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# The stuff of nightmares

As a parent to two young children, it is quite often that I will be working late at night, typing away on some random document for work, lost in what I am doing, when I am broken out of my trance by the faint moan from down the hallway from one of my children.

Sometimes, the moan fades away to silence, and I know that whatever they were dreaming about has passed, and everything is OK. But sometimes, the moan develops into a cry, followed by "Mommy!" I don't take it person-

Usually, if Mommy hasn't already done so first, I'll tip toe down the hallway and peek in, and give a reassuring pat on the back. If it persists, I'll pick them up and rock them back



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to sleep. Sometimes, happens without noise, when I'll be startled by one of them suddenly standing in front of me, half asleep and

frowning. If that sight doesn't break your heart, I don't know what does.

Are you having a scary dream?" I asked my son during the most recent wake up. I feel his head nod on my shoulder.

The nod is mostly all I get sometimes, as he is already asleep by the time I get him back

I'll dream from time to time. Most of them are the most random pieces of memories sewn together in a nonsensical patchwork that defies explanation. I'm in a school taking a final for a class I didn't attend all semester; then suddenly I'm flying over a city like Superman (and yes, more often than not, I do a lap around the globe on top of the Daily Planet); then I'm being chased through the woods by unseen forces; then ... well, random is random for a reason. It's been a long time since I have had a "nightmare" that has truly scared me. Most times, I wake up knowing that I have dreamt something but forgetting nearly everything I had just dreamt about.

One of the most glaring exceptions to that rule came when I was young. I had just watched (and don't ask me why I chose to watch this, because my parents would not have approved) the horror movie "Chucky." For those of you who don't know, the movie surrounds an epically creepy doll possessed by the spirit of a serial killer. Yeah...a killer doll. If you don't know about "Chucky," look it up at your own risk. It's hard to forget how creepy he is. Anyway, the movie gave me nightmares for weeks, and to this day, I can still recall the details of one particular nightmare that involved me being chased by Chucky brandishing a knife in a library. I can look back on it now and laugh, but back then,

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# Race coming down to the wire for Moore, Beshir

## SENATE CANDIDATES GO HEAD TO HEAD IN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS







BY KEVIN FLANDERS

For our election profile coverage this season, we invited candidates to participate in a debate-style format in which they answered the same questions about important issues facing their districts.

In our second election profile, candidates for the 2nd Worcester Senate District incumbent Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury) and Mesfin Beshir (R-Worcester)

provided their answers to the following eight questions.

Senate The 2nd Worcester District includes Auburn, Leicester, and Northbridge, among other communities.

Looking ahead, what are some of your immediate focuses and priorities for the district?

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# Towns offer early voting for first time

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

Residents looking to beat the Election Day crowds are in luck, as Massachusetts launched early voting for the first time ever this year. Beginning this past Monday, Oct. 24, town clerks throughout the area have already seen a steady flow of residents taking advantage of the new opportunity.

Unlike residents seeking absentee ballots, early voters are not required to provide a reason for doing so They can simply ston by the town clerk's office during posted hours and fill out the ballot. For residents with work or school

obligations - or voters who just want to avoid the lines and busy parking lots - early voting is a great opportunity.

Town clerks have been busily preparing for early voting, and they are hoping it drives up voter turnout this year.

"Anything that makes it easier for voters to cast a ballot is a good thing," said Spencer Town Clerk Laura Torti. "This will offer convenience for people who want to vote on a different day."

While early voting makes it more convenient for residents, the process is requiring town clerks

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Courtesy photo

Several businesses and restaurants took part in the first ever Taste of Leicester event on Oct. 15, which was sold out. Proceeds will support the Leicester Food Pantry. Pictured, Chef Shane Anderson, of Eller's Restaurant, left, with his assistant, Gabe Smith.

# Sampling something special

# TASTE OF LEICESTER EVENT SUPPORTS FOOD PANTRY

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — In a strongly attended first-year event, residents got a delicious Taste of Leicester while supporting families struggling with food insecurity.

The fundraiser took place on Oct. 15 at Hillcrest Country Club, with proceeds supporting the Leicester Food Pantry as it gears up for its busiest season of the year. Guests were able to sample foods

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BROOKFIELD — Halloween fun came a week early for youngsters and their families, who braved a brisk, windy night last Saturday, Oct. 22, to show off their pumpkins at Pumpkinfest. Pictured, Meredith Riddle, of Brookfield, and her 8-year-old daughter, Piper, smile along with their pumpkin. For more photos, turn to page A7!

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# New Leader towns announce early voting hours

The town clerks of Spencer, Leicester, North Brookfield, East Brookfield, West Brookfield and Brookfield are excited to announce that all registered voters will be able to vote before Election Day for the first time ever in Massachusetts.

Early voting began on Oct. 24 and will continue through Nov. 4.

Prior to the enactment of this new law, the only way a registered voter was allowed to vote prior to Election Day was through absentee voting. Although absentee

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voting will still be available for registered voters who qualify, only those who will be absent from their city or town on Election Day, or have a disability that prevents them from going to the polls, or have a religious belief preventing the same, are legally allowed to vote by absentee ballot.

Unlike absentee voting, early voting is for every registered voter. Registered voters do not need an excuse or reason to vote early. Regardless of whether a voter wants to take advantage of early voting, vote

absentee or vote on Election Day, the first step is making sure you are registered. To check to see if you are registered to vote, and to find information on how to register to vote, you may visit the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website: www.sec.state.ma.us/ele. If you need to register to vote, you may do it online by visiting: www.RegisterToVoteMA.com. All you need is a license or an I.D. issued by the Registry of Motor Vehicles to apply online.

Early voting can be done in person or by mail. Also, registered voters have the option to request an early voting ballot through the mail. Simply fill out an application and mail it to the town clerk in your community. You can find the application on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website: http://www.sec. state.ma.us/ele.

Please note, however, once a voter has cast an early voting ballot, the voter may no longer vote at the polls on Election Day.

For the first time in Massachusetts, the first choice all voters will make is which day to vote. Early voting will make the most fundamental

right of our citizens more convenient than ever to exercise. We encourage all of our citizens to exercise that right and take advantage of the opportunity to vote on their schedules.

#### EARLY VOTING HOURS

• Brookfield — Regular Hours: Monday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Tuesday & Wednesday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Hall, 6 Central St.

• East Brookfield — Regular Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Monday, 6-8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29, 9 a.m. to Noon; Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Town Clerk's Office, 122 Connie Mack Drive

 North Brookfield — Regular Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, 12 noon to 3 p.m., Tuesday evening, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 28, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 29, 9 a.m. to Noon; Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Nov. 4, 9 a.m. to Noon; Town Clerk's Office, 215 North Main St.

West Brookfield — Regular Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Town Hall, 2 East Main St.

• Leicester — Regular Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Nov. 1 until 8 p.m.; Nov. 4, 9 a.m. to Noon, Town Hall, 3 Washburn Square

• Spencer — Regular Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Nov. 2, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Nov. 4, 8 a.m. to Noon, Town Hall, 157 Main St.





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# **QUOTATION OF** THE WEEK

"Anything that makes it easier for voters to cast a ballot is a good thing. This will offer convenience for people who want to vote on a different day."

- Spencer Town Clerk Laura Torti, commenting on Spencer offering early voting hours for the Nov. 8 election.

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# Dixon denies domestic assault accusations as election nears

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

As the election nears and rampant rumors and questions continue to swirl, 17th Worcester District Democratic candidate Moses Dixon is denying domestic assault assertions stemming from an

incident four years ago.

Dixon was charged with assault and battery in May of 2012. Kristal Hansley, who was in a relationship with Dixon at the time, brought the charges and filed a restraining order against Dixon. The charges were eventually dismissed in a Worcester court, but the file containing the court proceedings was sealed and made inaccessible to the public.

Dixon rejects allegations that he assaulted Hansley. His supporters accused Republican leaders of accentuating the incident as part of a smear campaign in advance of the election.

"Like any couple, we had disagreements, but there was never any physical abuse of any kind. Recent reports indicating otherwise are inaccurate," Dixon explained in a statement. "The allegations of assault were baseless and without merit, which is why they were dismissed by the court.'

Hansley, now a resident of Washington, D.C., could not be reached for comment on the 2012 incident. Hansley's attorney, Andrew Clarke, released a statement last week on her behalf indicating his client's support for Dixon. The statement did not address the charges or the restraining order from 2012, instead focusing on Dixon's campaign.

'Ms. Hansley is excited that Mr. Dixon will become the first African

American state representative of the 17th Worcester District," Clarke wrote in the statement. "Mr. Dixon has dedicated his life to being a public servant. My client is confident that Mr. Dixon will continue that dedication by serving the constituents of the 17th Worcester District with grace and fortitude.

Added Attorney Luis Perez, who represented Dixon in court following the 2012 incident, "The case was dismissed because the allegations were without merit, as affirmed by the court. Moses Dixon is a kind, gentle man who would never harm a woman."

Republican leaders are demanding answers and keeping the Dixon campaign in defense mode. Republicans contend that the claims Hansley made four years ago are contradictory to her current position, and several leaders and voters are calling for the court file to be unsealed as a matter of transpar-

"If he simply releases the arrest report and court proceedings, that would clear everything up," said State Rep. Peter Durant (R-Spencer). "The bottom line is that we don't know what happened - we would only know that if he releases the report.'

Incumbent 17th Worcester District State Rep. Kate Campanale (R Leicester) will face Dixon in the Nov. 8 election. She joins other legislators in calling for the arrest report and the minutes of the court hearings to be released

'While we are now led to believe that the victim has recanted, unfortunately, we know far too well that victims of domestic violence often recant out of fear of retaliation, loss of financial

security, or they are talked out of pursuing charges," Campanale said. "I would ask like many others for Mr. Dixon to release the records. If there really is no problem, then be open and transparent

Dixon, frustrated by repeated inquiries into the 2012 incident, condemned Republican leaders in a follow-up state-

"Over the last several days, local and state Republican leaders have attacked my character and spread false allegations to score cheap political points,' Dixon wrote in the statement. "Violence against women is unacceptable and is contrary to everything I stand for. I condemn acts of violence in general, but especially acts of violence against women.'

"As a legislator, I will always stand up for women and against those who commit domestic violence," Dixon added.

Campanale has been displeased with Dixon's responses over the last weekplus.

"I'm disappointed that Mr. Dixon is trying to deflect and take attention away from his own actions by attacking me. I've represented this district for two years now, and I am focused on talking to voters about my record and accomplishments," Campanale said. "As I've said, this is not my issue, but an issue for the voters to decide. I will continue to run my campaign in a positive way, running on my accomplishments and proven track record in supporting the people of Leicester and Worcester.'

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# IN AND AROUND SPENCER

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

SPENCER — Halloween fun rises to new levels each year at Town Hall, where Spencer's annual Halloween Party brings all the little ghosts, vampires, goblins and princesses together for a night of spooky entertainment.

This year's event will take place on Oct. 31 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Town Hall. The program will include a DJ, an indoor bounce house, balloon animals, games, cotton candy and cupcakes, and of course prizes for the best costume in several age groups.

There is no charge to get in, so be sure to follow your trickor-treating fun by joining the party.

#### **MATH MEET**

Hundreds of students from throughout the area took part in an Oct. 18 mathematics competition at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The 29th Annual Invitational Mathematics Meet, sponsored by the WPI Mathematical Sciences Department, brought 360 students to campus with their advisors.

Teams from each school competed against each other by challenging themselves with a series of increasingly difficult math problems. The winners received more than \$100,000 in

individual and team scholarships to WPI. Local schools participating in the event included Auburn High School, Quabbin Regional High School, Shepherd Hill Regional High School, Tantasqua Regional High School, and Uxbridge High School.

# PARANORMAL PRESENTATION

The scares will keep coming well after Halloween this year. Prepare to explore the frightening and supernatural with Jeff Belanger, a leading paranormal researcher and enthusiast of all things macabre.

The author and Emmy-nominated host and producer of New England Legends on PBS, Belanger will visit Warren Public Library on Nov. 15, beginning at 6 p.m. The event will include a multimedia lecture, a question

and answer segment, and a book signing. Since 1997, Belanger has interviewed thousands of witnesses to mysterious and unexplainable happenings - some of them downright bizarre. He is the founder of Ghostvillage.com, as well as a longtime speaker and lecturer. Additionally, Belanger has written such books as Our Haunted Lives, Weird Massachusetts, and The World's Most Haunted Places.

The library event is free and open to

guests of all ages.

# **PUMPKIN PRIDE**

Students at East Brookfield Elementary School recently took part in a unique project to celebrate the Halloween sea-

The students picked characters from their favorite books and decorated pumpkins to look like their literary heroes. The project was a lot of fun for the stu-

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dents, EBES teachers said, and also a great way to promote literacy through an engaging program.

Both the decorated pumpkins and the books are on display at the school.

#### **NOVEMBER NOTICES**

It's already time to start gearing up for November programs at area libraries. That means plenty of fun children's events at Spencer's Richard Sugden Library, including the following:

Nov. 2: The library's After School Fun program is today from 4-4:45. Children in grades K-5 are invited to attend the library and invent a contraption using different materials.

Nov. 3: Tune in Together is a music and movement program intended for toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers. Sponsored by CFCE, the program meets from 11-12 in the library community room.

Nov. 3: Drop by and read to a therapy dog today from 4-5. This monthly program helps kids gain confidence in reading aloud.

You can sign up for this event ahead of time, though drop-ins are also welcome.

For more inforabout mation upcoming events at the library, visit www.spencerpubliclibrary.org.

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Courtesy photos

East Brookfield Elementary School students decorated pumpkins celebrating their favorite books this Halloween season.

# \* \* Friday's Child



Jesse and Selena are playful Caucasian siblings. Jesse, 6, is a charming and sweet young boy. He is very helpful and aims to please the adults in his life. He is also very bright, and is very interested in learning. He loves to run around, play catch, and play with his toy cars. Jesse has done well in his current foster home and has shown the ability to make connections with both the adults and other children. Jesse is usually very engaged in the classroom when learning about new things. He has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for emotional support inside the classroom.

Selena is a sweet, smart and determined 4-year old little girl who likes to doodle,

color and count. Selena has been diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. She has some words, but is not yet able to utilize expressive language. She is able to count up to twenty, and she can recognize her letters and colors. Selena is currently enrolled at a center based daycare where she receives Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services as well as other therapeutic supports. She is currently undergoing evaluations to determine her eligibility for special educational services at school.

Jesse and Selena's social worker is open to considering any type of family where the children can be the youngest or only children in the home. The children would do best with parents who can advocate for her needs, seek resources and provide an unconditional commitment to them as they grow. Jesse and Selena will also need a family open to post-adoption contact with their birth parents.

# Who are the Children Waiting for Adoption?

There are approximately 2,400 children in Massachusetts foster care with the goal of adoption. Through no fault of their own, they cannot be raised by their birth parents. Many will be adopted by a relative or foster parent, but more than 600 have no one to adopt them yet. These waiting children are usually older, or sibling groups who belong together, children of color of all ages, and children with intellectual, physical or emotional difficulties or disabilities. These children have experienced many losses and changes in their lives, and need patient and dependable adoptive parents who can help them grow and thrive in their new family. Free post-adoption support services are available to help.

To learn more about Jesse and Selena, and about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."



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# Church craft fair benefits outreach programs



Kevin Flanders photos

NORTH BROOKFIELD — The autumn craft fair at First Congregational Church of North Brookfield has been taking place for more than 50 years — and it always receives strong support from the community. Guests once again came out in big numbers for a fun day at the church, which included plenty of fall flavors, raffles, and of course multiple crafters. Proceeds from the Oct. 22 event will benefit the church's outreach programs.

At left: Deb Libby, left, and Lydia Hubacz, both of North Brookfield, enjoy a day at the church.



Ruth Alford, left, and Shelley Fullam, both of North Brookfield, show off their fall-time colors.





Adam Lauzon, 2, of Brookfield, gets ready to chow down.



Sharon Combs runs the raffle table.



Linda Ostiguy, of Brookfield, sells an array of items.

Deb Libby shows off the top raffle prize – a quilt created by West Brookfield's Bonnie Thebeault.



Former church pastor David Libby, who celebrated his retirement this summer after 41 years at the church, enjoys the day with his wife, Betty Libby.



Kylies Matos, 3, of North Brookfield, can't wait to find some fun things to buy from local crafters.



# THE DIABETES FACTOR

Diabetes has been associated with numerous wide-ranging health risks, and tooth loss may be one of them. When researchers reviewed data collected from more than 37,000 adults aged 25 years and older, they found that diabetics lost their teeth at twice the rate of non-diabetics. In addition, the study revealed that people with periodontal (gum) disease were more likely to have diabetes than people with healthy gums. While researchers could not pinpoint a specific causal link between diabetes and tooth loss, they emphasized that their findings were consistent with other chronic diseases (such as heart disease, respiratory disease, and cognitive disease) that are also associated with poor oral health. Regular dental visits are as important as exams by other doctors.

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# Harvest Thyme Craft Fair offers early holiday shopping

EAST BROOKFIELD — Guests got an early start on their holiday shopping last weekend at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, where the annual Harvest Thyme Craft Fair offered a vast selection of handmade items. The Oct. 22 event included several vendors, foods, and raffle prizes. In its four years of existence, the fair has seen a steadily increasing attendance each year. Kevin Flanders photos.



Dan Daige, 11, of North Brookfield, checks in after a morning on the soccer field.





Berthiaume, get an early start on the Halloween costume season.





Annie Sandoli, of East Brookfield, right, and her aunt, Bonnie Kate Paquin, of Spencer, and her 3-year-old daughter, Sadie, check out the fair's many offerings.



Event coordinator Louise Meyerdierks was once again very pleased with the turnout.

News Brief

**Animal Shelter helping** 

Matthew

neighboring states.

for pets coming in.

with pets from Hurricane

EAST BROOKFIELD — It has

been a busy couple of weeks at

Second Chance Animal Shelter since Hurricane Matthew devastated the

coastline in North Carolina and

that were already in shelters in the Hurricane Matthew hard hit areas

out of those shelters to make room

"Twenty-two cats came in a week

ago to us through the ASPCA," said Executive Director Sheryl Blancato. "ASPCA helped to move these cats

out of the shelters down there. These cats were already in the shelters and

needed to get them moved out to us to make room for the pets coming in.

What is often forgotten in these situa-

tions is that the shelters in the path of

these hurricanes are usually already

full and then they have to make room

for the pets displaced as well. We are happy to be able to move these cats and get them adopted so that they will have the capacity to help those devastated by this hurricane".

In addition, four dogs came in through the shelter's partnership with the Humane Society of the

United States. The Humane Society of the United States transported ani-

mals from the Wayne County Animal

Adoption and Education Center

in North Carolina in response to

severe damage caused by Hurricane

Matthew and rising floodwaters.

The animals were removed from the

shelter to make room for any ani-

mals displaced by the storm. As an

HSUS emergency placement partner, Second Chance Animal Shelter will

coordinate the adoption of these ani-

mals. The animals in this transport

were already awaiting adoption in North Carolina and are not the pets

"We are happy to be an emergency placement partner and help with the adoption of these pets. That is what

we are here for, to save lives, and we

are honored to help in this mission.

We were fortunate that we had the

space to be able to take these pets in

of displaced residents.

Second Chance partnered with other organizations to help get pets



Barbara Sandagato, of Spencer, enjoys a day of crafting with her granddaughter, Ashley Scott-Sandagato.



Linda Rogers, of Spencer, participates in the event for the first time





Lyndsey Schimmelpenningh, left, and her mother, Julie, of North Brookfield, team up in a mother-daughter crafting duo.



From left, Elizabeth Lambert, James Lambert, Amanda Lambert, and Will Lambert sell cookbooks to raise money for the East Brookfield 100th year anniversary celebration.



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at the time," said Blancato. These pets are currently up for adoption at the shelter's adoption center in East Brookfield MA. For more information on the pets available for adoption or to donate to help with the care of these pets, visit their

website at www.secondchanceanimals.org.

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# CLASSROOM CORNER

# Massasoit Art Guild annual show a success



Kevin Flanders photo

Michele Loftus-Trzcinski, left, and Linda Spencer show off their paintings. Spencer's painting is on top, while Loftus-Trzcinski's work is on bottom.

#### BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — For the 13th straight year, guests came out in impressive numbers to show support for artists displaying pieces in the Massasoit Art Guild's annual show.

