a firefighter, what prevents town meeting, then, of wanting to vote a confidence in one of those positions? I think it opens up a huge can of worms,” Szafarowicz said. “If the town doesn’t like the decisions that we’re making vote us out. If they really don’t like it have a recall election. Same thing with the Planning Board. This really opens up our employees to a lot of undue hardship. I believe in protecting our employees because they don’t deserve what this could bring them.”

Selectman Deborah Noble referenced court cases brought forward by the town attorney in the past that concluded town meeting votes that would direct selectmen to effect personnel were considered overreaching, thus making the petitions inappropriate for such a forum.

“We’ve had multiple lawsuits over the last year or two because of votes taken at town meeting. While yes, they are the voice of the people they were overreaching, and it’s gotten us in a lot of trouble. I think that moving forward

we need to be extraordinarily cautious and mindful and educated about what we’re doing. There has been a level of rancor that I would like to see put aside. I’d like us to not be so contentious and when someone extends and olive branch let’s no bat it away,” Noble said.

However, not every selectman agreed with this perspective. Selectman Karen Spiewak argued that regardless of any potential legal ramifications the selectmen were setting their own precedent by withdrawing any petitions. From her research she said it would be the first time the board has ever prevented a citizen’s petition from going to the annual town meeting.

“I look at it in a different light. I ask myself is it legal, yes. Have we ever said no to a citizen’s petition before? I don’t believe we have. We are simply a pass through. Regardless of where we stand with our personal opinions and beliefs, we are here to do what the people who voted us in asked us to do and that’s to allow citizens petitions like this to come through,” Spiewak said, later adding to her statements. “I look at this more as a resolution and I have great faith in our moderator to keep peace quite honestly. I just think we would be doing a disservice in turning a deaf ear to the residents who are asking us to do this - The town meeting is a very powerful vehicle and I have great respect for the residents of this town and to say no, we’re not putting this on there after this last year folks, I don’t think that’s a very good idea.”

Spiewak’s statements were countered by Selectman David Singer, who said he had a hard time deciding for himself how to handle the petitions. On one hand, he agreed with Spiewak’s sentiments but felt the reality of the poten-

tial ramifications for the town required the board’s intervention.

Singer said he had an entire list of reasons provided to him by the town attorney of why the petitions should be withdrawn, and felt removing them from the warrant was the proper decision.

“On the lowest level of things, it is telling a body to take an action they are not statutorily allowed to take, and it goes from there all the way through contractual violations to the point of even civil rights violations. When you get into this the town attorneys and the town insurance companies are not going to protect you,” Singer said.

Finally, board Chair John McGrath agreed with statements made earlier that if citizens really didn’t approve of the actions of selectmen, they will have the chance to make those opinions heard at the polls. They also always have the option of seeing a recall, but from his perspective the board has a responsibility to do what they feel is proper for the town in the end.

“There is a lot of emotion about it. There are a lot of people voicing their opinions in public by signing the petition. What I hang my hat on is what town council says. Town Council says the town meeting has no jurisdiction over the things that the petitioner wants town meeting to have,” McGrath said.

With that, the Board of selectmen voted 4-1 to remove the petitions from the town meeting warrant with only Karen Spiewak voting against the motion. The Charlton Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Charlton Middle School on Monday, May 20.

## Wales VFW creating memorial park

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WALES—The Wales Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), in cooperation with the Wales Board of Selectmen, is currently working to consolidate the town’s war monuments into one Wales Veterans Memorial Park located in front of the Old Town Hall historical building located at 5 Main Street off of Route 19.

The new centralized location will provide much easier access to and free and handicapped parking for the memorial, which will include monuments in honor of veterans

of the Revolutionary War, the Spanish American War, the Vietnam War, and the Middle East Crisis and serves as a way to preserve history and honor the Wales residents who fought for our country.

“It’s going to be a permanent war memorial park, so it can’t be taken away,” said Will Jarvis, post commander of the Wales VFW. “All the names on the memorials are sent to the national war headquarters and verified by the federal government to make sure each person served. Even I was surprised that our small town has 38 people in the Middle East Crisis.”

The project has been funded primarily by donations

through the sale of engraved bricks, which can be used to honor a loved one, show a business’ support for Wales Veterans, or left blank. The bricks will be used in a walkway that is part of the design of the new memorial site and any brick dedicated to a veteran of any branch in the service will have a star incised into the brick. The bricks cost \$35 for four by eight inches and three lines to personalize, \$45 for eight by eight inches and six lines to personalize, and \$95 for 12 by 12 inches with eight lines to personalize, and there are 84 pieces of artwork to choose from that can be added to the bricks for \$6. There are also

benches with a personalized plaque available by inquiry.

The Wales Veterans Memorial Park is scheduled to be completed and open to the public on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, when there will be an opening ceremony with the residents, schools in the district, and the Boy Scouts. The town is asking that veterans and those who know of a veteran come forward before then with the name to make sure that all Wales veterans are honored on the town’s monuments.

“This is the biggest project I’ve done so far,” said Jarvis. “I would like to keep it a military celebration.”

The Wales VFW is also working to make Wales a Purple Heart town, which means it would be formally recognized for its strong commitment to and recognition of veterans with residents who have received the Purple Heart.

For more information on the new Wales Veterans Memorial Park, contact Will Jarvis at 413-245-7571. To purchase a brick, sign up in person at the Transfer Station on some Wednesdays and Saturdays or go to <https://polarengraving.com/waleswarmonument>. General donations can be mailed to PO Box 324 in Wales, Massachusetts 01081.

## Olivia Hamparsoomian inducted into Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

BATON ROUGE, La. — Olivia Hamparsoomian of Auburn was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Hamparsoomian was initiated at Westfield State University.

Hamparsoomian is among approx-

imately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate stu-

dents in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann, who had a

desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 300 campuses in the United States and the Philippines. Its mission is “To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others.”

More About Phi Kappa Phi

Since its founding, more than 1.5 million members have been initiated into Phi Kappa Phi. Some of the organization’s notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, novelist John Grisham and YouTube co-founder Chad Hurley. Each year, Phi Kappa Phi awards nearly \$1 million to outstanding students and members through graduate and dissertation fellowships, undergraduate study abroad grants, funding for post-baccalaureate development, and grants for local, national and international literacy initiatives. For more information about Phi Kappa Phi, visit [www.phikappaphi.org](http://www.phikappaphi.org).

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# United Way Pub Quiz comes to Sturbridge

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**S T U R B R I D G E** — United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton, a nonprofit dedicated to improving lives within the community, is preparing for its 12th annual United Way Pub Quiz, which will take place at the Oliver Wright Tavern at Old Sturbridge Village on Friday, April 26 at 7 p.m. to raise money for the local programs it supports.

Sponsored by Dexter-Russell knife company based in Southbridge for the second year in a row, teams of four adults over age 18 will compete in a trivia battle for a “Sharpest Knives in the Block” trophy and championship jackets provided by Dexter-Russell. Up to 40 teams can participate, and there is an optional dinner buffet from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., a cash bar, and raffles with items donated from local individuals and businesses.

“It’s fun night for everybody, and a good commu-

nity fundraiser,” said Mary O’Coin, Executive Director of United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton who has been involved with the organization for three years. “It’s kind of like Trivia Pursuit. There are 10 different categories and 10 questions per category, and the topics include everything from current events, geography, and history to music, pop culture, and politics. The categories are developed by an individual rather than a professional trivia company, so we have many unique questions. Our past winner is actually writing the questions this year. It’s for everyone—if you’re a trivia buff you can be very competitive and some people are happy to just answer a question right.”

All proceeds from the event will go directly to United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton to help it support organizations such as American

Red Cross of Central & Western MA, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central MA, Catholic Charities, Community Legal Aid, Literacy Volunteers of South Central MA, Mohegan Council of Boy Scouts, New Hope, Pathways for Change, Inc, and Tri-Valley, Inc. by funding programs related to education, disaster prevention, and support and relief services. United Way is hoping to raise more than \$5,000 as it has in past years of the event.

“This goes toward our general funds so that we can continue to support the 17 different agencies and 25 different programs we are currently involved with,” said O’Coin. “It’s not just a fundraiser for us, but also a chance to do something fun in the community. Public awareness is just as important as fundraising and we will have fliers with program information at the event. These programs are not just for the most vulner-



Photo Courtesy — Mary O’Coin

2018 winners Jared Burns, Andy Dzaugis, Terry O’Coin, and Peter Dzaugis.

able but can be used by anyone in the community who needs them.”

The United Way Annual Pub Quiz will have check in starting at 6pm prior to the game at 7pm. Registration, which must be completed by

April 20, is \$100 per team and \$25 per person. The optional dinner buffet is \$25 per person with reservation and payment due prior to the event. Teams should be prepared to come up with creative team names for a chance

to win a prize.

For more information, to register for the event, or to donate to United Way, go to [www.united-waysssc.org](http://www.united-waysssc.org) to call 508-765-5491.

# Harrington celebrates opening of new clinic

BY ANNIE SANDOLI  
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**WEBSTER**—Harrington Healthcare System celebrated the opening of its new Webster-based Physical and Occupational Therapy clinic with a ribbon cutting on Tuesday, March 26, officially unveiling the new facility to board members, legislative representatives, and residents of Webster and the surrounding towns.

The PT and OT clinic has been located at an off-site location on Cudworth Road for over a decade, but the company decided to move it to the 340 Thompson Rd. main campus in a space that formerly housed the Transitional Care Unit owned by Athena Health Care System as part of an effort to ensure that care for patients remains trouble-free and reliable.

“We are excited because the new space puts the clinic in a centralized spot with more foot traffic and other services in the same building, such as labs and imaging,” said Blaine Schnare, Marketing Director for Harrington Healthcare System. “It’s definitely more integrated and seamless. It’s also a bigger space with a larger volume of staff because of growth anticipations, so we can see and treat more patients.”

Rep. Joe McKenna, who received post-surgical rehab at the clinic, and Senator Ryan Fattman were among those in attendance at the ribbon cutting, receiving a tour of the 8,200 square

foot facility with 13 private patient treatment areas and a newly-renovated gym.

“My experience at Harrington’s clinic after shoulder surgery was far better than the care I had received in Boston,” said McKenna according to a press release. “Every therapist who worked with me knew me personally and gave me more attention while I was receiving treatment, not to mention that the therapy itself was more thorough and effective. Maybe the best part was that it was local!”

The new Webster clinic started seeing patients and scheduling regular appointments on Monday, April 1 and currently has 12 therapists with advanced certifications and training who work Monday through Saturday and offer specialized treatment in many different areas, including sports, orthopedics, manual therapy, hand therapy, Lymphedema, cancer care, vestibular, pelvic floor, and neuromuscular rehab for patients of all ages.

“Over the past four years, we have improved our clinical services, including to expand on staff certifications and advanced training related to new program development including oncology rehab, sports rehab, lymphedema rehab, and other rehab specialties,” said Director of Rehabilitation Brenda Ebode, DPT according to a press release. “We continue to grow every year, and we promise to give patients the absolute best, high quality, compassionate care.”



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At the new Webster PT/OT Ribbon Cutting, from left: Sen. Ryan Fattman; Rep. Joe McKenna; President and CEO Ed Moore; Karen Bussiere, PT, Rehabilitation Supervisor; Brenda Ebode, DPT, Director of Rehabilitation and Randy Becker, Vice Chair of the Harrington Board.

Over the past 12 months, the Webster clinic has seen over 14,800 patient visits and is expecting that number to continuously grow over the next few years as the new clinic reaches its full potential. Harrington also has addition-

al outpatient PT and OT clinics located in Southbridge and Charlton.

For more information on the new PT and OT clinic in Webster, contact Harrington Healthcare Services at 508-943-2600.

# Pasture Prime Players hosting auditions for “Wait Until Dark”

**CHARLTON** — Pasture Prime Players, Inc. is pleased to announce open auditions for “Wait Until Dark” by Frederick Knott.

The production will be directed by Marty Black-Eagle Carl. Auditions will be held Tuesday, April 16th and Thursday, April 18 at 7 p.m. at the Charlton Arts & Activities Center, 4 Dresser Hill Rd., Charlton. Performances will be held June 21-30.

