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Businesses vocal at bag ban hearing

BY GUS STEEVES
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — Selectmen got an earful of largely negative comments, largely from business interests, during Monday's public hearing on a proposed plastic bag ban. In the end, they opted to leave the hearing open in the interest of getting more information, noting they won't vote on it without notifying the public first.

While most of the comments were specific to potential impacts on specific firms,

the Chamber of Commerce's Stuart Loosemore cited concerns he had with the proposed bylaw itself. Primarily, he urged Auburn to wait to see what the state does, noting the proposed state bag ban "will supercede and override all current bylaws" if it passes.

"It just becomes another logistic nightmare to see how this store complies with this community, that store complies with that community," he said, referring to the fact 61 towns now have bylaws with

various requirements.

Loosemore said he had issues with the bylaw's requirement for compostable bags, claiming they'd still have to go to "a municipal or industrial composting facility;" raised questions about how Auburn would handle various kinds of bags that aren't shopping bags (including produce, newspaper, and garment bags); and had never seen towns require retailers to post how to clean reusable bags.

His colleague Virginia

Parent's official Chamber statement was more general, arguing the organization had "strong concern" over what it sees the "cost and unanticipated consequences" a ban could have on local companies. Specifically, she alleged it could "place local family-owned businesses at a competitive disadvantage" against out-of-town and online firms, but the Chamber would support increased education regarding bag recycling and pollution prevention issues.

To Chad Clark, owner of Sheldon's Harley Davidson, the issue was actually just the opposite. He said he felt it could be a problem because he's a franchisee and has to follow "strong restrictions" set by Harley regarding use of Harley's logo and can't just "go out and choose" where to get things printed. He also claimed consumers "do not want to pay higher prices without getting higher value," and alleged

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Sitting side by side, but tied to a screen; today's young people have a different way of interacting.

Auburn High to offer look at modern life

A documentary on the newest way of life in the world is scheduled at the auditorium at Auburn High School Monday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

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What does that mean?

This 67 minute, award-winning documentary, created by Dr. Ruston, "probes into the vulnerable corners of family life and depicts the messy struggles over social media, video games, academics and internet addiction. Through surprising insights from authors and brain scientists, solutions emerge on how we can empower kids to best navigate the digital world."

One and a half million people, in almost 50 countries, have gathered thus far to see this film—you do not want to miss it!

Plans for Tarentino run finalized

LEICESTER — Continuing the tradition of honoring a fallen hero, residents from throughout the area are gearing up for the second annual Tarentino Strong 5K Fun Run.

Set for Sunday, April 29 at Leicester High School, the event is expected to once again draw hundreds of guests honoring the life and legacy of Auburn Police Officer Ronald Tarentino Jr. A longtime Leicester resident, Tarentino was

killed while on duty in May 2016. Since then, Auburn, Leicester, and surrounding communities have held several events to raise money for the Tarentino Memorial Foundation.

The 5K will start at 10 a.m. at LHS, 174 Paxton St. To save time, guests are asked to register online in advance by visiting www.racewire.com and searching "Tarentino Strong 5K." Registration information will appear when you click the link.

Last year, several police officers from throughout the state and other first responders came out to Leicester to take part in the event. Organizers are hoping for another strong turnout for this year's event.

All funds raised at the 5K Fun Run will benefit the Ronald Tarentino Jr. Memorial Charitable Fund, which has already awarded

Sen. Moore supports comprehensive animal protection legislation

BOSTON — Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) announced the Massachusetts Senate passed legislation to improve several areas of existing law dealing with the sale and treatment of animals.

"As a proud dog owner, and having served as an Environmental Police Officer, I certainly recognize the importance of protecting vulnerable animal populations," said Senator Moore. "I was pleased to offer my support for this legislation which offers commonsense reforms to enhance breeding, safety and care standards to protect pets and pet owners."

The first piece of legislation, S.1155, ensures that puppies and kittens are bred and sold in safe and healthy environments, and strengthens the Massachusetts "Puppy Lemon Law" to give pet owners more

options if they unknowingly purchase a sick pet.

The bill applies safety and breeding standards to protect pets and pet owners. It prohibits the sale of puppies and kittens younger than eight weeks old, increasing the likelihood that they will grow to be healthy dogs and cats, and outlines a process for a veterinarian to declare an animal suffering from a significant adverse health condition "unfit for sale."

To protect pet owners who unknowingly purchase a sick pet, the bill outlines remedies available to buyers of animals declared unfit for sale, including exchange of the animal or a refund and reimbursement for reasonable veterinary fees. The bill also sets forth a procedure for a seller to contest

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Reduced services could raise havoc for commuters

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Proposed cuts in bus services across the Route 9 corridor are causing unease for residents who rely on public transportation to get to work.

The Worcester Regional Transit Authority has proposed reduced services for several of its bus routes, while others have been slated for elimination to save money. Among the proposals is an option to cut all bus services west of East Brookfield District Court. The proposal would also reduce services along WRTA Route 33 to one bus every two hours.

For several residents in Brookfield and West Brookfield, an elimination of bus services would prevent them from getting to work. Others rely on the service to visit family and friends, while many residents use the WRTA to reach colleges, hospitals, courts, and events in Worcester.

"I know one person who commutes on the WRTA bus from Brookfield to a Worcester college, and this person would potentially need to move," said Brookfield Selectman Clarence Snyder. "The Route 9 corridor needs more transportation alternatives, not less."

As the Senate Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Caucus, Senator Anne Gobi is advocating along with other caucus members for full funding for bus ser-

vices. This request is in accordance with a 2014 transportation finance law which established a funding schedule for the regional transportation authorities.

Governor Charlie Baker allocated \$80,400,000 this year for regional transportation authorities, which represents level funding. The Senate request for \$88,000,000 supported by Gobi and her colleagues would restore what the House and Senate implemented in the 2014 transportation reform act.

"I am aware of the difficulties all 15 regional transit authorities across the state are facing, especially the areas served by the WRTA," Gobi said. "The lack of reliable public transportation adds to the isolation of people and deprives them of access to basic needs such as healthcare and employment opportunities."

The proposed cuts in bus services would not only impact individuals who rely on public transportation, officials said, but they would also hurt municipal economies. Selectmen in Brookfield and West Brookfield are concerned that if bus routes west of the courthouse in East Brookfield are eliminated, several employees and visitors to their towns would have no means of reaching them.

As part of its proposed cuts,

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"More often than not, animal shelters and rescues depend greatly on food donations to support the pets they take in that await adoption," said Robyn Wass, manager of the Sturbridge Tractor Supply store. "Our goal at Tractor Supply is to do our part in helping adoption efforts in our community because we know that pets are more than just dogs and cats, they are family."

Tractor Supply presented the pet food donation to various shelters in the Sturbridge, Southbridge and Auburn areas.

In addition to the pet food donation, the Sturbridge Tractor Supply hosts pet adoption events through-

out the year. Visit TSCEventPartners.com or call the store at 508-347-3057 to learn more about working with Tractor Supply for pet adoption events.

For information and tips on adopting an animal and raising pets, visit TractorSupply.com/PetCare.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Auburn Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Senior Center, 4 Goddard drive, Auburn. Our speaker will be Sari Bitticks, and her topic will be "The captives of King Phillip's War and why they refused to be redeemed. It is all a Matter of Underwear". Everyone is welcomed, the event is free and refreshments will be served.

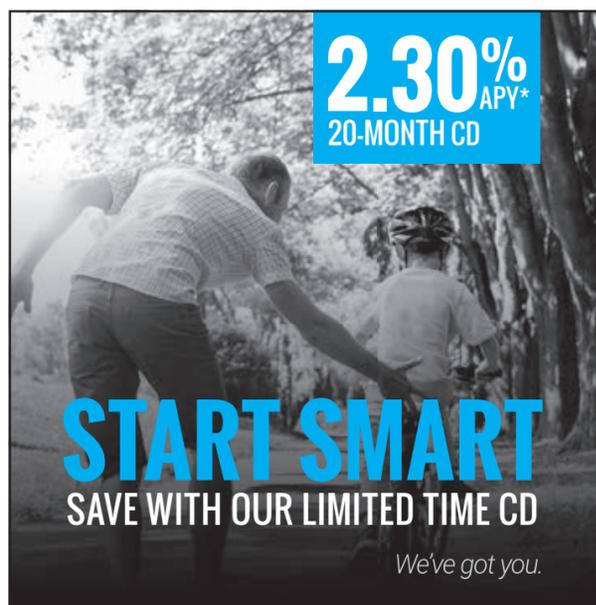


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Local seniors enjoy Irish breakfast with dignitaries



In keeping with the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) and Auburn Selectman Doreen M. Goodrich recently treated Auburn seniors to an Irish Breakfast. The warm meal, served at the Pakachoag Church, was prepared by culinary students from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School.

"It's an absolute pleasure to sponsor the Irish Breakfast in the town of Auburn," said Senator Moore. "It was great to see dozens of residents from the community come together for a warm meal and even warmer conversation with neighbors. I also tip my hat to a local resident, Clara, who performed a traditional Irish dance, and to the students from Bay Path who applied their culinary talents to create a wonderful meal enjoyed by all."

Senator Moore and Selectman Goodrich annually host an Irish-themed meal in the town of Auburn for local seniors. To learn more about Senator Moore and his efforts on behalf of residents of the Second Worcester District, please visit www.SenatorMikeMoore.com.

Courtesy photos

TOP: Seniors enjoying conversation at the Irish Breakfast sponsored by Senator Moore at Pakachoag Church in Auburn.

RIGHT: (L-R) Auburn School Committee Member Jessica Harrington and her daughter, Clara, who performed a traditional Irish dance, Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury).



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Auburn hospice program recognized for excellence

AUBURN — The Compassus hospice program that serves Auburn and surrounding areas was ranked among the company's top three programs in the country during an awards ceremony last month at the Compassus National Leadership Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Auburn program, which serves patients and families in Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex and Worcester counties, outperformed 93 other Compassus programs throughout the U.S. in six evaluation categories that include regulatory compliance, colleagues and culture, quality care, service excellence, expanding access to services and fiscal responsibility.