The two-day event took place at Town Hall on Oct. 15-16, with exhibits representing several categories: watercolors, pastels, drawings, acrylic paintings, oil paintings, digitally altered photography, traditional photography, and 3D sculpture.

Awards were handed out in each category after the judges' decisions were entered, but the greatest prize of all was the ability to connect with other artists and meet residents who enjoy art.

"We are a very versatile, welcoming group. Over the years we have seen dramatic improvements in the artwork submitted, especially this year," said show director Loretta Medeiros, who had five pieces of her own entered in the show

The Massasoit Art Guild began in 2002 as an organization committed to bringing local artists together. Since then it has significantly expanded, and members always eagerly anticipate the art show each year. The event also provides members with an opportunity to reflect on the earliest days of their guild, when they were looking not simply to build an organization but a community of artists.

"We knew there were a lot of local artists, and we thought it would be a great idea to found a guild," said Norman Cabana, one of seven founding members of the guild. "We had over forty people at our first public meeting, and in no time we had ninety members.

The organization serves residents from throughout the area, providing a supportive group for local artists and helping them gain exposure for their work. The annual art show also featured local musicians, Ted Cabana and Rob Merona, who have both been playing guitar for many years.

The following awards were handed out during the event:

President's Award: Heather Wetlauffer

- · People's Choice Award: Leslie Tracy People's Choice Award: Linda
- Best in Show: Ron Couture
- Emile Gaucher Memorial Award: Michele Loftus-Trzcinski
- Vernon Graham Memorial Award: Deb Sundquist
- Steve Morse Memorial Award: Peter Spencer
- · Doreen Seguin Memorial Award: Sue Morello
- Mildred Terry Memorial Award: Laura Cenedella
- Pastels First Place: Margaret Emerson Acrylics First Place: Loretta
- Medeiros · Prints and Drawings First Place: Sid
- · Mixed Media First Place: Leslie
- 3D First Place: Lynn Blanchard

Traditional Photography: Ron

Trzcinski

• Digitally Enhanced Photography: Paulette Adams

· Watercolors First Place: Deborah Roberts-Kirk

• Oils First Place: Clifton Hunt

Event organizers wished to thank all of the guild's sponsors. The following establishments were thanked for lending wall space so that members' artwork can be displayed throughout the year: Cormier Jewelers (Spencer); Spencer Savings Bank; Richard Sugden Library (Spencer); East Brookfield Library; and North Brookfield Library.

Additionally, a chair hand-painted by Medeiros will be available for sale at Cormier Jewelers. It was donated to help raise money for the guild.

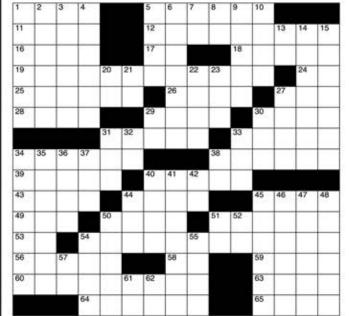
The organization's photo group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m., while the painters' group meets at the same time on the second Tuesday of every month. Both groups meet at the former Hodgkins School building in East Brookfield.

Annual membership is \$30. For more information, visit www.massasoitart-

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#### LEICESTER PRIMARY **SCHOOL**

Monday, Oct. 31: Popcorn chicken, condiments, oven French fries, baked beans, pineapple, Halloween dessert LEICESTER MIDDLE **SCHOOL** 



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- 27. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- 28. Heroic tale
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- 31. Praises highly
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CLUES DOWN

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50. South Asian garment for women

44. Active Filipino volcano

38. Blotted

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49. Peter

45. Scottish tax

51. Taiwan capital

58. Farm state

63. Tiny piece

65. Matured

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53. University of Dayton

56. Sweetheart (archaic)

64. Most domesticated

54. Combining radio waves

59. Singer-songwriter Atias

- 35. Fortress
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#### Monday, Oct. 31: Chicken parmesan sandwich on whole grain roll, celery & carrot sticks, ranch dressing, corn, dried cranberry cup, Halloween dessert

SCHOOL MENUS

#### LEICESTER HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Oct. 31: Chicken parmesan sandwich on whole grain roll, celery & carrot sticks, ranch dressing, corn, dried cranberry cup, Halloween dessert

#### LEICESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Oct. Hamburgers on whole grain roll, condiments, oven French fries, baked beans, pineapple, Halloween dessert

#### EAST BROOKFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, Oct. 31: Chicken patty, macaroni salad, sweet potato, peas

#### EAST BROOKFIELD HIGH **SCHOOL**

Monday, Oct. 31: Chicken fajita rice bowl, corn, sugar

#### **BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY**

Monday, Oct. 31: Macaroni and cheese, garlic bread, steamed broccoli, chef's salad,

yogurt parfait

Tuesday, Nov 1: Hot dog on a roll, school baked beans, side of mac and cheese, chef's salad, yogurt parfait

Wednesday, Nov 2: French bread pizza, mixed greens and bean salad, chef's salad, yogurt parfait

Thursday, Nov 3: Hamburger or cheeseburger, tuna macaroni salad, chef's salad, yogurt parfait

#### TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Monday, Oct. 31: Terror-Yaki chicken sandwich, raunchy roasted sweet potatoes, wormy spinach garden, Halloween treat, variety milk

Tuesday, Nov. 1: Beef nachos topped with queso, corn bread, rice and beans, Mexicali corn, chilled pears, variety milk Wednesday,

Shepherds pie, soft pretzel, veggie sticks with dip, steamed carrots, fresh fruit, variety Thursday, Nov. 3: Cheese lasagna, garlic bread, Italian

salad, chilled peaches, variety milk Friday, Nov. 4: Over fried chicken with biscuit, mashed potatoes, lemon broccoli, oat-

green beans, spinach garden

**BAY PATH BREAKFAST** 

meal raisin cookie

Monday, Oct. 31: Pancakes with mixed berries, 4 oz. yogurt, 4 oz., fruit juice, fruit variety

Tuesday, Nov. 1: Sausage, egg & cheese, on an English muffin, 4oz yogurt, 4oz fruit juice, fruit variety

Nov. Wednesday, Scrambled eggs, bacon, cinnamon raisin toast, 4oz fruit juice, fruit variety Thursday, Nov. 3:

Homemade, coffee cake, 4oz yogurt, 4oz fruit juice, fruit variety Friday, Nov. 4: Ham, egg

& cheese, on a croissant, 4oz yogurt, 4oz fruit juice, fruit variety

Monday, Oct. 31: Sloppy Joe, on a whole-wheat bun, seasoned potato wedges, tomato salad, fruit variety

Tuesday, Nov. 1: Buffalo chicken tenders, whole-wheat dinner roll, baked French fries, three-bean salad, fruit variety

Wednesday, Nov. 2: Taco boat, seasoned ground beef, lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa, & sour cream in a corn tortilla boat, buttered, corn salad, fruit variety

Thursday, Nov. 3: Swedish meatballs in a savory gravy served over egg noodles, seasoned green beans, fruit vari-

Friday, Nov. 4: Half Day

# EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

# Merrick Public Library

• Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7 to 8 p.m. Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom. Working as an indentured servant alongside slaves on a tobacco plantation, Lavinia, a 7-year-old Irish orphan with no memory of her past, finds her light skin and situation placing her between two very different worlds that test

• Le Cercle Français: The next meeting will be

Thursday, Nov. 3, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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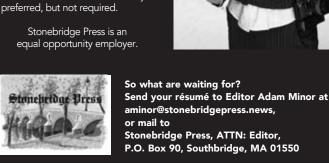
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# Library FREELANCE REPORTER WANTED

• Thurs., Nov. 3, 6-8 p.m.: "Artie Sandoli, Music, Life, Spirit, Laughter." Local musician, Artie Sandoli, is a wellknown performer, artist, record producer, all-around entertainer, not to mention, comedian. His repertoire is diverse, ranging from R&B & pop to Broadway duets & old Beatles songs, as well as his many originals. He will be joined by his daughter, Annie Sandoli, singer & violinist, who was chosen as first violinist for the Worcester Youth Symphony. Sue Gillies, nationally-known drummer, & singer, Beth Bamford. Father & daughter will perform a duet, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." So, be prepared for anything - not only to listen, but to get

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up and dance! Please register.
• Tuesday, Nov. 1, 6:30 p.m.: "Yoga For Chilling Out & Tuning In" with Philip Milgrom from "The Centered Place Yoga Studio" in Warren. Svaroopa yoga is much more of a physical workout. It is a practice that brings more and joy within. Please register. Bring a mat or towel. This is the first in a series of six classes to be held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. through Dec. 1.



# Pumpkins out in full force in Brookfield



Friends Ethan Kennedy, 10, left, and Daelan Ahearn, 10, both of Brookfield, get ready for the event.



The Doolin' Lads perform.



A creative assortment of pumpkins designed by area families.



Kids register their pumpkins, then grab a tasty snack.

BROOKFIELD — Halloween fun came week early for youngsters and their families, who braved a brisk, windy night last Saturday, Oct. 22, to show off their pumpkins. Families from throughout the area came bundled up to enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of Pumpkinfest, as cider and doughnuts were provided. Adding to the ambience of the event, the Doolin' Lads performed a concert in the gazebo as kids lined the Town Common with their pumpkins.



Adam Lauzon, 2, of Brookfield, is bundled up and ready to see some pumpkins.



Rudy Heller, of Brookfield, spends the evening with his grandson, 10-year-old James Heller.



The Szczypien family, of Brookfield, shows off a host of pumpkins.



Kids line the Town Common with their uniquely designed pumpkins.



Pumpkins await judgment on the Common. It won't be an easy decision to pick the top gourds.

# Quaboag teachers put conference knowledge to good use

WARREN — Educators in the Quaboag Regional School District are using creative new strategies to enhance their lessons. Fresh off an engaging conference this past summer, several teachers returned to school ready to transfer everything they learned to the classroom.

Eleven new QRSD teachers and five returning teachers participated in the New England Arts for Literacy (NEAL) Summer Institute at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem. Funded by a threeyear grant, the program has enabled teachers from QRSD and other school districts to experience innovative strategies that both educate and fascinate students.

For Jessica Sutherland, a four-year art teacher at Quaboag Regional Middle-High School, the grant provides invaluable opportunities to educators.

"After participating in the Summer Institute, I couldn't wait to return to my classroom to bring the magic I had experienced back to my students," said Sutherland, who is also the school district's coordinator for the grant.

During the NEAL Summer Institute, teachers are immersed in what is known as the Performance Cycle – a learning framework developed by author-educator Kurt Wootton that helps bring a text to life through the arts. Teachers then take what they learn each year and translate it into a customizable unit of study for their respective classrooms. Moreover, the grant provides funding for teachers to take their students on a field trip to one of the participating museums. It also allows teachers to host a visiting artist and purchase supplies for instruction.

"The Performance Cycle is an active, immersive approach to learning that really engages participants, regardless of age," Sutherland explained. "It allows students to form their own connections with a text and to appreciate the meaningful ways that different curricular areas connect."

This year marked the second of three years for the grant cycle at QRSD. Next year, the summer conference will take place at museums in Springfield. For teachers like Sutherland who attended the conference during each of the past two years, it is always a thrill to return and develop new strategies. With technologies and methods constantly changing, it's important for educators to remain current.

"I was a grant participant in 2015, and I've also been fortunate enough to work as Quaboag's district coordinator, helping to recruit new teachers and support them in planning their Performance Cycle units," Sutherland added.

Community building is the first step in the Performance Cycle, which aims to make students feel safe and supported in the classroom. QRSD teachers have been impressed with the difference in student achievement they have seen after focusing heavily on creating strong atmospheres for learning.

Also, the Performance Cycle puts students at the center of lessons by focusing on their ideas, artwork, and interpretations of the text.

"I found that the community building activities helped students who typically don't speak up in class become much more engaged and confident," Sutherland said. "Across all Performance Cycle units, I am always impressed with how this approach encourages a much deeper level of reflection."

Sutherland thanked school and district officials for supporting the program and its ability to improve student engagement in the classroom. By changing the way material is taught, you thereby change the way kids learn, school officials said.

Educators' attendance at the NEAL Summer Institute is made possible by the New England Arts for Literacy

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# DIY fall potpourri and autumn wax tarts



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moods and sparking memories to creating calm and promoting focus, fragrance can be profoundly influential in our everyday

Autumn in New England offers an abundance of native sights and scents that can be captured as everlasting fragrance for the home. This week's column will spotlight a few simple recipes to bring the spectacular fragrance of the season indoors for months to come.

New England Potpourri Mix

This all-natural autumn potpourri mix will bring you back to a walk along winding New England roads. A few drops of essential oil may be added to boost the scent as the mixture ages.

Ingredients: Dried slices of two Red or Golden Delicious apples (or other hardy New England variety); dried slices of one orange; eight cinnamon sticks; one tablespoon nutmegs; three tablespoons whole cloves; 2 Whole nutmegs; Filler: acorns, dried leaves, bark pieces, pinecones, etc.

Directions: Break up (or smash) the cinnamon sticks and some of the whole cloves to release fragrance. Mix together all ingredients, gently folding in apple and orange slices last. Place in an open bowl or pack in a clear glass jar for gift giving or later use.

Pie Spice Sachets

The sweet scent of freshly baked apple and pumpkin pies can be resurrected every time you reconstitute these essence filled sachets. Best of all, these can be used to scent the air and to spice up cider!

Ingredients: 2 tablespoons pumpkin pie spice; 4 teaspoons ground cinnamon; 2 teaspoons nutmeg; 2 tablespoons applesauce

Mix the applesauce and spices together in a bowl. Dough will be very stiff. Pinch off small pieces of dough and roll into balls. Press down to form discs, about an inch or so. Bake in a 275-degree oven for about two hours or until fully dry and firm. Allow to cool and harden.

To use for simmering potpourri: Drop one disc into a couple of inches of simmering water.

To use as spice sachet: Drop disc into Preheat oven to 275 degrees and bake for 1 1/2 hours until dry and firm. Cool. Use as a simmering potpourri by simply dropping in boiling water. To use as a spice, drop into container of simmering cider.

Autumn Wax Tarts (Recycled Candles) Making fragrance tarts is easy (and free) if you've collected all your autumn fragranced candle ends throughout the

Ingredients: Leftover candle wax; foil cupcake wrappers.

Directions: Carefully melt leftover candle bits in a double boiler or use the warming tray of a drip coffee maker. Remove wicks and black bits from melted wax. Line a cupcake pan with aluminum foil cupcake wrappers. Pour about an inch of wax into each aluminum wrapper. Allow to cool, then remove wrapper from tin and peel off tart.

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Opinion and commentary from Spencer, Leicester and the Brookfields

# The meaning of public service

GUEST

COMMENTARY

SEN. MICHAEL O.

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As a state senator, many of my responsibilities relate to crafting policy and representing the views of local residents on Beacon Hill. However, a less-known function of my office involves assisting constituents every day - hundreds each year

- with issues related to state-level government agencies and other entities.

As a public servant, I have the opportunity to help members of the community with navigating through red tape in government, and to spread information about resources and programs available to residents.

Earlier this year, I was approached by several constituents about an issue they faced with their water bill. In particular, the residents were concerned with the significant cost associated with maintaining and supplying the mandated fire sprinkler system in their housing development. As it happens, the state agency responsible for reviewing and approving utility rates validated the charges assessed by the water company.

Dissatisfied with the decision, my office, in collaboration with local residents and representatives of the water company, rolled up our sleeves to find a

viable approach to addressing the issue. In the end, we found a way to reduce the overall cost associated with the fire sprinkler services while ensuring that the interests of all parties were taken into consideration. The rate change is

now in the final approval stages by the appropriate state agency.

This situation – one of many – highlights the importance of community, business and government sectors coming together to find practical solutions to problems faced by those in our community.

While I may not have the ability to resolve every issue, I take pride in knowing that my office works hard to advocate on behalf of local residentsoften achieving positive results. If you are a resident of the Second Worcester District who is seeking assistance with a state-level matter, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office by e-mail, Michael.Moore@masenate. gov, or telephone (617) 722-1485. My webpage, SenatorMikeMoore.com, also contains helpful information about the services available through my office.

#### Retirement Week. Clearly, the government feels the need to urge people to do a better FINANCIAL

It's National

Save for

Retirement

Week, so

take action

Congress has dedicated the third

week of October as National Save for

Focus

job of preparing for retirement. you doing all you can? Many of

> your peers aren't

at least they think they aren't. In a recent survey conducted by Bankrate. com, respondents reported that "not saving for retirement early enough" was their biggest financial regret. Other evidence seems to show they have good cause for remorse: 52 percent of households 55 and older haven't saved anything for retirement, according to a report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office, although half of this group reported having a pension.

Obviously, you'll want to avoid having either financial regrets or major shortfalls in your retirement savings. And that means you may need to consider making moves such as these:

· Take advantage of all your opportunities. You may well have access to more than one tax-advantaged retirement plan. Your employer may offer a 401(k) or similar plan, and even if you participate in your employer's plan, you are probably still eligible to contribute to an IRA. You may not be able to afford to "max out" on both plans, but try to contribute as much as you can afford. At the very least, put in enough to your employer's plan to earn a matching contribution, if one is offered, and boost your annual contributions every year in which your salary goes up.

• Create an appropriate investment mix. It's not enough just to invest regularly through your IRA, 401(k) or other retirement plan - you also need to invest wisely. You can fund your IRA with virtually any investments you choose, while your 401(k) or similar plan likely offers an array of investment accounts. So, between your IRA and 401(k), you can create portfolios that reflect your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. It's especially important that your investment mix offers sufficient growth potential to help you make progress toward the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

• Don't "raid" your retirement accounts early. If you start withdrawing from your traditional IRA before you turn 59½, you may have to pay a 10 percent tax penalty in addition to normal income taxes due. (If you have a Roth IRA and start taking withdrawals before you are 59 1/2, the earnings will be taxed and may be subject to a 10 percent penalty – but contributions can be withdrawn without any tax and penalty consequences.) As for your 401(k) or similar plan, you may be able to take out a loan, but you'll have to pay yourself back to avoid any tax or penalty consequences. (Also, not all plans offer a loan option.) More importantly, any money you take out early is money that no longer has a chance to grow to help you meet your goals. Try to do everything you can, then, to keep your retirement plans intact until you actually do retire. One suggestion: Build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid, low-risk vehicle outside your IRA or 401(k).

National Save for Retirement Week reminds us that we all must act to help ourselves retire comfortably. By making the moves described above, you can do your part.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Time for change, vote for Trump

To the Editor:

Are you voting for the independent, autonomous, sovereign candidate or are you voting for the indebted, owned, slave candidate?

Our choices are polar opposites, he the effervescent outlier and she the controlled insider!

Finally, the silent salamander majority has a reason to crawl out from under their comfy confines!

Donald Trump is a treasure trove of tenacious, tantalizing, transformation that this country has been deprived of for far too long and not seen since Boston Harbor was filled with tea bags and Honest Abe was Commander in Chief! "We the Deplorable People" need not pay attention to the obscene and orchestrated media onslaught or the histrionic Hollywood hoopla! We simply have to check the box.

Hillary Clinton is a stale, overrated, corrupt, career politician who sleeps in the beds of those contrib-

uting to her coffers! She is a vassal of special interest manipulation and lobbyist intervention, a slave to her donors! Her owners include public employee unions, most notably all teachers unions, labor unions, George Soros, Planned Parenthood, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, DreamWorks, Google, Morgan Stanley, Time Warner, J P Morgan Chase, Microsoft, Bank of America, Goldman Sachs and Citigroup, etc.,

Does this country want her, a career public employee, or him, a private sector employee with a career? The choice is a no brainer. Elephants will trample the donkeys!

On Nov. 8, the United States of America will overwhelmingly elect Donald Trump, an independent candidate beholden to no one!

JENNIFER GAUCHER Spencer

# 'I am voting for Moses Dixon'

I am voting for Moses Dixon for 17th District state representative.

Looking back in my records, I see that I tried to contact Kate Campanale eight times over her term concerning several issues I was concerned about and I only received two responses. Those responses said that she was voting in support of those issues. I cannot expect that a representative will always agree with me, of course, but it would have been nice to hear back on those other issues. That was a

When I recently mentioned that I had not had responses several times, my wife said that a friend of hers had been unable to reach her as well. I see that I am not alone.

I was also disappointed that the nonpartisan Environmental League of Massachusetts graded her performance so poorly. I was alarmed to find she had made their "dirty dozen" list from among all the state representatives and senators. Given my interests, I find that more of a disqual-

ification than her unresponsiveness. Moses Dixon worked for Harriet Chandler in the State House, and this means he is better prepared than Ms.