A sinister con man, Roat, and two ex-convicts, Mike

and Carlino, are about to meet their match. They have traced the location of a mysterious doll, which they are much interested in, to the Greenwich Village apartment of Sam Hendrix and his blind wife, Susy. Sam had apparently been persuaded by a strange woman to transport the doll across the Canadian border, not knowing that sewn inside were several grams of heroin. When the woman is murdered the situation becomes more urgent. The con man

and his ex-convicts, through a cleverly constructed deception, convince Susy that the police have implicated Sam in the woman’s murder, and the doll, which she believes is the key to his innocence, is evidence. She refuses to reveal its location, and with the help of a young neighbor, figures out she is the victim of a bizarre charade. But when Roat kills his associates, a deadly game of cat and mouse ensues between the two. Susy knows the only way to play fair is by her

rules, so when darkness falls she turns off all the lights leaving both of them to maneuver in the dark until the game ends.

There are roles for one woman, one girl and six men. Auditions will be cold readings from the script. We are also looking for people to fill non-performing roles. For more information, contact us at [pasture.prime.players@gmail.com](mailto:pasture.prime.players@gmail.com) or our website [www.pastureprime.org](http://www.pastureprime.org).

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**TAX TIP**

**Mark April 15 on your calendar**

The due date for filing your 2018 federal income tax return and for paying the tax you owe is April 15, 2019. The first installment of your 2019 estimated tax is also due, as well as the first 2019 installment of estimated tax for corporations. Call if you have questions or need help with your filing or estimated payments.

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# Fire guts Freeman Road home

BY JASON BLEAU  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – A late night blaze resulted in no injuries but the loss of a residential home as several fire departments turned out to manage the emergency.

According to the Charlton Fire Department, the initial call came in at around 11:31 p.m. on April 2, reporting a structure fire on Freeman Road. Crews arrived to find a building engulfed at 136 Freeman Rd., with Charlton Engine 3 and Car 1 first on the scene. Police also arrived on scene. The situation was quickly upgraded to a 2nd Alarm fire with outside departments called in to assist.

Charlton dispatched Engines 1 and 2 as well as Tower 1, Taker 2, Forestry Vehicle 1 and Cars 2 and 4 to the scene while Auburn and Oxford fire departments also reported to the scene. Southbridge Fire Department provide station coverage for Charlton while firefighters tackled the fire. By 11:39 p.m., firefighting had begun.

Upon arriving, firefighters immediately noticed flames from the roof of the

building. Fire officials said that a 4-inch water supply line that extended up the driveway to the front of the residence which served as the entry point for first responders as they began an interior attack on the fire. Most of the fire was confined to the upper level of the home, with an additional line utilized to extinguish the flames.

The fire extinguished within the hour, officially deemed “under control” at 12:19 a.m. on the morning of April 3. Electrical was cut from the home around an hour later. Most of the damage due to fire and water was confined to the second floor of the home. The damage to the home has been assessed at \$100,000 although a cause has yet to be determined. The home was deemed uninhabitable.

The Charlton Fire Department did not return calls requesting information on the fire before press time, however they released information on social media updating the public on the incident. A press release confirmed that an investigation is underway with the assistance of the District 7 Fire Investigation Unit.



Photo Courtesy  
What remains of a home on Freeman Road that was engulfed in flames on the night of April 2.

## Millbury Senior Center activities

**Portland Maine Tour & Dimillio’s Floating Restaurant Trip**  
Tuesday, June 11th Trip cost is \$75  
Leaving at 9 a.m. Return around 6 p.m.  
Luncheon Choices of Chicken or Baked Haddock  
For more information or reservations, please call the

Millbury Senior Center at 508-865-9154  
**Foxwoods Trip! Monday, May 6**  
The bus leaves the Millbury Senior Center at 7 a.m. and returns at 4:45 p.m.  
Cost is \$26. Call or stop by the Senior Center to reserve your seat! (508) 865-9154

**MEMORY CAFÉ”**  
Please join us!  
Tuesday, April 23 2 – 3:30 p.m.  
A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss / challenges and their care partners. It is a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time. Fourth Tuesday of each month, refreshments will be served. Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer any questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!  
Millbury Senior Center Transportation Services  
Residents can travel on Monday through Friday 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.  
ADA clients and job assignments (disabled) 7 A.M. to 4:45 P.M.  
We require a 48 hour Reservation for rides  
One - way van ride in town is \$1.50; one town out \$1.75  
ADA ride costs are \$2.75 in town and \$3 for one town out. All rides to the Senior Center are 25 cents  
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• HOW TO REPORT A LOST OR STOLEN DISABILITY PLACARD  
AND HOW TO REQUEST A REPLACEMENT  
Call us at 508-865-9154 for an Appointment!

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

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Often romantic composition

5. Lunar term

10. California mountain

12. Spiral staircase pillars

14. “Heat” director

16. Tellurium

18. Gateway (Arabic)

19. No (Scottish)

20. Greek prophethess

22. A team’s best pitcher

23. Bard’s way of saying “have”

25. Indigenous group of the Philippines

26. Danish krone

27. Type of squad

28. Possesses

30. Part of the face

31. Very small amount of time (abbr.)

33. Churches have lots of them

35. Modern day “letter”

37. Della \_\_, singer

38. Informed upon

40. Type of house

41. Folk singer DiFranco

42. A baglike structure in a plant or animal

44. Car mechanics group

45. Belonging to us

48. Pack neatly

50. Forming the bottom layer

52. How fast you’re going

53. Sea eagles

55. Cool!

56. Military mailbox

57. Type of lawyer

58. Type of monk

63. Respect due to an ancestor

65. Took to the sea

66. Members of a Semitic people

67. A way to march

CLUES DOWN

1. Political action committee

2. \_\_kosh, near Lake Winnebago

3. When you hope to get there

4. Woman who followed Bacchus

5. Cause to become entangled

6. Green veggie

7. Stiff bristles

8. Pass in Alps

9. Atomic #81

10. A sharp blow

11. Bears engage in it

13. Prevents progress

15. Young boy

17. A way to go on

18. Not good

21. A ballet enthusiast

23. Ad \_\_

24. Bar bill

27. A genus of badgers

29. “No \_\_!”

32. Get off your feet

34. Franklin was one

35. Removed

36. Used to catch poachers

39. Hit lightly

40. Crony

43. Stroke

44. One who obtains pleasure by inflicting pain on others

46. \_\_ the ante

47. Greek letter

49. “Wings” actor Steven

51. Unhappy

54. Hair-like structure

59. Pick up

60. Type of transportation

61. Worn with a suit

62. Something similar to another already referred to

64. Farm state

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# Gateway Players stage a comedic dog’s tale

SOUTHBIDGE — Gateway Players Theatre of Southbridge presents “Sylvia,” written by A. R. Gurney. Performance dates are April 5, 6, 12, 13 at 7:30 p.m. and April 14 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held at the Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church, 61 Elm St. in Southbridge. Parking is available on Elm Street, or in the parking deck behind the Southbridge Town Hall. This comedy will be directed by David Corkum, produced by Bill Guy, and the Stage Manager is Diane Servant. The cast includes Nika Tomasic, Billy Bolster, Joan Stewart, Teresa Simpson, Barb Lammert, and Luis Aviles. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for seniors and youth under 18. Tickets may be reserved by calling Gateway at 508-764-4531. Online credit card ticket sales are available at: <https://www.brownpaper-tickets.com/event/4107113>.

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In the play, Greg and Kate have moved to Manhattan after 22 years of child

**Joan Stewart, Teresa Simpson, Billy Bolster, Nika Tomasic.**

*Photo Courtesy*

raising in the suburbs. Greg’s career as a financial trader is winding down, while Kate’s career, as a public-school English teacher, is beginning to offer her more opportunities. Greg brings home a dog he found in the park—or that has found him—bearing only the name “Sylvia” on her nametag. A street-smart mixture of Lab and Poodle, Sylvia becomes a major bone of contention between husband and wife. She offers Greg an escape from the frustrations of his job and the unknowns of middle age. To Kate, Sylvia becomes a rival for affection. And Sylvia thinks Kate just doesn’t understand the relationship between man and dog. The marriage is put in serious jeopardy until, after a series of hilarious and touching complications, Greg and Kate learn to compromise, and Sylvia becomes a valued part of their lives.



## TRIPS OFFERED

*The “Trips Offered” section is for non-profit organizations and will run as space allows. Mail your information to Trips Offered, c/o Brendan Berube, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550; fax to (508) 764-8015 or e-mail to [news@stone-bridgepress.news](mailto:news@stone-bridgepress.news).*

### CHURCH PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje

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

### CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

Trip Coordinator Dotti Murphy - Please call 978-424-7010

Sign up sheets & flyers available at the Senior Center / Flyers also available on our web page [www.townofcharlton.net](http://www.townofcharlton.net) Click on Departments then click on Council on Aging/Senior Center

Pick up is from St. Joseph’s Church 10 H Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton

#### 2019 Day Trips

June 18 (Tues) 3 Redneck Tenors - Musical comedy with downhome laughs and big city music -Davensport Yacht Club - \$92.00

July 16 (Tues) Lobsterbake at Fosters’s with Michael Minor singer, comedian, celebrity impressionist and ventriloquist performing - \$99.00

July 25 (Thurs) Gloucester Harbor Lobsterbake Cruise- fabulous day on the water with two dance floors, indoor& outdoor seating and buffet (1 lobster each) \$119.00

August 28 (Wed) Ultimate Tribute Show - Experience some of the greatest hits from some of the greatest entertainers of all times - Lake Pearl, Wrentham - \$92.00

Sept 17 (Tues) Atlantic City Boys - Four dynamic lead singers perform an exciting mix of world class vocals and interactive comedy - Davensport Yacht Club - \$92.00

Sept 24 (Tues) Simon Pearce Glassblowing Studio and King Arthur Factory - Fall foliage, tour glass blowing factory, and King Arthur factory after lunch - \$119.00

Oct 9 (Wed) New Hampshire Turkey Train - Foliage train ride, Harts Turkey Farm Luncheon, Mystery stop and sightseeing - \$99.00

Nov. 14 (Thurs) Ricky Nelson Remembered - Ricky Nelson’s twin sons perform their father’s hit songs - Venus DeMilo, Swansea \$95.00

Dec3(Tues) Johnny Mathis Christmas Tribute - Ultimate tribute to Johnny Mathis with Christmas songs and some of his biggest hits - Davensport Yacht Club - \$92.00

#### 2019 Overnight Trips

June 9 - 11 Bar Harbor, Boothbay Harbor & Arcadia National Park - 3 days, 2 nights - \$459pp double, \$599 single

Sept 20 - 22 Lake George Balloon Festival - 3 days, 2 nights - \$449pp double, \$599 single

Please call Dotti Murphy at 978-424-7010 for details if interested in any trips.

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

The Daughters of Isabella proudly present our 2019 Fantastic Worldwide Tours!

April 30-May 2: Atlantic City Resorts Casino \$249

Atlantic City’s original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. Slot play/\$60 food credit/two Casino Revue shows. Right on the Atlantic City boardwalk!

May 19: Newport Rail \$92

Enjoy beautiful Newport on an elegant luncheon train. 8 a.m. Southbridge, 8:30 a.m. Webster. Sightseeing & visit to the Brick Marketplace. Get on track for the Newport Rail!

June 9: Gloucester Lobster \$102

New England’s finest cruise lobster luncheon! 8:30 a.m. Southbridge, 9 a.m. Webster. Enjoy a relaxing cruise & great cuisine with your friends. The best summertime trip ever!

July 14: Essex Steam Train \$102

Great summertime tour in Connecticut. 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster. Delicious luncheon, train ride & Connecticut River cruise. Make tracks for the Essex Steam Train!

Aug. 11: Newport Playhouse Show & Lobster Fest \$102

Special lobster feast! 8:30 a.m. Southbridge, 9 a.m. Webster. Terrifi “Funny Money” show & cabaret. Lobster feast & Newport’s best show!

Sept. 15-17: Atlantic City Resorts Casino \$259

Atlantic City’s original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play/\$60 food credit/Casino Revue Show. Atlantic City! The ‘Shore’ Thing! Oct. 6: NH Turkey Train \$92

Scenic rail tour round Lake Winnepesaukee and lunch! 9 a.m. Southbridge, 9:30 a.m. Webster. Spectacular New England footage! New Hampshire awaits!

For reservations contact Jan Caouette at (508) 887-2215. Make checks payable to Bernadette Circle #709 and mail to Bernadette Circle #709, PO Box 201, Webster MA 01570. The Daughters of Isabella is a nonprofit and charitable Catholic women’s organization

### DUDLEY SENIORS

For information and reservations contact Evelyn Grovesteen at (508) 764-8254

Also next year, Sept.13-21, we will be going to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. Included is transportation, lodging, 14 meals, guided tours of Acadia National park, Halifax, Peggy’s Cove, Lunenburg, Prince Edward Island including Anne of Green Gables’ home, admission to King’s Landing Historical Settlement, admission to Hopewell Rocks, and a visit to St. John. Tips for driver and step-on guides are included. Games, drinks and snacks will be provided on travel days. Cost is \$1065 pp/ double occupancy. Call Evelyn Grovesteen for info at (508) 764-8254

### LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

Friday, April 19: Trip to Foxwoods Casino and Captain Jack’s. Bus leaves at 8 a.m. Cost is \$79. Free buffet and \$10 for free slot play. Choice of lobster or prime rib at Captain Jack’s.