Compassus established its six Pillars of Success to give the company's community-based programs a common service vision based on measurable goals that continually lead to improving the quality of care for patients and their families.

"This recognition is a testament to the commitment of our leadership

and the hard-working members of the Compassus - Auburn team," said Charles Rosenbaum, M.D., who serves as the program's medical director. "We are honored by this acknowledgement of our unwavering efforts to support the medical, emotional and spiritual needs of patients and families by providing exceptional end-of-life care."

"Hospice care providers across the country look to Compassus for its excellence in delivering high-quality and personalized care to those at the end of life," said Michelle Heron-Maciel, executive director of the Compassus - Auburn program. "I am proud to serve alongside colleagues who strive to make a positive difference in the lives of our patients and families every day."

For more information about Compassus - Auburn, please visit compassus.com/auburn or call (508) 845-2379.

Compassus is a nationwide network of community-based post-acute care services focused on hospice, palliative and home health care. The Nashville,

Tennessee-based company was founded in 2006, but its roots in hospice reach back to 1979. Today, the company operates more than 96 hospice, palliative and home health programs with 151 locations in 31 states across the U.S. The mission of Compassus is to honor life and offer hope to individuals facing serious or terminal illness by supporting them with a common culture focused on three core values: Compassion, Integrity, and Excellence. Compassus employs more than 4,500 colleagues who provide a range of home health, hospice and palliative services and other resources to benefit patients and families. Our primary goals are to provide the highest quality post-acute care in every community in which we operate, and to be both the provider and employer of choice. For more information please visit compassus.com, follow the company on Facebook or call (877) 377-1607.

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the WRTA is also considering an elimination of weekend bus services, which would prevent many residents from getting to church and recreation activities. Meanwhile, the potential elimination of WRTA Route 40, also known as the Hub Loop, is causing additional concerns. Several other bus routes, though preserved by the proposals, would see dramatically reduced daily service.

"Any curtailment of WRTA service on the Route 9 corridor will have an impact on the regional economy," Snyder said.

All proposals must be voted on by the WRTA advisory board and wouldn't take effect until the summer. Prior to the vote, residents will have an opportunity to weigh in on the proposals during a series of public hearings. A meeting will be held on April 3 at 6 p.m. at Spencer Town Hall, while Brookfield residents will have a chance to share their concerns on April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Brookfield Congregational Church.

Several local and regional officials were also planning to attend a rally in Worcester on March 20 to demonstrate their opposition to any cuts in service.

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If you made all the necessary repairs and staged your home properly, a buyer in our current market with extremely low inventory will be willing to pay a premium to get a near perfect house. However, the bank appraiser needs to typically show homes that bracket your home as in one home is priced higher because it is superior and one is priced lower because it is inferior. When you are in an appreciating market and you have the best home in your area then you are most likely selling for a price higher than any other recent sales. You will want to ensure that you or your agent supply the appraiser with a list of all the big improvements you have made recently that will impact value, this way the appraiser can make adjustments to justify the higher market price. You will also want to arm yourself with information about all the comparable homes in the neighborhood so you can share information about con-



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dition and the setup of those homes which may not be readily available to the appraiser and what makes them inferior to your home so it makes the appraisers job easier coming up with the proper value for your home. Keep in mind you are not persuading the appraiser to come up with an inflated value for your home, but providing information that will help them come up with market value which may or may not be the price you are hoping for. This appraisal is performed based on the opinion of this appraiser of the market value of the home and whether they consider the market to

be stable or appreciating. I find some appraisers agree we are in an appreciating market while others think we are in a stable market. This will affect whether they make time adjustments for comparable homes that sold 6 months ago while the market was lower or assume no appreciation in price.

The appraisal is a huge piece of the sale process and the importance of it cannot be discounted. The other thing to keep in mind is that depending on the type of appraisal being done they will also possibly look at the condition of the home. There are standards in condition these appraisers are looking at but the interpretation can be different from one appraiser to the next. I have had appraisals take 10 minutes or an hour depending on the appraiser and type of loan the buyer is getting. Some loans require there is no peeling paint, and any other safety concerns are required

to be addressed. Most loans require flooring in all rooms and the appraiser to give an opinion on age of roof and if it has some life left before it needs to be replaced. Some banks and loans require all utilities to be activated and working while others don't so this will be important to know before the appraiser visits the home. These are all items that are there to protect the banks investment in the home because if the buyer is putting down 5% of the purchase price then the bank is giving 95% and wants to protect their investment. If you know there are safety issues already it may make sense to proactively make those repairs. Many times the Realtor you hire can give you suggestions on repairs to make proactively that could possibly come up an appraisal as to not cause any issues down the road.

Auburn agents donate \$2,000 to local charities



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Making a \$500 donation to Auburn Youth and Family Services, Inc. are, left to right, ERA Key Realty Services agent Mark Lawton; AYFS Executive Director Sally D. D'Arcangelo; Bryan Davis, manager of ERA Key's Auburn office, and ERA Key agent Tineke Brinks.

AUBURN — The Auburn office of ERA Key Realty Services announced it has donated a total of \$2,000 to four local charities that provide food to the poor, shelter for dogs, and services for youth and families.

Auburn agents provided \$500 each to Webster-Dudley Food Share in Webster and the Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf, two local food pantries; Dog Orphans, Inc. in Douglas, a no-kill shelter for dogs, and Auburn Youth and Family Services, Inc., which promotes the healthy development of youth and families.

"We're proud of the commitment our agents make to their community," said Bryan Davis, manager of the Auburn office. "They embrace the opportunity to give back and support local non-profit organizations."

Agents in the Auburn office make regular donations through The ERA Key Realty Services Charitable Trust Foundation, which donated \$43,282 to 36 charities in 2017. The foundation has given \$341,282 since its inception in 2004. ERA Key Realty Services of

Northbridge has 14 offices throughout central and eastern Massachusetts and is among the 10 largest residential real estate agencies in Massachusetts based on the number of homes sold. It is also among the top 10 agencies in the ERA Franchise System, which has more than 2,400 agencies worldwide. ERA Key has been named among the top places to work in the state in the large company category for the past three years, based on a survey administered by Energage for The Boston Globe. It also won the Momentum Award as the fastest growing ERA franchise in 2012 and the Gene Francis Memorial Award as the Top All-Around Company in ERA in 2014. For more information about ERA Key, visit www.erakey.com.

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several scholarships to area students. Other local events to benefit the fund have included softball games, hockey matches, and a motorcycle run at LHS this past fall, among others.

The goal of the charitable fund is to provide scholarships to students and assist local residents dealing with illnesses, injuries, and other adversities. Thanks to your help and participation, thousands of dollars have already been raised.

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Chamber plans Expo

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 11th annual Health and Business Expo.

More than 40 businesses from many industries, including health-care, retail, and finance will exhibit their products and services.

The event will be held at the Auburn-Webster Lodge of Elks on Tuesday, March 27, from 4-7 p.m. This event is sponsored by bank-Hometown.

Raffle prizes will be awarded throughout the evening, with a grand prize of a smart TV, provided by Life Care Center of Auburn.

"Each year people from the community come through, and get to see what great local businesses are right here in Auburn, and in Central Massachusetts," said Carrie Cross, chairperson of the event.

Cross noted that the Expo offers the opportunity to check out health care providers and local businesses, obtain free screenings and analysis, and take home free samples and prizes.

Interested in exhibiting? Contact the Auburn Chamber at (508) 753-2924 for vendor information.

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Specialist on anti-terrorism to speak at Nichols

DUDLEY — Former director of the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency Lt. Gen. (ret.) Ronald L. Burgess Jr. will speak at Nichols College Tuesday, April 3 about cybersecurity threats to the United States. This special presentation is sponsored by the Nichols College Master of Science in Counterterrorism program. It starts at 2:15 p.m. in Davis Hall, Room 205/207 on Center Road, and is free and open to the public.

During his 38-year career in the U.S. Army, and now as senior counsel for National Security Programs, Cyber Programs and Military Affairs at Auburn University in Alabama, Burgess serves as a driving force in the U.S. intelligence community to safeguard national security interests. As head of the Defense Intelligence

Agency and a former acting principal deputy director of national intelligence during the George W. Bush and Barack Obama presidential administrations, respectively, Burgess was a key player in the national security arena and was called upon by the presidents and Congress for his expertise. His leadership skills were used to focus the Defense Intelligence Agency on the greatest challenges confronting the United States at the time: Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, transnational terrorism, and preventing strategic surprises elsewhere around the world.

Embattled U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Michael T. Flynn, who resigned in February 2017 as national security advisor under President Donald Trump, succeeded the retiring

Lt. Gen. Burgess as director of the Defense Intelligence Agency in 2012.

At Nichols, Burgess' presentation — titled "The Cyber Threat and Way Ahead" — will address the roles government, private and public companies, and academia can play in combating cyber threats to U.S. national security in an interconnected world. He will take questions from the audience after the talk.

"Nichols College Graduate & Professional Studies is honored to host Lt. General Burgess," said Nichols College Professor Allison McDowell-Smith, Ph.D., director of the counterterrorism graduate program. "Not only will Nichols students, faculty, staff, and members of the public have the rare opportunity to hear from a world-re-

nowned and distinguished leader within the realm of U.S. national security, they will also have the opportunity to ask questions of this former acting principal deputy director of national intelligence."

In 2017, Nichols College Graduate & Professional Studies launched a leadership-focused Master of Science in Counterterrorism developed for those pursuing careers in the fields of intelligence, public policy, and security. Through an innovative in-class and online experience, students learn from counterterrorism experts the factors contributing to the radicalization process of violent extremism, and explore strategies to counter both terrorism and violent extremism. Nichols faculty saw a need to create this program for stu-

dents once the Department of Homeland Security stressed the importance of countering violent extremism as a top priority for the United States.