Campanale was when she started. I am casting my vote for Moses Dixon since Kate Campanale has had her chance.

ALLAN E. JOHANNESEN

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# Thank you from the Friends of the East Brookfield Public Library

To the Editor:

disappointment.

We want to thank everyone for the awesome support we received for the Book, Bake and Chicken Barbecue we held on Oct. 8 at the East Brookfield Public Library.

We appreciate everyone who donated books, baked goods, raffle items and their time to help to bring the event all together.

A special shout out goes to Scott and Gracie of EB Flatts who cooked up a very tasty barbecue dinner, the East Brookfield fire barn for the huge posting of our Chicken Barbecue and

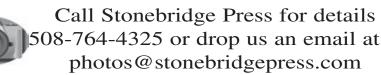
Leslie's Hair Salon, Brookfield Apple Orchard and the Big Y for their generous donation. Behind the scenes there were so many more who had a hand in pulling this all together, the list is long but our appreciation is sincere.

And finally to everyone who stopped by to buy a book or a bag of books, some homemade baked goods and/or to enjoy a delicious dinner, we could not have done it without your support.

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# **VIEWPOINT**

# Repetitions on repeat

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If you have kids, I am sure you have watched the same episode of "Thomas the Train" over and over, played the same song over and over, and my favorite ... read the same book over and over (and over and over).

While we as parents are satisfied with reading, watching, listening to something once our kids are not. I feel like my kids have gone through phases of favorites. With my son it was Dr. Seuss books, I think I know Who it is that Horton Hears and just when he happened to Hatch his Egg. With my daughter it goes in periods. It was Mickey, anything Mickey Mouse could turn a screaming freaking out toddler into the happiest girl in the world. Although when we took them to Disney last year I wish she was old enough to appreciate it. It turned to super heroes, then Strawberry Shortcake, then Beat Bugs (which to all my Beatles loving parents out there I urge vou to join Netflix and watch this! It is all Beatles songs done to a kids cartoon, so no annoying jingles to get stuck in your head), and now it is

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"My Little Pony." At first I was OK with this, there are three seasons at about 22 episodes apiece. But my little princess wants to watch the very first one, on repeat, all the time. She even has the beginning narrations memorized.

I get to the point sometimes if I have to hear about Night-Mare Moon one more time I will swear off everything I ever loved as a kid just to get it out of

So I decided to reach out and find if this was just my kids or all kids. I asked fellow parents, I scoured the Internet, I even sat down at a pretend tea party with my toddler to ask her why. The answers didn't surprise me, but I did find them a little more reassuring thus making the constant repetitiveness less annoying.

Here are some of the answers I got:

 Kids like feeling that they mastered something, repetition helps them perfect a line or dance, etc.

• Repetition is a child's way of understanding something. Have you every watched a movie, then again and noticed something new? This is the same for kids.

• It gives them a healthy feeling of control. If a

video comes on with a dance they have watched over and over again they can announce what will happen next and feel like they have control over the

· Because they simply enjoy it. They have not found the bitterness and annovance that comes with repetition yet, so when they like something they want it often.

· Repetition is a fundamental learning block for kids, while we as adults may only need to do something once or twice to know how to do it, kids are in the spectrum of doing something 40 or 50 times

Most repetitive behavior is normal.

However if you have a concern definitely talk to your pediatrician. But next time your child wants you to read "Froggy Bakes a Cake" for the seventh time that night, 59th time that week, try not to resist or get annoyed. She is learning and enjoying this. Before you know it, it will be something else and you'll find yourself saying "Don't you want to read Froggy?"

Don't rush it. Let them enjoy themselves. Before you know it this time will be gone and moved onto something else. So go get that remote and watch Frozen one more time. Don't you want to build a snowman? It doesn't have to be a snowman ... OK, bye.

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

# Antique websites



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fewer yard sales are tak-WAYNE TUISKULA ing place. There still antique

where you learn more about antiques or buy and sell online. Ruby Lane (www.rubylane. com) is described as "the world's largest curated marketplace for antiques, vintage collectibles, vintage fashion,

other outdoor shows are closed for the season. Fewer and

shops and flea markets open but you may also want to spend some time looking at websites

fine art and jewelry." There are thousands of dealers who run "shops" on the "cobblestone streets." Categories include antiques, vintage collectibles,

dolls, fine art, furniture & lighting, glass, jewelry, porcelain and pottery, silver and vintage fashion. If you find something that you like you can check seller feedback before making a purchase. Some items allow buyers the opportunity to make an offer to the seller. Shipping and payment info are listed along with the terms of

The Internet Antique Shop (www.tias.com) is another option for antique shopping online. Their website states that "TIAS.com is now the largest "fixed price" source of antiques and collectibles on the Internet, serving over 120 million page views per month." When I viewed the website it showed that there were "379,205 items for sale today." Special offers" for the day were prominently displayed. There were 60 categories that could be clicked on and drilled down even further for buyers to find items of interest to them. Individual sellers list their policies for order processing, shipping and their return policy. There are buttons to make your purchase or to make an offer to the seller.

If your goal is to keep updated on exhibitions, auctions, shows and other events primarily throughout the Northeast "the Antiques and Arts Weekly" (www.antiquesandthearts. com) is a good source. They also publish a newspaper that is published weekly. Their website describes their publication as a "weekly newspaper serving the antiques and arts industry, collectors, and institutions."

"The Maine Antique Digest" (www.maineantiquedigest. com) also publishes articles of local interest. Their description states "M.A.D. continues to be a must-read for those who are serious about the antiques market, particularly Americana."

The "Antique Trader" (ww. antiquetrader.com) is published in the Midwest and has a more national focus. They are described as "the top online resource to find online auction sites, auction houses, and expert advice about antique furniture, jewelry and collectables." You can find articles on fashion, design, home, culture, machines and collectibles on Collectors Weekly (www.col-

lectorsweekly.com). Despite the colder fall weather we have a number of events taking place. I'll be appraising items and speaking about antiques at the "Finn Funn" event. I'll be at the Fitzwilliam VFW, Fitzwilliam, N.H., on Oct. 29 from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. The second session of the antique radio auction will take place on Nov. 13 in Carlisle, Mass. It will take place under a heated tent. Our next live auction in Worcester is scheduled for Jan. 26. Please keep checking our website www.centralmassauctions.com or like our Facebook page coming events or like or like our Facebook page www. facebook.com/centralmassauctions to keep updated on upcoming events.

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A 1929 baseball in our Jan. 26 auction signed by Babe Ruth and other New York Yankees players.

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# What's with the hype about DNA testing?

Those ads – you know those ads – from Ancestry DNA and 23andMe – kilts and lederhosen and health - what are they selling, and what does it all mean?

Ancestry.com has been around since 1983. This subscription site is a repository for millions of civil documents, military documents, census records and newspaper articles. Genealogists and family historians use the site to research and to store their family tree data. DNA testing is a newer addition to the site, and can be used by itself or in conjunction with the other tools.

#### WHAT DOES DNA TESTING HAVE TO OFFER?

The test offered by Ancestry is an Autosomal DNA test. This test examines the 22 pairs of chromosomes that you inherited from your parents. You got roughly 50 percent of your autosomal DNA from each parent, and they got about 50 percent from each of their parents. Mathematically speaking, your DNA is made up of roughly 25 percent from each of your four grandparents, and so on for your great-grandparents, etc. So if you do a test, and your first cousin does a test, Ancestry (or the other testing companies) can analyze and compare your DNA, and will recognize that you are first cousins due to the amount of shared DNA that you each received from your common grandparents. This ability to compare cousins is reliable up to about the fourth cousin level, where the shared DNA may no longer be detectable.

Another useful result of DNA testing is the ability to estimate your ethnicity. The testing company can compare your DNA results to a number of worldwide populations, and estimate how closely your DNA resembles their DNA. The caveat here is that this is an estimate — people in every part of the world have been affected by migrations and invasions; no population can be said to be pure. So if your results indicate that you are 80 percent Irish, you are probably of Irish descent. But you cannot use it to prove that your great-great-great-great grandmother was a Cherokee Indian – the DNA that she carried is most likely lost to the current generation.

#### WHICH COMPANY IS BETTER TO TEST WITH?

There are currently three companies offering autosomal DNA testing Ancestry.com, 23andMe.com and FamilyTreeDNA.com (FTDNA). The

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differences: Ancestry.com has the

largest database. If you are a subscriber, it is easy to see if you have DNA connections with people who have the same ancestors in their family trees. The cost is currently \$99, and sales are run periodically.

• 23andME offers something unique health information based on their analysis of your DNA. Reports can be run to indicate whether you have any propensity towards genetic health issues. The current cost is \$199, however you can order a watered-down version which will not include those health reports for \$99.

· FTDNA has the second largest database of testers. It includes some tools that are useful if you are searching for matches for genealogy. Their test is now priced at \$79.

All three companies offer nice pie charts with ethnicity breakdowns, and tutorials about how to interpret your results.

If you are new to genealogy, you may want to hire a professional to help you. Those DNA results can be scary and confusing; a professional, working on an hourly basis, can guide you through the maze, analyze your results, and make recommendations for furthering

your research. A list of genealogists who specialize in DNA can be found at the website for the Association of Professional Genealogists (www.apgen.

If you are determined to learn on your own there are several Facebook groups devoted to DNA, and there are videos and webinars available online. Local genealogy clubs sometimes have speakers about DNA. There are even local focus groups, such as MassDIG, which meets at the Joshua Hyde Library in Sturbridge on the first Thursday each

Pauline C. Merrick is a professional genealogist who specializes in DNA testing and interpretation. She lives in Brookfield, and can be contacted at bmd101@netzero.net.

# **NEWS BRIEF**

# Berthiaume announces office hours

State Rep. Donnie Berthiaume will hold office hours at the following locations.

• Thursday, Nov. 3: Office Hours, West Brookfield Senior Center,

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. · Saturday, Nov. 5: Office Hours, New Braintree Senior Center, Rep. Berthiaume will participate in the

Holiday Celebration. • Monday, Nov. 7: Oakham Office Hours at the Senior Center, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with him to express any concerns, ideas, or issues that they may need assistance with.

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# Big offensive output helps Panthers top Oxford

OXFORD — The David Prouty Regional varsity football team has been able to score points at a high clip this season, but they went 20 points beyond their average on Saturday, Oct. 22 when they dropped a season-high 54 on Oxford High to win a

The 20 points scored was also a season high for the Pirates (0-7), who will continue to fight for their first victory when they play at Leicester High on Friday, Oct. 28

Meanwhile, the Panthers improved to 5-2 and will host Bartlett High on the same day and time



Photos courtesy Rich LeBlanc

David Prouty defender Joseph Thebeau closes in on Oxford's ball carrier for a tackle.



Oxford's Niko Murray bounces out to his left in an attempt to get past David Prouty's defense. Kyle Ortiz-Argui of David Prouty carries the ball and charges down the field.



Darrell Beer of David Prouty looks to elude Oxford's defense while carrying the ball.



David Prouty's Darrell Beer holds the ball away from Oxford's defenders before making contact with them



# HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Tantasqua 6, Quaboag 0 — Scoring goals for the Warriors' JV boys' soccer team were Allen Falke (two), Logan McCarthy, Dominic Huard, Billy Furey and Kia von Bleicken. Falke, McCarthy, Nolan Kingman and Roger Leland added assists, while Bradley Beu and Tyler Apher combined for the shutout in goal.

Tantasqua 5, Doherty 1 — Logan McCarthy netted a hat trick to help lead the Warriors' JV boys' soccer team to victory. Shane Lawrence and Jackson Hall scored the other Tantaqua goals, while Lawrence, Connor Rich, Connor Austin and Mason Blakely added assists. Bradley Beu was in net and made 14 saves.

Oct. 17

Tantasqua 3, Bartlett 0 — Set scores were 25-8, 25-14, 25-12 as the Warriors' varsity volleyball team won and improved to 9-5. Amanda Burns had 14 service aces, Lindsey Zak added 5 more, and Samantha Gleason had 5

kills for Tantasqua. In the JV contest, Tantasqua also won 3-0. Set scores were 25-9, 25-15, 25-19. The Warriors' Jillian Arello

had 7 service aces, Maddy Jacque another 5 service aces, and Hannah Raymond added 2 kills.

Tantasqua 155, Auburn 183 — In their final home match of the season and their final SWCL contest, the Warriors' golf team defeated the Rockets to move to 16-3 and finish 10-0 in the league. Medalist honors went to Tantasqua's Josh Berthiaume, who carded a 1-over par 37 at Hemlock Ridge.

Bartlett 182, David Prouty 185 — Colin Nosek shot a 40 to win medalist honors for the Panthers' golf team, but the Indians won the match. Others scoring points for Prouty included Tyler Clayfield (41), Ryan Casault, Cole Cashman, Josh Dukes and Fisher Haynes.

Tantasqua 2, Auburn 1 — Luke Gerrish scored on a free kick late in the second half to lift the Warrior boys' varsity soccer team to a slim victory over the Rockets. Aiden Casinghino (Tyler Rodriguez assist) also scored for Tantasqua.

Tantasqua 2, Auburn 0 — In the boys' JV soccer game, Allen Falke and Tyler Schmidt led the way for the Warriors with goals. Shane Lawrence

picked up an assist for Tantasqua, while Bradley Beu and Tyler Apher combined for the shutout in goal.

Oct. 18

Shrewsbury 204, Tantasqua 209 In their final regular season golf match of the season, the Warriors travelled to The Haven where they lost a very close decision to the Colonials. Tantasqua's Josh Berthiaume shot a team-low 39 as they finished 16-4.

Oct. 19

David Prouty 192, Quaboag 212 Medalist for the Panthers' golf team was Colin Nosek for the sixth time this season after carding a 42. Also scoring for Prouty were Tyler Clayfield, Ryan Casault, Josh Dukes and Jake Tutlis. The team finished the season with a record of 7-10.

Tantasqua 2, Bartlett 1 — Luke Gerrish scored the winning goal for the Warriors boys' varsity soccer team — Kevin Izzio assisted — to beat

the Indians. Tantasqua 4, Bartlett 0 — Connor Rich, Roger Leland, Allen Falke and Billy Furey all scored goals for the

Warriors' JV boys' soccer team, with

Jack Laford, Kai von Bleicken and

Tyler Apher adding assists. Bradley

Kelley, Lilly Lucas and Abby Befford also scored, while Melissa Izzio assisted twice and Kelsey Emrich made a save in goal for the shutout.

Oct. 21 Minnechaug 3, Tantasqua 0 — The Warriors' varsity volleyball team dropped their match, with set scores of 25-16, 25-16, 25-20. For Tantasqua, Ellie Dupre had 6 kills and 14 assists, while Lily Kent (6 kills) and Lindsey Zak (5 kills) also contributed.

Beu and Apher combined for the shut-

Tantasqua 8, Bartlett 0 — Camie

Hall and Meghan Meserole both reg-

istered a pair of goals in leading the

Warriors girls' varsity soccer team

to victory. Victoria Bowler, Meaghan

In the junior varsity matchup, the Warriors lost a 2-1 decision with set scores of 25-8, 17-25, 15-11. Hannah Raymond had 5 kills, while Addie Ellithorpe added 5 assists and Maddy Jacque contributed 3 digs.

The score was also 2-1 in Tantasqua's loss in the freshmen match, with set scores of 25-16, 19-25, 25-16. Tantasqua's Jennifer Collins had 5 aces, Caitlin Bilodeau 4 aces and Isabella Pabon 6 digs.

# Grafton squeaks out Southern Worcester County League golf championship

LEICESTER, BEHIND MEDALIST MCLEOD TAKES SECOND PLACE





BY NICK ETHIER



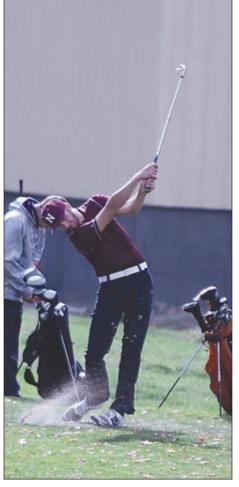
LEICESTER — The Southern Worcester County League golf championship was competitive as could be on Thursday, Oct. 20 at Leicester Country Club, when the top four individual scores combined from the Grafton High and Leicester High teams couldn't settle a champion. Both teams' cumulative totals were 316, but the Indians won the tiebreaker when their next best score was an

81 compared to the Wolverines' 89. Tantasqua Regional was right behind in third place with a total of 321, while Millbury High (333) and David Prouty Regional (343) rounded out the top five.

Sixth place belonged to Auburn High (362), while the seventh through 11th place standings were Northbridge High (363), Bartlett High (365), Oxford High (398), Quaboag Regional (399) and Uxbridge High

In the individual tournament. Leicester senior Reece McLeod ran away with a five-stroke victory, carding a 1-over par 71 at his home course.

"I played pretty well today," said McLeod. "I would say the iron shots were working really well. Off the tee I was good, I just had one mess up on hole seven. I went out of bounds, but I bounced back with a birdie on 8 and then birdied 10 and 11."



McLeod's approach shots on 10 and 11 landed about 3 feet away from the cup for easier-than-normal birdies.

The Wolverines start six seniors, and the squad is looking forward to the Central Mass. Division 3 district match at Blissful Meadows in Uxbridge, after press time.

'We've had a great year. We want to make states as a team really bad," said McLeod, adding that the team has practiced a few rounds at Blissful. "We're looking for the win. The rubber meets the road now, this is it."

Tantasqua is scheduled to take part in the Division 1 district match at Kettle Brook Golf Club in Paxton, while Grafton, Millbury and Northbridge are in the Division 2 tournament at the Indians' home course of Highfields Golf and Country

Below are the top 10 individual results from the tournament:

- 1. Reece McLeod, Leicester, 71
- 2. Alex Hetherman, Bartlett, 76
- 2. Sean McCarthy, Leicester, 76 2. Devin Weaver, Millbury, 76
- 5. Alec Merrifield, Tantasqua, 77
- 5. Wyatt Murray, Grafton, 77 7. Ryan Sullivan, Grafton, 78
- 8. Terrence Baker, Tantasqua, 79
- 8. Ryan Casault, David Prouty, 79 10. Josh Berthiaume, Tantasqua, 80
- 10. Ryan Henderson, Auburn, 80 10. Colin Nosek, David Prouty, 80 10. Sean Thompson, Grafton, 80



Leicester Country Club hosted the Southern Worcester County League golf championship last Thursday, Oct. 20, where Grafton High edged Leicester High for the team title. The Wolverines' Reece McLeod won medalist honors by carding a 1-over par 71.



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# SPORTS BRIEFS

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Are you interested in having a lot of fun while also helping to make the winter fly by? Any student, parent or teacher from any of the surrounding towns can ski or snowboard for eight consecutive Saturday nights at Wachusett Mountain for just \$150 through the Southbridge Ski Club. You drive to Wachusett

Mountain on your own. The eight-week program begins on Saturday, Jan. 7 and ends on Saturday, Feb. 25. Ski or snowboard rentals as well as lessons are also available at a very reasonable cost. You may also be able to ski or snowboard for free through you health insurance coverage.

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

# Pitching lessons come to Southbridge

Pitching lessons began Sunday, Oct. 9 and will run through Feb. 26, 2017 at the Southbridge Armory, located at 152 Chestnut Street. The 50-minute lessons run from the timeframe of 8:30 to 11 a.m. Special consideration will be given for teams and leagues. For more information contact Coach Bill Rahall at 860-576-3440 or email wlrah@yahoo.com.



# Reece McLeod

The Leicester High senior carded a 1-over par 71 at Leicester Country Club during the Southern Worcester County League golf championship on Thursday, Oct. 20 to win medalist honors by five strokes. The Wolverines lost a tiebreaker to Grafton High to finish second in the team portion of the event.

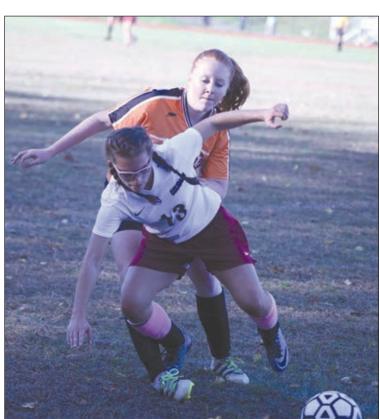
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# Cougars edge Oxford girls' soccer with second half tally



Nick Ethier photos

Jessica Souza of Quaboag keeps an Oxford opponent at bay while going after a loose ball.