Friday, April 26: Trip to Foxwoods Casino and Captain Jack’s. Bus leaves at 8 a.m. Cost is \$79. Free buffet and \$10 for free slot play. Choice of lobster or prime rib at Captain Jack’s.

Thursday, May 16: Trip to Newport Playhouse for “Clothes Encounter.” Bus leaves at 9 a.m. Cost is \$89 for show, buffet and cabaret.

Monday-Thursday, June 1-13: Trip to Wildwood Crest & Cape May and a day at Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Bus leaves at 7 a.m. Cost is \$599, including driver’s tip and all one-day guides.

Wednesday, June 12: Trip to the North Shore Music Theatre to see “Oklahoma” and lunch at the Danversport Yacht Club. Cost is \$119. The bus leaves at 9:30 a.m.

Friday, July 12: Trip to the Gloucester Lobster Cruise with clam bake and buffet aboard the ship. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. Cost is \$99. On the way home, we can enjoy ice cream at Kimball’s Farm.

Wednesday, Aug. 14: Trip to the Summer Theatre for “Saturday Night Fever” and Hart’s Turkey Farm. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$99.

Friday, Sept. 13: Trip to Lake Winnepesaukee Cruise. Buffet luncheon & scenic sights and a visit to Moulton Farm Market. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$99.

Thursday, Oct. 17: Trip to Twin Rivers and Wright’s Chicken Farm. Bus leaves at 9 a.m. \$7 food credit and \$10 slot play. Cost is \$59.

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Indian Head Christmas Spectacular and Luncheon. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$89.

### 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.

IRELAND: September 9-22, 2019

USA: SPLENDORS OF THE NORTHWEST: May 20 to June 4, 2019

JAPAN: March 26 to April 9, 2020

JAPAN & CHINA: March 26 to April 22, 2020

SPAIN & PORTUGAL: September 9-24, 2020

### PAXTON SENIORS

Paxton’s bus tour season starts Wednesday, April 24, on the Maine/ New Hampshire seacoast topped off with a visit to a Winery. First stop is the Kittery Historical & Naval Museum where you will wander through Kittery’s past as you browse the exhibits, from colonial times to grand hotels, shipbuilding and lighthouses, up to the present day. Find out what makes Kittery special... at the Museum!

Next stop is lunch at Warren’s Lobster House in Kittery, Maine. Our prior visits to Warren’s have always been wonderful. Warren’s has the Seacoast’s Finest Salad Bar, which offers over 60 selections and homemade pumpkin bread, soup and rolls — For an entrée you may select from; Seafood Casserole, Fried Baby Shrimp, Ritz Filet of Haddock, Crab Crusted Salmon, Top Sirloin Steak and Chicken Parmesan. Beverages and dessert will be included.

After a delightful lunch on the River separating Maine and New Hampshire, we move on to Zorvino Vineyard. A family-owned and operated winery, that originally started as a hobby. Jim and Cheryl Zanello purchased the 80-acre lot in Sandown, NH in 2000 after retiring. Four years later Zorvino Vineyards was established. The “Zor” in Zorvino comes from the original family name Zorzanello and “Vino” means wine. Family and Wine, the perfect pairing.

In the first years, 150 cold climate vines, mostly hybrids, were planted. To date, there are roughly 2,000 vines on site. The bulk of the grapes are brought in from Italy, California and South America. They are mostly known for their “off dry” fruit wines. blends and unusual 100% fruit or vegetable wines like Pumpkin, Beet and Rhubarb to name a few. New favorites include their red wines and white wines aged in American White Oak.

Our bus trip leaves the Paxton Senior Center, 17 West St., at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, April 24. Baring any traffic concerns on Route 495, we plan to be back in Paxton around 5 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$82 per person. Reservations, payment and your choice of entree at Warren’s should be mailed to Bob Wilby, 11 Tanglewood Rd., Paxton, by Monday April 15. Checks should be made payable to the FRIENDS OF PAXTON COA.

For more details, please contact Bob at 508-792-4662.

Are you interested in joining another wonder trip in 2019?

A group of Seniors from Paxton and surrounding towns are planning a trip this year to Italy. The group plans to leave Paxton on Sept. 9, with transportation provided to Logan and return. Our flight will take us to Rome, Italy for 10 days visiting many historical sites of Italy. Rome has many beautiful attractions that many of us have not seen on previous visits. After two nights in Rome, we will move on to one night in Perugia where we will have the opportunity to visit Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi. Following our stay in Perugia, we move on to Florence, “the Cradle of Italian Renaissance,” where we will view Michelangelo’s incredible

statue of David. After two nights in beautiful Florence, we will move on to Venice. On the way to Venice, we will stop at a 12th century castle and learn about the famous Tuscany wines and enjoy a cooking class and lunch. Next we are off to Venice for two nights. During that time, we have an opportunity to visit many of the wonderful sites of the Canal City.

After Venice, our next and last night will be Milan where we will have an opportunity to visit and shop at the “Quadrilatero della Moda,” Milan’s high-fashion district. We will depart for home from Milan.

### SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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

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

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS 2019 TRIP SCHEDULE

OPEN TO PUBLIC

PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN UP

March 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods

\$25 – 8:30 - AM bus.

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino. You will have 5 hours at the casino to gamble or PLAY BINGO as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 3:30 PM.

You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

April 30 - May 2, 2019 – Tuesday – Thursday - Atlantic City

You will get 2 nights on the boardwalk. You also get a \$25 in slot play and \$60 food credit and see 2 stage shows. Trolley’s available.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

May 19, 2019 – Sunday – Newport rail tour.

Tour ocean drive: board the excursion scenic dinning car for a 90 minute tour along Narragansett bay. Enjoy a full course lunch on the train when you book give choice of meal - chicken Marcella - or Atlantic Cod.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

June 9, 2019 – Sunday – Gloucester Beaufort princess cruise.

Board the ship for a New England clam bake including clams, lobster chowder BBQ chicken and more finish with chocolate mousse. Cruise the harbor for 2 1/2 hours with music on board. Visit the Salem visitor center and shops.

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

July 23, 2019 – Tuesday - Mohegan Sun \$25 - 10 AM Bus

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Mohegan Sun at 4 PM. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

August 28, 2019 – Wednesday – Diamonds and Pearls the ultimate tribute show.

For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Lake Pearl in Wrentham MA. where you will hear the music of Neil Diamond, Carol King, Janice Joplin and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod

September 17, 2019 Tuesday - Atlantic City Boys For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Danvers Yacht Club in Danvers MA. where you will hear the music of the Beach Boys, The Drifters, the Bee Gees and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod.

October 8th - 15th , 2019 – ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA Happily Full - I am taking names for standby on this trip and for 2020 trip

November 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$25 - 10 - AM bus.

For \$25 You get a deluxe motor coach ride to the casino You will have 5 hours at the casino as the bus will leave Foxwoods at 4 PM. You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal voucher.

Trips are open to the public!

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Southbridge Senior Citizens Association.  
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2019  
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Sept. 23-25 — A three-day excursion to Cape May, N.J. The cost and all of the details to be announced soon in this

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April 9 JFK Library and museum w/wine tasting & Venezia Restaurant for lunch. \$81. Lunch choices: Baked Haddock, chicken parmesan, steak tips, chicken piccata, or pasta primavera

Kentucky w/ARK, horses and more \$869. 7 day trip! March 31-April 6. Includes 12 meals, 2 shows; Loretta Lynn's homestead; Hatfield & McCoy tour; Toyota Tour; tour of Wheeling, WV; cut-through project in Pikeville; horse farm tour; "Grand Canyon of the South" and other fun highlights!

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a televised tour of the newly restored White House. You also don't want to miss the Freedom 7 space capsule, which took Alan Shepard into space in 1961. The Venezia is always a nice place for lunch with wonderful food! Leaves Whitinsville WalMart at 7:15 a.m., home around 4:30.

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## A time for renewal

After a long, frigid, snowy winter, warmer, longer days are finally here. As March turns into April, more and more of our neighbors can be seen emerging from their homes and onto our Main Streets. Folks are out walking their dogs, runners can be seen flying by our windows and people about town seem to have more of a pep in their step.

While each season has its own perks, there is something about spring that seems to surprise us each year. We re-acquaint ourselves with our yards as they slowly reveal themselves as the snow banks melt away. Muddy grass has never been a kinder sight.

Over the past few weeks, the common chatter has been about the Red Sox, springtime fitness goals, gardening, hiking...you know, the usual.

With spring also comes 'spring fever.' In modern times, this is a semi-positive term; however, back in colonial times, 'spring fever' referred to the poor quality of health everyone was in after sustaining a winter without fresh vegetables and proper diet. Today's 'spring fever' will have children restless in school, new romances transpire and people attacking their homes with dust cloths and Windex.

Experts say the changes that a person goes through during the springtime are due to hormonal changes in the body. During the winter months, the body secretes a large amount of melatonin, (the sleep hormone). The presence of more sunlight in spring sends the body a message to stop producing as much melatonin. This causes folks to be more awake. Add this to the uptick in your serotonin levels due to the sunlight, and you will not only be awake but enthusiastic.

Interesting to note is that during the springtime, the body becomes more susceptible to illnesses. Way back when, scurvy outbreaks always occurred during this time of year as did rubella and measles. Doctors note that in April, gout, a condition that affects joints, peaks in individuals. Because there are more allergens in the air, you will see more cases of rosacea and other skin irritations on the rise.

Just to touch on a bit of history as we love to do, the month of April is derived from the word 'Aprillis,' which is derived from the word 'aperire,' meaning "to open." This would make sense as the world becomes abloom again in spring.

Now, back to the Red Sox. It seems as though the team is off to a rough start with just one win and three losses against the Mariners at press time. With 162 games to be played over the season, though, we aren't too worried with these

## Is fear keeping you from living your dream?

I was recently stopped in the grocery store by a man who wanted to tell me that he enjoyed my column. During the brief discussion, the person asked, "Do you have a degree in journalism?"

"No," I responded, "My degree is music education."

"How did you become a columnist?"

"I decided I wanted to write a column. I wrote a few samples and submitted them to the managing editors of a few newspapers."

"And?" he asked.

"And they said yes," I responded.

The man had a confused look on his face then asked, "Weren't you afraid they'd say no?"

Fear, for many, is debilitating. Fear keeps people from pursuing their dreams and traps them into living the life they are given rather than striving for the life they want. I think legendary motivational speaker, Zig Ziglar nailed it when he said ...

Most fear is only False Evidence Appearing Real

Some fears are healthy. It's natural to experience fear when we are in a life-threatening situation and fear is a useful tool to keep us from placing ourselves there. That type of fear was defined by Walter Bradford Cannon as "Fight or Flight" fear. It kept the caveman from being eaten by the sabre tooth tiger and keeps "most of us" from doing dumb and dangerous things. Fear of some situations and circumstances are both normal and healthy. So, when someone tells you to live without fear, that may not be the best advice. However, most other fears are unrealistic and even irrational. They are often triggered, as Zig stated, by false evidence appearing real and can keep us from realizing our dreams. So, what should you do?

Defy the lie!



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The voices in our head are often untruthful. Many, if not most of our fears are rooted in our insecurities and lack of faith in our abilities. The voices in our head that tell us we are not smart enough, good enough or talented enough, create the insecurities that manifest themselves into unrealistic or irrational fear. If the voice sounds familiar, it should ... it is yours. Your internal voice raises the doubt that turns into fear of acting, while discouraging you from venturing out from the life you have into the life you want.

Author and medical professional, Bronnie Ware, writes in her book, "Regrets of the Dying," that two of the top five regrets are caused only by our fear. Number one is "I wish I had the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me" and number three, "I wish I had the courage to express my feelings." Fear of what others might think triggers both.

Authenticity takes courage ...

Being who you are meant to be takes courage but even more so in becoming who you aspire to be.

I'm fortunate. I grew up in a home where there were no available funds for college. I had to take a job selling vacuum cleaners, door-to-door on straight commission to earn money for tuition. I was frightened almost beyond my ability to cope. The irrational fear of knocking on doors brought me to tears during my first few weeks, but I quickly learned that all the things I was afraid would happen, did not.