"General Burgess has commended the Nichols College Master of Science in Counterterrorism degree, which is the first graduate program in the United States to exclusively focus on violent extremism," added McDowell-Smith, an internationally recognized expert in counterterrorism and violent extremism who has interviewed members of ISIS. "He has also applauded our relationships and partnerships with institutions, both domestically and internationally, in an effort to assist in combating national security threats."

New certification classes offered at Bay Path

CHARLTON — Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy and Intravenous Edu are teaming up in 2018 to offer training that will give licensed practical nurses better job opportunities.

Courtesy of Intravenous Edu, according to Jan Stephanos RN, CRNI, Bay Path PN Academy will offer the intravenous therapy certification course. PN students will be able to take the 8-hour theory and practical course through Intravenous Edu.

The course is based on the curriculum set forth by Intravenous Edu and will lead to initial IV certification.

The course will be held at Bay Path Simulation Lab on April 13 and May 9.

"We are excited with this relationship with Intravenous and Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. We relish this opportunity to provide training and to enhance these career pathways in our community," said Grehelina Bolandrina, Practical Nursing Academy director.

This course will be for initial certification which includes the most recent intravenous policies and

procedures as determined by Infusion Nurses Society and the Board of Registration in Nursing. The course includes anatomy and physiology of Intravenous therapy, care and maintenance of peripheral and central lines including ports and intra osseous devices. Hands on experience is provided along with all equipment, and booklets. Participants perform peripheral IV access, port-a-cath access, blood draw, and central line dressing change. Once the course is completed, the IV certification offers participants a competitive advantage for employment opportunities

The LPN needing continuing education hours for recertification can contact Jan Stephanos, RN, CRNI at (508) 494-5002 or email IntravenousEdu@hotmail.com.

For more information on the IV Therapy Certification Course, please visit the Academy's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BayPathPracticalNursing2015/> or contact Kelly at 508-248-5971 or KMeredith@baypath.net.

Clean-up planned of Manchaug Pond and watershed

In a celebration of the arrival of spring, volunteers are invited to join members and friends of the Manchaug Pond Foundation in the annual spring clean-up event of Manchaug Pond.

The effort is scheduled to take place Saturday, April 28 from 9:00 a.m. to noon with volunteers meeting at the state public access boat ramp on Torrey Road in Sutton. Volunteers will hit the pavement with trash bags in hand to clean the roadsides, shoreline, and boat ramp - all areas

within the Manchaug Pond watershed. Good company, refreshments, trash bags, and rubber gloves will be provided. Rain date will be Sunday, April 29.

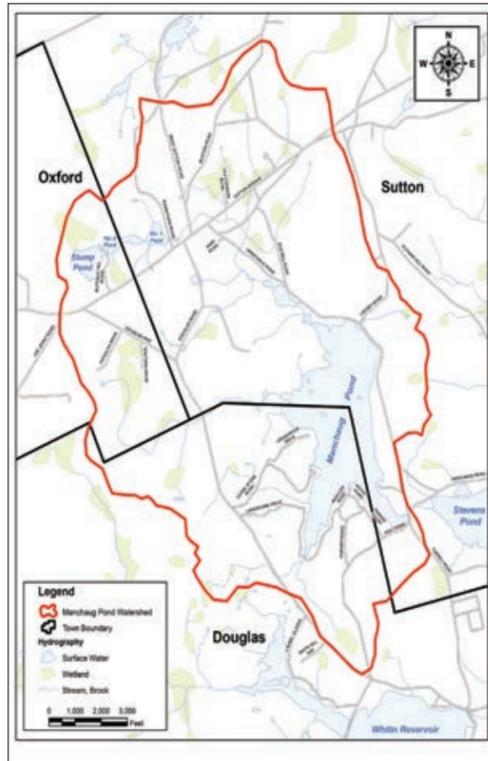
The Manchaug Pond Foundation's educational events look to improve the water quality of the picturesque 380 acre community lake, which lies within Douglas and Sutton, though the education of the many users and watershed residents. Educational information on residential Low Impact Development techniques such as landscaping with buffer zones and rain gardens to limit runoff of fertilizer nutrients will be available to participants. Educational materials have been made possible by the Foundation's previous two water quality grants awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Visit www.manchaugpond.org for more information about Manchaug Pond or to volunteer contact Marty Jo Henry at events@manchaugpond.org.

Manchaug Pond, where every day is Earth Day! Manchaug Pond Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization of volunteers dedicated to the welfare and correct use of Manchaug Pond and its watershed, spanning the Massachusetts towns of Sutton, Douglas and Oxford.

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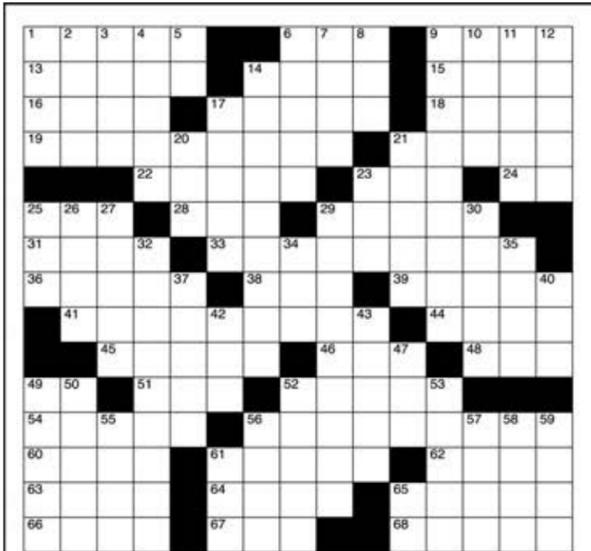
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| 13. Suffix | 45. Short-billed rails |
| 14. A way to disappoint | 46. Northern Thai province |
| 15. Saddle horse | 48. Albanian monetary unit |
| 16. West African country | 49. Who the Wolverines play for |
| 17. Philippine island | 51. Oath |
| 18. "Girls" creator Dunham | 52. Astronomical period |
| 19. A type of twin | 54. A single unit |
| 21. Groans | 56. Presides over |
| 22. Infections | 60. Spoiled tot |
| 23. What a beaver makes | 61. Hillside |
| 24. Thou | 62. Fertility god |
| 25. Make a mistake | 63. Assuage |
| 28. Receive | 64. Signs a contract |
| 29. Dresses | 65. Ancient Greek war dance |
| 31. Burn the surface of | 66. Allows |
| 33. Where coaches observe | 67. Lunar crater |
| 36. Ceremonial offices | 68. Crash a motorcycle (Brit. slang) |
| 38. Paddle | |

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| 1. Loose-fitting undergarment | 30. Name given to plant group |
| 2. Western Romanian city | 32. Improves |
| 3. Unit of length | 34. Patriotic women |
| 4. Type of electricity | 35. Inflamed swelling on the eyelid |
| 5. Article | 37. Instrument in Indian music |
| 6. Mothers | 40. Request |
| 7. Monetary unit | 42. Make into leather without using tannin |
| 8. Single Lens Reflex | 43. Defies |
| 9. Tan-colored horses | 47. Neither |
| 10. Region | 49. Flower cluster |
| 11. Cautious in spending money | 50. Phonological unit |
| 12. Belittle | 52. Leaves in water |
| 14. Sarcastic | 53. Cavalry-sword |
| 17. Fathers | 55. Famed American cartoonist |
| 20. Clothes | 56. Messenger ribonucleic acid |
| 21. Opera's Callas | 57. Scarlett's home |
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LEARNING

Hot chocolate and Pat the Patriot at Auburn High

In less than a year, they invested over \$3,500 received through the Fuel Up to Play 60 program to enhance the school meal experience and reach more students.

On Tuesday Auburn High School planned to celebrate their commitment to student wellness by holding an event with special guests New England Patriots mascot Pat Patriot, a local Massachusetts dairy farmer, and New England Dairy & Food Council staff during the school's lunch periods.

Auburn applied for grants to enhance their Breakfast Café and purchase a hot chocolate milk machine through the Fuel Up to Play 60 program to increase school meal participation and access to healthy food options. The grants were funded by New England Dairy & Food Council and the dairy farm families of Massachusetts and New England.

Dairy & Food Council is a non-profit nutrition education organization staffed by registered dietitians. NEDFC is a state and regional affiliate of

the National Dairy Council®. Our goal is to ensure that health professionals, scientists, media and educators have a credible body of nutrition information upon which to base health recommendations.

Fuel Up to Play 60 is an in-school nutrition and physical activity program launched by National Dairy Council and National Football League, with additional partnership support from U.S. Department of Agriculture. The program encourages youth to consume nutrient-rich foods (low-fat and

fat-free dairy, fruits, vegetables and whole grains) and achieve at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day.

Fuel Up to Play 60 is designed to engage and empower youth to take action for their own health by implementing long-term, positive changes for themselves and their schools. Customizable and non-prescriptive program components are grounded in research with youth, including tools and resources, in-school promotional materials, a website and student challenges. Fuel Up to Play

60 is further supported by several health and nutrition organizations: Action for Healthy Kids, American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, National Hispanic Medical Association, National Medical Association and School Nutrition Association. Visit FuelUpToPlay60.com to learn more.

MARIANAPOLIS ANNOUNCES HONOR ROLL

THOMPSON, CT – Marianapolis Preparatory School is proud to announce the students who have earned their place on the Quarter 3 Honor Roll.