BY NICK ETHIER

WARREN — When the Quaboag Regional and Oxford High girls' varsity soccer teams first matched up this season, the Pirates edged the Cougars, 2-1. Quaboag then returned the favor in the rematch, played Wednesday, Oct. 19, when they broke a 2-2 halftime deadlock with a second half strike to defeat Oxford, 3-2.

Chris Bailey, head coach of the Cougars, said the following: "I think with us, it's always about intensity. It's about the leaders on the team and how they play and everyone else will follow."

Bailey noted that the intensity wasn't there in the first half of play, but it awoke "enough to win" in the second half.

"If we can have consistent intensity and have that desire there, a lot of things fall into place," he added. "We see it in stretches."

Freshman Kiarra Dorman scored first for Quaboag in the 10th minute after the team's first corner kick and added

From left, Oxford's Micaela Perry and Quaboag's Shelby Tytula battle for possession of the ball.

her second goal in the 33rd minute to tie the score at 2-2 after shielding her defender and dribbling past the keeper before shooting into the now open net.

On many occasions senior Shaylah Dorman, Kiarra's sister, stopped an opponent's attack in the midfield before finding Kiarra down the field for an offensive chance.

"For going on three years here, it's a nice little combination," Bailey said of the Dorman-Dorman connection. "Shaylah can control the midfield...and the ball gets up and Kiarra can finish."

Freshman Adeline Ford pocketed the game-winner in the 55th minute for Quaboag when a bouncing ball found her foot and the coinciding shot beat Pirates' sophomore keeper Felicity Steiger.

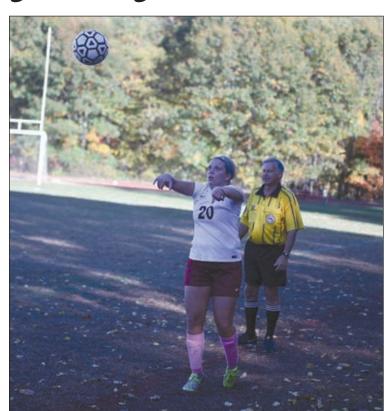
Steiger played well, though, turning aside 17 shots to keep her team in the game.

Oxford scored twice in a nine-minute stretch to grab a 2-1 lead. First, in the 19th minute, freshman Skyla Hodgson stopped a Quaboag clearing attempt and pushed the ball over to eighth grader Benadette Lesieur, whose shot beat Cougars' junior keeper Rachael Westberg (four saves).

Then, in the 28th minute, the Pirates grabbed the lead when senior Korra Joubert made a great centering cross to sophomore Adrienne Lesieur for the goal.

Despite the loss and now 4-10-2 record, Oxford head coach Bob Fuqua called his team "competitive," especially with nine eighth graders on the 20-person roster.

"This is a very good group," he said. "If they stay together we'll be OK."



Kylie Baldwin of Quaboag throws the ball back into the realm of play.

Fuqua noted this his squad is mainly a U13 team oftentimes competing against U18's. For that reason, the win-loss record doesn't matter for now.

"We don't talk about winning and losing, we talk about getting better every day," he said, adding that next fall the Pirates "will work on consistency."

Fuqua is also pleased with the team's participation for each and every practice and game.

"Our biggest thing this year was commitment," he said. "We have 20 girls on the roster,

we have not had less than 19 girls at anything all season.

The Cougars, meanwhile, improved to 7-7-1 as they prepare for the Central Mass. Division 4 district tournament. A new Walker System is in play for seeding purposes, so record isn't the only factor anymore. In fact, a 1-1 tie versus Division 1 Tantasqua Regional and the win over Division 3 Oxford — among others — will be counted as "quality" opponents

"Hopefully we're middle of the pack," he said of the upcoming tournament.



Quaboag's Kiarra Dorman dribbles past Oxford keeper Felicity Steiger before scoring into the open net.

# Quaboag responds for win after slow start versus Southbridge



Quaboag's Ben Wisniewski uses the outside of his right foot to work the ball around Southbridge's defense.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS STAFF WRITE

WARREN — Senior Night for the Quaboag Regional boys' varsity soccer team didn't start exactly as planned when the Cougars played host to Southbridge High on Monday, Oct. 24 — the Pioneers' Jose Fuentes Rodriguez scored first in the game's third minute — but the Cougars righted the ship and eventually cruised to a 6-1 victory.

"Luckily it didn't last long and we were able to get back to our usual ways," Quaboag head coach Norm St. Denis said of shaking off the slow start and emerging victorious.

But avoiding the lackluster beginnings of games is now a focus St. Denis will have for his team moving forward.

"That's unfortunately been a pattern, we've been starting real slow lately," he said. "We've got to do something to change our slow starts and be more aggressive early on."

But at the end of the day St. Denis was pleased that his team grabbed another victory, as the Cougars improved to 8-8-

"It's a league game so it was important and Southbridge is not what they had been the last few years, they've been scoring in just about every game...they're dangerous," he said of the Pioneers.

Quaboag also finished at .500 in league play — 5-5-1 — for the first time in recent memory.

Senior Ben Wisniewski made his Senior Night one to remember with a four-goal effort.

"He really has a nose for the ball and the goal," St. Denis said of Wisniewski. "He surprises people. I don't know why because he looks athletic and everyone knows he's fast, but yet somehow people give him an inch and don't realize he's going to take the whole thing and he put four goals up."

All seven seniors — Alex Cote, Nathaniel Leneau, Sam Majewski, Casey Pillsbury, Aaryn Souza, Herrick Spencer and Wisniewski — contributed versus the Pioneers, which pleased St. Denis.

"Some of them don't always get a ton of playing time and they got a lot more tonight, which is nice," he said. "Everything went off really well and we capped it off with a good win."

Quaboag sophomore Daniel Hall scored his team's equalizer in the ninth minute when his high-arcing shot dropped just under the crossbar and over the leap of Southbridge keeper James Gonzalez.

Wisniewski then scored in the 11th minute (junior Alexander Richard assisted), 14th minute and 15th minute before teammate Brian Trombly, a sophomore, tallied in the 27th minute to extend the Cougars' lead to 5-1 by halftime.

Then, in the 44th minute, Cote fed Wisniewski a pass before scoring his fourth of the night — the game's final goal.

Majewski, Quaboag's keeper, earned the victory behind a five-save effort.

The Cougars concluded their regular season on Oct. 26, after press time, before they take



Nick Ethier photo

Quaboag's Alexander Richard goes lefty to get a pass past Southbridge defender Kevin Flores.

part in the Central Mass. Division 4 district tournament, which begins early in November. In years past regular season record was the only factor for playoff seeding, but now a Walker System that rewards strength of schedule — a commonplace in Western Mass. — also plays into the bracket, which excites St. Denis.

"The Walker System is now here in Central Mass., so every result is big. I really hope it gives us a decent seed because we play all of our matches up [a Division or two] in our league and a lot of our non-league ones are up too, so I hope we



Daniel Hall of Quaboag shows his excitement after scoring a first half goal versus Southbridge.

get rewarded for a somewhat difficult strength of schedule," he concluded.



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# Minutemen's defense weathers the storm to defeat Worcester Tech

BY OLIVIA J. CAPPOLI SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — After legendary Bay Path Regional varsity football coach Al Dhembe retired at the end of last season, his assistant coach and now first-year head coach Matt Fall said that there were three pieces of advice Dhembe passed along to him.

First, focus on one game at a time and not take the whole season on at once.

If you're going to try and do that, you're going to stress yourself out too much," said

Second, respect your coaching staff.

Take what they have to give you and remember that you have to make the final decision," Fall noted.

And third, always respect the coach you're up against on the opposing sideline.

"Especially in this case, Worcester, their coach is a great coach. They're a well coached team and there's a lot of respect for him as well," remarked Fall.

Dhembe's advice has helped Fall lead the Minutemen to an overall record of 4-3 through the first seven games of the 2016 campaign. In that seventh game, junior quarterback Christian Keeler and the Minutemen halted Worcester Tech's (4-3) four-game winning streak with a 28-7 triumph over the Eagles on Monday, Oct. 24 at George L. Fowler Memorial Field in a rescheduled match-

On Bay Path's first possession, Keeler and junior running back Pat Dyer marched the Minutemen down the field in less than four minutes to put themselves on top 6-0 with 7:03 left in the first. With the ball on the 3-yard line, Dyer carried it into the end zone with ease.

Perhaps Worcester Tech's biggest chance to take the lead away came in the later seconds of the second quarter after Bay Path fumbled the ball at the 20-yard line. But the Minutemen defense went to work and stopped the Eagles' threat and protected their 6-0 lead as the first half closed out.

The defense stopping a surging Eagles' offense was something Fall said needed to hap-

pen.
"At that point in time, the game was still tight," he said. Obviously if Worcester Tech scores, they've got momentum going into the second half and get the ball. Our defense stiffened up when they needed to.

It was a huge play."
Fall also called the defense "coachable" for the first time this season, a definite positive sign moving forward.

'They took what we told them during halftime, took it into the second half and continued to play tough and figure it out as the game went on," he

After the Eagles went threeand-out to begin the third quarter, the Minutemen offense powered out 21 points through the third and fourth frames.



Bay Path's Pat Dyer runs through the hole created by his linemen's blocking.

Bay Path found themselves at the 1-yard line after Worcester Tech had a costly personal foul penalty go against them. Dyer ran through the Eagles' defensive line for a 1-yard touchdown run, followed by a twopoint conversion pass to put the Minutemen up, 14-0.

The Eagles continued to have their troubles when it came to being able to slow down Keeler and Dyer. On a third-and-7, Keeler cut through the Eagles' defense for a 15-yard run to put Bay Path at the 34-yard line. The offense marched six more yards down the field before senior wide receiver Ben Paquette escaped a tackle for a 10-yard gain at the 20. Keeler then connected with Dyer for a 10-yard passing score to put Bay Path up 21-0 with 2:25 left

in the third.

The Minutemen put the game away on a 1-yard run by senior running back Sam Hutchinson to up the score to 28-0 before Worcester Tech finally got themselves on the board on a 6-yard run by Steven Rivera with 44 seconds remaining in

Coming off an 8-3 season in 2015, Fall knows the pressures of keeping Bay Path's winning tradition going for seasons to

"Losing is not a fun way to go, so it's always important to try and get as many W's as you can as the year goes on," Fall said. "Sometimes it's not as easy as you'd like it to be, but I think with this type of team we have we can keep it going.'

The Bay Path defensive front was strong all game versus Worcester Tech, here sacking the quarterback.

# Extra motivation helps Bay Path boys' soccer stop Beavers in close one, 1-0



Bay Path senior Tyler Suprenant angles the ball toward the Blackstone Valley Tech end during a 1-0 victory on Monday,

**BY JON GOUIN** 

UPTON — Entering Monday, Oct. 24, both the Bay Path Regional and Blackstone Valley Tech boys' varsity soccer teams had clinched slots in the upcoming postseason tournament, but each had more to prove after the squads battled to a scoreless tie back on Oct.

This time around, while the game was played just as evenly as the first go-around, the Minutemen emerged victorious, 1-0, using a little

extra motivation than just a rivalry with their Colonial Athletic League (CAL) foes to push them over the top.

"The team found this hard because this is the first time they've ever played without [head coach] Dave Martinson,' said assistant coach Robin Catrona. "They stepped up and they dedicated this game to him, and truly, that's why they won this game — that's just the respect they have for the man."

Martinson was not patrolling the sidelines for Bay Path after having hernia surgery a few days prior, but the Minutemen used the love they hold for their coach to help propel them to a well-played win.

The game was as even as it gets through the first half, and the score indicated so, as the teams went into the break scoreless. But, early in the second half in the 43rd minute, Bay Path got on the board with a beautiful effort from a pair of great

From 45 yards out, sophomore Kevin Gonzalez fired a free kick to the front of the net where senior captain Tyler Suprenant was waiting. After a brief scrum, the senior fired the ball low and left, beating BVT keeper John Davidge to give the visitors the lead.

Despite their best efforts, the Beavers (10-2-3) and their offense never could get one past Bay Path keeper Ryan Lathrop, and the Minutemen (9-5-1) would hand them their first home loss of the campaign. Also of note, the loss stopped Valley Tech from earning a share of the CAL title.

"We'll take the good with the bad today," a disappointed but positive Valley Tech head coach Khalid Al-Haza' said afterward. "Obviously we're disappointed with the loss, but it's a teachable moment.'

Both coaches had nothing but positive things to say about their opposition and with two games played as closely as the teams have had, it was well warranted.

"They're a great team, they play so well together," Catrona said of the Beavers. "We have to bring our 'A' game every time we face them and we have the utmost respect for their program.'

"They're a tough team, they always are," Al-Haza' said of Bay Path. "They always give us a tough game and it's very tough to score on them. They took advantage of the one [scoring] chance they got. But, I think we'll see these guys again in the Vocational Tournament next week, so this was kind of like round one.'

Then the Central Mass. Division 3 district tournament awaits, where the Minutemen and Beavers could tangle once again.

'The ultimate goal is still districts," Al-Haza' said of his team's future plans, "We're still in a good spot right now as long as we refocus and



Sophomore Kevin Gonzalez of Bay Path flashes a smile toward his bench after setting up the only goal of the game on a perfectly placed free kick from 45 yards out.

regroup, and get fired up and ready to go for the playoffs."

"We clinched a spot last week, but it always bodes well to have more wins and get a better seed," Catrona noted of her squad's late season

# September real estate market update

A good economic indicator is sales to first time homebuyers, which is up to 34 percent, which is the highest level in four years, and another great indicator is that distressed sales (foreclosures and short sales) are down to only

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In the northeast, existing home sales rose 5.7 percent from last year and prices have increased 2.1 percent since September 2015. In Worcester County, home sales rose 6.8 percent year over



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but dropped about 20 percent from August to September. From September 2015 to September 2016 the average sales price rose about 9.3 percent.

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One thing I can learn from my childhood that I can apply to parenting? Never show my kids "Chucky." I would just be asking for it at that point. Gives

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# **MINOR**

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I'm not afraid to admit it startled me a few times.

So as I work late most nights, and hear my kids toss and turn, I can only imagine the kinds of things they dream about. I can only hope it's all peaceful. As parents, all we want to do is protect them from the horrific stuff this world has to offer, and protect them in a bubble of flowers and lollipops. But called upon to make it better. That's all we can do.

me the creeps...

# Tantasqua football outlasts Rams in the rain, 13-7



A day after celebrating a birthday, Bobby Mosely of Tantasqua (13) caught a pair of interceptions in the Warriors' 13-7 victory versus Northbridge.



Defender Zachary Roberts of Northbridge, left, and Isaiah Cid of Tantasqua both go after an airborne

BY NICK ETHIER

STURBRIDGE Reservation endured a lengthy rain and lightning storm last Friday evening, Oct. 21, pushing the start time of the Tantasqua Regional and Northbridge High varsity football game back 83 minutes. But the Warriors didn't mind waiting for that 8:23 start time, as they held on to defeat the Rams in a turnover filled affair, 13-7.

"That was probably the ugliest win you'll ever see on a high school football game,' Tantasqua head coach Joseph Beveridge said, what with a combined eight turnovers between the two sides including six by Northbridge.

We had so many turnovers that it's tough to win that way, but our offense has been struggling," said Rams' head coach Ken LaChapelle. "In the last three weeks we've scored zero, 10 and seven. "We're just not clicking in any way.'

The Warriors' defensive tandem of Mike Farland and Bobby Mosely — who celebrated a birthday a day prior both caught of a pair of interceptions, and the team gobbled up two more Northbridge fumbled snaps. Farland (12 carries, 40 yards) also provided the offense, rushing in for 6 and 13-yard touchdowns.

"Mike Farland had a good game. He does the important stuff," said Beveridge. "He's our fastest player on the team, so we asked him to step in at running back. He's kind of a Jack-of-all-trades, he's our Swiss Army knife. He's playing slot receiver when we need him, when someone goes does he plays running back, he plays safety, he plays linebacker, he plays nickel back on defense, so he does everything for us."

Farland's scores came on Tantasqua's first and final offensive possessions, aside from the Warriors' kneel down to end the game after John Dalton recovered the Rams' onside kick attempt. Other than the two touchdowns, though, Northbridge's defense held Tantasqua's offense in check, as quarterback Colin Eliason completed just 10 of 31 passes for 61 yards and a pair of interceptions, which were caught by Tyler Haroutunian and Jake MacNeil.

"The defense was outstanding," LaChapelle said, giving credit to defensive coach Steve Falconer.

The Warriors' lead of 6-0 held through the rainy second quarter and the now dry third period until Farland found the end zone with 1:36 to go in the foggy final frame. Cody Robert booted the extra point to make it 13-0 before Northbridge's offense finally found its rhythm.

Quarterback Jack Marzec, who injured himself on the final play of the first quarter and gave way to Mathew Remillard (1 of 6, 11 yards) for much of the second, led his team on their scoring drive. With 16 seconds to play, Marzec (14 of 33, 141 yards) hit Bryan Johnson on a 25-yard touchdown pass, and Geoffrey Reichert booted the extra point to trim the deficit down to 13-7.

But Dalton recovered the ensuing kick as the Warriors upped their record to 3-4.

'This was a huge win. It was Senior Night so you want to have the seniors having a good night, and more importantly we're fighting for that playoff spot," Beveridge said of potentially participating in the Division 2A playoffs after Week 8.

Tantasqua's final regular season contest takes place Saturday, Oct. 29 at Uxbridge High at 1 p.m.

Meanwhile, Northbridge lost its third straight and slipped to 3-4 as the offense had trouble moving the ball, whether Marzec or Remillard was calling the signals. Both players threw a pair of interceptions in the game.

"You can't put a good house



Tantasqua's Isaiah Cid cuts back into the middle of the field while carrying the ball.



Northbridge's Zachary Roberts, left, attempts to catch an interception after a pass slips past Tantasqua's Stephen Cook.

together if you keep cutting all the boards short." LaChapelle said. "You just keep plugging away, you keep practicing, and that's all we can do."

The Rams hope to even their record to 4-4 when they travel to Southbridge to face the Pioneers on Friday, Oct. 28 at



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Michael Moore: "I look forward to efforts that promote smart growth strategies for communities in central Massachusetts. Last year, the Senate considered an overhaul of the state's zoning laws, which included many ways to relieve the burdens on local officials and residents. Examples included making it easier for zoning boards to reach a quorum, and offering tools for communities to simplify regulations. While much of the lawmaking is done at the state level, my experience as a member of the Millbury Board of Selectmen still  $influences\,how\,I\,evaluate$ legislation. I know how certain mandates can make it harder for municipalities to make progress, and I plan on continuing to advocate for local control.

With more and more graduating students significant with a amount of debt, I have also filed legislation directed at making higher education in our state more affordable. In doing so, local graduates will be able to access higher education and invest money back into the area economy instead of being beholden to fulfilling expensive loan payments."

Mesfin Beshir: "I promoting support by creation iob reducing property taxes and regulations businesses; strengthening schools by opposing Common Core and students assisting recovering from abuse; and protecting public safety by supporting responsible use of the 2nd Amendment, law enforcement against illegal drugs and gangs, and judicial reform.

Invest in today and tomorrow - economic development and jobcreation policies must include measures targeting near-term job creation, mediumterm development, and long-term growth. This includes infrastructure projects that put our district residents to immediately, policies that nurture key industries, and investments in education for sustained growth."

The opioid crisis has worsened statewide in recent years. What measures would vou implement to help combat the crisis?

Mesfin Beshir: "We have to be able implement comprehensive strategy at the state and local level to address the heroin and opioid crisis and help save lives. These steps include cracking down on drug dealers and supporting effective

law enforcement efforts. expanding drug courts as an effective alternative to incarceration, and providing state funding for prevention, treatment and recovery programs."

Michael Moore: "Many of us have lost a friend, neighbor or family member to addiction, or know someone impacted by its destructive force. As a legislator, and as a parent, I recognize that we cannot succeed at repelling this epidemic and reducing the risk to our families until we confront the realities of this challenge and ensure that adequate resources are made available. Earlier this year, I was proud to support the passage comprehensive legislation to enhance substance abuse prevention efforts in the Commonwealth. The new law strengthens intervention, prevention and education efforts, including the creation of a framework to evaluate and treat patients who present in emergency rooms with an apparent overdose. The new law also includes a provision that I sponsored to prohibit the possession, sale or manufacturing of powdered alcohol, which has become a growing issue across the country. While many steps remain in the ongoing fight against the opioid crisis, legislation that I have supported in the Senate seeks to provide a long-term approach to curbing this epidemic."