Under most circumstances, I would have given up before I started, but my fear of not attending college was greater than my fear of having a door slammed in my face. I survived the summer and earned enough to pay a year's tuition, then came back for more each summer until I graduated from college, debt free.

Along my journey, several of my friends saw the money I was earning and decided to give selling a shot, but most gave up before the first day ended. Their fear kept them from the success they could have enjoyed.

I believe that our life's destiny is discovered on the other side of fear

If it's worth having, it's worth overcoming your fear to obtain it. My column is now in its third year, but I still experience the moments of doubt every Monday morning as I press the button to submit it to this publication. The same is true with my books and my video blogs on my YouTube Channel. When we produce or create work that comes from our head and heart, then put it out there for others to experience, there will always be those who will disagree or criticize what we do. That's life. At those moments, I always remind myself that no one ever erects a statue of a critic.

Do not fear criticism. Former Speaker of the House, Sam Rayburn is quoted as saying, "Any Jack\*ss can kick down a barn but it takes a good carpenter to build one."

Anyone can criticize. It's easy, but to accomplish something that matters, you must overcome your fear.

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## Try to avoid “Titanic” investment mistakes



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It's been 107 years this month since the tragedy of the Titanic. Of course, this disaster has fascinated the world ever since, leading to books, movies, musicals and, ultimately, a successful search for the big ship's remains. On the positive side, commercial shipping lines learned a great deal from the Titanic, resulting in safer travel across the oceans. And as an investor, you, too, may be able to draw some important lessons from what happened on that cold April night more than a century ago.

So, to avoid some "titanic" investment mistakes, consider the following:

Create a financial strategy with a solid foundation. Although considered a technological marvel, the Titanic had some real structural, foundational flaws – such as compartments that weren't fully watertight. To withstand the inevitable rough seas ahead, your investment strategy needs a strong foundation, based on your needs, goals, family situation, risk tolerance and time horizon.

Be receptive to advice. The Titanic's crew had received plenty of Marconi wireless warnings from other ships about ice in the area. Yet they did not take precautions, such as slowing down. When you invest, you can benefit from advice from a financial professional – someone who can caution you when you're making dangerous moves, such as pursuing inappropriate investments, which could ultimately damage your prospects for success.

Be prepared for anything. The Titanic had far fewer lifeboats than it needed, resulting in a tragic loss of life that could have been prevented. As an investor, you need to be prepared for events that could jeopardize your financial well-being, and that of your family. So, at a minimum, you need to maintain adequate life and disability insurance. And it's also a good idea to build an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account


Don't overreact to perceived threats. When the iceberg loomed directly ahead, the Titanic's crew frantically tried to steer clear of it. While this move was understandable, it inadvertently hastened the ship's demise, because it exposed a more vulnerable part of the hull to the huge ice mass. When you invest, you might also be tempted to overreact when facing perceived dangers – for example, if the financial markets plunge, you might think about selling your stocks. This is often a bad idea, especially if you're taking a big loss on your sales. If your investments are still fundamentally solid, you might well be better off by staying patient and waiting for the markets to recover.

Give yourself time to reach your goals. Edward J. Smith, the Titanic's captain, apparently wanted to break speed records on the Atlantic crossing – and this desire may have contributed to his somewhat reckless passage through fields of ice. As an investor, you could also run into problems if you rush toward a goal. To illustrate: If you wanted to retire at 65 with a certain amount of money, but you didn't start saving and investing until you reached 55, you'd likely have to put a lot more away each year, and possibly invest a lot more aggressively, than if you had started investing when you were 30.

Put to work some of the Titanic's lessons – they might help you improve your chances of smooth sailing toward all your important financial goals.

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Massachusetts for many years! When Mass. Fish & Wildlife reintroduced wild turkey back into the state, they were slow to reproduce, but when the correct truly wild birds were stocked in Northern & Western parts of the state, their efforts finally paid off.

When the flocks of wild turkey were well established, many birds were trapped and restocked in the valley. It did not take long for the birds to reproduce, and a hunting season was part of the outdoorsmen's annual things to do. Numerous wild turkey hunting seminars were held at local rod & gun clubs, providing a lot of information for first time turkey hunters. The seminars were a lot of fun, with numerous professional turkey hunters providing all in attendance a lot of laughs and plenty of information on how to harvest their first bird. A great meal was also provided for the seminars by club members.

We have all learned a lot about wild turkey hunting over the years, by our own experiences. Missed birds because

of the hunters inability to wait for a closer shot, and setting up under a turkey on the roost, was one of the big mistake that many hunters did to ruin an otherwise successful hunt. Hunting from a ground blind sure made it easier for sportsmen to call in a turkey. Over the past few years, I have used a ground blind, and have had great success calling in birds from a long distance while enjoying a cup of coffee or a quick snack. Ground blinds give you freedom of movement while hunting, which is very important. The keen eyesight of a wild turkey is extremely good, & they can spot something that is out of place from a long distance. Any movement is quickly picked up by the turkeys keen eyesight. Patience is the name of the game!

Turkey decoys work very well under most conditions, but there are times when a bird has been called too often, and becomes a bit more educated, and is weary about decoys. He may have been called in or shot at, which will make it harder to bring the bird in for a good shot. This writer has saved the full tail of the turkey that I harvested in past years and spread them out on a piece of cardboard to dry. Placing the tail feathers on a small piece of steel rod which allows me to stick it into the ground, and placed the fanned tail in back of a Jake decoy works extremely



well. More in the coming weeks.

I checked out areas of Webster Lake this past Saturday and found only a handful of shoreline anglers that had very little luck catching trout. The parking lot at the town beach had many boat trailers parked, which was a good sign that bass fishing has started. It sure was a good day to be on the water!

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun club will hold their annual spring derby this Saturday for members only. Some real impressive trout were stocked this past Saturday at the club pond. The kitchen will be open for breakfast. The derby starts at 8 a.m.

The Singletary Rod & Gun club will hold their annual trout fishing derby on April 14, starting at 7 a.m. The club will also have a huge buffet breakfast starting at 6 a.m.

Special thanks to all of the volunteers that helped clean up the litter along many streets and roads of Uxbridge. Nice job. Now if we can only keep it that way.

Take A kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



# Spring Cleaning Tips

Well folks, it's that time of year again. The annual domestic ritual that brings family members everywhere together to work in happy harmony or harried havoc – the yearly task of Spring Cleaning!

The two magic words to successful spring cleaning are: Prioritize and Delegate. In today's busy world, we can't possibly get our homes spotlessly clean and keep our sanity, so, you must decide what your priorities are. I find if you get the walls and windows clean, then you have fresh surroundings that inspire you to continue onto the floors and organizing the clutter. If you don't have time to reline shelves or reorganize every cupboard, don't fret. Focus your energies on the obvious.

Also, don't hesitate to delegate chores to each family member. If you assign them manageable tasks, they are more apt to cooperate. Read on for some tips to help make Spring Cleaning get done in record time.

\*\* This tip is an old favorite of mine, but it works so well, it bears repeating. To work more efficiently, professional house cleaners recommend beginning your work from top to bottom. Also, start cleaning in one corner of a room and work clockwise. Have a trash bag handy so you can toss dirty paper towels and litter away as you travel across the room.

\*\* Here's a great way to sort items that belong in other rooms in the house. Save steps by designating a handled plastic grocery bag to each family member's room. Simply hang the bags on the door-knob or someplace handy in the room you are cleaning. Place each person's misplaced items into their individual bags. When the room is cleaned, you need only pick up the bag and hang it on their bedroom doorknobs to remind them to put their stuff away

\*\* Somehow, washing windows gives you a great sense of accomplishment, so I always try to begin my spring cleaning by letting the sun shine in! Never

wash windows in direct sunlight, which causes streaks. This happens because the cleaning liquid dries faster than you can wipe it off.

To boost the cleaning power of regular cleaning solutions, add a teaspoon of white household vinegar to your spray bottle.

\*\* After cleaning wood floors, do a final buff this easy way: Simply spray your dry mop with (non greasy/slippery) furniture polish. Go over floor evenly, for a nice top shine.

\*\* In the bathroom, rubbing alcohol is an inexpensive and handy cleaning aid. Use it full strength on a cotton ball to polish up chrome bath fixtures on the sink and tub. And, if you have any hair spray residue on your bathroom mirror, a rubbing of alcohol will remove all traces of the chemical better than any window cleaner.

\*\* Carpet stains can be a big challenge. Here are some ways to make the task a little less daunting:

Before cleaning carpets, scrape off any solid residue. To coax a greasy stain out of a carpet, sprinkle cornstarch or cornmeal on the stain. Leave on overnight so the grease can be absorbed. Vacuum well the next morning. If stain remains, try applying a non-flammable dry-cleaning agent to the spot with a white towel. Blot from the outside edges in.

If you are dealing with a water soluble stain, there is no need to rush out and buy commercial cleaning products. The secret is blot, blot, blot! Try soaking stain with a solution made of a teaspoon of dishwashing detergent to a pint of water. Dab and blot with a white cloth from the edges to the center of the stain, turning cloth as the stain is absorbed. Finally, place a few layers of absorbent paper towels on top of the stain, cover with heavy books, and let

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Read on for a few more spring cleaning strategies:

For a sparkling glass oven door, wipe the window with household ammonia and let it set for several minutes. Scrape away grease with a spatula and wipe the window clean to a quick shine.

\*\* To get at dust on louvered doors or shutters, wrap a cloth around a ruler, spray with polish and run the flat end across each louver.

\*\* A capful of liquid fabric softener mixed with a quart of water makes a fast and convenient lint-free cleaner for glass and plexiglass frames and tabletops.

\*\* Did you know a dab of silver polish paste easily removes crayon marks from vinyl flooring?

\*\* Dust high walls and ceiling fans this way: Simply place an old nylon stocking over your dust mop. When you are done, just discard the stocking and the mop is ready for its next task.

\*\* Remember those little eyeglass cleaning tissues? If you use them to dust picture frames, you'll never have to worry about liquid seeping in under the glass.

\*\* Use an upholstery shampoo to remove mattress stains. Be sure to spray the area with a disinfectant to prevent mustiness.

\*\* Spring cleaning chores are easier if items are in order and easily accessible. One of my best organizing tips is to utilize those good old fashioned vinyl shoe

holders. Not only do they serve their original purpose in the closet, but the inexpensive storage pockets can be used all over the house. Best of all, the clear plastic bags allow for easy identification of the contents. Here are some ideas:

\*Hang a shoe bag in the garage or workshop to hold lightweight tools, paintbrushes, work gloves and the like.

\*A shoe bag hung out of sight on the inside of a hall closet door keeps gloves, mittens and hats all in one place.

\*Hang one in the inside of a pantry cabinet for easy access to spray cleaners, aprons, scrub brushes and cleansers.

\*In the laundry room, shoe bags can hold pre-treat sprays, sock holders, dryer sheets and even all the change collected from "heavy pockets."

\*Linen closets stocked with the family's health and beauty aids can benefit from a bag to keep shampoo, deodorant, extra toothpaste, facecloths, etc. in place.

\*\* *Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House*

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

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

## Automotive memorabilia

Regular readers of this column know that antique and vintage automobiles can be very valuable. Automotive memorabilia is also popular with collectors and some pieces can command strong prices.

Automobile history dates back well over 100 years. The History Channel credits Wilhelm Maybach, of Daimler Motoren Gesellschaft, for creating the first modern motorcar, a Mercedes in 1901. American manufacturers would later dominate the auto industry. Henry Ford's mass production techniques became standard in manufacturing cars. The "Big Three" auto manufacturers Ford, General Motors and Chrysler led the industry during the 1920's. There had been 253 auto manufacturers in 1908. By 1929, only 44 companies remained, with the "Big Three" accounting for 80 percent of sales. The Great Depression caused many additional auto manufacturers to fold.

Despite fewer manufacturers, cars became more affordable after mass production and were available to middle class families. Many people have fond memories of cars and there are a wide range of automotive collectibles, also called



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automobilia, that are popular with collectors. One type of automobilia collectors prize are oil cans. A rare Indian motorcycle oil can sold for over \$7,000 in an online auction. License plates are also popular. A 1903 Massachusetts license plate numbered 437 sold for \$6,500 this year. Collectors seek out other types of automobilia including advertising posters and brochures, hood ornaments, and racing memorabilia.