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Ditech Financial, LLC successor by merger to Green Tree Servicing, LLC to MTGLQ Investors, LP dated September 21, 2016 and recorded with said Registry on November 25, 2016 at Book 56362, Page 244 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on April 20, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 195 Leicester Street, Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

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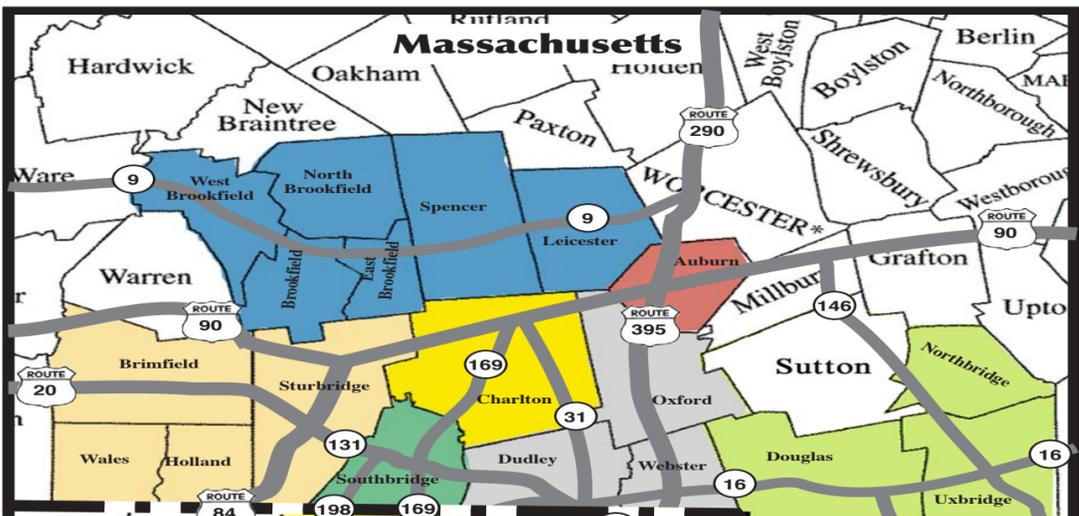
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EDITORIAL

Winter is changing...

In the background story of Game of Thrones, is the concept that the fear of winter isn't what we think of as a few months of bad weather; no, George RR Martin in his fiendish way has invented a world that has a years long winter.

THAT is the fear that winter is coming.

We'd hate to have Martin's nightmares.

They must be fierce.

The world of GOT has mild years, where yes there are climates that get mild, snowy periods, but not the in depth horrifying winters the world fears. Then, every few years and with no real way to measure the distance between apparently (sometimes the distances between the winters are longer than others), the cold and winter hits with a vengeance...and hangs on for several years. Not months, years.

So, ouch.

We look at our New England weather patterns for the last, oh, five years or so and wonder of Mr. Martin is chuckling in his magnificent beard at us.

Is he prescient?

To be real, this changing weather pattern is probably scientifically explained by changing gulf streams and wind patterns and the way the air moves over the depleted north polar cap and etc. We did hear the colder air coming down from the north is affected by that.

The moniker "global warming" is a misnomer, it should be relabeled as "climate change" to better explain that, yes some places do get warmer (polar ice caps are melting), but other places are impacted differently (colder winters).

And the high tides, scrubbing away the beaches? Well, if you melt an ice cap and release that water, it raises a water level; then you whip up a storm...

So climate change does affect edges of continents differently than interiors.

It affects droughts resulting in more fires.

It affects how and where rain falls, or doesn't fall; affecting where crops grow...or don't.

We are not buying in to the concept the whole thing is human error, because these things happen whether humans are here or not. Certainly we as humans have affected the world with what we do; but we aren't the only, and end all, cause of everything. Nor can we stop what is already in motion.

The most elementary of science has taught us how tough it is to stop something already in motion; or to reverse a combination; or to separate a mixture. Often it can't be done at all. We can try not to make it worse, do some things to slow our own roll as it were, and take responsibility for what we can; and truth be told we need to look more closely at our own human foibles and say to those of us who are insisting on living in dangerous conditions like the edges of oceans and flood plains and river deltas and islands and ask whether that sense of responsibility shouldn't be mandatory for some situations.

Don't let people move back to those places. They'll only flood out again. Don't spend more money there. Move. Let Mother Nature have it back.

Because she's going to win.

The Presidency

Because we live in such tumultuous political times, it's easy to believe today's intense public focus on the Trump presidency is something new — an obsession like none we've ever seen before. Yet to one degree or another, the president has always been at the center of the public's attention.

This is because he or she is the central actor in American government. The sheer complexity of our system, with its three branches, separation of powers and competing centers of power, demands someone who can make it work.

So we have high expectations for the president in this country. We want him or her to run the government efficiently and effectively, to work hard to resolve our problems, lead the world, inspire the nation, console us in times of disaster, serve as an example for young people, represent the national interest, and in a sense, carry our hopes and desires for the country on his or her shoulders.

Which is why, no matter who's president, there is enormous public curiosity about every detail of his life and actions. When I was in Congress, the subject would come up whenever I was back home in the district, at formal public meetings and in casual conversations. People wanted to know about his family, his personal characteristics, his strengths and failings, and what he was doing to make the country work.

This fascination is exacerbated by the news media, which focuses attention on the president and much less on Congress, a body that by its nature is diffuse and complicated.

Presidents are both ordinary and extraordinary. They have all the strengths, vulnerabilities and limitations of the rest of us. They may be perceptive, politically astute, even wise, but they all make mistakes — the interning of Japanese-Americans under Franklin Roosevelt, Ronald Reagan's dereliction of duty in Iran-Contra, the handling of the Vietnam War under LBJ.

Yet there's also something out of the ordinary about the people who become president. You have to be driven by ambition to seek the office in the first place, as well as highly competitive and disciplined in both thought and speech. The most effective presidents are unusually persuasive. The greatest among

them have a real connection to the American people, a sense of high moral purpose and the ability to summon Americans to reach toward that purpose.

Because as unremittably difficult as the job is, in many ways the toughest part is persuasion: trying to build support for one's goals. We talk about the president as being the most powerful person in the world, but over the decades I've been struck by how often presidents talk about the limitations on their power. Looking out from the White House, what they see are opposition and constraints.

Which may be why every president seeks to expand the power of the office, usually with some degree of success. This is not all bad — presidents do need power to get things done. But this trend has diminished the role of Congress and, fundamentally, of representative government. President Nixon had some 300 people on his staff; presidents these days may have as many as 2000.

This has allowed the president to insulate himself. Presidents are hard to reach today. They don't want to be scrutinized on policy, and far too often, Congress has played along. The presidential press conference has also faded in importance. Presidents rarely have to answer questions in a free-wheeling give and take session with journalists or other politicians.

And so it's harder to understand why the president does what he does now, why he makes the choices he does. Presidents need oversight and scrutiny, they need a Congress that will press them and insist on consultation. They get very little of that pressure today. Don't get me wrong: I favor a strong president, but I also favor a strong Congress. And these days, we have a Congress marked by passivity and inability to exercise its constitutional responsibilities.

I'm equally impressed by the responsibility we have as citizens in choosing our leaders. We get what and whom we choose. Presidents really do make a difference in our lives. No choice as a citizen is more important.

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SOUND OFF

To build, or not

To the Editor:

To build, or not to build, the wall. Many people are upset, because we all come from somewhere. True. I agree.

But, we did not come here for a free handout. Our ancestors worked.

Do the newbies know what that means? Welfare is not a job, or a way of life. They are coming from every where.

We now have all of South America, Asians, Europeans, et al. There is no stopping them.

Remember, "Hi, I'm Jimmy Carter and I want to be your President?"

Good God.

The floodgates opened up. Step onto shore and were given \$90.

Some people say, "what's \$90?"

Did you get \$90? No? But you paid for all this with your tax dollars.

Free housing, food, medical care, all out of your pocket.

Go to the unemployment office, welfare office, doctor's office, grocery store. Out come the free cards paid for by you.

No one should become a citizen because a woman stepped over the line to give birth, then go some office for help, and become a citizen.

Some length of time should come into play. Permanent address, work ethic, status of paying your own way.

You are all screaming because the president is rounding up all the illegals to send them back.

Now you scream because they're getting everything free.

What is it you want?

Citizens? Or illegals who pay nothing?

People who hire these illegals should be fined or shut down. If we don't stop this, they'll keep coming because no one checks. Government looks the other way until something bad happens, and people start screaming again, so Uncle Sam cracks down and sends a few illegals back to show the government is doing its job.

Give them permits to come and work. Once season is over, send them home.

I think Reagan or Bush had a similar plan. Should be, 'no work, no money.' No tickee, no laundry.

Why do you think your health care insurance is so expensive? You get higher rates with another lie. They tell you healthcare has gone up. Should we pay more so illegal get it for free? And, they get better care than you.

When are you people going to take off the blinders to see what is right in front of your face? Evrey time your taxes go up means something has to be paid for.

I think you seniors, and pre-seniors should have figured all this out. Free for them, pay through the nose for you.

Take the blinders off people.

Oh, one more thing. Remember, all politicians get a raise, even if you don't.

That raise won't be 25¢ or 50¢ an hour. It will be more like \$25 to \$50 an hour. So how does your 50¢ match up to \$50?

JUST SAYING

Time for financial 'spring cleaning'



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The days are longer and the temperatures are warmer — so it must be spring. For many of us, that means it's time for some spring cleaning. But why stop with sprucing up your living space? This year, consider extending the "spring cleaning" concept to your financial environment, too.

How can you tidy your finances? Here are some suggestions:

"De-clutter" your portfolio. As you go through your home during your spring cleaning rounds, you may notice that you've acquired a lot of duplicate objects — do you really need five mops? — or at least some things you can no longer use, like a computer that hasn't worked since 2010. You can create some valuable space by getting rid of these items. And the same principle can apply to your investment portfolio, because over the years you may well have acquired duplicate investments that aren't really helping you move toward your goals. You may also own some investments, which, while initially fitting in to your overall strategy, no longer do so. You could be better off by selling your "redundant" investments and using the proceeds to purchase new ones that will provide more value.