What experiences and accomplishments in government or business prepare you best for the challenges that lie ahead?

Michael Moore: "I have devoted my entire adult life to public service. As a former law enforcement officer, environmental investigator, and town selectman, I have a record of giving back to my community and those I represent. Since being elected to serve in the State Senate, I have worked hard for local residents, including legislation filing το protect nurses and other healthcare workers from assault, securing funding for various area transportation projects, and supporting efforts to address the issues of drugged driving and sexual assaults on college campuses.'

Mesfin Beshir: "Eight years ago I created the Ethiopian Dream Center/CMMAP, Inc., where every day with love and compassion I strive to help our clients find jobs and housing. immigration program assists newly arriving immigrants navigatetheimmigration system, with legal issues and social adjustment issues. Our Community Healthcare Network Program works with

violence, individuals with mental health issues, people who are living with HIV/AIDS and offers free medical case management for the residents of Green Island. Our support groups bring people together, and we do it because we believe it is something we can give to help build a stronger community. I have contributed to the program without local, state or federal funding but instead with the help of others who believe in what we do.

have ability to initiate and accomplish tasks and consistently contribute in multitasking and time management. I have excellent experience with community management staff, minority groups, equally comfortably dealing with individuals and groups."

What areas are you most impressed with in the district? How can we ensure that these sectors continue to thrive?

Mesfin Beshir: "The welcoming attitude and encouragement of the people in the 2nd Worcester District is impressive. They care about jobs and infrastructure like roads. I am ready to roll with the most important issues that matter to the voters."

Moore: Michael "Contributions area higher education institutions help to strengthen the vibrancy and strength of the region. With more than a dozen colleges universities central the area. Massachusetts is widely regarded as a growing higher education hub. While the number of manufacturing jobs in the region has declined during the past several decades, the district has embraced an innovation economy to help provide manufacturing jobs for a new generation local residents. of Startup incubators have started to sprout up in areas of Worcester, surrounding communities are well underway with exploring new opportunities commercial for development. In order to sustain this growth, it is important for the region to foster a skilled workforce and provide access to education. As the Senate Chair for Joint Committee on Higher Education, I spend a lot of time thinking about how our education system can be used to address the workforce gaps facing Massachusetts now and in the future. One thing that has become clear is the ongoing need for unified efforts from our education system,

businesses and our state

government to create a

victims of domestic business environment that stimulates success."

> In talking with residents, what are some of their greatest concerns? What are the most common issues they would like to see addressed?

> Michael Moore: "Understandably, the economy is a primary for concern most residents of the 2nd Worcester District. In an effort to increase economic prosperity, am committed to relieving unnecessary placed on burdens the individuals and small businesses. As former selectman, I also understand the economic needs of local communities. I am proud to have supported common sense reforms such as the 'Fair Share Contribution' fix, and legislation to assist with streamlining small business registration. Combined, these efforts help to strengthen the economic outlook for central Massachusetts and the Commonwealth by allowing for continued job growth and a sustained economic recovery.

> Access to quality education also continues to be a concern for many families in the district. The relationship between early education and higher education is critical to helping students succeed in the 21st Century. As such, I support efforts to expand access to quality early education and increased local aid to strengthen our public schools. I will continue to advocate for increasing the salary rate for early educators to help hire and retain highly qualified teachers. In an effort to make the prospect of college graduation more attainable, I also support policies that enhance services for students and families. This includes reducing the high cost of tuition and fees, and expanding opportunities for transferring course credits."

Mesfin Beshir: 'Maintaining tne infrastructure like roads and potholes, trash, public safety, lack of jobs and public service in the towns."

What are some of the most significant differences between your vision for the district and your opponent's plan? What makes your plan the right one for central Massachusetts communities?

Mesfin Beshir: "I practice what I like 'collaborative to call bringing politics' people together to make heard voices their and our communities better. My campaign is about bringing together people from all walks of life across the district — people who believe that, working together, we can build a better Massachusetts everyone. Mesfin Beshir: Independent, integrity; real-world experience; for the common people; individual thinker; positive change."

Michael Moore: think my record of engaging with local officials and residents sets me apart. During my time in the Legislature, I have learned how important it is to be able to advocate for the many needs of a community. Over the past eight years, I have consistently reached out to town managers, police and fire chiefs, school superintendents, business leaders and other members of the community to solicit input. By developing strong working relationships with these individuals, I am better able to advocate for the needs of the district.

I also approach issues objectively. If there is a good idea proposed to solve an issue, then, for me, that's the logical choice - regardless if a Republican or Democrat championed that idea. I am open to working with any member of the Legislature who, like me, is committed to solving issues facing Commonwealth. our Throughout my travels across the 2nd Worcester District, I listen to the needs of residents and those are the needs I fight for on Beacon Hill.

Even within district, there countless different needs. By keeping an open mind and staying connected to the community, I know that my priorities will match those of the people I represent."

Thinking long term, what are some of your goals for the district beyond a year's time?

Michael Moore: "I believe that it is important to develop the economicpossibilities for central Massachusetts. The state has fared pretty well since the recession several years ago. Our unemployment rate is down, and other indicators show that there is great potential for new industries to succeed here.

However, much of the development has been focused in the city of Boston, and the surrounding area. The local economy was once based on the traditional manufacturing industry. Even though those jobs are unlikely to return, there is still a huge need for modern, skilled workers to meet the needs of our growing economy. Lifesciences and advanced manufacturingrepresent innovative industries, which can benefit central Massachusetts decades to come. These jobs require skilled and educated workers, and also provide competitive salaries and benefits for local residents. Best of all, we can use our higher education advantages to build this workforce and our communities.

Ialso have a high degree of confidence that public safety will continue to remain a top priority of the Legislature. While we cannot preempt all possible threats, we certainly make every possible effort. The diligent service of our public safety personnel continue to make the eight communities in the Second Worcester District and beyond a safe place to live and work. I will support all efforts which maintain the trust that residents of Massachusetts have for law enforcement's ability to ensure everyone's safety."

Beshir: Mesfin "To build a working Massachusetts rebuild the middle class. we need to take control of our own destiny. We cannot rely on a series of blue ribbon commissions and oneoff policy initiatives without a unifying strategy to create long-term prosperity. When elected, I will be announcing a set of specific policy proposals focused on the following:

1. First steps toward building a working Massachusetts

Education and workforce development Reforming government."

What legislators or community members have had the greatest impact on your career to date?

Mesfin Beshir: "My foster mother, Edith Morgan, has had a great influence since I came to USA. She never gave up on me and taught me that everyone has something to give for their community and beyond."

Michael Moore: "While many people have had an impact on my career, there is one person who I have continued to look up to throughout my life, and who serves as a source of inspiration that I can only hope to emulate one day. That person is my father. As a small business owner, community advocate. WWII and Korean War veteran, I deeply admire my father's positive contributions to the lives of anyone who knew him. While he may not have gained notoriety outside of the neighborhood or town where I grew up, my father was a hard worker who was resilient in the face of adversity and the type of person who dedicated their life, however subtly, to serving others.'

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# Area towns roll out early voting hours

# EARLY VOTING

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and their staffs to take on added demands. Officials are asking residents to be patient over the coming week, as many towns don't have the funding to secure additional staff members to facilitate early voting.

"In addition to early voting, town clerks still have to handle all of the regular daily demands," said Uxbridge Town Clerk Kelly Dumas, who will be joined by two assistants in running early voting operations.

In addition to holding early voting during its regular business hours, Uxbridge will also host a special Saturday session (Oct. 29 from 8 a.m. to noon). Town officials are estimating about 500 residents to take advantage of early voting, but a first-time process is always difficult to predict, they said.

In Auburn, Town Clerk Debra Gremo sees both the

pros and cons of early voting. Without knowing how many residents would attend early voting hours, it was a challenge to decide which section of Town Hall to use for the process. Moreover, town clerks throughout the area didn't know which days to expect peak numbers of guests so they could plan accordingly. With no experience in handling early voting, they had to prepare for many contingencies.

Additionally, extra costs for staffing early voting also came into play in Auburn. But Gremo also recognizes the benefits to early voting and the opportunity to bring more people to the polls.

"We have no idea what the turnout will be - however, I think there will be many voters who will vote early," Gremo told the Auburn News in advance of early voting. "I think one of the pros for early voting is that voters get

vote, and it is more convenient for the voters. Sometimes it isn't easy for voters to make it to the polling place."

Early voting in Auburn will run from Oct. 24 through Nov. 4 at Town Hall (104 Central Street). Dates and times are as

- Monday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. • Tuesday – Thursday: 8 a.m.
- Friday: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to Early voting times and

locations in the Spencer New Leader towns are listed below: Brookfield – Regular Hours: Monday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Hall, 6 Central

Street. East Brookfield - Regular Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Monday, 6-8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours:

to choose the day they want to Oct. 27: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to Noon; Nov. 3: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Town Clerk's Office, 122 Connie Mack Drive.

North Brookfield - Regular Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, 12 noon to 3 p.m., Tuesday evening, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 25: 9a.m. to 8p.m.; Oct.27: 9a.m. to 3p.m.; Oct. 28: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to noon; Nov. 1: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Nov. 3: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Nov. 4: 9 a.m. to noon, town clerk's office, 215 North Main Street.

West Brookfield - Regular Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Tuesday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 29: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Town Hall, 2 East Main Street.

Leicester – Regular Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 25, until 8 p.m.,

Oct. 29: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Nov. 1 until 8 p.m.; Nov. 4: 9 a.m. to noon, Town Hall, 3 Washburn Square.

• Spencer – Regular Hours: Monday- Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Additional Early Voting Hours: Oct. 26: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Oct. 29: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Nov. 2: 6 p.m. to 8p.m.; Nov. 4: 8 a.m. to noon, Town Hall, 157 Main Street.

Absentee voting will still be available for registered voters who qualify (only those who will be absent from their city or town on Election Day, or have a disability or religious belief that prevents them from going to the polls).

In future years, early voting will only be available for biennial state elections, not for primaries, special elections or local elections.

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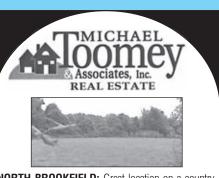
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# OLICE LOGS

The arrests and offenses below were listed in each town's police department logs. People charged are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. This newspaper will publish dispensations of cases at the request of the accused, with prop-

# SPENCER POLICE **DEPARTMENT**

Kristina M. Chevrette, 40, 54 Main St., Spencer, possess Class E substance, Warrant arrest

Roberto Carlos Roman, 31, 20 Maple St., Spencer, Warrant

Oct. 13

Kristin F. Rizzuti, 30, Homeless, Worcester, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, Warrant arrest

Raymond Hutchinson Jr., 60, 100 Wild Wood Rd., East Brookfield, OUI liquor, operation of a motor vehicle with intent to endanger, Arrest

# Taste of Leicester a delicious fundraiser for local pantry

**TASTE** 

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made by several restaurants and businesses taking part in the event. Each food provider offered 300 portions of their staff's favorite appetizer, entrée or dessert to be showcased in the competition.

The following restaurants and businesses were featured at the event: B-Laws Diner, Barber's Crossing, Cakes by Carol, Choey Lee, Creative Catering, Eller's Restaurant, Good Guys Pizza, Hillcrest Country Club, Karol's Corner Take-Out, Leicester Country Club, Pleasant Street Diner, Nazareth Home, Northeast Pizza, Subway, and Uncle Jay's Twisted Fork.

After a careful review by guests, the following participants were selected as winners across four categories:

· Best Appetizer: Nazareth Home - Chef Russell Tavares (chicken corn chowder)

• Best Entree: Eller's Restaurant – Chef Shane Anderson (pasta cordon bleu)

Best Dessert: Cakes - Baker Carol by Carol Watterson (marble cake with buttercream frosting)

• Top Chef: Nazareth Home – Chef Russell Tavares

For Leicester Food Pantry director Cheryl Cooney, it meant a lot to receive strong support for the first-year event, which drew over 300 guests to try out Leicester's finest foods.

'The Taste of Leicester was a huge success – it sold out, had great food, and was a lot of fun," said Cooney, who has served as director of the food pantry for 15 years.

Food demand is always at its height during the holiday season, so it's important for the food pantry to receive support from the community as it prepares for the increased demand. In total,

the event raised over \$7,000 for the food pantry, which will be used for a variety of purposes, including purchasing a new storage freezer and preparing holiday food baskets.

Eller's Restaurant executive chef Shane Anderson, who is a member of St. Joseph-St. Pius X Church (which houses the food pantry), was excited to take part in the event. And not only did he participate, but he and his assistant, Gabe Smith, took home the top prize for best entrée with a signature pasta cordon bleu.

"It was a really fun experience and an awesome turnout there and take first place was excellent, and we were able to raise a lot of money for the food pantry.

The Leicester Food Pantry, a ministry of St. Joseph-St. Pius X Church, is housed in the church hall. It currently provides food each month to 200 individuals and families in town, many of them seniors. With Thanksgiving and Christmas only one month apart, the budget is typically stressed each fall, when the pantry relies heavily on donations.

In addition to food samling, the Oct. 15 event also featured a cash bar, Big Daddy Dombrowski as the tickets to see David Ortiz at available to take home. Mechanics Hall, a holiday basket, a Cooper's Farm gift basket, and a New England Patriots tailgating package, among others.

The event was coordinat-X Fundraising Committee, chaired by Harry Brooks.

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# SENIOR SCENE

Monday, Oct. 31: Beef with onion and pepper, potato wedges, coleslaw, vogurt

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Tuesday, Nov. 1: Chicken with asparagus, del Monico potatoes, honey glazed carrots, mixed fruit, tomato rice soup

Wednesday, Nov. 2: American chop suey, broccoli and red peppers, baked apples

Thursday, Nov. 3: Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, cold potato salad, fresh fruit

Friday, Nov. 4: Catch of the Day, rice pilaf, California veggies, pudding/diet pudding

#### LEICESTER SENIOR **CENTER**

The Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave., Leicester, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch is served at noontime, Monday through Friday for a nominal meal donation of \$2.50. Reservations must be made 48 hours in advance by calling Elder Services of Worcester Area at 508-852-3205.

In addition to many "Special Events," the senior center also offers many activities that are repeated each week and are open to all.

• Mondays — 9 a.m., Art with Genevieve; 10 a.m., Zumba Gold; 11 a.m., Yoga; 1:15 p.m., Line Dancing

• Tuesdays — 11:30 a.m., Golden Needles; 1 p.m., Exercise Club; 6:30 p.m., Fiber Group

Wednesdays — 1 p.m., Balance Thursdays — 10 a.m.,

Cribbage; 11 a.m., Yoga; 12:45 p.m., Bingo • Fridays — 10:30 a.m., Tai Chi;

1 p.m., Chair Yoga by Jessica Saturdays — 7 p.m., Pitch

#### **UPCOMING TRIPS**

Call Joan Wall at 508-892-3967 for more information and reser-

· Indian Head Christmas Tour out," Anderson said. "To get in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Thursday, Nov. 10, \$79 includes buffet, welcome cocktail reception, open bar, and Christmas show.

• Foxwood Casino: Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, \$25 free buffet lunch and \$10 casino slot play.

· Foxwood Casino: Friday, Feb. 10, 2017, \$25 free buffet lunch and \$10 casino slot play.

Foxwood Casino: Friday. March 10, 2017, \$25 free buffet lunch and \$10 casino slot play.

#### NORTH BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

# ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Daily: Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. DJ, a 50/50 raffle, and prize Coffee available all day. Pitch raffles. Prizes included a and Cribbage all day until clos-Boston Red Sox package with ing. Jigsaw table open. Puzzles

· Monday: Line Dancing with J.P. (9:30 a.m.), Bingo (12:45-2:15 p.m.), free refreshments following last call.

Tuesday: Hannaford Bread Distribution (9:10 a.m.), Blood ed by the St. Joseph-St. Pius Pressure Clinic (10:30-11:30 a.m.) Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See menu for details. Community Tai Chi, 2:15

• Wednesday: Corner Cafe: (9:15 a.m.), Free specialty coffee &

#### baked goodies; Queen's Knitting Group (9:45 a.m.), Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See

menu for details. · Thursday: Community Yoga, 2:15 p.m., \$5.

• Friday: Funday Fridays

#### MONTHLY SPECIALS · Foot Clinic: First Wednesday,

every month (9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) Friends Meeting: Second Monday every month (10:30 a.m.) COA Meeting, second

Monday every month (4 p.m.) · Nails by Candy: Third Tuesday every month (9 a.m. -12

#### SPECIAL EVENTS **PROGRAMS**

• Friday, Oct. 28 (10-11:30 a.m.) – Paint and Van Gogh with Michelle from "Imagine That," Acrylic on Canvas fall themed project. Cost: \$5. Includes all materials and refreshments. Registration required.

#### WEST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

The following is a schedule of events at the West Brookfield Senior Center:

• Mondays: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1:30 p.m., Yoga (drop in, \$5).

• Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., Wii; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Busy Bees knit and crochet.

• Wednesday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Veteran Agent Office Hours; 10 a.m., Blood Pressure (second Wednesday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Pitch.

• Thursday: 8:30 a.m., Tai Chi; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1 p.m., Genealogy (second Thursday).

· Friday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Coffee Hour (third Friday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:45 p.m., Duplicate Bridge.

#### SPENCER SENIOR CENTER

The Spencer Council on Aging activities at the Spencer Senior Center. The senior center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Free Blood Pressure Clinic on the last Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

Free wellness clinic on the second Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on the last Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., for Spencer residents only.

· Monday: 9:30 a.m., Cribbage, cost is \$1

• Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., Yoga (13week session), \$15 for resident \$20 non-residents; 10:30 a.m. Exercise (13-week session), \$15 for residents \$20 for non-residents; 11:30 a.m. Lunch (48 nours notice required); 1 p.m., Bingo.

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., Computer instruction by appointment, free; 11 a.m., Tai Chi (13-week session) \$10 for residents, \$15 for non residents; 12:30 p.m., Line Dancing (13week session), \$10 for residents, \$15 for non residents; 1:30 p.m., Beginners Line Dancing (13week session), \$10 for residents, \$15 for non-residents.

Thursday: 9:30 a.m., Yoga, no fee if enrolled in Tuesday class; 10:30 a.m., Exercise, no fee if enrolled in Tuesday class; 11:30 a.m., Lunch (48 hour notice); 1 p.m., Bingo.

 Spencer Council on Aging Foxwoods Trip — Wednesday, Nov. 2, leaves Big Y 8 a.m., leaves Foxwoods at 4 p.m. for return trip and arrive by 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$23 (non-refundable) checks to Town of Spencer by Oct. 20. No refunds. Sign up at the senior

· SHINE Presentation at the Spencer Senior Center -Monday, Oct. 24, at 1 p.m. Be prepared for Medicare A, B, C and D open enrollment.

#### **BROOKFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING**

The Brookfield Council on Aging will not be meeting this November due to the fact that our usual date falls on Election Day and we expect the parking areas will be busy most of the day. Therefore, the Council, as well as the next senior meeting, will be held Dec. 13. Citizens interested in joining the Council, call Barbara Clancy (508-867-

Tai Chi classes will continue to meet each Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Brookfield Town Hall. Stretch your muscles and joints as well as keeping your body flexible. Come and try it! You are also invited to the West Brookfield Senior Center every Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m. for more Tai Chi. Join them too!

Foot Clinic: The Foot Clinic will be held as always at the Brookfield Town Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 1:30 p.m. Please call Rikki LaMonda at 508-867-4578 to make an appointment. Leave a message if neces-

Medi Car: the Medi Car is available for doctor appointments (there and back). Please call 508-867-1407 at the W. Brookfield Senior Center.

Brookfield Food Pantry: Open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the basement of St. Mary's Church, located at the rear of the building off Howard St. The library is also a drop off point for donations to the Brookfield Food Pantry.

Laptops at Library: Laptops from the C.O.A. are provided for use by Seniors at the Merrick Public Library during open

#### EAST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Would you like a day of fun? Come on down to the East Brookfield Senior Center! It is opened at 9:30 a.m. for a free coffee and muffin, lots of friendly conversation and laughs.

We need your participation and ideas. Enjoy a card game, cribbage, coloring in an adult coloring book or do a puzzle. Do you prefer knitting, crocheting or embroidery? Bring it down and share patterns. Would you like to do some creative writing or memoirs? You could also learn a new game. Try it - you might like it.