Vintage gas pumps are some of the most valuable automotive collectibles. Visible gas pumps are among the more popular types. Visible pumps have glass that is marked to show how many gallons were being pumped into a car. Wayne model # 491 "Roman column" pumps have also brought prices as high as \$31,000 at auction. A Raymond "4 In 1 Justice" five-gallon visible gas pump went for \$38,500 in 2015. A 10-gallon visible gas pump by Stanocola brought \$50,000 at auction in 2016. There are other styles besides visible gas pumps that are also highly collectible. A Shell Showcase Computing gas pump displayed Shell products like oil and car polish inside a glass case in the pump. One sold for \$34,000 in 2012. The Mobilgas Tokheim 36 Adc showcase

pump generated even more interest, selling for \$64,000 in 2016. Even the globes on top of the pumps can produce strong auction results. A Mccoard Airliner Gas pump globe sold for \$33,000. A Pioneer Gasoline Gas globe brought \$40,000 and Refiners Gasoline Gas pump globe went for \$64,000.

Some automobile advertising signs are also highly desirable. Older enamel and older neon signs are two of the most popular varieties and command strong prices. As with any antique or collectible, condition is very important. Collectors will pay more for better examples. As I mentioned in a previous column, Oilzum motor oils and lubricants were produced by White and Bagley of Worcester. An Oilzum standup curb sign sold for \$52,000 in 2016. Some rarer signs have sold for 6 figures. Also in 2016, a 40 inch "Double Chief Gasoline" sign fetched \$105,000. In 2016 a "Smith-o-Lene Aviation Brand" 48" gasoline sign brought \$110,000. A "Musgo Gasoline" 47 and three-quarter-inch double-sided sign cruised to \$233,000 at a 2016 auction.

Please email any questions about antiques, auctions and estate sales to me at [info@centralmassauctions.com](mailto:info@centralmassauctions.com). Your question may be answered in a future column.

We are selling a visible gas pump and other automobilia in our Wilmington online estate



auction that is taking place now and ends on May 1. Our next live auction takes place in Worcester on May 30. Other sales and events are being planned. Please see [www.centralmassauctions.com](http://www.centralmassauctions.com) for details on these events.

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## Simple strategies for a larger tomato harvest

Nothing is more frustrating than investing time, money and energy in planting and growing tomatoes only to watch them succumb to disease. We can't change the weather conditions that support disease problems, but we can tweak our growing strategies to reduce this risk.

Select and grow the most disease-resistant varieties suited to your growing region. Consult your local University Extension Office for a list of recommended tomatoes and always check the plant tags before purchasing plants.

Plant tomatoes in a sunny location, that receives at least eight or more hours of sunlight, with rich well-drained soil. Your plants will be healthier and better able to fend off insects and tolerate disease.

No room – no problem. Grow your tomatoes in containers filled with a quality potting mix and drainage holes. Many of the newer containers, like Gardener's Victory Self-Watering Patio Planter are designed to increase success with less effort on your part. Look for containers with built-in trellises, large reservoirs and other features that

promote healthy growth and productivity.

Properly space plants to increase airflow and sunlight reaching all parts of the plant. This reduces the risk of disease and increases a plant's ability to produce more fruit. Leaving space between plants also helps reduce the spread of disease from diseased plants to nearby healthy plants.

Further reduce the risk of disease by lifting the plants off the ground. Supporting plants with strong tomato cages improves air flow and light penetration while keeping the plants and fruit off the ground and away from soil-borne insects and diseases.

Avoid flimsy tomato towers that tend to topple and bulky cages that consume too much storage space. Consider investing in one of the stronger supports like the Gardener's Vertex Lifetime Tomato Cage that stores flat and is strong, but flexible to encourage stouter growth. Another benefit is



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water to the soil around the plant. Placing water just where it is needed – on the soil – conserves moisture while keeping the foliage dry. Overhead irrigation uses more water and increases the risk and spread of many common tomato diseases.

Boost your tomato plants' productivity by as much as 20% with red mulch. The USDA and Clemson University developed a red mulch that reflects far-red wavelengths upward into the plants stimulating growth and development. For more help growing tomatoes successfully and boosting your tomato harvest, visit [gardeners.com](http://gardeners.com).

Rotate plantings from one garden, or area within a garden, to another.

that it opens, so you can easily place them around larger plants; just in case you waited too long to set the cages in place.

Use soaker hoses or irrigation systems like the Waterwell Irrigation System that target

Moving related plants to different locations each year reduces the build up of insects and diseases, reducing the risk of future problems. Consider rotating your tomato plantings into containers if space is limited. Start with fresh soil, a clean container and disease-resistant plants.

With these few changes and a bit of cooperation from the weather, your new challenge may be finding ways to use and share your bumper harvest. Your surplus tomatoes and vegetables are always welcome at food pantries and meal programs in your community.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* DVD series and the *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by *Gardeners Supply* for her expertise to write this article. Her web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com).



# SPORTS

## Rockets can't solve Westborough lefty ace Choate in loss

**BY KEN POWERS**  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — At the start of the high school baseball season pitching is often game-ready a little quicker than hitting and that was certainly the case on Friday, April 3 at Memorial Field when Auburn High hosted Westborough High.

The left-handed Jack Choate, Westborough's ace, handcuffed the Rockets for 5-1/3 innings, allowing just two runs on three hits and four walks while striking out eight — including the first four Auburn batters he faced — as the Rangers opened their 2019 season with a 5-2 win over the Rockets.

“On a 45-degree cloudy day, that big lefty is tough to face,” Auburn head coach Eric Swedberg said about the 6-foot-8 Choate. “It's only game two so we haven't seen a left yet, but hats off to that kid, he's going to be tough for a lot of teams this year. He jumped off the mound well for a big guy; he moves pretty good.”

“In our second at-bat around I thought the guys did a better job of shortening [up their swings], putting the bat on the ball and putting the ball in play,” Swedberg continued. “In our first at-bat through I wish guys would have adjusted immediately, but I don't think they're prepared to face a guy like that today, this early in the season. In the end facing [Choate] in this game will probably help us.”

Nick Choate, Jack's younger brother, came on in relief for Westborough in the sixth and saved the win for his sibling, allowing one hit while striking out two and walking two.

Westborough took control of the game in the top of the third inning, scoring four runs on three hits, a walk and an error. The Rangers extended their lead to 5-0 with a run in the fourth.

Auburn (1-1) made things interesting in the bottom of the sixth inning, scoring a pair of runs to cut the Rangers' lead to 5-2. The Rockets left two runners on base, one in scoring position, when the inning ended.

Junior C.J. Willis, who was 2-for-3 with two doubles and two RBIs, had the big hit for Auburn in the sixth, a two-bagger that scored senior Ryan Lempicki and junior Coleman Picard. Lempicki started the rally with a double to right field leading off the Rockets' half of the sixth, while Picard got on base via a one-out walk.

“C.J. hit the ball well today, as we knew he would, and Ryan Lempicki put the ball in play, too,” Swedberg said. “I thought, maybe, just maybe, we were going to really get something going in the sixth, we got a couple of walks and had runners on, but it just didn't happen.”

With several of his pitchers still



Jason Mckay photos  
**Aiden Gowaski of Auburn settles himself under a fly ball in the outfield.**

on the road back from various injuries, Swedberg opted to start Kyle Sebastianski, who went three innings and allowed five hits and four runs. The junior struck out three and walked two.

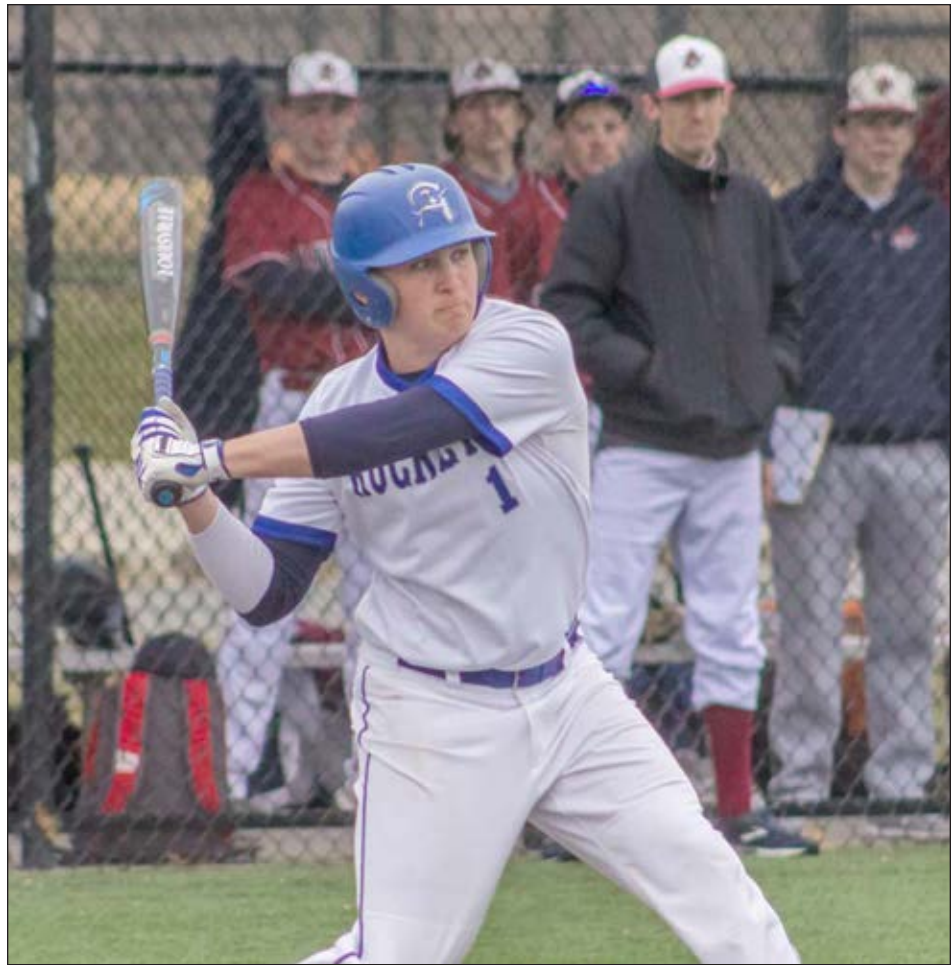
Sebastianski was relieved by classmate Aiden Gowaski to start the fourth inning. Gowaski went the rest of the way giving up just one run on four hits. Gowaski struck out three, walked one and hit a batter in his four innings of work.

“Sebastianski and Gowaski did pretty damn good for guys that we didn't think would be throwing this game at this point in the season,” Swedberg said. “They challenged Westborough and Westborough just straight up hit the ball; it wasn't like we were playing sloppy defense.”

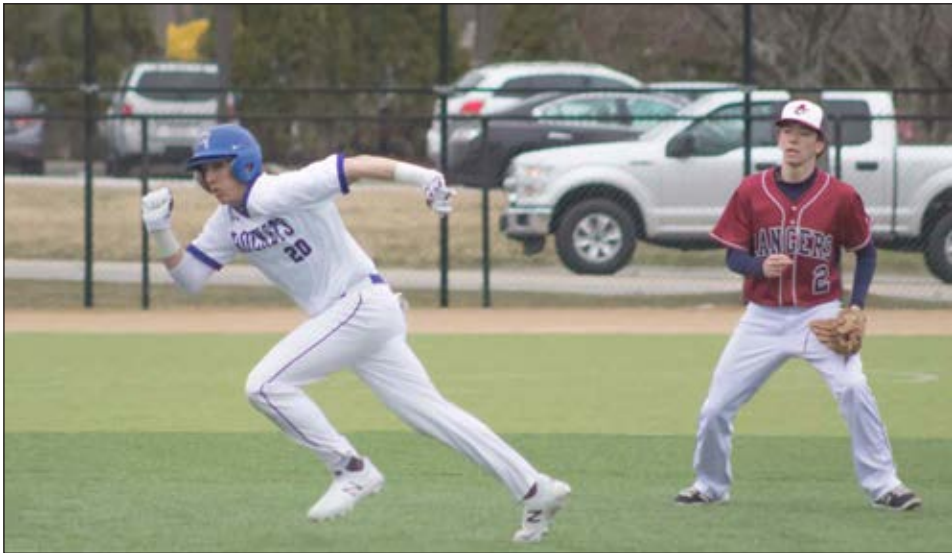
“Aiden threw a couple of really good innings in the fifth and sixth,” Swedberg continued. “I think he threw 10 pitches in each inning, and in one inning it was against their two, three, four hitters. Gowaski looked good. I think any team would take him.”