Get organized. During your spring cleaning, one of your key goals may be to get organized. So you might want to rearrange the tools in your garage or establish a new filing system in your home office. Proper organization is also important to investors — and it goes beyond having your brokerage and 401(k) statements in nice neat piles. For example, you may have established IRAs with different financial services companies. By moving them to one provider, you may save some fees and reduce your paperwork, but, more important, you may find that such a move actually helps you better manage your investments. You'll know exactly where your money is going, and it could be easier to follow a single investment strategy. Also, with all your IRAs in one place, it will be much easier for you to manage the required minimum distributions you must start taking when you turn 70-1/2. (These distributions are not required for Roth IRAs.)

Protect your family's financial future. When cleaning up this spring, you may notice areas of concern around protecting your home — perhaps there's a crack in your window, or your fence is damaged or part of your chimney is crumbling. Your financial independence — and that of your family — also needs protection. Is your life insurance sufficient to pay for your mortgage, college for your kids and perhaps some retirement funds for your spouse? Do you have disability insurance that can provide you with some income if you become ill or injured and can't work for a while? Have you considered the high costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay? A financial professional can help you determine if your insurance coverage is adequate for all these needs.

Consider putting these spring cleaning suggestions to work. They may help you keep your financial house in good shape for all the seasons yet to arrive.

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Latest antique and auction news

It has been several weeks since my last update on antique related news and there is much to report. There have been some great finds as well as interesting auction news.



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Those of you who read this column regularly know that I'm always interested in learning how auction houses and antique shops create more interest in antiques with people in their 20s and 30s. Some New York auction houses have found creative ways to promote their sales. Freeman's Auction house hosts special evening events according to a recent Architectural Digest article. They hold "collector's auctions" where items typically sell for under \$1,000. Even some of the largest auction houses are offering pieces with \$5,000 or less estimates, trying to encourage younger buyers to begin collecting or to purchase items to decorate

their homes. The convenience of online bidding appeals to millennials. Evening auctions and a cash bar have also proven to be popular.

In other auction news, there are some extremely valuable items heading to the auction block. A Rolex Cosmograph Daytona reference 6265, in white gold will soon be auctioned, according to Esquire Magazine. It was created in 1970 and nicknamed the Unicorn. The owner swore that he would never sell it, but has since relented. All of the money raised by the sale will benefit the Children Action foundation, which works with children around the world on areas like healthcare access and suicide prevention.

In a previous column, I reported on seven baseball cards that were found in a Myrtle Beach, South Carolina area estate. They were discovered in a crumpled, brown

paper bag and estimated to be worth over \$1 million. The heirs recently discovered an eighth card according to the San Jose Mercury News. The rare Ty Cobb tobacco premium card was produced between 1909 and 1911. It has been appraised at \$250,000.

Celebrity related auctions are also making the news. The South African Times Live reports that some of Russell Crowe's personal property will be sold at his "Art of Divorce" auction. As his divorce from Danielle Spencer is nearly final, they have decided to part with many of their belongings. Items include artwork, luxury watches, vehicles and film memorabilia. Some of the more interesting and bizarre items being offered are full size model horses and a functional Roman chariot from the movie set of Gladiator.

If you'd like something a little faster than a chariot, a 1967 Lamborghini that belonged to Paul McCartney will soon be going to auction. The UK Sunday Times reports that the former



Beatle's 1967 Lamborghini 400GT 2+2 Coupé will be sold at the same time as cars that belonged to Rod Stewart and Nick Mason, the former Pink Floyd drummer. Only 247 of the 1967 Lamborghini 400GT 2+2 Coupés were built. The auction estimate is £400,000-500,000 (approximately \$557,000 to nearly \$700,000 U.S.) When McCartney wrote "Drive My Car" in 1965, I'm sure he didn't expect it to might sell for over half a million in 2018.

Details of some online auctions will be coming shortly. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on this and other events.

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Spring brings out the stocking trucks...and dreams of new pups

Trout stocking trucks are rolling throughout the central district. Wallum Lake in Douglas received an allotment of trout last week along with Comet, Lake Quinsigamond, & Webster. For a daily list of trout stockings go to mass.gov/trout web page. A reminder that Wallum Lake does not open to any fishing until Saturday April 14!!!! Every year some angler fails to abide by the regulations, and they end up with a hefty fine.



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This is the time of year to purchase a new hunting partner for the fall hunting season. Purchasing a new hunting partner and family pet needs a lot of thought before making the decision to place a deposit on a possible 15 year commitment. Finding a reputable breeder of the dog you are interested in is the first thing that needs to be addressed. The purchase price is not cheap for a pedigree dog. Be sure to look at the pedigree papers and ask for references. Never pay up front for the dog. A deposit and receipt are very important. If you are looking to purchase a Labrador retriever, you will need to get references as hip dysplasia is common in the breed. The disease usually does not show up until the dog becomes about 6 months old. This crippling disease can be very costly to correct and often leaves the dog with a life time of health problems. With the cost of veterinary bills today it can drain the bank, and leave you without a hunting partner.

Another thing to remember is that Labrador retrievers are very destructive in your home if left unattended. Crate training your pup early is essential in restoring law and order in your home while you are away. Be sure that your new pet is veterinarian approved, has had all necessary shots, and is healthy when you bring it home.

Ask to see the parents of the new pup that you are about to purchase. Remember a litter of puppies are real cute, and can steal your heart if you are a dog lover, but you need to think it over before making a decision. If the breeder is selling show dogs and you are looking for a hunting dog, you should look elsewhere. Be sure to stay away from pet shops that often buy their pups from puppy mills. Some top quality hunting bird dogs that are extremely popular in the area include the pointing class like English pointers, German short-hair pointers, and Brittany spaniels. Brittany spaniels are a very versatile dog that will hunt upland birds, and are a great water dog for retrieving ducks and geese. They are also a lot smaller dog than the other bird dogs mentioned.

If you have the time to train and take your new dog out for daily walks and a run in fields daily, you should go ahead and purchase a new dog, but if you have little time to spend with your new dog, it is best to wait until you have more time. It is not fair to the dog when you leave them in your home or kennel all day, which can lead to constant barking. Leaving a dog in an outside kennel barking all day is also not fair to your neighbors. It is a great way to spoil a good neighbor relationship!! This week's pictures show a German short haired pointer pup, and my wife's beagle Molly. Unfortunately, Molly has not found a rabbit to chase, but has taken up pheasant hunting, and chasing geese.

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Ralph's own little rabbit hunter Molly, a beagle, hasn't had much luck finding rabbits, so has taken to baying at geese and other fowl instead.



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This little German shorthaired pointer is ready to start learning his job.

watches, and more. A Tri-Tronics dog training unit in the hands of a professional or novice dog trainer can prove to be a valuable piece of equipment, and will have your dog ready for the fall bird hunting season. It is extremely important to read the directions for using your new dog collar when you receive it, and if it is used properly, will be a safe and humane way to train your new pup. Tri-Tronics is the official eCollar of the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association. For more information go to the website of the NAVHDA.

April 24 the Wallum Lake Rod & Gun Club will hold a fun shoot & pasta event at the club grounds in Rhode Island. The public is invited to attend and enjoy some great shooting on first class ranges. The event starts at 10:00 a.m. For more information go to the web site at www.wallumlakerodgunclub. Dick Hewett is chairman of the event.

Massachusetts Fish & Wildlife & turkey project leader Dave Scarpetti, are

working on some new regulations that would expand turkey hunting opportunities. Extending the hunting seasons, hours, and bag limits are being considered. With the high population of wild turkeys in Massachusetts, it should be a sensible move.

The Mass Fish & Wildlife Board will hold their annual meeting for the 2018-19 waterfowl season on April 7 at 7:00 pm. at the MFW headquarters in Westborough. It is the same time that the board will also discuss the extended season for archery deer hunting in zones 10-14. The waterfowl meeting to set new regulations was normally done in August. If waterfowl hunters want to have input into the 2018-19 regulations you should attend the April 7, meeting. Check out the Board of Fish & Wildlife agenda on the website for more information.

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Keep your lawn green and healthy all season long

A healthy lawn is your best defense against lawn diseases and other problems. But when the weather favors the disease more than your lawn, problems can occur.

Reduce the risk of disease by keeping your lawn healthy. Mow high to encourage deeply rooted grass that is more drought tolerant and resistant to disease problems. Water early in the day so the grass leaves, blades, dry quickly and less water is lost to evaporation.

Apply the right type and amount of fertilizer at the proper time to limit the risk of disease. Regular fertilization, three to four times per year, encourages better results since most soils do not contain the essential nutrients for optimum growth.

Avoid high nitrogen quick release fertilizers that promote lush succulent growth that is more susceptible to disease. Instead use a low nitrogen slow release fertilizer like Milorganite (milorganite.com) that promotes steady growth that's more drought tolerant and resistant to disease.

Take a closer look at the lawn if you suspect a disease problem. As the snow recedes, watch for circular gray to straw colored areas of matted grass caused by snow mold. Use a leaf rake to lift the matted grass, remove leaf litter and reduce the risk of this dis-



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ease. Keep mowing throughout the fall and avoid heavy fertilization late in the year.

Monitor lawns for Brown Patch when temperatures and humidity rise and grass remains wet for long periods of time. Infected lawns will have somewhat circular patches of thin light brown grass. Look for white cottony strands of fungal mycelium early in the morning on dew covered lawns. Check grass blades for small irregular tan spots with dark brown borders on the individual grass blades. Avoid heavy fertilization with fast release fertilizer in early spring and summer.

Look for dollar size to 6" diameter spots of bleached or light tan grass if you suspect Dollar Spot. Infected leaves have white lesions with reddish tan margins that often resemble an hour-glass. Over and under fertilization, drought, water on the grass blades for extended time, and mowing too low all increase the risk of this disease.

Closely examine lawns with a reddish hue to confirm the presence of rust disease. Rust infected lawns are covered with an orange or yellowish powder, the fungal spores, that can leave an orange residue on your shoes. Newly seeded and lawns weakened by inadequate fertilization and drought are most

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susceptible. Stay alert for leaf spot diseases that can attack lawns. Avoid excess fertilization and watering late afternoon and evenings.