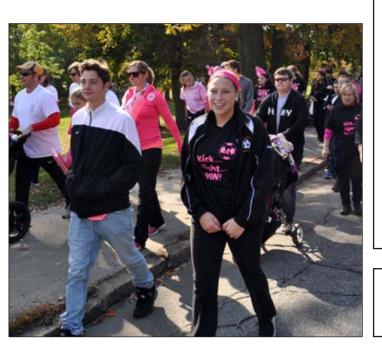
Opened first, third and fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A Tri-Valley lunch is available for \$3 (call Ginny Allen at 508-867-2741 for reservations). A terrific home cooked luncheon is available for \$4 the fourth Thursday of each month (call Judy Shute at 508-867-9224).

# Bay Path students walk against cancer



Courtesy photos WORCESTER — On Sunday, Oct. 16, the Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School Boys' and Girls' JV and Varsity soccer teams walked in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk in Worcester at Institute Park next to WPI. Along with the players and their parents, Superintendent-Director John Lafleche and Principal Clifford Cloutier, they walked with thousands of other people to help raise money to fight breast cancer.





# **NEWS BRIEFS**

# **MA State Police** Association endorses Caissie

The Massachusetts State Police Association recently endorsed Jen Caissie for re-election to the Governor's Council.

In endorsing Caissie, the MSPA stated "Based on our review of your experience and commitment to public safety, our membership wholeheartedly believes the Commonwealth and the residents of the 7th District, specifically, will be best served by your re-election.

In receiving the endorsement, Caissie said, "It is truly an honor to receive this vote of confidence by the over 2,000 men and women of the Massachusetts State Police. I will continue to thoroughly vet judicial nominees to help ensure they understand that public safety must be their paramount concern as a judge.'

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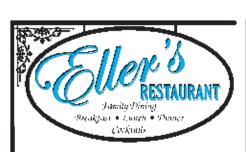


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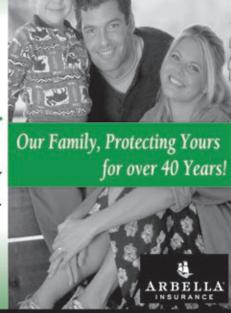
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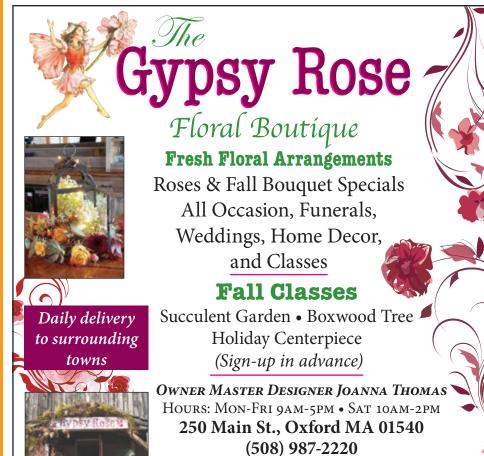
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## (Suggested topics for November)

- 1. What are you most thankful for?
- 2. November 3rd is National Men Make Dinner Day... guys, what is your favorite recipe?
- 3. Share your neighborhood memories growing up. How was your childhood different from today's standards, your kids', your grandkids', etc?
- 4. Topic of your choice

For more information or to submit for next month, email jsima@stonebridgepress.com or call 508.909.4062

# The Next Write Stuff Will Publish On November 25. **Deadline For Submissions Is** Friday, Nov. 18.

Thank you to Lamoureux Ford of East Brookfield for continuing to be a sponsor of The Write Stuff... it's "Where Friends Send Their Friends!' Also thank you to this month's authors for participating in our 15th Season!

We hope that you will join us again in November, and encourage others to write as well. This is a great class project, senior center project, or for anyone who enjoys writing and sharing your thoughts.

#### WHEN I WAS TWO!

#### BY WILLIAM H. ADELS, SPENCER, MA

All my life, as I remember, my family has had friendly large dogs. The first one was a large German Shepherd I remember hi watch or guarding when I took my daily outside bath. My tub was a beautiful pastel blue on the inside. I even had a yellow rubber duckie which was shared with my doggie friend. I usually had my bath in the afternoon because my mother, who was always saving energy, used the sun to warm the water, and did a lot of splashing so my bath ended when half the water was gone.

After my bath, my mother dried me off and I headed to the dog house. My daily nap was taken with the dog in his dog house. My mother was OK with this for some reason and about two hours later, the dog and I would come up the flagstone

When I was five years old in the year 1940, the Army came to visit us. They heard we had a German Shepherd dog and wanted to see him. Although it was a confusing moment for us, they said they wanted to see him (the dog) in action. When they saw him climb over an eight foot chain link fence, they said they needed him for the war effort. The result was sadness in a way, but we felt it was our way of supporting the country's war effort. We never heard anything about him or whether he lived or died. Needless to say, we put a cross out by our chicken coop.

#### **BARRUS-**PARTY OF 12

BY JUNE BARRUS KEMP, LEICESTER, MA

I picked up the newspaper and noticed there was going to be a yard sale at the farm on Baldwin Street, Leicester where I grew up. I told one of my sisters and husband and the three of us headed up first thing Saturday morning, not that we needed anything, but this would be the first time back there on the property since 1990. Back then it was close to thirty acres, now it is divided up into houses and lots, barely recognizable. In my head, I could see us tobogganing down the big hill out back of the barn, were many sledding parties existed over the years. It wasn't all fun and games though, farm life was very hard but very rewarding just the same. My sister Laura and I were in charge of the chickens, feeding twice a day and collecting fresh eggs, making sure there was always fresh water, no matter what time of the year. My brother Bobby was in charge of milking the cows, twice a day, we always had fresh milk. I could see the beaten path down to the barn from the house that we trotted several times a day when the water froze in the barn and we had to lug bucket after bucket of water to each cow. One sip and a complete pail of water would be gone in seconds and we'd have to go back to the house for another and another and another. Walking down to the barn in freezing cold, icy weather was a challenge in itself, if we made it without spilling it, it was a miracle. I could see the fields that my Father had us hay, he'd be driving his 1944 Case Tractor as we would throw pitchforks full of hay onto the hay wagon. This went on all summer, for

ter months. Our garbage went to our pigs we raised in the summer months and butchered in the late Autumn. Lots of the fields were used to garden each summer season, we grew just about everything there was to grow. When those Burpee seeds came in during early spring, we'd be hoeing fields to plant gardens galore. Cukes, corn, tomatoes, radishes, summer squash, green beans, peppers, beets, and anything else that would grow in New England. My sister and I would sell the vegetables in the late summer to earn money for new school clothes. If we had a good year, we dressed nice, if not, same old clothes over and over again. We had a gentleman customer one day who stopped to buy a dozen ears of corn, he said, "Make it a baker's dozen please." We were just kids, no idea what the man was talking about, so we excused ourselves, ran into the house, and filled up a brown bag with cupcakes. I can just image to this day what he thought of us, besides, we always threw in an extra ear of corn to everyone's order in case an ear had worms. Growing up farming was a hard life, we didn't have much time for anything else, but looking back on all of this, it made us the adults we are today, hard workers.

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#### **OCTOBER**

BY DEBORAH GREGOIRE-LEFEBVRE, SOUTHBRIDGE, MA

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#### **MEMORIES OF** *PODUNK SCHOOL*

BY EVA E. PERRON, EAST BROOKFIELD, MA

A number of years ago, a lady who attended Podunk School shared some stories with me of the one room school. Perhaps her story will bring back memories to some people, and might shock some of today's students.

The one room school was situated about three and a half miles from the center of Est Brookfield on the westerly side of what is now officially called Podunk Road. According to the lady's story, the superintendent and school nurse visited at times, and some years we had an art teacher and sewing instructor. The older boys went to Hodgkin's School for manual

training classes. The school that had been in use for many years closed in the 1930's after which we children were transported by bus to Hodgkin's School. Later, the Podunk School was purchased by a couple, moved up the hill

and today is a private residence. Podunk School consisted of one large room, a small entry room where we hung our coats, and a windowless supply room. There was only one outside

In the front of the north end of the room was our teacher's desk and a fairly large wood stove. Facing these was the children's desks in rows, ranging in size from the smallest in front to the largest in the back. Pictures and charts adorned the walls.

We had the same books as other schools. Most students ended up at the high school, trade school, or some even far-

School began promptly at nine with the ringing of a hand bell. Classes began with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. There were never snow days or one sessions.

There was no central heat, no electricity, no running water, and no telephones or radio. But we did have the wood stove, two small buildings in the back of the school, and a spring at the foot of the hill. We didn't realize

we were under-privileged.

The bigger boys had the task of "going to the spring" to bring back the daily water supply. There was a dipper and each child had his and her own drinking cup. Girls and younger boys had chores such as sharpening pencils, brushing up crumbs, erasing chalk boards, clapping erasers, and helping first and second graders with buttons and boots.

Games - We had two see saws, one swing, and many trees pines and maples for climbing and birches made for swinging. In the winter, we took our sleds to school, and a couple of youngsters were lucky enough to have skis. The usual games of hide and seek, marbles, jump ropes, red rover, and fox and geese. A favorite place to hide was a shallow dry well nearby. Unfortunately, it wasn't as shallow as thought and while two boys were hiding in it, the bottom dropped. They were able to climb out, unhurt. After that, the well was off limits. A couple of times when the boys got wet in a pond, their clothes had to be dried out on the stove.

Field Trips – yes, there were field trips – looking and identifying birds; the same for wild flowers and trees. Sometimes, going to a small pond for frog eggs which we brought back, put in fern b owls to hatch. These trips were very near to homes and cost nothing. There were lots of falls from trees, over stone walls, and skinned knees were the order of the day.

One room schools would be frowned upon by today's standards, but we got an early education that served us well; we made many friends and had lots of fun.

The gracious and knowledgeable lady who shared stories with me was Elizabeth Putnam Macia and her mother. Mrs. Putnam, was the Podunk School teacher. Today, many East Brookfield residents who were taught by Mrs. Putnam at Hodgkin's school speak fondly of her and have lots of memo-

Betty told me more stories about lunch boxes, entertainment, spelling and reading contests, and graduations. Happy memories sustain us and are fun to share.

(The Write Stuff would love to share more stories like this each month! Thank you, Eva, for sharing!)

## The Simplest Way to Write a Rhyming Poem

BY TYLER PERRON, NEW BRAINTREE, MA **KEYSTONE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL** 

First, start with a word that rhymes very well. A bell? A shell? Or maybe a

farewell? Write all this down! Leave no

word unchecked!

Then gather all notes in a neat little deck. Brainstorm ideas! Arrange

them in sentences! Repeat and repeat in a hasty relentlessness!

Don't get lost in the details, just write very quick!

You'll find that this method is

a neat little trick. It opens the mind,

Allows you to find. Words that have rhymes of a

similar kind. Uh oh it seems were stuck in

a bind! Quickly we must gather our thoughts and rewind!

same type of rhyme, Throughout the whole poem

It is in bad taste to use the

every single time. For example look three lines

above, You'll see a very nice rhyme... well... sort of.

Nevermind! Back to the les-Continue to write in a passive

aggression! Now it seems you got quite

the hang of it! Most words are simple to rhyme...Umm Halibut!

#### **MEMORIES OF ST.** MARY'S SCHOOL, **SPENCER**

BY JUNE (CARROLL) SIMAKAUSKAS

Back in the 1960's, in the town of Spencer, you had the choice of going to public school, or attending a parochial Catholic school, St. Mary's School on Maple Street. My parents chose the latter for my twin sister and I. We began in Kindergarten and remained here until we went to David Prouty High School after nine years of parochial education. The Sisters of the Assumption (out of Petersham) taught each grade with the exception of a few lay teachers, but the majority of teachers were nuns. Friendships were formed in Kindergarten that remain to this day. We were taught religion daily, went to Mass on the first Friday of the month, and all the girls wanted to be nuns in the 2nd grade after a field trip to the main convent

The school day began with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance. We wore uniforms...the dreaded plaid skirt, blue vest. and white shirt. Most rolled up the skirts when they were off school property as the skirts had to fall at the knees, at a time when much shorter shirts were the trend. We were taught French by sisters who really couldn't speak English, which was very confusing, and even after nine years or so of French in grammar school, and two more years in High School, I still can't speak the language. At home my mother spoke "Canadian" French, which was different from the French we were learning in school, which was even more confusing. We had a very strong English background...I remember the importance of spelling and sentence structure (who knew many years later we'd have spell & grammar check!), and the tall silver pens we used for penmanship...but unfortunately we were lacking in algebra and science, being taught in the junior high public school at that time, making us a bit behind in these classes in high school (oops this may be a run-on sentence!) I recall memorizing "Facts to Remember" in Geography, loving art class and the projects we did....like drawing caricatures, working with pastels and big fat crayons, and building castles with cardboard tubes. Music was a big part of the curriculum and I still remember the piano lessons (our hands were smacked with a ruler if our knuckles were too high (or

were they not high enough?), choir rehearsal, playing the guitar at Mass, and the Spring recitals where we wore pretty dresses (mom probably made them, as she made most of our clothes), after which we would be rewarded with a trip to the Castle Restaurant's ice cream stand.

Punishment for school infractions would not coincide with what is appropriate today. I remember if you were caught chewing gum, you would have to stick it on your nose and stand in the corner or in the back of the room. Humiliation was part of the punishment. Talking in class may have resulted in drawing a circle on the blackboard and having to stand with your nose in the circle. I remember eraser smacking was something we wanted to do to help the nuns, but it may have been used as a punishment too. Teacher's "pets" always sat at the front of the room and were given first choice of prizes at the end of the school year.

Recess and "gym" were in the school yard and consisted of jump rope...we were great at double-dutch, Chinese jumprope, jingle-jump, hula hoops, red rover, and most games that didn't involve any gym equipment because we didn't have any. We were at a definite disadvantage when we got to high school as we didn't experience trampolines, rings, ropes, or any normal gym equipment. We also didn't have sports and although some students went on to play sports in high school, I bet the percentage of those who came from St. Mary's versus public school was much lower.

The paved school yard, where we had recess, was divided with the boys side and the girls side, and I'm sure there was a punishment for crossing this invisible divide, but most of us didn't attempt to cross the line, as most wanted to be "good" as that's what we were supposed to be. Sex education in 7th grade was ironically taught by priests (to the boys) and nuns (to the girls) and was followed by much awkwardness when we saw the opposite sex for the first time after those "talks."

The cafeteria food was good at St. Mary's and cost 25 cents a day. I remember the orange cheese and the black olives always on the tables, and the yummy apple crisp.

I remember the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962 when we were instructed to hide under our desks, and when President Kennedy was assassinated in 1963...both events were very frightening for 1st & 2nd grad-

These are just a few of my memories, as accurate as memory serves me, of attending St. Mary's School in the 1960's. I am grateful that my parents chose this route for my grammar school education as it instilled in me a very strong faith in God, a good moral compass, and some great life-long friendships.

I'm sure many of our readers have their own memories that I would love to share in a future WRITE STUFF! Please share your memories of school. childhood, playing sports as a kid, etc. Please email to me at jsima@stonebridgepress.com by Friday, November 18 to be published in the November 25th issue. OR mail your handwritten (legibly please) to me at June Simakauskas, The Write

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# **CALENDAR**

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## Saturday, Oct. 29

WEBSTER

Harvest Fair — The Ladies of Philotochos Society of St Constantine & Helen invites you to their annual Autumn Boutique Craft Fair and Bake Sale. There will be a variety of delicious pastries for sale including, baklava, pita, and sweet bread, in addition to several craft and boutique tables, offering beautiful and unique items for purchase.

Where: Sts. Constantine & Helen, 35 Lake Parkway, Webster

When: Saturday, Oct. 29 Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

# Wednesday, Nov. 2

DUDLEY

Fellowship Meal-Soup Kitchen at St. Andrew Bobola Church Hall, 54 West Main St, Dudley, from 5-6 p.m. Free hot meals to anyone in need. All are welcome. Join us for great food, fellowship, and fun!

## Sunday, Nov. 6

AUBURN

St. Joseph Polish Women's Club of Webster is sponsoring "Fall Into Fashion," a Fashion Show/Vendor Event to be held at J. Anthony's Italian Grill, 917 Southbridge Street, Auburn, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors will start selling at 11 a.m. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m., and the Fashion Show at 2 p.m. Family Style Dinner will include salad, rolls and butter, rigatoni and meatballs, roasted chicken, roasted potatoes and vegetables, dessert, coffee and tea. Fashions to be presented by Coco's Cottage of Woodstock Conn., and Macy's of Auburn. Books of Lottery Instant Tickets and Special Gifts will be raffled off. Admission for the event is \$30 and tickets may be purchased by calling JoAnn Canty, 508-943-8587; Jill Manak, 508-943-1810; Barbara Kryger, 508-943-2253; or Patty Williams, 508-943-8455. The St. Joseph Polish Women's Club is a supporter of St. Joseph School in Webster.

# DUDLEY

Veterans Day Service — Sunday, Nov. 6, this year, the Veterans Day Service will be held at the First Congregational Church of Dudley, 135 Center Road, Dudley. Reverend John White and his congregation invite all Veterans residing on the Webster-Dudley area to commemorate Veterans Day with the on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 10 a.m., the Sunday preceding Veterans Day.

Veterans and auxiliaries, bearing their colors, will assemble on the road leading to the church at 9:30 a.m. At 9:55 a.m. preceded by their national and organization colors, they will march into the church, where they will be directed to reserved pews by a member of the congregation.

Webster and Dudley Veterans and auxiliaries take this moment to publicly thank Reverend White and his congregation for inviting them to commemorate Veterans Day in the "Reverend Church on the Hill"!

## Monday, Nov. 7

**DUDLEY** 

Celebrating one year of Families Helping Families Support Group! Join us to celebrate our anniversary of supporting and assisting families and their addicted loved ones. Speaker: Kristin Birch, Head of Substance Abuse, YOU, Inc. followed by casual get-together with guests. Refreshments served. Newcomers welcome!

Monday, Nov. 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Dudley Town Hall; 2nd Floor, 71 West Main St., Dudley.

# Thursday, Nov. 10

WEBSTER

Are you a veteran of any U.S. military branch? Harrington HealthCare would like to invite you to our annual veterans appreciation luncheon Thursday, Nov. 10, at 12 p.m., Point Breeze Restaurant, Webster. To reserve your place at the table, please call 508-949-8798 and leave a message with your name and phone number. Seating is limited!

#### DUDLEY

On Nov. 10, the Dudley Woman's Club will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at The Dudley Senior Center, West Main St., Dudley. Club member Jackie Valle will guide us through creative and festive food decorations using vegetables! Join us as we have fun with food and Jackie! In addition, club member Lesa Patrock from Dudley Middle School will tell us about their 'Adopt a Child for the Holidays' program. Our voluntary giving project asks us to bring wrapping paper and tape for that program. In addition, please also consider bringing supplies for our DWC's Veterans Holiday Baskets. Watch for our newsletter or check our website for details on items that are needed. The Dudley Woman's Club is open to all women from Dudlev and surrounding towns, and we welcome your attendance. Join us for this fun and lively evening, be our guest and discover what our Woman's Club is all about. For more information please send an e-mail to DudleyWomansClub@gmail.com or visit our website: DudleyWomansClub.

# Friday, Nov. 11

WEBSTER

The parishes of Oxford, Webster and Dudley would like to invite all to a Healing Mass being held at Sacred Heart of Jesus, Main Street, Webster, at 7 p.m. Reconciliation will be available after Mass. There will not be anointing or healing physically. We are sharing hope for healing spiritually and emotionally.

# Sunday, Nov. 13

WEBSTER

Webster Masonic Lodge Chili Cookoff — Sunday, Nov. 13, Brandes Street, Webster, located off of Lake Parkway, 12-4 p.m., Adults: \$8, Kids 5-12: \$5, Under 5: Free. Non-perishable food donations will be accepted for the Webster Food Bank

## Wednesday, Nov. 16

**DUDLEY** 

Fellowship Meal-Soup Kitchen at St. Andrew Bobola Church Hall, 54 West Main St, Dudley, from 5-6 p.m. Thanksgiving dinner. Free hot meals to anyone in need. All are welcome. Join us for great food, fellowship, and fun!