**Auburn's Kyle Sebastianski works through the mechanics of delivering, and then tossing, a pitch to the plate.**



**Auburn's Nolan Kennedy gears up to give all of his might on a swing.**



**Auburn's Coleman Picard takes off down the base path versus Westborough.**



**Auburn's Ryan Lempicki throws the ball back in after scooping up a grounder in the outfield.**



**C.J. Willis of Auburn slides into second base ahead of the Westborough throw.**



**Mike Breen of Auburn eyes the incoming pitch versus Westborough.**



# SPORTS

## Pirates pack offensive punch to get past Bay Path

BY NICK ETHIER  
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — When the Oxford High varsity softball team lost its season-opener to Millbury High, 12-0, on Wednesday April 3, the Pirates produced just one hit. That needed to change when they hosted Bay Path Regional on Friday, April 5.

“We came out knowing we were going to swing the bat today no matter what and we were going to have fun and go right at them,” explained Oxford head coach Jamie Hetherman.

The Pirates connected on 12 hits and scored 11 runs en route to a back-and-forth 11-7 victory over the Minutemen.

“I’m very proud of the effort the whole game,” said Hetherman, which included an instance where Oxford trailed, 7-4, heading into the bottom of the fifth inning before tallying six runs in the frame to take a 10-7 lead.

“They stuck in there and kept battling,” Hetherman said of the rally. “We hit the ball hard today, very hard.”

Bay Path struck first for two runs in the top of the first when Kyleigh Sutherland scored on a passed ball and Emily Johnson ripped an RBI single up the middle.

The Pirates tied the score at 2-2 with two runs in the home half of the first. There, Crystal Nelson had an RBI single and Sam Meech added an RBI via sacrifice fly.

The game remained deadlocked at 2-2 until the bottom of the third when Oxford added two more runs. Nelson ran out an inside-the-park home run to left field and Hannah Buxton added an RBI single.

Bay Path didn’t back down, though, and scored a run in the top of the fourth. Paige Osche drove home pinch runner Jackie Ross to make it 4-3, and the Minutemen added four more in the fifth inning to take a 7-4 lead.

In the fifth Stella Traina (2-for-4) blooped an RBI single into left field, Johnson (3-for-4, 3 RBI) doubled two more in and a throwing error ultimately scored Johnson.

But that’s when the Pirates didn’t hang their heads and scored six times to grab the lead and ultimately the win. Nelson (3-for-3, HBP, 3 RBI; also complete game victory pitching) started it off with an RBI single, and Buxton (3-for-4, 2 RBI) and Madison Kahn followed suit and did the same. Isabella Buxton then cranked a triple to right field to score a pair and she later scored on a passed ball.

Oxford added a final run in the sixth inning via an Audrey Hayes fielder’s choice to plate Skyla Hodson.

Hetherman noted that his once youthful team has grown into the upperclassmen ranks.

“Now we’re all juniors. They’ve been playing a lot of games for three years and now it’s their time,” he said.

Bay Path head coach Rick Carrero attributed his team’s three errors and other untimely mistakes to a potential reason for surrendering 11 runs.

“Defensively we freaked and started whipping them,” he said.

Carrero was quick to add, however, that he likes the direction his team is going for the spring ahead.

“I expect that we’re going to bounce back and we’ll be fine,” he said. “I expect to make a [postseason] run — I think we have the talent to do it.”

In an interesting side story, Carrero has never beaten Hetherman while coaching against one another. Carrero, who had Hetherman as a Pop Warner football coach with the Webster Beavers back in the day, is now 0-11 over his time coaching Southbridge High and now Bay Path.

“There were people from Webster here watching because it’s like, ‘when are you going to beat the old man,’ and he doesn’t want to lose to me,” Carrero laughed.

“He’s getting closer and closer to beating me,” added Hetherman. “Sooner or later he’s going to catch me, but not yet.”

Both teams, now 1-1, will meet again next month. Oxford will travel to Bay Path on May 9 with the first pitch to be thrown at 3:30 p.m.



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path’s Stella Traina swings away and makes contact with the ball.



Sarah Gosselin of Bay Path delivers a pitch to the plate versus Oxford.



Bay Path’s Paige Osche hustles out in right field to track down a fly ball and ultimately make a great catch.



LEFT: Izzy Tanacea of Bay Path takes a heavy hack at an Oxford offering.



BELOW: Sam Meech of Oxford finishes her swing while making contact with the pitch.

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# OBITUARIES

## Margaret P. Siegfried, 75

AUBURN – Margaret P. (DeJesus) Siegfried, 75, of Washington Street, died Monday, April 8, 2019, in her home. She was predeceased by her husband of 46 years, Arlo C. Siegfried who died in 2012.

A private graveside service will be held at St. Roch’s Cemetery in Oxford. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. paradisfuneralhome.com

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Saturday, April 13

COMMUNITY ROAST BEEF SUPPER: 5 p.m., First Congregational Church, 128 Central St., Auburn. No reservations needed; tickets will be available at the door. Additional parking is available at the Town Hall.

### Saturday, April 27

BOY SCOUT TROOP 101 BOTTLE DRIVE: Please let Auburn Boy Scout Troop 101 help you clean out your returnable bottles and cans this spring! The troop will hold a can and bottle drive at the Auburn Fire Station today from 9 a.m. to noon. All funds generated help run troop programs. If you have a larger collection of returnables, we would be happy to pick them up. Please call Christ at (508) 868-5634, Liz at 981-6840, or Eric at (617) 764-2509 for more information.

### Friday, May 10

MILLBURY WOMEN’S CLUB FLOWER SALE: Millbury Common. If you enjoyed the football players’ Flower Sale, you will love the flowers at this sale. Just in time for Mother’s Day. These flowers may be pre-ordered up to May 1 from Mary Lou at (508) 865-9831.

### Saturday, May 25

BOY SCOUT YARD SALE: Auburn Boy Scout Troop 101, which is celebrat-

ing its 95th anniversary, will have its Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, May 25 (Memorial Day Weekend) at the Auburn Library. The yard sale helps fund scouting programs and equipment. If you have usable furniture, scout or camping equipment, sporting goods, old aquariums, antiques, collectibles, books, games, children’s items, or any other materials suitable for a yard sale that you would like to contribute to us, please call (508) Chris (868-5634,) Liz (981-6840,) Fred (612-9228,) or George (774-239-2240) for a pickup. We will also accept clean, undamaged cloth and clothing for our Cub Scout fund-raiser. Thank you. Please - no TV’s or computer monitors, no junk. Thank you very much for your contributions.

#### ONGOING EVENTS

12 STEP PROGRAM: Christian 12 Step Program for Men and Women 7-8:15 p.m. every Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave, Auburn. Do you feel your life/relationships/habits are spinning out of control? A Christian 12 Step Program is the key to Christ and life providing abundance, blessing and grace. Come as you are or contact (508) 832-5044 x 155 for information.

SUICIDE PREVENTION: Attempted Suicide Prevention Group. Held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St Bernard’s Church, 236 Lincoln St., Worcester Gym Entrance Side, second floor meeting room. Parking & T services. Weekly facilitator, inspirational speaker, founder Dan Pelly, two time attempted suicide survivor. Your life matters,

never give up. No charge. More info at (617) 592-5081.

STORY TIME: Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It’s a great place for children and their grownups to listen to stories, share nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. For information, you call the library at (508) 832-7790.

MUSEUM HOURS: The Auburn Historical Museum, 41 South St. is open Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon, and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Admission is free to see a variety of artifacts and memorabilia concerning Auburn as far back as when it was known as the town of Ward. All are welcome to come. For more information contact Sari Bitticks at [sarilb@verizon.net](mailto:sarilb@verizon.net).

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### CHOICE

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United States Naval Test Pilot School in 1989 and served as a fixed wing flight instructor. He earned a Master’s degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the United States Naval War College and a Navy Federal Executive Fellowship at Tufts University’s Fletcher School of

Law and Diplomacy. He commanded NAS Meridian from 2005-2008, and served his final four years of active duty as the Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff of the United States Naval War College, retiring in 2012 after 30 years of naval service.

To be eligible for the Oxford NJROTC program, students must be physically qualified to participate fully in the physical education program, be selected

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regarding the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC), please visit [www.njrotc.navy.mil](http://www.njrotc.navy.mil).

Students who do not reside in Oxford, but who are interested in applying to Oxford’s NJROTC program should visit the Oxford Public Schools Web site, [oxps.org](http://oxps.org). Under “Parent Links” and “School Choice,” download, read, and complete the School Choice Letter and Application, attach

all requested documents, and mail the complete packet to Dr. Elizabeth Zielinski, Superintendent of Schools, 4 Maple Rd., Oxford, MA 01540 or fax to (508) 987-6054.

Deadline for application submission is May 31.

If more applications are received than there are open slots, a lottery will be held, and a waiting list will be created. All applicants will be informed of this action.

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we live in a world where you just don’t know what could happen. As you know the town has Lemansky Park, the Pappas Complex and the Pakachoag Golf Course for all of your outside recreation needs during the school day hours.

Thank you all for understanding.

Below is a list of rules that we have posted at our schools:

Basketball/Tennis Court – No Pets, No Bicycles, Rollerblades, Skateboards or Street Hockey

The High School Track/Field will be closed from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day that school is in session.

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Sharp objects such as tent stakes, corner flags or objects that would penetrate the artificial surface Unauthorized vehicles, bicycles, scooters or marking of lines Permitted play only

Playground- closed during school hours

Do not use equipment when wet

No running, pushing or shoving

Do not use play equipment improperly

No bare feet, wear proper footwear

Working together and adhering to these rules, we can keep everyone safe, allow them to use these resources and extend their useful life for years to come.

Thank you for your continued interest in and support of the Auburn Public Schools!

Mr. Joseph Fahey is the Director of Facilities and Maintenance for the Auburn Public Schools. To contact him to share an idea, a concern or to ask a question, he can be reached at 508-832-7755 or via e-mail at [jfahey@auburn.k12.ma.us](mailto:jfahey@auburn.k12.ma.us).

### APPEAL

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without requiring any waivers,” the document states. “At the time of the final hearing on March 6, 2019, the Planning Board’s council had reviewed the submissions and agreed with plaintiffs’ experts. Consequently, the Planning Board was without any expert basis on which to rest any conclusions that the definitive site plan was deficient.”

The complaint comes after around a year of debating and division among both citizens and boards within the town of Charlton. While the Planning Board denied the project the majority of the Board of Selectmen have shown support for the initiative while the public has been split on both the initiative and the approval process. Some have seen it as a potential source of income for the town whose

harm and impact has been exaggerated while others have argued that the plan would compromise Charlton’s character and showed concerns about its location in relation to schools and homes as well as the impact odor and traffic would have on Charlton. There have also been arguments as to whether marijuana falls under agricultural use in Massachusetts.

All of this led to an attempt by residents to ban recreational marijuana altogether through a bylaw adopted in August. This was recently shot down by Judge Robert B. Foster who will also oversee this new appeal, as well as a second appeal previously filed by Valley Green Grow concerning the rejection of the site plan by the Planning Board in January. Both appeals are expected to be heard by Judge Foster later this month.

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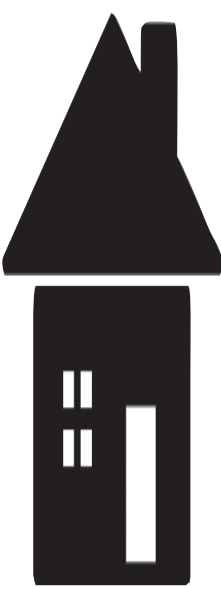
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Faith comes first for many Easter celebrants. But there's nothing wrong with enjoying some candy come Easter Sunday. Here's a look at the history behind some of the sweets the Easter Bunny might leave in your basket this year.

- **Chocolate eggs:** The first chocolate eggs were made in Europe in the early 19th century. Since then, they have become one of the most popular and recognizable treats associated with Easter. The chocolate



egg is predated by edible Easter eggs made from sugar and pas-

try first designed in Germany. According to the "Guinness Book of World Records," the largest chocolate Easter egg ever made

debuted in 2011. It was just over 34 feet high and weighed nearly 16,000 lbs.

- **Chocolate bunny:** The Easter Bunny also is a German incarnation. The seasonal bunny was introduced to

America in the 18th century by German immigrants who believed in the "Osterhase," an egg-laying hare they believed was a sign of new life and prosperity. Germans also introduced the first edible chocolate bunnies. The NCA says 76 percent of people eat the ears on chocolate bunnies first.