Once you discover a disease, visit Milorganite.com for more detailed information and photos to help with diagnosis. Correct your lawn care practices to speed recovery and avoid problems in the future. Proper care and reseeding dead areas with disease-resistant grass varieties is usually enough to manage the disease. Be sure you need a fungicide before applying. These chemicals are costly, the results can be disappointing and when used improperly they can be harmful to pollinators and the environment.

Further speed recovery with a change in mowing habits. Continue to mow high but cut the healthy portions of your lawn first. Then cut the grass in the diseased areas. Once done, use a

disinfectant to clean the mower blades then rinse with clear water. This along with collecting and disposing of clippings from the diseased areas of the lawn reduces the risk of spreading the disease next time you mow.

Provide proper care and monitor your lawn throughout the growing season. Discovering problems early means better results with less effort on your part.

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SPORTS

Shepherd Hill falls to Taconic in Division 2 state semifinals



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Shepherd Hill's David Bilis (hands on head) and the Rams' bench react to their 58-55 loss to Taconic in the Division 2 state semifinals.



Shepherd Hill's Cody Adams sizes up a 3-pointer from the corner, with the Ram Squad cheering on the attempt.



Jason O'Regan of Shepherd Hill stares out at the court as his stellar career comes to a close following the Rams' 58-55 setback in the Division 2 state semifinals to Taconic.



Kenny Flynn of Shepherd Hill finishes off a dunk in front of Taconic's defense.



Jason O'Regan of Shepherd Hill tries to get a shot off from in close with two Taconic defenders nearby.



Shepherd Hill's Danny Cavic appears to get fouled by a Taconic player while grabbing the ball.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WORCESTER — The Shepherd Hill Regional boys' varsity basketball team's bid to advance to the Division 2 state final came up just short, the Rams losing their state semifinal against Taconic High of Pittsfield, 58-55, Wednesday, March 14 at Worcester State University.

The key to the Braves' victory was their ability to out-rebound and out-quick Shepherd Hill — two of the Rams' strengths all season.

"They killed us with their rebounding, especially their offensive rebounding. We gave them too many chances," Shepherd Hill head coach Mike Byrnes said. "I'd love to get a look at

the stat sheet and see how many field goals they attempted versus how many we attempted. They got so many more shots than we did."

Byrnes said Taconic's quickness negated the Rams' height advantage.

"Their quickness definitely hurt our transition game. We usually score a lot in transition, but their quickness took that away," Byrnes said. "They were great; they played good defense and they slowed us down. I've been saying all year, when we get slowed down it takes the air out of the ball for us."

Shepherd Hill (19-7) led only three times in the game: at 3-0 just 44 seconds in on a 3-pointer by junior Cody Adams (11 points), 6-3 on a sec-

ond straight 3-pointer by Adams with 5:14 left in the period, and 31-28 with 3:46 left in the first half.

The Rams trailed, 28-27, with 4:30 left in the second quarter but surged ahead of the Braves on a thunderous dunk by senior Jason O'Regan (a team-high 16 points) and a slashing drive through the lane by junior David Bilis.

Taconic (17-7), however, closed the first half by outscoring the Rams, 7-1, to take a 35-32 lead into the third quarter.

Shepherd Hill got to within one point of tying the game three times in

the second half, the last being 53-52 with 3:49 to play on Adams' third try of the game, this one coming out of the left corner.

With 1:53 to play Shepherd Hill had a chance to take the lead, 54-53, but a dunk attempt by senior Kenny Flynn (14 points) was partially blocked by Taconic's Mohammed Sanogo. The Rams and their fans called for a goaltending call on the play, but to no avail.

Taconic extended its lead to 56-52 with 49.6 seconds to play on three free throws by Robert McCown. O'Regan answered with a lay-in with 32.9 seconds to go to pull the Rams to within two, 56-54, but McCown scored a layup off an inbound play with 21.6

seconds left to push the Braves' lead back to four, 58-54.

Shepherd Hill senior Danny Cavic scored the Rams' final point of the season with three-tenths of a second to play on a free throw. Cavic (11 points) was fouled while attempting a 3-pointer.

Despite the bitter disappointment of not being able to play its way into the state final, Byrnes and O'Regan looked back on the season that had just concluded.

"At the beginning of the season I knew we were going to be good, but I didn't know we were going to be this good," O'Regan said. "I think as time went on the team jelled together. We spent more time together off the court, taking care of

each other off the court as well as on the court. We just glued together. The chemistry came together and offensively and defensively we played better."

Byrnes called it a "great season."

"It was a heck of a year. If you told me before the year that we were going to win the Clark Tournament and win districts and lose in the state semifinal, I'd have told you that you were crazy," Byrnes said. "Right now we're not happy because we wanted to move on and play for the state title, but it was definitely a great season."

Taconic then lost to Tech Boston three days later in the Division 2 state championship game.

SPORTS BRIEF

Local golfers to compete in Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational National Finals

BOSTON — Golfers with local ties will be among 240 amateurs who will compete in the Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational National Finals at Kiawah Island Golf Resort in Kiawah Island, S.C., March 21-25. Stephen Doucette (Charlton), Shelley Yeager-Doucette (Charlton) and Steve Kirk (Auburn) qualified for the national event by winning their local Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational held at The Country Club at New Seabury in Mashpee on Aug. 14, 2017, which supported Institute for Pediatric Innovation.

The Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational National Finals is the culmination of a series of more than 75 charity golf tournaments around the country in 2017 hosted by Liberty Mutual and local and national charitable organizations that raised more

than \$9 million for charity.

"These foursomes were among more than 12,000 amateur golfers across the country who generously supported national and local charities by playing in the Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational," said Nicole Guidara, Senior Vice President and Manager, Enterprise Brand and Communications, Liberty Mutual Insurance. "We sincerely appreciate these players' efforts and look forward to celebrating their invaluable contributions to their communities."

Two-time U.S. Open Champion and World Golf Hall of Famer Curtis Strange, honorary chairman of the Liberty Mutual Invitational, will interact with players during the four-day tournament.

"I am proud and honored to be a part of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Invitational," said Mr. Strange. "In just the last eight years, this annual tournament for amateur golfers has raised over \$55 million for so many worthwhile charities and the people that they serve."

School records continue to shatter for Bay Path indoor track program

With its second indoor track and field season now complete, the Bay Path Regional program continues to see plenty of its school records continue to shatter. This past season 12 new records were set.

The new Bay Path records are as follows:
 Girls' shot put: Hannah Brody, 25-09.75, Dec. 20, 2017
 Girls' two-mile run: Kaley Eaton, 14:40.6, Jan. 10, 2018
 Girls' 55-meter dash: Lauren Nussey, 7.8, Dec. 13, 2017
 Girls' 300-meter dash: Lauren Nussey, 48.2, Jan. 3, 2018
 Girls' 600-meter run: Kaley Eaton, 2:00.9, Dec. 29, 2017
 Girls' 1,000-meter run: Kaley Eaton, 3:45.1, Feb. 10, 2018
 Girls' 4x200-meter dash relay: Lauren Nussey, Isabella Gonyea, Kyleigh Sutherland, Erica Macgrory, 2:11.5, Feb. 10, 2018
 Girls' 4x400-meter dash relay: Kaley Eaton, Ariana Gelardi, Erica Macgrory, Kyleigh Sutherland, 5:15.7, Dec. 20, 2017
 Boys' 55-meter hurdles: Hector Perez, 9.1, Dec. 13, 2017
 Boys' one-mile run: Mason Smith, 5:16.4, Dec. 16, 2017
 Boys' 300-meter dash: Alejandro Medina, 39.87, Dec. 16, 2017
 Boys' 4x400-meter dash relay: Alejandro Medina, Devin Hanlan, Christian Keeler, Hector Perez, 1:39.9, Feb. 4, 2018

The terriers were tearing up the catwalk

STURBRIDGE — St. Patrick's Day revelers weren't the only ones enjoying themselves last weekend, as dog owners and their four-legged friends came together for an annual event.

Hosted by the Minuteman Boston Terrier Club, the two-day event took place on March 17-18 at Sturbridge Host Hotel. Dogs of all ages were judged in several categories, and the event drew participants from beyond New England.

"We love the Sturbridge Host Hotel. It is a beautiful facility with wonderful accommodations and staff," said show director Donna Nardi. "We get people from across the northeast, and we had several members of the public come in to relax and watch the dogs."

For many participants, the event provides a great opportunity to meet fellow dog owners. Many of them also take part in other shows throughout the area.

"It's great to meet different people and see all of their dogs," said Cynthia Musselman, who traveled from Quakertown, Pennsylvania, to attend the event.

About 150 members of the public stopped in at the hotel to see the dogs, as admission is free each year. Show organizers are already looking forward to the 2019 event, which will take place at the same venue.

For more information about the Minuteman Boston Terrier Club, visit www.minuteman-bt.org.



Say hello to Matt, a 7-year-old dog owned by Adrienne Hullender, of Virginia.



Adrienne Hullender, of Virginia, gets ready for the judges with her dog Chacha.



Wendy Wotkyns, of Hope Valley, RI, with her 1-year-old dog Bodie.

Kevin Flanders photos



3-year-old Angel is eager for a snack from her owner, Cynthia Musselman, of Quakertown, Pennsylvania.



Chris Procaccini, of Franklin, with her 2-year-old dog Boss.



From left, show director Donna Nardi, Jeanne Steward, and Lis Wagner.



Dogs show off their skills in several categories.



The Belanger and Karpowicz families stopped in from Worcester to see the dogs in action.



Dogs attempt to impress the judges during the Sunday leg of the show.

OBITUARIES

Marion H. Fitts, 96



Q U I N E B A U G , CT: Marion H. (Christiansen) Fitts, 96, passed away on Tuesday, March 13th, in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, after an illness.