# Thursday, Nov. 17

DUDLEY

The Black Tavern Historical Society presents "Wild Plants I Have Known... And Eaten" by Russ Cohen. For Russ Cohen the fields and forests and forgotten vacant lots are his supermarkets. Never mind the relationship between edible wild plants and humans is millions of years old, Russ offers a fresh look at your local woodlot. Thursday, Nov. 17, 7-9 p.m., 138 Center Rd., Dudley. Free and open to all!

## ONGOING EVENTS

WEBSTER

There will be no signed Mass in August. However, we invite all to join us in celebrating the Holy Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 18 East Main St., Webster. Our ASL interpreter will sign the English language 6 p.m. Mass every first Sunday of the month. Please join us for our next ASL signed Mass on Sept. 4. Welcome to our community!

The Webster Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at Webster Manor, 745 School St., Webster, from 6-8 p.m. Anyone in the area who feels they are in need of help, doesn't know what to do, or is a Caregiver for someone with Alzheimer's, is invited to attend and express their concerns regarding the care for their loved one. The members of the group will discuss the ways, means, and the help you will need as your loved one progresses in this disease. Please come join with us at each meeting and you'll be glad that you did. Each person has a different story to tell and you will be given tips to help you work through this agonizing and dreadful disease.

The St. Louis League of Catholic Women is holding its yearly membership drive. The purpose of the league is to bring together women to further their cultural, social, and religious interests. The league meets every first Wednesday of the month, with the exception of January, February, July, August, and September. Programs this year will include cupcake decorating, Christmas sing-a-long, flowers in the Bible, movie night, crowning of Mary, and other interesting topics. If you are interested, please call Financial Secretary Louise Duval at 508-943-7695 or club President Carolyn Smith at 508-943-4732.

# OXFORD

Guided Meditation on the second and fourth Wednesday every month, 6:30 p.m. at Generations Healing Center, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Wednesdays, Noon to 1 p.m., St. Vincent Cancer & Wellness Center, 1 Eaton Place Worcester. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Saturdays, 8:15-9 a.m., Oxford Community Center, 4 Maple Road, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information.

Restorative Yoga Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m, Boucher School of Dance, 3 Millbury Boulevard, Oxford. Please visit Pinkhippy.org for more information

Free Yoga Classes for Cancer Patients—Restorative yoga classes for cancer patients are offered weekly and are open to patients, survivors, and their families or caregivers. Classes are held every Saturday morning from 8:15 to 9 a.m. at the Oxford Community Center, 4 Maple Road, Oxford, and on Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. at Saint Vincent Cancer & Wellness Center, One Eaton Place, Worcester. The Restorative Yoga program is a complementary therapy that is designed to help reduce lymphedema, increase range of motion, and soothe

neuropathies that may occur during all stages of treatment and recovery. This program also promotes relaxation, which is a vital element in healing, as it brings emotional and physical relief from stress through moving meditation and gentle yoga stretches. These programs have been made possible through PinkHippy.Org, a 501(c)(3) non-profit holistic service and support organization that serves breast cancer patients, survivors and their families throughout Central MA, Northeastern CT, and Northwestern RI. Classes are free for those undergoing treatment or in recovery from breast cancer.

For more information please visit www.pinkhippy.org, call (508) 987-3310, or send an email to info@pinkhippy.org.

The Nipmuck Coin Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St., behind the Oxford Town Hall. For more information, contact Dick Lisi at lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

The Central Mass. Mother of Twins is a non-profit club to benefit those who are raising multiples and provide support and an outlet. The club meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. every first Thursday of the month at the Oxford Community Center to discuss twins-related issues and have relaxing events such as movie nights and outings to take the children to and or your spouse or just for Moms. Anyone who is a childcare provider to multiples is welcomed and the meetings are held on the second floor of the building of the old school house.

#### DUDLEY

Do you have a family member struggling with addiction or alcoholism? You are not alone. Join Families Helping Families Support Group. Meetings at Dudley Senior Center every first and third Monday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m. We spend so much time with our addicted loved one, that we become victims ourselves. Join us. It's informal, confidential, with tough love advice from the heart, sharing of resources, hope and hugs.

Chair Yoga and so much more every Tuesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at The First Congregational Church, 135 Center Road, Dudley (please park and enter through the right side basement entrance). Class Fee: \$5/class voluntary contribution (Cancer patients always free). Proceeds donated to the First Congregational Church of Dudley. Instructor: Joanne LaLiberte, Holistic Health Practitioner. This class of Chair Yoga is to expand the lungs and strengthen all the body's major muscle groups, for stability and mobility, balance, increasing flexibility, muscularity of hip and legs and increasing range of motion with our 'rear view mirror" twists. We work through the entire body, quieting the nerves, relieving stress, realigning posture and we leave renewed. Chair Yoga is open to adults of all ages. It is kept light-hearted with respect for every member of the class. We honor the body as it is right now and work to improve its overall health. We come to class as individuals and leave as family. Get to know yourself through the eyes of Chair Yoga and build a body that serves you better. Wear comfortable clothing. As with any exercise program, check with your healthcare professional before starting.

Come join the Drop In Knitting Group from 10 a.m. to noon on Fridays at the Pearle L. Crawford Memorial Library, Schofield Avenue, Dudley. All ages and levels, from beginner to expert, are welcome. For more information, call Mary Kunkel at 508-943-8107 or Jacqueline Vassar at 508-892-4754.

Fellowship Meals Program — Free hot meals at St. Andrew Bobola Parish—Church Hall, 54 West Main St., Dudley, from 5 to 6 p.m. will resume on Sept. 7, every first and third Wednesday of the month. Please join us! Phone: (508) 943-5633. E-mail: Rectory@standrewbobola.com.

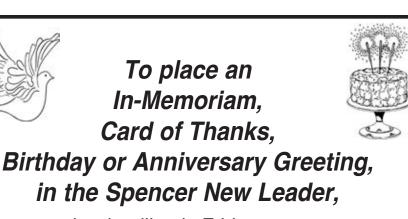
The Bread of Life Food Pantry, Calvary Assembly of God, located at 105 Southbridge Road, is open Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m. They are closed on holidays. They can be reached at 508-949-3711.

# SOUTHBRIDGE

The Cancer Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second Monday of every month in the Boardroom on the 4th floor at Harrington Hospital, 100 South Street, Southbridge. Call 508-764-2400 for more information.

# PUTNAM, Conn.

Overeaters Anonymous — Group meeting every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Come to Room RHF-1 at Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret Street, Putnam, Conn. We will welcome you! For more information, contact Kathryn at 508-949-0819.



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# **OBITUARIES**

# Doris L. Bain, 99

SPENCER — Doris L. (Sauncy) Bain, 99, formerly of 1 Brown St., died Wednesday, Oct. 19, at Quaboag Rehab and Skilled Care Center in West Brookfield, surrounded by her family.

She was the wife of James A. Bain who died in 1955. She leaves her sons Robert J. Bain and his wife Jean of East Brookfield and David T. Bain and his wife Carolyn of Spencer, a step son James Bain and his wife Darleen of Oak Harbor, Wash., four grandchildren James Bain and his wife Heidi of East Brookfield, Michelle Bain of Avondale, Ariz., Christopher Bain and his wife Stacey of Bolton, Conn., and Geoffrey Bain and his wife Tara of Uxbridge, five great grandchildren Emma, Corinne, Lily, Garrett and Ella, a nephew Brian Sauncy of Oregon and a niece Janis Sauncy of Washington.

She is predeceased by a brother, Ellsworth Sauncy, and a sister Inis

Born and raised on Cottage St. in West Brookfield, she was the daughter of Frank H. and Annie B. (Tyler) Sauncy. She was brought up by her aunt, Cora Sampson, after her parents died at an early age. She graduated from Warren High School.

Doris retired as a loan officer at Spencer Bank in 1981. Prior to that she was employed at Clark University in Worcester. She enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren and was an avid Red Sox fan. The family would like to thank the staff at Quaboag for their expert and compassionate care of their mother Doris over the years.

At her request, private graveside services will be held in Pine Grove Cemetery, Spencer. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Spencer Rescue Squad, Inc., P.O. Box 147, Spencer, MA 01562.

J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home is assisting the family with funeral arrangements.

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# Marilyn M. Connery, 91



LEICESTER Marilyn "Pete" M. (Smith) Connery, 91, of Pleasant St., died Saturday, Oct. 22, at her home.

Her husband of 72 years, James F. Connery died March 13, and her son, James

F. Connery Jr., died April 1. She leaves her daughter Kathleen

Connery Fitzgibbons and her husband Paul of Leicester, her daughter in law Maureen E. Connery of Leicester, five grandchildren Julianne M. McCarthy and her husband Patrick of Northborough, Andrew P. Fitzgibbons and his wife Nancy of Minneapolis, Minn., James F. Connery, III and his wife Neile of Cherry Valley, Bethany F. Furlong and her husband Scot of Wayland and Jennifer R. Callaghan and her husband Brian of Northborough, nine great grandchildren, Abigail, Molly, Isabella, Rachel, Aidan, Sadie Grace, Amelia, Luke and Meghan, nieces and nephews.

She is also predeceased by brothers Donald and Charles Smith and sisters Phyllis Loasby and Nataly Smith and a great grandson Owen Callaghan.

Born and raised in South Lancaster, she was the daughter of Donald E. and Lena (Munn) Smith and attended Browning Memorial Elementary School and South Lancaster Academy before moving to Leicester in 1944. She was a member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church in South Lancaster.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, Oct. 27 in the Village Church of the Seventh-Day Adventist, 75 Sawyer St., South Lancaster. The family received friends and relatives prior to the service in the church on Thursday. Burial followed in Eastwood Cemetery, Lancaster.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Seventh-Day Adventist School, 2 Airport Dr., Worcester, MA

Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St., Leicester, is directing arrangements

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# Robert F. Gervais, 81



LEICESTER Robert F. Gervais, 81, of Pleasant St., died Monday, Oct. 17, at his home.

He leaves his wife of 56 years, Betty A. (Garceau) Gervais. His daughter Robyn L. Laingor and her

husband James of Paxton, two brothers Allen Gervais of South Grafton and Wayne Gervais and his wife Patricia of Florida, nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by a son Michael Gervais in 2001.

Bob was a machinist at Jamesbury Corp. in Worcester for 38 years, retiring in 1998. He later worked as a custodian at the Leicester Town Hall for several years.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Napoleon and Dorothy (Whitman) Gervais and later graduated from

Worcester Boys Trade. He served his country with the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He enjoyed working on his cars, his yard and trips to Foxwoods. He was a wonderful husband

and father. The family would like to thank Notre Dame Hospice for their compassionate care of Bob while at home.

A funeral Mass, followed by Military Honors was held in St. Aloysius-St. Jude Church, 489 Pleasant St., Leicester, on Thursday, Oct. 20. A calling hour preceded the service in the Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St., Leicester. Please omit flowers, contributions may be made to Veterans, Inc., 69 Grove St., Worcester, MA 01605.

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# Scott T. Greenslit, 47



LEICESTER Scott T. Greenslit, 47, of Charles St., died suddenly after being stricken ill at his home on Tuesday, Oct. 18, in Leicester.

He leaves his significant other, Tammy Chase with whom

he lived, his mother Joyce C. (Hunt) Seaman and her husband Bruce of Sutton, his sons Matthew Greenslit of Sutton, and Jake Leary of Oakham, a daughter Jessica Leary of Oakham, a brother Michael Greenslit and his wife Carey of Douglas, a sister Kim Naples of Leicester, step children Felicia, Tabitha, Monique, and Veronica Agbanyo and Anthony Hart, a granddaughter Aribella Greenslit and step granddaughters Annalisa-Marie and

Anastasia, step brothers Michael Seaman of Ohio and Jeffrey Seaman of Warren, step sisters Jennifer Drapeau of Fitchburg and Samantha Larson of Florida, several nieces and nephews.

Scott was a longtime painter with ECP Painting in Leicester. He enjoyed fishing and time spent with his grand-

Born in Worcester, he was the son of the late Carl Greenslit.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Oct. 22 in the Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St., Leicester. Burial followed in New Howard Cemetery, Sutton. A calling hour preceded the service on Saturday in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a charity of choice in Scott's

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# Richard S. Keyes, 67

LEICESTER — Richard S. Keyes, 67, of Pleasant St., died Monday, Oct. 17 in St. Francis Home, Worcester.

He leaves his wife of 30 years, Wendy J. (Frost) Keyes. One of 17 children, he leaves his two stepsons Stephen R. Moscoffian of Sutton and Robert J. Moscoffian and his wife Corynne, of Leicester and a step grandson Ian M. Moscoffian, many nieces and nephews.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of James and Anna (Derosier) Keyes and later served his country with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He worked for many years at R.H. White

in Auburn.

Memorial services with military hon-ors were held on Monday, Oct. 24 in the Mass. Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, 111 Glenallen St., Winchendon. There were no calling hours.

Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St., Leicester is assisting the family with arrangements.

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# Albert G. Orne Sr., 87



**SPENCER** Albert G. Orne Sr., 87, of 8 Woodside Dr., died Sunday, Oct. 23, at Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge after an

He is survived and will be greatly missed by his two sons. George Orne and his wife Sherry of Leominster, Bobby Orne and his wife Cheryl of No. Brookfield,

four daughters; Sharon Orne of Clinton, Mary Wedge and her husband Ray of Spencer, Eva Jones and her husband Paul of New Braintree, Carla Martinez and her significant other Jim of Spencer, 21 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

He was pre-deceased by his first wife, Muriel Orne, a daughter Carol Ann Jones, a son Albert Orne, Jr., two brothers, five sisters and two infant

Born in Millbury, he was the son of Carl & Eva (Dahlstrom) Orne. He was a graduate of Millbury High School. He went on from there to serve his country in the Navy in World War II. Upon discharge, he worked at Johnson Steel and Wire for 28 years, retiring in 1986. He then received a degree in computer science from Quinsigamond Community College. He was very involved at his church, First Congregational Church

of Spencer, where he was member of their Men's League, taught Sunday school and volunteered at the Economy Shop. He was former treasurer of the Snow Birds Snowmobile Club, served on the Spencer



Finance Committee, past member of the Gaudette-Kirk Post 138 American Legion in Spencer and was a Mason. He was a proud member of the NRA. He loved gardening, feeding wild

birds, attending airshows, watching wrestling and was an avid bowler.

Albert was especially grateful for the medical expertise and care provided by his granddaughter, Kimberlie Milner, who is a nurse. Above all, he was a family man devoted to his children, grandchildren and their well-being.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, Oct. 26, in the First Congregational Church of Spencer, 207 Main St. Burial with Military Honors followed in All Faith's Cemetery, Worcester. Calling hours were Tuesday in the J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer.

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

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# Misty K. Reusser, 40



LEICESTER Misty K. Reusser, 40, of 414 Main St., Cherry Valley, a section of Leicester, died Sunday, Oct. 16 at her home after a long battle with diabetes.

She leaves her mother, Kathleen A.

Fitzpatrick of Leicester, her stepfather, William S. Graham of Worcester, a brother, Christopher J. Reusser and his significant other, Heather of Northboro, a nephew, Jackson Reusser, many cousins, aunts and uncles as well as those in Idaho.

She was born in Boise, Idaho, and

is predeceased by her father Calvin Reusser.

Misty was a graduate of Oxford High School and played on the soccer team. She enjoyed her dogs and cats and was an avid Red Sox and Bruins fan.

A memorial service was held Thursday, Oct. 20 in the Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main St. Leicester. Calling hours preceded the service. Burial will take place in St. John's Cemetery, Worcester, at a later date and at the convenience of the family.

Please omit flowers. Contributions may be made to the Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

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# Irene G. Tripp, 86



N O R T BROOKFIELD Irene G. (Lemieux) 86, Tripp, Monday, Oct. 17, Quaboag the Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center in West Brookfield.

She leaves three sons, Thomas Tripp and his wife Linda of Allenstown, N.H., John Tripp and his wife Mindy of North Brookfield and Robert Tripp of Worcester; one sister, Marcelle Jennings of Connecticut; five grandchildren, Erin, Jenny, Alex, Heather and Ryan; three great-granddaughters, Lainey, Emerson and Kinley and several nieces and neph-

She was predeceased by her husband of 39 years, Henry A. Tripp, Jr. in 1995 and three siblings, Ted, Pauline and

She was born in North Brookfield,

daughter of the late Camille and Pauline (Hamel) Lemieux and was a

lifelong resident. Mrs. Tripp worked for several area companies as a machine operator before retiring.

Irene was a member of St. Joseph's Church and volunteered for over 20 years at the annual chicken barbeque every year.

A funeral mass for Irene was held Friday, Oct. 21, in St. Joseph's Church in North Brookfield and everyone is asked to go directly to the church. There were no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Joseph's Renovation Fund, St. Joseph's Rectory, 28 Mount Pleasant St., North Brookfield, MA 01535.

Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting her family with arrangements.

Visit varnumfuneralhome.com.

SEND ALL **OBITUARY NOTICES TO** THE NEW LEADER, PO Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550, OR BY E-MAIL TO AMINOR@STONEBRIDGEPRESS.NEWS

# Paul Talancy, 68

HARDWICK — Paul Talancy, 68, died suddenly on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at home. He was predeceased by his wife of

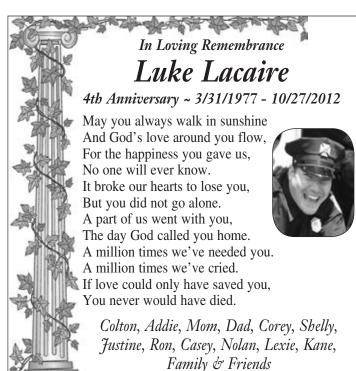
19 years, Anne (Rogers) Talancy. He leaves brothers Randall Talancy & his wife Diane of Shrewsbury; Walter Talancy & his wife Gail of Sudbury and nieces & nephews.

Paul was born in Holden the son of the late Wasil & Fannie Talancy and was raised in Barre before moving to Hardwick. He was a graduate of Barre High School Class of 1966 and later received a degree in Metalurgy. He worked at Digital Co. and Hewlett Packard Co. for many years until he retired.

A funeral for Paul was held Saturday, Oct. 22, in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 96 S. Barre Rd., Barre. Burial followed in Glen Valley Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to Fund for Nature Mass Audubon, 208 South Great Road, Lincoln, MA 01773.

For an online tribute please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com.





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Rm Capel Applianced Granite Kit wiTile Rm Capel Applianced Granite Kit wiTile Backsplash & Pantry! Spacious Din Rm! 1st Flr Bdrm/Off/Payroom! 3 Brdms! = Master w/4 Closests! 1.5 Baths! Garage/Shed! Updates Inc: Bit, Baths, Roof, Oil Tank,

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2 Car Detached Garage! 2 Sheds! New Roof!

\$234,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

DUDLEY - 43 Mason Rd! Remodeled 7 Rm Ranch! Applianced Eat-in Kit w/ Quartz Counters, Breakfast Bar & Tile Fi! Large Fipled Liv Rm wHrfwds! Din Area wHrfdwds! 3 Bdrms wHrfwds! 2 Pall Exceptional Bathrms! Fam Rm! Office! Security! Oil Heat! AG Pool! Trex Deck! Shed! 2 Car Garage! \$264,900.00

NEW LISTING

**WEBSTER** – 26 Pepka Dr! 7 Room 1,790' Ranch! SS Applianced Kit & Din

Area w/Tile Floor! Formal Din Rm &

Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Family Rm! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwds! Master w/Bath & Walk-in

Closet! 2 Full Tile Baths! Huge Basement! Patio! Circular Drive! Great Yard! \$219,900.00

**NEW LISTING** 

DUDLEY - 9 Chestnut St Unit 22!

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Freshly Painted 4 Rm 2 Bdrm Condo!
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ON DEPOSIT

DUDLEY – 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.84 Acres! Applianced Granite Kit! Frplcd Dining Rm! Living Rm w Hrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry!

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - NEW ENGLAND COMMONS!

Kit w/Pantry, Tile Flr, Corian Counters & Breakfast Bar! Liv Rm & Master w/Trey

Ceiling, Master Bath w/Step-in Shower! 2nd Bdrm w/Cathedral Ceiling! 2nd Full Bath!

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ON DEPOSIT

**WEBSTER LAKE** – 402 Treasure Island! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874'! Hardwood Floors! Applianced! Open

Floor Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5

Baths! Froled Fam Rm! CAir! Gas Heat

Recent Trex Deck! Garage! 2 BOAT SLIPS! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! \$299,900.00

Attached Garage! Farmers Porch Basement! \$249,900.00

Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached Garage! \$359,900.00



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SOLD!