- **Jelly beans:** People aren't quite sure where the jelly bean originated, but some think it was based on a soft, chewy Middle Eastern sweet called Turkish delight and the hard candy shell of Jordan almonds. William Shraft, a Boston-based confectioner, may have coined the phrase "jelly bean" when he urged people to send these sweets to Union soldiers fighting in the Civil War.
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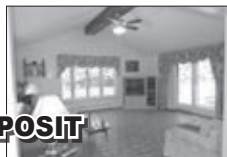
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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! Stunning 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, It Has It All! Expansive 2 Story Foyer! Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Oversized Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances and Walk-in Butler's Pantry! Din Rm w/Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm Overlooking the Lake, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Fprlc! 1/2 Bath + Laundry Nearby! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Glorious Stairway leads up to 3 Spacious Bdrms each with their Own Private Baths! Luxurious Master w/Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet + Private Balcony! Expansive Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level boasts Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm + Lake Facing Bdrm w/Fprlc & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Individual Splits to Control Rm Temps! Oversized 2 Car Garage! This Home is Loaded w/Quality & Detail! Quick Closing No Problem! Don't Delay! **\$1,199,000.00**



**NEW LISTING**

**WEBSTER** - 18 McGovern Ln! Brian Acres! Hospital Near! 26X64' 7 Room Ranch! Attached 2 Car Garage! Level 25,050', .58 Acre, Lot w/167' Rd Front! Appliance Kit w/Breakfast Bar! Formal Dining! 22' Liv Rm! Frplcd Fam Rm! 3 Bdrms! Halfway Full Bath! Master Bdrm w/Half Bath! 1st Flr Laundry Rm! Brand New Wall to Wall Carpet Throughout! Recent Oil Furnace - 2 Zones Heat! C/Air! C/Vac! Huge Basement! Quick Closing Possible! Convenient to 395! **\$274,900.00**



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**ON DEPOSIT**

**DUDLEY** - 13 Oakwood Ave! Mason Road! Areal! 7 Rm Cape! HARDWOOD FLOORS! Throughout! Home Offers Quiet Kitchen, Open Concept Dining & Living Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Full Bath! 2 1st Floor Bdrms! 2nd Flr Bdrms! Walk-in Cedar Closet! Breezyway to Garage! **\$205,000.00**



**NEW LISTING**

**MILLBURY** - WATERFRONT! Ramshorn Lake! 51 Davis Rd! Beautifully Landscaped & Private 1.22 Acres w/500' on the Water! One of Ramshorn's Premier Properties "Royledge"! Sprawling 3,117' French Country Villa w/Panoramic Water Views from this Perfect Peninsula! Ideal for Entertaining! Stone-walled Gated Entry, Long Private Drive to its Stately Appearance! Sprawling Stone & Slate 6+ Rm Masterpiece! Light Abounds! Cathedral & Tray Ceilings w/Skylights! Unique Country Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm! Frplcd Great Rm! Lake Facing Spacious Master Suite w/Everything You'd Expect! 3 Comfortable Bdrms! 3 Full Bathrooms! C/Air! Garages - 1 & 2 Car Detached Garages! Reward Yourself! **\$999,000.00**



**ON DEPOSIT**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 39 Bates Point! Panoramic Views of South Pond! Southern Exp! Park Like Grounds! Extensive Patio, Paver Walkways & Perennial Gardens! 18X24 Covered Composite Deck, w/Vinyl Railings! 90' U-Shaped Dock! Beautiful 7 Rm A/C/D Ranch! 14,549' Level Lot! Lake Facing Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/Gas Fprlc, Maple Hrwd Flrs, Custom Granite Wet Bar w/Maple Cabinetry! Appliance Granite Kit w/Maple Cabinets & Porcelain Tile Flr! Formal Din Rm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Skylight & Birch Flooring! 20' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Skylight, Ceiling Fans, Walk-in Closet & Dble Closet! Bthrm w/Travertine Flr, Dble Granite Vanity, Custom Tile Shower, Linen Closet & Cathedral Ceiling w/Skylight! Entry Foyer! Mud Rm w/Tile Floor! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/2 Bdrms, 1 Lake Facing! Liv Area w/Wet Bar & Frig! Full Bathrm! Laundry Rm! Work Shop & Storage! 26X32 Detached Garage w/2 Stalls & 2nd Flr Storage! Start Packing! **\$749,900.00**



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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 17 Wakefield Ave! South Pond! Western Exposure! Protected from the Storms - Quiet Cove! 24 Acre Lot! 104' Waterfront! Water View! 2,412' 8 Rm Contemp! Just Renovated! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Cathedral! Skylights! 2 Fireplaces! C/Air! Composite Deck! Patio! 2 Car Carport! **\$555,000.00**



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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 202 Killdeer Island Rd! Panoramic View of North Pond! Natural Sandy Shoreline! Complete Rebuild Since 2002! Custom Center Island Appliance Kitchen w/Walk-in Pantry, Recessed Lighting, Hardwoods & 1/2 Bath! Open Floor Plan! Dining Rm w/Window Seat, 2 Closets & Hardwoods! 19X19 Lake Facing Living Rm w/Hardwoods & 2 Sliders to Deck w/Recent Awning! Upstairs to 4 Bedrooms or 3 Plus Office! Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Walk-in Closet & Master Bath w/Tile Floor, Huge Corner Shower w/Seat, Double Linen Closet! Full Hall Bath! Halfway Laundry Closet! Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level Family Room, 2 Sliders to Patio! Full Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! 4 Zone Heat & 2 Zone C/Air only 2 Years Old! Start Packing! **\$629,900.00**



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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 50 Union Point Rd! Panoramic Views of Middle Pond - South Facing - Tons of Sun! Principal Residence or as a Second Home this 6+ Rm Gambrel Colonial will be Ready for You! You'll Appreciate its Easy Access and Taken Back by the Ever Changing Lake Vistas! Featuring Appliance Kitchen w/Island, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplaced Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Floor & Anderson Sliders All Around! 3 Second Floor Bedrooms! Spacious Lake Facing Master w/Cathedral Ceiling & 2 Sliders to its Private Deck! 2 Full Baths! Central Air! Composite Decks & Flag Stone Patio for Your Enjoyment! 7,405' Lot with 50' on the Water! Sorry, Closing not before 9/10/2019! **\$689,900.00**



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**WEBSTER LAKE** - 37 Bates Grove Rd! South Pond! As a Second Home, Getaway or Expand it into Your Dream Home - Have Possible Plans! 4+ Rooms! Open Floor Plan! Appliance Kit! 2 Bedrooms! Bathroom! Covered Deck! Ideal Gradual Sloping Lot w/Panoramic Lake Views! **\$399,900.00**



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## WEBSTER - 44 BRODEUR AVE



**Estate Sale!** Well built 6 room, 3 bedroom ranch! Hardwoods throughout! Recent Boiler yr. 2016 boiler! New oil tank. Recent vinyl siding, windows, and roof. Updated Electric. Kitchen and bath need some updating, huge basement ready to be finished, Town water and sewer! Detached garage. Level yard for all activities. **\$204,900.**

## THOMPSON, CT - 7 JUNE AVE S



Hip Roof Ranch! 1550 Sq. Ft. of living area. Attached garage. Fireplaced living room with hardwood floors. 2/3 Bedrooms. Dining room. Finished Lower Level with Fireplace. Forced Hot Water by Oil. Owner Financing. **\$204,900**

## WEBSTER - 22 SLATER STREET



**SORRY, SOLD!**

**NEW LISTING! ESTATE SALE!** Don't miss this opportunity! 6 room Colonial! 3 bedroom, 1 & 1/2 baths! Fireplaced family room! Hardwood floors! Natural Woodwork! New Furnace! Flat spacious corner lot. 1 car garage **\$224,900**

## WEBSTER - 6 BOYDEN ST EXT



**BUYERS &/OR INVESTORS TAKE NOTICE!** A short sale offering! - A fantastic opportunity to own an affordable, single family, 3 br, 1.5 Bath, split level style home! Partially finished lower level. Young oil fired boiler municipal water & sewer. 12,000 Sq ft land scraped lot. Property being sold as is. **\$149,900**

## WEBSTER - 12 ERNEST ST



Welcome home to this Huge, Sprawling, Ranch Style Home! 2,848 SF+/- of Living Area on One Level! Level lot! In-ground pool, built-in hot tub, custom stonework & landscape! private pit! Carport/pavilion for entertaining! Separate wings for wife family living & entertainment. BR suites, 10 rooms total! Simply Amazing! **\$329,900**

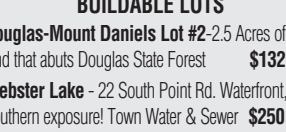
## WEBSTER - 90 UPLAND AVE



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Excellent home for 1st time home buyers! Cape that has 3 large bedrooms, 2 on the main level and one on the 2nd floor, 1 bath on the main level, 1/2 bath in the basement. Heated by oil - forced hot water baseboard! 1 car garage under **\$134,900.**

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## WEBSTER LAND - COOPER RD



Attention Developers! 3 abutting house lots, potential to divide into 5-6 Buildable lots! Lake Residential area, not on the lake. Priced to Sell! **\$129,900.**

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Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5,697+/- SF Lot, 50' Rd & Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 996+/- SF of living area w/2 BRS & 2 full baths. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/retreat potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Floor Plan w/sliders to full front deck! Spectacular Western views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available. **\$345,000**

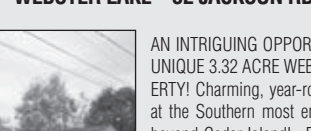
## WEBSTER LAKE - 54 KILLDEER RD



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100 GENERAL

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130 YARD SALES

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Call for more info  
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200 GEN. BUSINESS

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265 FUEL/WOOD

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283 PETS

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284 Lost & Found PETS

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**Town-To-Town Classifieds**  
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300 HELP WANTED

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500 REAL ESTATE

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East Brookfield, MA 01515  
774-449-8333

## SATURDAY, APRIL 13

**EASTER BUNNY PICTURES**  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Children and pets welcome!  
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508-885-2708 (Ext. 104)  
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## FRIDAY, APRIL 19

**THANKSGIVING DINNER**  
5:30-7:00 pm  
Charlton City United Methodist Church Turkey with fixings and desert.  
\$10.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children 6-12, under 5 free. Reservations or order take out. 508-248-7379  
74 Stafford St, Charlton City, MA.  
508-248-7379. CC-UMC.org  
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## SATURDAY & SUNDAY APRIL 27 & 28

**ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**  
Registration opens  
6 am; fishing at 8 am  
Cash prizes & trophies  
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155 Mechanic Street  
Spencer, MA 01562

## FRIDAY, MAY 3

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER**  
6:30 pm  
An interactive dinner theater  
The Fashionable Murders  
Join us for a laugh-filled night, a great dinner, and a mystery we need help solving  
Advance ticket sales required  
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## FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY MAY 3, 4, 5

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## SATURDAY, MAY 4

9-11 a.m.  
Mr. Dennis Reiter of PeaceMaker Ministries will facilitate a seminar entitled  
"RESOLVING RELATIONAL CONFLICT"  
Creation Church  
47 W. Thompson Rd., Thompson, CT  
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## THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY

## MAY 9, 10, 11, 12

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## FRIDAY, MAY 10

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## SATURDAY MAY 11

**PLANT & FLOWER SALE**  
9am-2 pm  
sponsored by Quiet Corner Garden Club! In the Agriculture Building at Woodstock Fairgrounds FREE  
PARKING - NO PETS (except service animals) HUGE! SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE

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## FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY JULY 19, 20, 21

DockDogs at Klem's  
Canine Aquatics Competition!  
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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13,

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER**  
6:30 pm  
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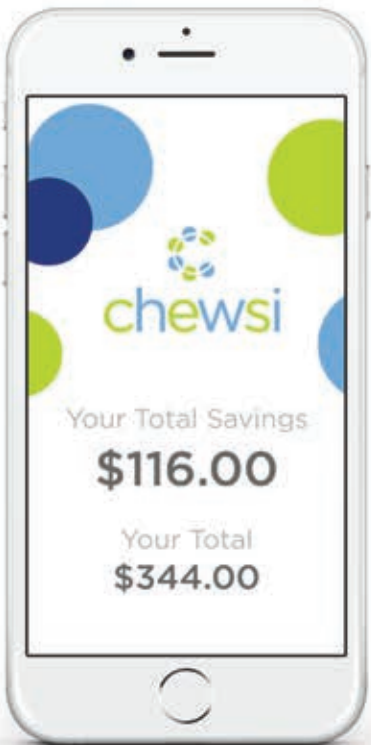


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# EASTER

## The history of Easter bonnets



When celebrating Easter, many Christians don their best apparel to attend church services and family gatherings. On Easter Sunday, gentlemen often put on their best suits and women their fanciest dresses. Children, too, wear formal clothing on Easter Sunday. Girls in particular tend to wear an item of interest that seems to only appear once per year.