Her husband, Homer B. Fitts, died in 2004. She leaves her four sons, Bruce B. Fitts and his wife Sharon of Glendale, AZ, Brian A. Fitts of Quinebaug, CT, Kevin D. Fitts of Auburn and Richard A. Fitts and his wife Lisa of Monroe, CT; three grandchildren, Stacey Cone, Daniel Fitts and Alana Fitts; three great grandchildren, Delaney, Keagan and Makalyn; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother, Robert Christiansen. Marion was born in

Charlton the daughter of Alfred O. and Dora M. (Desorcy) Christiansen.

Marion was a clerk at the Quinebaug Post Office for 27 years, retiring many years ago. She previously worked at the American Optical Co. in Southbridge. She enjoyed quilting, sewing, crocheting and dancing.

A funeral service for Marion was held on Tuesday, March 20th, at 10:00am in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial will be in East Woodstock Cemetery, East Woodstock, CT. A calling hour in the funeral home were held on Tuesday, March 20th, from 9:00 to 10:00am before the service.

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

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Carl Alfred Bergmann, 91

Carl Alfred Bergmann, 91 of White Bear Township. Services to be held on May 5, 2018 in White Bear Lake. Complete notice to follow.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 27

HEALTH & BUSINESS EXPO: Auburn Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 11th annual Health and Business Expo. More than 40 businesses from many industries, including healthcare, retail, and finance will exhibit their products and services.

The event will be held at the Auburn-Webster Lodge of Elks on Tuesday, March 27, from 4-7 p.m. This event is sponsored by bankHometown.

Tuesday, April 17

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The Auburn Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Senior Center, 4 Goddard drive, Auburn. Our speaker will be Sari Bitticks, and her topic will be "The captives of King Phillip's War and why they refused to be redeemed. It is all a Matter of Underwear". Everyone is welcomed, the event is free and refreshments will be served.

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.

NEW GROUP FORMING: If you're separated or divorced, you don't have to go through it alone. DivorceCare meets weekly, you'll receive practical support and find healing and hope for the future in a friendly, confidential setting. We meet Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., beginning Feb. 1 at Faith Church, 22 Faith Ave., Auburn. Call (508) 832-5044 or email divorcecare@faithauburn.org for more information.

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple din-

ner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

STORY TIME: Open Story Time will be held 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Auburn Public Library. No registration required. Please drop in. Open to all ages. For information, call (508) 832-7790.

BOYS' GROUP: Chuck wants boys in the 6th through 10th grades to join The Man Cave. The Man Cave is a boys' group that meets from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Thursdays at the AYFS, 21 Pheasant Court, Auburn. This is where members will learn that peers their own age share similar concerns. Group members will be able to discuss ways to cope with their concerns as well as receive positive feedback. Each week will center around a particular topic for discussion. No cost to join. For information, call Brandon Pare (508) 832-5707 x 16 or Dan Secor (508) 832-5707 x 14. Free food available.

BAG BAN

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some bag ban costs might be visible.

Steve Herbert objected to such costs. He said his store looked at switching to paper and found the bags cost 3 2/3 more than plastic, and predicted the bylaw line requiring them to print that it's recyclable would add to the cost.

The only citizen speaking in favor of the ban was Alan Rafferty, who said "the evidence proves beyond a doubt plastic bags should be banned. They're wreaking havoc not only on our environment, but on our health" due to microplastics and dioxins released by burning them.

He complained about the

selectmen themselves, alleging they did not put it on the May town meeting warrant for political reasons. Chairman Doreen Goodrich, however, said the plan was always to report on the idea now, get information, and send it to the fall warrant. She compared it to the longer processes that surrounded the dog park.

Key proponent Tristan Laliberte led off the hearing with a presentation on how a ban might work, data on what 60 of the state's 61 towns with bans cover and how they enforce it, quotes from businesses and other towns' officials regarding the cost and other impacts, and more. Those bylaws, he said, are "a great read. I definitely recommend them if you're trying to sleep."

To him, the negative ecological effects of bags and other plastics should push people to "cut down on plastic in any way," and he noted businesses, towns and citizens have seen minimal cost impacts.

For citizens, the only notable cost was seen in a San Jose, CA study, which found they typically spent \$7.68 in the first year on buying reusable bags and paying a fee to get bags at stores, but Laliberte's proposal doesn't include such a fee. In fact, he said he believes a fee like that isn't legal for Bay State towns to assess, although cities could do it. While studies have shown paper to be more expensive than plastic bags, he said places that implemented bans actually saw "a major increase in people not using

a bag at all, or using a reusable bag. People will be using other sources that won't cost the retailers."

Talking to towns with bans, Laliberte said "they haven't seen any direct conflict for the retailers" nor significant cost hikes nor declines in sales, and he'd be willing to go visit local companies to educate them on how to implement it. He also noted that Amherst, a bag-ban town, hasn't had issues filling vacant commercial spaces because of it, although it has seen issues with restaurants because Amherst also has a polystyrene ban. Bans have no impact on municipal costs, he added, because they're simply added to existing permit-inspection visits.

His fellow selectman gen-

erally commended his work, which has been in process since August, although some said they didn't intend for him to draft a bylaw as part of it.

Dan Carpenter said they'd received about 30 letters and emails on the issue before the hearing, and most favored a ban. He agreed with Loosmore that pursuing a ban "would be wasteful of our time and taxpayer dollars" if the Legislature ends up enacting a statewide ban, although Laliberte noted that Brookline had amended their 2016 ban to mesh with the earlier statewide proposal, then switched it back to its original, stronger language when the Legislature failed to pass it. Carpenter said he'd support sending the question to the ballot, however.

ANIMALS

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these demands.

The bill regulates commercial breeders and pet shops to further protect the health and safety of animals. It prohibits pet shops from selling dogs or cats originating at or purchased from breeders that are not properly licensed or have committed certain violations of the Animal Welfare Act. Pet shops would also be required to maintain certain compliance records and conspicuously post identifying information for the animal and the breeder.

The legislation also empowers the Department of Agriculture to create rules and regulations to ensure commercial breeders maintain humane conditions.

The second bill, S.2332, encompasses several key components recommended by the Animal Cruelty and Protection Task Force which was constituted under the original PAWS act. Task force members include the Massachusetts District Attorneys' Association, State Police, Attorney General's Office, the Animal Rescue League of Boston, veterinarians, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and others.

Key components of the bill include provisions to:

- Require animal abuse be reported by the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Elder Affairs, and the Disabled Persons Protection Commission. Adds animal control officers as mandatory reporters of child abuse, elder abuse, and abuse against disabled persons;

- Increase penalties in animal control laws that provide non-criminal penalties for abuse. Double the existing penalty of a \$50 fine for a second offense to \$100, and increased the \$100 penalty for a fourth offense to \$500;

- Declare that drowning of animals as a violation of law;

- Prohibit engaging in sexual contact with an animal punishable by up to 7 years in prison or a fine of not more than \$5,000;

- Remove a requirement to automatically kill animals involved in animal fighting. This bill creates other options for these animal victims;

- Include the crimes of animal cruelty to serve as the basis for a request for a determination of detention and or release upon conditions;

- Prohibit insurance companies and housing authorities to refuse insurance

coverage or housing with breed restrictions;

- Property owners and landlords must check property for abandoned animals within three days following a foreclosure or termination of tenancy.

Sponsors of the bill also point to a recent Massachusetts study which found that a person who has committed animal abuse is five times more likely to commit violence against people and four times more likely to commit property crimes.

Both bills now go before the House of Representatives for consideration. To continue tracking the legislation, S.1155 and S.2332, visit the Legislature's website, www.malegislature.gov.

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The many virtues of trees

Spring has officially sprung and trees, both big and small, are coming alive with long anticipated buds of color. But the promise of lush, green foliage is just one benefit of planting trees. Hot on the heels of Earth Day and Arbor Day, this column will celebrate the many virtues of trees — from showy shrubs to towering timbers!

Hedge against fuel costs: The Center for Urban Forest Research proclaimed planting a tree can have a significant impact on lowering energy use. It claims: "If you plant a tree today on the west side of your home, in five years your energy bills should be 3% less. In 15 years, the savings will be nearly 12%."

Plant and pocket savings: Want trees to trim more of your fuel fees? According to expert landscapers, just three trees, properly placed around a house, can save between \$100 and \$250 annually in cooling and heating costs! That's because shading that blocks summertime sun on the east, south and west sides of a house, but not cool breezes, is an effective way to keep your house cooler. For quickest results, opt for fast growing varieties.

Proper placement: If you use an air conditioner, plant trees or shrubs specifically to shade air conditioning units, but be sure not to block the airflow. It's common sense that an air condition-

ing unit operating in the shade uses less electricity than one in the sun.

Chill out: Need more convincing? Consider this fact: Daytime air temperatures can be three to nine degrees cooler in tree-shaded neighborhoods. In fact, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates the net cooling effect of a young, healthy tree is equivalent to 10 room-size air conditioners operating 20 hours a day!

Tree Timing: Did you know trees can be used to time crop planting? The American Indians passed this reliable tip on to European colonists, and many farmers still rely on it today: Tender crops should not be planted until the leaves on an oak tree are as big as a squirrel's ear (about an inch or so long).

Hike house value: "In one eye opening study from the Arbor National Mortgage & American Forests, 83% of realtors believe that mature trees have a "strong or moderate impact" on the salability of homes listed for under \$150,000; on homes over \$250,000, this perception increases to 98%!

Tree Rx: Did you know just looking at trees can reap health benefits? According to medical studies, recovery rates among hospitalized patients



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are often quicker when their rooms view a landscaped area compared to patients with non-landscaped views.

Breathe easier: Trees absorb harmful pollutants and small particles from the air which could irritate sensitive lungs. Plus, trees give off oxygen. A mature leafy tree can produce as much oxygen in one season as 10 people inhale in a year!

Tree planting tip: It can be difficult to successfully take cuttings from trees or shrubs to root and plant. Here is an option that ups your chances the cutting will take: Take a small potato, make a small hole, and place your shrub cutting inside. Immediately plant, potato and all, either in the ground or in a pot.

Planting pointers: Waiting until the fall to plant encourages good root development. Nurseries often slash prices on perennials and shrubs at the end of the summer, so planting then will reward you with healthy plants on the cheap!

Forest Facts:
*One mighty oak tree may have up to 400 species of plants and animals living on it.

* Trees provide us with thousands of products that go way beyond wood and

paper: Items derived from trees include: toothpaste, chewing gum, suntan lotion, paint, film, crayons, perfumes, soap, paper, shatterproof glass, cork, dyes, drugs, syrup, and more.

*It takes approximately 17 to 24 trees to make one ton of paper.

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 renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of The Southbridge Evening News? 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.

How to keep grilled foods warm



Many people prefer the flavor of grilled foods over the flavor of foods cooked in other ways. Grilled foods certainly have distinct flavors, but that uniqueness can be compromised when some foods finish

cooking before cooks are ready to serve them.

Grilled foods may lose some flavor if they're served cold or not as hot as cooks would like. But there are a handful of ways to keep grilled foods

warm until they're ready to be served.

- Keep a low-heat zone on the grill. As foods finish cooking, move them to a predetermined low-heat zone on the grill where they will stay warm

without overcooking. Monitor this area while cooking the foods to ensure it's warm but not hot enough to keep cooking foods once they have been moved.

- Store cooked foods in alumi-

num foil. Moving foods off the grill and tenting them in aluminum foil is another way to keep them warm until serving time, though this might only work if cooks need to keep foods for just a few minutes.

Create a tin foil tent and place foods inside. The tent can then be placed on a less hot area of the grill or placed into an oven that's not on. Avoid tenting foods that are meant to have crispy skins, as tenting can moisten the skin.

- Use the warming feature on the stove. Many stoves come with warming settings that keep foods warm without cooking them. While this requires cooks to go indoors, it can help keep grilled foods warm while the rest of the meal continues cooking over the open flame.

- Place foods in the slow cooker. If the stove is not an option because other components of the meal are being baked or broiled, grilled foods can be placed in ceramic slow cookers with lids. This can potentially keep foods warm for longer periods of time than aluminum foil tents without sacrificing flavor.

Keeping grilled foods warm until it's time to serve meals can be difficult. But grillmasters can employ various strategies to ensure grilled foods maintain their unique flavor without getting cold.

Most popular ethnic cuisines across the country



What constitutes "ethnic" food differs from person to person. Someone of Italian descent may dine regularly on garlic-infused pasta dishes, while a person from another area of the world may find such foods exotic.

In the cultural melting pot of North America, various cuisines representing countries that span the globe are within arm's length for many people. According to Technomic, a Chicago-based research firm, 77 percent of Americans enjoy ethnic foods while dining out once a month. Around 38 percent order ethnic food weekly. In addition, many more people prepare ethnic cuisine at home.

A growing interest in ethnic foods is fueled by young people. Technomic notes that millennials are more apt to want to try various cuisines and then incorporate them into their regular dining experiences. The National Restaurant Association found that 60 percent of people are likely to "tie their favorite ethnic food to their family history." Interest in ethnic foods tends to be highest in urban areas where

restaurants and ingredients may be more readily available.

When it comes to the top ethnic cuisines enjoyed throughout the states or provinces and territories, Chinese, Mexican and Italian rally for the top spots on diners' plates. While the NRA has Italian cuisine as earning top-billing, Technomic's list says that Chinese food, at 76 percent, followed by Mexican food (74 percent) and Italian (71 percent) comprise the biggest ethnic draws. Japanese or sushi comes in a distant fourth at 32 percent in the United States.

The statistics portal Statista indicates that, as of January 2015, Chinese, American and Italian foods are quite popular in Canada. However, the percentage of people who cook these foods as opposed to eating them out at a restaurant varies. Chinese food is most widely enjoyed in a restaurant setting, while Italian food is frequently whipped up at home.

As immigration tides change, ethnic cuisine may change with them. However, interest in experiencing ethnic dining is likely to remain consistent.

CAPTION: Chinese food is one of the most popular ethnic cuisines enjoyed in both Canada and the United States.

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Farm-to-table is changing the restaurant business

Farm-to-table is a movement that promotes serving local products, preferably food and beverages acquired directly from a producer.

Farm-to-table eateries source ingredients locally as much as possible, and diners are increasingly expressing a preference for these establishments. According to the National Restaurant Association's "What's Hot in 2015" survey, locally sourced meats and seafood, locally grown produce, environmental sustainability, and natural ingredients/minimally processed foods were among the most popular food trends.

Farm-to-table establishments reduce carbon footprints by cutting back on the amount of resources necessary to get food from the farm to the restaurant. The farm-to-table movement began as a countermeasure to big agriculture and chemically controlled produce. Although there is no hard data on just how many restaurants can be considered farm-to-table, organic farming in general is big business. In its 2014 Organic Survey, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National



CAPTION: Fresh, local foods are the hallmark of farm-to-table restaurants.

Agriculture Statistics Service reported that sales of organic products increased by 72 percent since 2008. California,

Washington, Pennsylvania, Oregon, and Wisconsin were the top five states for organic farming, accounting for 78 percent of organic sales in the United States at the time of the survey.

Supporting farm-to-table

establishments can benefit the planet, but consumers should know that there are additional advantages to patronizing such businesses.

• Support for local businesses: Local restaurateurs who embrace farm-to-table can sup-

port and promote other local operations. Restaurants can help farmers by purchasing excess crops or simply providing the demand for farmers' products.

• Greater control over ingredients: In some instances, chefs can travel to nearby farms during harvest to personally select items for their restaurants, ensuring excellent quality.

• Better taste and quality: Fresh food is picked at its peak instead of being forced to ripen during a long journey. This typically translates to more flavorful foods.

• Evolving and updated menus: Because farm-to-table means sourcing in-season ingredients, restaurants must have fluid menus that change based on the availability of ingredients and fishing and harvesting quotas. This can lead to greater variety and prevent menus from becoming dated or overly familiar.

Hyper-local sourcing that fuels farm-to-table operations continues to be an in-demand restaurant trend. Diners can rest easy knowing that patronizing such establishments benefits both the environment and the local economy.

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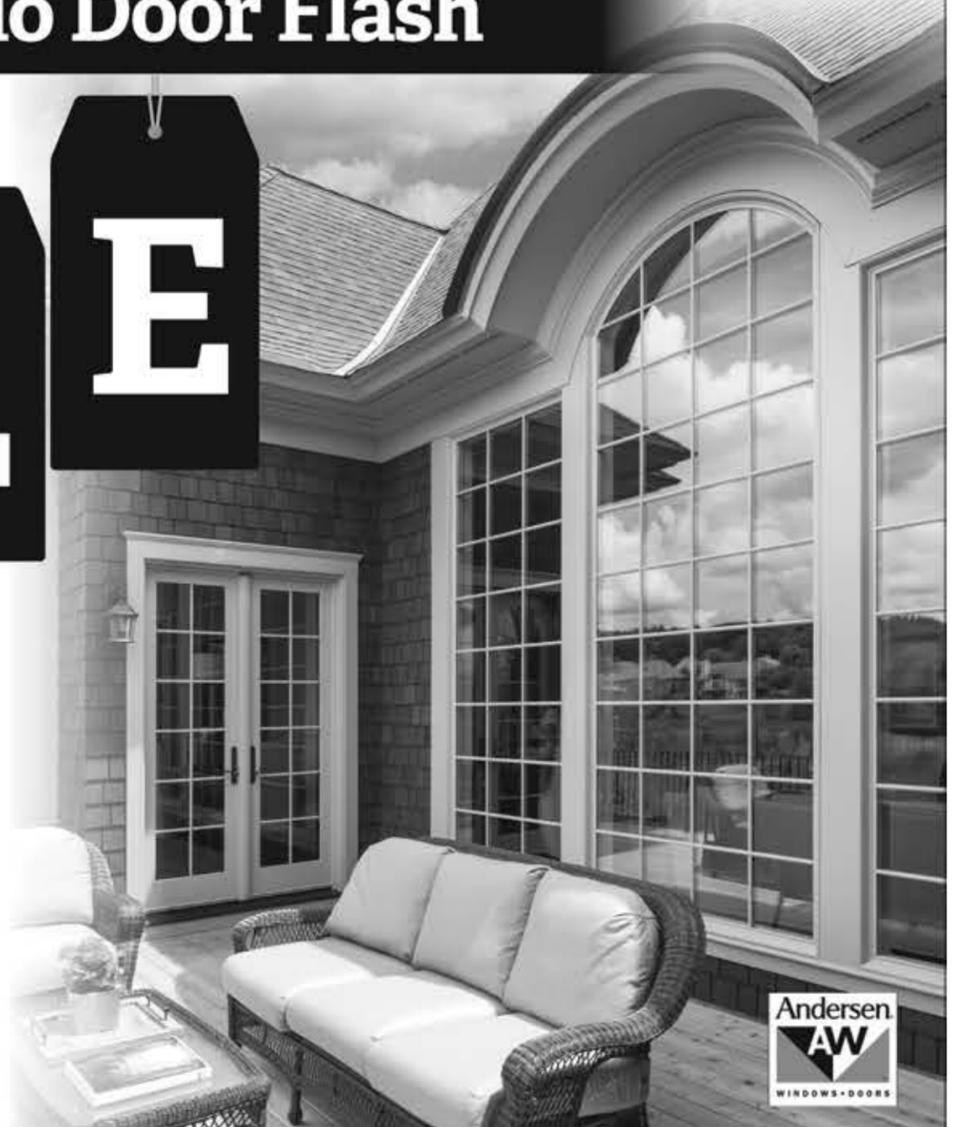
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