Bonnets are part of the Easter attire for many girls, and even some women. Bonnets are part of long tradition of wearing new clothes on Easter that originated in parts of Europe, such as Great Britain. In fact, the tradition even dates back to Shakespearean times, as an “Easter suit” is referenced in “Romeo and Juliet.”

According to some historians, there was a notion that ill-luck would affect a person who did not have something new to wear on Easter, and the bonnet is an element of newness that fits the bill for many young girls and women.

It wasn’t until the 19th century that the Easter bonnet gained popularity in the Americas.

Women and children participating in Easter parades, notably the New York City Easter Parade, could be seen in their finest clothes with intricate bonnets — often wreathed in flowers — on their heads. Because Easter coincides with spring, lilies, daffodils, azaleas, hyacinths, and other blooms would adorn hats and hair.

Even though the Easter bonnet may not be as popular as it once was, many people still embrace this tradition. In areas of the United Kingdom, for example, children and women design elaborate and ostentatious bonnets. In the United States, some hat-decorating contests still coincide with Easter festivities. Children in primary grades also may design Easter- or spring-themed hats that they can wear during holiday celebrations.

Easter bonnets have a storied history. From European beginnings to parade staples, they’re often a hallmark of the spring season.

## Sweet treats make Easter special

From chocolates to marshmallows to caramel eggs to jelly beans, Easter is chockful of candy. And for those who think Easter is only child’s play, guess again.

Americans spend up to \$2 billion on Easter candy each year, according to Sweet Services, an online candy retailer. The National Confectioner’s Association says people in the United States consume nearly seven billion pounds of candy during the year, and Easter is the second-most popular holiday (behind Halloween) for indulging a sweet tooth.

Faith comes first for many Easter celebrants. But there’s nothing wrong with enjoying some candy come Easter Sunday. Here’s a look at the history behind some of the sweets the Easter Bunny might leave in your basket this year.

- **Chocolate eggs:** The first chocolate eggs were made in Europe in the early 19th century. Since then, they have become one of the most popular and recognizable treats associated with Easter. The chocolate egg is predated by edible Easter eggs made from sugar and pas-



try first designed in Germany. According to the “Guinness Book of World Records,” the largest chocolate Easter egg ever made debuted in 2011. It

was just over 34 feet high and weighed nearly 16,000 lbs.

- **Chocolate bunny:** The Easter Bunny also is a German incarnation. The season-

al bunny was introduced to America in the 18th century by German immigrants who believed in the “Osterhase,” an egg-laying hare they believed

was a sign of new life and prosperity. Germans also introduced the first edible chocolate bunnies. The NCA says 76 percent of people eat the ears on chocolate bunnies first.

- **Jelly beans:** People aren’t quite sure where the jelly bean originated, but some think it was based on a soft, chewy Middle Eastern sweet called Turkish delight and the hard candy shell of Jordan almonds. William Shraft, a Boston-based confectioner, may have coined the phrase “jelly bean” when he urged people to send these sweets to Union soldiers fighting in the Civil War.

- **Peeps:** Peeps are owned and made by Just Born Inc., a Pennsylvania-based company started by Russian immigrants when they acquired the Rodda Candy Company in 1953. Just Born figured out a way to automate and streamline the process of making Peeps, and today they can produce 5.5 million per day.

Easter is a day filled with fun and lots of sweetness. Candy is a big part of the celebration.

## Create colorful Easter eggs

Beautifully colored Easter eggs are a beloved holiday tradition. In many cultures, eggs represent new life, fertility and rebirth. For Christians, the Easter egg is symbolic of the resurrection, or the eternal life, of Jesus Christ. The practice of coloring eggs and offering them as decorative items is embraced during both secular and religious Easter celebrations.

Many fond memories and traditions are tied to Easter egg coloring, and some people may have their preferential kits or practices to achieve beautiful eggs. But embracing some new tips and tricks can produce beautiful eggs and make this beloved tradition even more fun.

- **Begin with firm, hard-boiled eggs.** Bring a pot of water to a rolling boil. Then use a large spoon to gently lower the eggs into the water. Lower the heat to maintain a simmer and boil for just about 12 minutes. Transfer the eggs to a bowl with ice cold water and let them cool. Allow the eggs to cool completely before coloring.

- **Lay out newspaper or an old tablecloth** to soak up any spills. Spills are inevitable, so don’t let them spoil the fun. In addition, empty egg cartons make ideal drying racks, so do not discard them.

- **Make patterns or other designs on**

the eggs. Use a white crayon to draw on the egg directly. The dye will not stick to the wax. Or use string, rubber bands, tape, stickers, or other items to create your pattern. Dip the egg and then remove the materials afterward to reveal the design.

- **Swirl a few drops of food coloring** into shaving cream on a flat surface. Roll the eggs into the mixture, let dry, and then gently clean to remove the excess shaving cream. The result is a marbled effect.

- **Recognize that you don’t have to “dye” eggs at all.** Use a sponge to dab on a design. Strips of tissue paper can be adhered to the egg with glue or shellac. Children may enjoy submerging the egg in glue and then coating it in glitter.

The potential to create creative Easter eggs is limitless. Embracing new strategies can set this year’s eggs apart.

Explore various Easter egg coloring techniques this season.





# EASTER

## Your guide to Holy Week events

Holy Week marks the most solemn and revered period on the Christian calendar. Holy Week helps to mark the Paschal Mystery, which includes the Passion, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ.

Many events unfolded in a short period of time during the final days of Christ's physical existence on earth. These events are marked during Holy Week. To understand them further, here's a day-by-day guide.

### PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, a 40-day period of solemn prayer and repentance. Palm Sunday recalls Christ's arrival in Jerusalem when he was received with lavish praise and excitement. Catholic Online, the online guide to the Catholic faith, says Jesus arrived humbly on a donkey to show he came in peace as a man of the people. As signs of respect, townspeople placed clothes, branches and palm fronds in front of Jesus.



### HOLY MONDAY

Matthew 21 and Mark 11 indicate that Christ returned to Jerusalem this day and cleansed the Temple area from shameful practices. Luke 19 indicates that Pharisees warn Jesus that he should silence the crowd's praises toward him.

### HOLY TUESDAY

As described in John 12:20-36 and John 13:21-38, some people observed Christ's predictions of his own death on this day. He was also confronted by Temple leadership for the cleansing of the Temple the day before, and they questioned his authority.

Holy (Spy) Wednesday  
This day marks Judas'

betrayal of Jesus when he met with high priests. Judas was paid 30 pieces of silver for his information.

### HOLY THURSDAY

On this evening Christ dined for Passover with his disciples at The Last Supper, creating a template for Holy Mass and Holy Eucharist celebra-

tions. During the meal, Jesus predicted the events that would immediately follow, including his betrayal, the denial of Peter, and his death and resurrection.

### GOOD FRIDAY

Pontius Pilate bowed to the pressure of the Temple leadership and the crowds, condemn-

ing Jesus to death by crucifixion. Christ was forced to parade through crowds wearing a crown of thorns to symbolize his status as King of the Jews, and carried a massive wooden cross on his back. He was nailed to the cross by the ankles and wrists and hanged for three hours. He died at 3 pm. His body was hastily removed and put in a tomb.

### HOLY SATURDAY

Christ's disciples were heartbroken at his death and observed the Jewish Sabbath in sorrow, forgetting about the promise of resurrection.

### EASTER SUNDAY

The public discovered that Jesus' tomb was empty and that he fulfilled his promise to rise from the dead. This is a great feast day with worship and celebration. Easter Sunday is the foremost day of religious observance within the Christian faith.

To learn more about Holy Week and the miracle of Easter, visit [www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org).

## Fire up the smoker for Easter dinner this year



For much of the country, Easter Sunday typically falls during a time of year when the weather outside is still pretty chilly. But this year Easter falls on the third Sunday in April, increasing the chances that temperatures will be more spring-like and less reminiscent of winter.

Warmer temperatures on Easter Sunday means hosts tasked with cooking Easter dinner might be able to expand their culinary horizons and avoid the stove. Though they might not have considered it before, hosts might want to fire up their smokers to give their families something delicious and different to dine on this Easter Sunday. If the weather takes an unexpected turn for the worse, electric smokers can typically be used indoors, but check the manufacturer's instructions to confirm that.

Big meals are part and parcel for Easter Sunday, this recipe for "Pork Loin Roast with Hot Pepper Jelly Glaze" from Karen Putman and Judith Fertig's "Championship BBQ Secrets for Real Smoked Food" (Robert Rose) is a great way to take advantage of warmer Easter weather while

still ensuring everyone has a full belly by the end of the meal.

### PORK LOIN ROAST WITH HOT PEPPER JELLY GLAZE

Serves 4 to 6

1 boneless pork loin roast (about 2 lbs.)  
4 cups apple juice  
1/2 cup Brown Sugar  
Rib Rub (see below)  
1 cup hot pepper jelly  
Additional apple juice for spraying

1. Rinse pork under cold running water and pat dry. Place in a large sealable plastic bag and pour in apple juice. Seal bag and refrigerate for at least 8 hours and up to 12 hours.  
2. Remove pork from marinade and pat dry. Discard marinade. Sprinkle dry rub over the surface of the meat, coating evenly. Set aside.  
3. Prepare a fire in your smoker.  
4. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, melt hot pepper jelly over medium-low heat. Keep warm by the smoker.  
5. Place pork directly on the smoker rack, add wood to the coals and close the lid. Smoke at 225 F to 250 F, spraying with

apple juice every 30 minutes, for 2 hours. Brush with hot pepper jelly, close the lid and smoke, spraying with apple juice every 30 minutes, for 1 to 1 1/2 hours, or until a meat thermometer inserted in the thickest part of the pork registers 160 F for medium, or until desired doneness. Let rest for 15 minutes before slicing.

### BROWN SUGAR RIB RUB MAKES ABOUT 3 1/2 CUPS

2 cups packed dark brown sugar or granulated maple sugar  
1/2 cup fine kosher or sea salt  
1/4 cup sweet Hungarian paprika  
1/4 cup chili powder  
1/4 cup ground lemon pepper  
1/4 cup granulated garlic  
1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper  
1 teaspoon dried basil  
1 teaspoon dried thyme

In a medium bowl, combine brown sugar, salt, paprika, chili powder, lemon pepper, garlic, black pepper, basil, and thyme.

## Tasty bites for Easter meals

Easter dinner is a special occasion, presenting an opportunity for family and friends to gather, celebrate their faith and give thanks for their blessings.

Traditional dishes tend to find their way to the Easter dinner table, but no meal would be complete without some sort of deviled eggs appetizer. Deviled eggs make good use of hard-boiled eggs that may not have been colored, or even those that have been dyed and can now be safely repurposed as food.

"Debonaire Deviled Eggs" from "Southern Appetizers" by Denise Gee (Chronicle Books) teaches home chefs how to craft tasty, aesthetically pleasing eggs.

### DEBONAIRE DEVILED EGGS

Serves 8 to 12

12 large eggs  
1/4 cup mayonnaise  
4 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled (optional)  
3 tablespoons sweet pickle relish  
2 teaspoons prepared mustard  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper  
Sprigs of fresh savory or another herb for garnish

Turn the eggs bottom- (wider-) side up in the carton. Use a pushpin to delicately poke one hole squarely in each center.

Fill a large saucepan or small Dutch oven with 2 to 2 1/2 quarts of water (enough to cover the eggs; use two pans if cooking all the eggs at once). Bring the water to a rolling boil.

Use a slotted spoon to add six eggs to the pan (working quickly but carefully to get them in at the same time); boil the eggs for 6 minutes.

Remove the pan from the heat. Let the eggs sit for 6 minutes for slightly soft yolks; add about 40 seconds for firmer yolks).

Remove each egg with a slotted spoon and place it on a kitchen towel. Repeat with the remaining six eggs. Let the eggs cool to room temperature, about 20 minutes, before peeling. (Store in the refrigerator, unpeeled, for up to 1 week; peeled for up to 4 days).

Peel the eggs under cool running water. Slice the eggs in half lengthwise, gently scooping out the yolks into a medium bowl. Add the mayonnaise, three-fourths of the crumbled bacon (if using), pickle relish, mustard, salt, and pepper. Stir to combine (and adjust seasonings as desired). Use a small spoon (or better yet, a piping bag) to insert the filling into the egg halves. Garnish with the remaining chopped bacon and savory, if desired, before serving.

Note: Large eggs are best used for egg plates and are easier to eat in one or two bites.





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