WEBSTER - 1 Oak Tree La! Remodeled

Liv Rm w/Pergo Flr! 3 Spacious Bdrms w

Wall to Wall! Newer Bath! 3 Season Porch!

Walk-out Basement! Garage! Gas Heat!

New Plumbing & Electric! \$174,900.00

**NEW PRICE** 

**DUDLEY** – 4 Cross St! Newly Renovated 6 Rm Cape! Applianced Granite Kit w/Tile Fir! Picture Din Rm & Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! New Bath w/Marble Shower & Tile Fir! 1st Fir Master! 2nd Fir w/2 Bdrms w/Walk-in Classit! 2 Sept. Swall LINE Williams

Closets! 3 Season Sunrm! NEW Furnace

Plumbing & Electric! \$164,500.00

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WEBSTER - 36 North Main St!

6 Room Cape! Cabinet Packed Kitchen w/Dining Area! Living Room w/Wall to Wall! Den w/Wall A/C! 1st Floor Bedroom! 3/4 Bedrooms! 1.5

Baths! Recent Roof & Furnace! Will

be Updated to Circuit Breakers! Nice Back Yard! Off Street Parking! \$99,900.00

SOLD)

WEBSTER LAKE - 46 Pt Pleasant

Rd! Middle Pond - Southern Expo! 8 Am Custom Cape! Open Flr Plan! Fully
Applianced w/Lunch Counter! Lake Facing
Brick Frplc Liv Rm, Din Rm & Fam Rm! 19

Master! 4 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! 2 Baths



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NEW PRICE

DUDLEY - 32 Central Ave! 6 Rm Tow

Sink! Din Area w/Slider to Deck!

3 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Garage! Oil Heat

SOUTHBRIDGE - 32 Glenview Ave!

Custom 6 Rm Contemp! Open Kit & Din Area w/Cathedrals & Skylight! Liv

Flr Master w/Private Deck! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Finished Lower Level w/LP Frplc

2014! \$249,500.00

WEBSTER — 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8

MEDSIER — 9 Thylader Avel Rm Colonial wGreenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm wWood Floors! Pull Bath! Den wBuilt-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to Schools & Churches! \$117,900.00

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Open Flr Plan w/Cathedrals, Skylights,

Frplce! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage!

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**NEW PRICE** 

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# Listings Always Needed - We're Always Busy Selling!!!



THOMPSON – 449 E Thompson Rd! 6 Rm Contemp! Beautiful 1.5 Acres! applianced Kit w/Quartz Counters, Cherry Cabinets, Breakfast Bar! Formal Din Rm! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Frplc! Master w/Walk-in Closets, Private Deck & Full Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! C/Vac! Mitsubishi A/C! Wired for Generator! 2 Car Garage! 2 Sheds! \$299,900.00



WEBSTER - 79-81 N. Main St! 5 WEBSTER — (7-81 N. Main St.† 5 Unit — 4 Apartments Plus a Commercial Space! Fully Rented! Off Street Parking! Many Updates! Separate Utilities! Vinyl Sided and Replacement Windows! Rear Building Has Multi Stall Garage with One Free Standing Apartment that Has Handicap Accessibility, Nice Floor Plan!



**WEBSTER** – 17 Fort Hill Rd! Looking 30 ACRES OF PRIVACY & SERENITY! 5 Rm Ranchi Eat-in Kit w'Updated Cabinets! Formal Din Rm! Liv Rm Least S creened-in Porch Overlooking Pond! 2 Large Bdrms! Updated Bath! Full Basement w!Laundry! 2 Car Detached Garage! Oil Heat! Gas Hot Water! \$274,900.00



DOUGLAS - 15 Mt Daniels Way! 8 Rm Colonial! 2.2 Acres! 2 Story Grand Entry Fover! New Applianced Granite Kit! Formal Din & Liv Rms w/Hrdwds! Frplc Fam Rm! Frplc Master Suite w/ Cathedrals! 2.5 Baths! Expandable 3rd Level! New Roof & Furnace! CVac

\$449,900.00



















WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND1 2 Checkerberry Is!! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800' 8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake Facing 38' Din/Liv Rm w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting & Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 21' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skywalk Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit, SS Applianced, Open Din & Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrm, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit w/Kit, Frplcd Liv Rm, Bdrm & Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Ideal Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! \$1,449,900.00





WEBSTER LAKE – 17 Lakeview Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! West Exposure = Sunsets! 100' Level Waterfront! 7 Rm Yr Rd or Ideal 2nd Home! Enjoy Music from Indian Ranch Free! Fantastic 12,298' Flat Lot w/Plenty of



WEBSTER - 16 Orchard Ave! 7 Rm Custom Cape! Farmers Porch! Applianced Kit! Formal Dining! Cathedral Liv Rm w/Frplc & Skylight! 1st Fir Bdrm! Cathedral Master! 3Bdrms! 2 Baths! Family Rm! 3 Season Sun Rm! CAir & Vac! Newer Furnace, Water Heater & Windows! Garage! Town Services! \$259,900.00



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WEBSTER LAKE - 71 Birch Island! 7 Rm Colonial w/Lake Views from Every Rm! Hrdwds in Din/Liv & Master Bdrm! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Walkout Lower Level Fam Rm! 239' Waterfront! New Metal Roof! 2 Car Attached Garage & 3 Car Detached w/2nd Flr! Needs to be Seen to Appreciate Everything it Could Be! **\$674,900.00** 



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NEW LISTING



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Frplc & Hrdwds! I Bdrm! Updated Bath!
Heated Sunroom Overlooking Water!
Recent Electrical, Plumbing, Well &
Septic! \$199,900.00



WEBSTER – 69 Minebrook Rd! 7 Rm Split Entry! Set on 1.04 Acres! Applianced Kit! Frplcd Liv Rm & Din Rm w/Hrdwds! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Fam Rm w/Pellet Stove! Deck! 2 Car Garagel Shedl Listed by Anothe





Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/ w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$279,900.00** 





Featured Listing!





WERSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd **WEBSTER LAKE** — 113 Birch Island Rd! Overlooking Middle Pond! Eastern Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Build You Waterfront Dream! 100+' of Shoreline Expo - Beautiful Sunrises! 5 Rm Year Rm w/Frplc! Listed by Another, **SOLD**Already in the Water! Lots on Webster Lake by Century21 Lake Realty! \$285,000.00







HOLLAND - Hamilton Reservoir Waterfront! 430 Mashapaug Rd! 8 Rm 2,864' Custom Cape! 200' Waterfront, 3.2 Acres, Estate Like ROLLAND - Hamilton Reservoir watertront: 430 Masinapaug (nt) 8 km 2,564 Custom Cape: 200 Waterfront, \$2.4 cets, Estate Like Grounds Stunted in a Cowe Sheltered from Storms, filed out to Main Lake Grand Entry Foyer! Open Floor Plant (Ustom Cherry Kit wQuartz Isl, SS Appliances, Wall Ovens, Pantry Closet & Recessed Lighting! Din Area & Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Wood Stove Frplc & Pella Sliders to 12x38 Deck w@Lectric Avming & 12X18 Screened Porch! 1st Flr Water Facing Master wWalk-in Closet & Bath wGranite Dible Vanity & Custom Glass Shower wWaterhaven Tower! 1st Flr Office w/French Pocket Doors & Custom Desk Wall Slide Entry Mud Ram wCustom Desk, Cabinets & Counter w/Sink, Guest Closet, Laundy Closet & Half Bath w/Pedestal Sink! Upstairs 3 Water Facing Bdrms, 2 wCathedrals! 2nd Full Tile Bath w/Custom Vanity & Linen Closet! Add Storage! Full Walkout Basement - Need More Rms! Zoned Hydro Air! 3

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Webster - 114 Lake St. Multi-Family Zoned, 12,000 +/- Sq Ft Lot. Town Water & Sewer, and City Gas! \$56,900.

& Sewer. Level Lot.

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**DUDLEY - 17 EAGLE DR** 

# Featured New Listing Open House **WEBSTER - 9 GORE GABLE RD**



THOMPSON CT- 351 QUADDICK RD

Welcome to the country at its best! This gorgeous 3 bedrm

2.5 Bath contemporary home, nestled on a private beautifully manicured yard on 2.64 Acres! Granite countertops and island:

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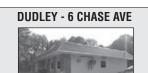
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Beautiful Colonial Located In A Quiet Cul De Sac! Amazino Grand Foyer With Cascading Stairway! 7 Room, 3 Bed 2.5 Bath Home! Gleaming Hardwoods! Fireplaced Living Room! Applianced Kitchen! Master Suite! Jacuzzi Tub And Shower Stall! Private Back Deck! 2 Zone Heating And Coo



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**DUDLEY-23 INTERVALE RD** 

Welcome home to this charming 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath cape! One acre! First floor master bdrmw/full bath! Living room w/pellet stove! Lower level has additional heated family room! W/ 2nd full bath! Sit

New Price \$199.900

Plan. Living-Dining Area. Country Kitchen with Eat in Dining Area. Access to Rear Deck for Summer Fun. Walk out Basement for Convenient Access to Backyard. Electric Fence to Keep The Dog **NEW PRICE \$244,000** 



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WEBSTER LAKE - 113 BIRCH ISLAND RD

washer dryer. 2 Car garage!



WebsterLakeWaterfront!BreathtakingviewofMiddlePon Catch the Early Morning Sun at breakfast right at water edge or in the huge 4 season porch Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted Many recent updates! Interior Freshly Painted FieldstoneFireplace!Hardwoods!OilHeat!2bedrooms!And NEW PRICE \$319,900





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Garage

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# WEBSTER mall mind

• Oversized

• Open Flr plan Handicap acces.

• 2.5 Ba 7 Rms

14 Lake Pkwy

• Live rent free

• 3 Room unit

• Single Fam house

• Perfect for Family



• Sided • 2. Additional Building

• 2 Bdrms ea. Unit • Updated windows & Furnace, elec, roof

39 Lake St \$139,000

\$178,900 **MAUREEN MADE** IT HAPPEN

• Updates: windows/elec

**SOUTHBRIDGE** 

OPEN HOUSE • SUN 10-12

Hardwoods

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· 2-c-garage

31 Brook Rd

• 3 bdrms

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1 Carol Dr

S 12-1:30 \$307,500

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**SOUTHBRIDGE** 31 Brook Rd

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Southbridge: Wonderfu 5 room 3 bedroom Ranch move in condition

3 family-nothing to do-no updating

needed. 3 room 1 bed, 4 room

bed, 4 room 2 bed. Vinyl sided

replacement windows, roof and

updated electrical. Newer kitchens

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District". Downtown property with

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nestled on almost  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre! Beautiful, level corner lot also ncludes a separate lot (0.21 acres) on Drake lane that has

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Kayleen00@aol.com

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believing when you enter this 2 bedroom, 1 bath cape that sits nicely on .45 of an acre. Large eat in kitchen has plenty of space, hardwood in the living room lead out to the screened in

front porch that's perfect for quiet time. Master bedroom is on the main floor spare room upstairs has many possibilities. With the newer roof, furnace, and hot water heater, this home is very easy to move right into. Easy access to Rte. 395 for commuters. At only \$119,900, this home won't be available for long. Call today for your private viewing.

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ed! This Colonial style home sits on over a 2 acre lot

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Open sight lines from the kitchen into a

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a jacuzzi master bath & walk-in closet! 2nd floor laundr

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Contemporary! 6 rms, 3 bdrms, 2 baths! The breathtaking iving room has a wall of glass overlooking the water. Triple

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full bath with skylights and vaulted ceilings! Gorgeous

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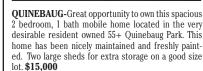
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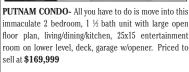
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#### **OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29** CHARLTON 1-3 at 128 Daniels Rd.

4 BR Colonial, Reproduction 1787, detached 2 car Post and Beam Barn. \$494,400. Rte 31-Mugget Hill Rd-Bond Rd-Slight left to Daniels Rd. Moira McGrath 508-341-6364



## **OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29** HOLLAND 11-12:30 at 27 Dug Hill Rd.

Motivated seller for this 4 BR 2 BA Cape w/ screened porch \$154,000. Rte 20W-E Brimfield Holland-left onto Dug Hill. Ingrid Karp 508-864-4492

135 Main Street Sturbridge, MA 01566 (508) 347-7181



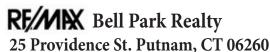
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tion 2145sqft Ranch. Renovated kitchen with granite

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wood floors. Formal dining

room looks out to the gardens



Putnam At the end of a cul-de-sac, this home sits proudly on a nicely manicured lot. Slate entry, bright livingroom with fireplace and formal dining room. Updated kitchen with granite counter. Screened porch and two car garage. 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths. \$230,000



Putnam Condo Completely remodeled and neat as can be. The main level is an open floor plan. The living room and dining area have wood floors. The modern kitchen has tile and stainless appliances. 2 large bedrooms, and 1 1/2 baths. One

car attached garage. And plenty of storage. \$132,900

Beautiful waterfront on Quaddick Lake on 1.4

acres. This contemporary hosts 4 bedrooms and 2 ½

baths in the main home, and a complete in-law with

2 bedrooms and 2 baths. Water views from almost

every room. All systems have been updated. 3 car

attached garage. Enjoy every season here! \$799,900



**OPEN HOUSE** 

SAT., OCT. 29 • 11-1pm

No Tricks here! Single level living with room to expand. Family room with a fireplace, bright kitchen with a skylight. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Oversized, two car detached garage. Come take a look. \$199,000



Walk to all the Putnam Grove St action from the wrap around porch. c.1900 Victorian with many original features. Hardwood floors throughout much of the house. Stained glass



accent windows. Beautiful trim work and high ceilings. 4 bedrooms and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  baths. \$175,000



East Putnam Don't be fooled by a ride by! Inside and out, this property has a ton to offer. 2728sqft plus the finished basement. A true master suite with full bath, balcony, and exercise room with hot tub. Formal living and dining rooms, and a sunroom that leads to the pool and four season room. Low taxes. 1.85 acres \$335,000

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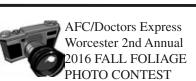
wood floors through much of the house. Updated

in the last 6 years with propane heating system,

roof and exterior paint, paver walkway, most windows, and a new kitchen. 4 bedrooms and 3 full

baths. Pretty views of fields to the East. \$285,000

# HERE & THER



Submit your entry via our Facebook page: Doctors Express Worcester \$100 for 1st place! The top 3 photos will be hung in the center. All entries must be submitted by Friday, November 11th

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29** 

9:00 p.m. KING MOONRACER

4-piece local rock band playing acoustic versions of their classic rock 308 LAKESIDE

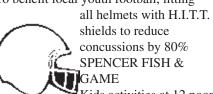
308 East Main St. East Brookfield, MA 774-449-8333

**ELLERS RESTAURANT** 

1st ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY 7:00 p.m. to midnight 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes for best costume

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Adult party begins at 5 p.m. \$20 adults \$10 kids 12 and under. Raffles, food, music, games,

prizes, 50/50. Tickets at Laney's, Spencer For more info: 508-765-3701 Fish & Game or by calling 508-735-9716

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HARVEST FAIR BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 90 Bryn Mawr Ave. Auburn, MA 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

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Contact Judy at jas2155@charter.net



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

SAINT JOHN PAUL II **PARISH** BAZAAR Trinity Catholic Academy 11 Pine St., Southbridge, MA Children's Games, Crafts, Village Bake Shop, Jar Deal, Theme Baskets, Parish Table, Jewelry, Silent Auction, Community Raffle Table, Entertainment Kids activities at 12 noon. Karol's Kafe opens for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Great variety of items for lunch Free admission. Ample parking Handicapped accessible

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

ATTENTION VETERANS: As a Thank You to our U.S. Veterans, AFC Urgent Care at 117A Stafford St., Worcester, MA 01603 is giving a FREE FLU SHOT to

Handmade knits and vintage linens, white U.S. Veterans on Friday, November 11th 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. They are located right next to the CVS on Stafford St. No appointment is necessary.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

THE CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION (Episcopal) invites Webster, Dudley, Oxford residents

of all branches of service to a FREE DINNER at POINT BREEZE RESTAURANT 6:00 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Dave Lauzon Ret. First Sgt - Army- Iraq War

Veteran Please RSVP: 508-943-8714 (Leave message if no answer)

ROADHOUSE BLUES JAM Every Sunday, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike, Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102

TRIVIA NIGHT Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m. HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB 325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA 508-892-9822

WISE GUYS TEAM TRIVIA Every Tuesday, 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. CADY'S TAVERN 2168 Putnam Pike (Rt. 44) Chepachet, RI 401-568-4102

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

#### SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

2016 TRIP SCHEDULE (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

Thursday, Nov. 17: Gambling at Mohegan Sun — \$25 gets you a deluxe motor coach from the Southbridge Community center to the Mohegan Sun Casino and a \$25 casino package subject to the casino. The bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. I must have a minimum of 30 and money is due at time of sign up. You will need a current picture ID or player's card to get casino package.

Trips open to public. Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon Senior Center. 153 Chestnut St., Southbridge, MA 01550, Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m., or call 774-922-4049, or e-mail me at jimtrips@ vahoo.com.

#### UNION SAINT JEAN-BAPTISTE

Celebrate the Christmas Season 2016! Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring "Celebrate the Christmas Season" — three family excursions for the year 2016. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled excursions. All are welcome. Gift certificates in any amount are also available which can be applied to any event at face value. We are a family oriented, non-profit Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. On some occasions. sponsored activities are benefits providing monetary assistance to worthy causes. It is never too late to capture the true spirit of this special time of year — Christmas. For information/ reservation please call Ted 508-764-7909.

• Nov. 12: "A Day in New York City" to do as you wish — get an early start on your Christmas shopping, visit a museum, do some sigh seeing, see a matinee Broadway show, a special restaurant, or visit some of the world's largest department stores. Cost is \$55 per person (adult, senior, child). Departure time is 6:30 a.m. from Southbridge with return departure from NYC at 6:30 p.m. A coffee stop takes place to and from NYC. Reserve early — always sold out.

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

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

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

#### STURBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

The Friends of Sturbridge Senior Center offers the following trips for

Trips Offered

· Wednesday, Oct. 26: Cabaret Lulu at Old Sturbridge Village with the music of Hogie Carmichael, Louis Prima and Nat King Cole. Lunch is at the Oliver Wight Tavern with a choice of Turkey or Grilled salmon. The price is \$44.50 per person.

All bus trips leave from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Sturbridge. Times to be announced. Flyers are available at the Sturbridge Senior Center. Contact persons are Tina Galati at 508-347-9028 or Marcia Loranger at 508-347-9459.

#### CHARLTON SENIOR CENTER

2016 Trips with Charlton Senior Center — Please call Elaine for more info at 508-248-2231. Sign-up sheets and flyers available at the Senior Center. Mail all payments to Charlton Senior Center, 37 Main St. Charlton, MA 01507. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Please note the updated costs for the trips.

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

#### MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY **PARISH**

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

• Australia & New Zealand: Jan. 28 to Feb. 18, 2017

America, Our Land: from Albuquerque to Tucson: May 22 to June

· Alaska (land and cruise): June 27 to July 10, 2017

· Greece and the Islands: Sept. 14-26,

#### **UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER/** SUNSHINE CLUB

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

• Sunday, Nov. 6 to Tuesday, Nov. 8: Villa Roma, all-inclusive – \$369. Think of going on a cruise ship on land and you will get the idea of what this trip is about. I'll kinds of activities all day long! Excellent food and three meals a day! Spots still available for this trip!

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

• Thursday, March 30, 2017: Newport Playhouse trip. The play is called "The Foursome" – only \$75.

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

There will be more information about 2017 trips coming soon.

Flyers are available on the Douglas Senior Center Website - www.doug-lasma.org and click on "Boards and committees" at the top of page, then "Council On Aging" and on left sidebar, "Sunshine Club/Trips" the Diamond Tours Website: www. grouptrips.com/sunshineclub information on the Niagara Falls trip and the NYC trip w/flyers, videos, insurance info and more.

# **LEGALS**

#### **NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 9 Watson Street, Spencer, MA 01562

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Sarah V. Pierson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for RBS Citizens, N.A., and now held by Citizens Bank, N.A. f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A., said mortgage dated September 3, 2009, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44804, Page 224, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registratin Systems, Inc. as nominee for RBS Citizens, N.A., its successors and assigns to Citizens Bank, N.A. f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A., by assignment dated January 22, 2015 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 53301 at Page 352; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on November 10, 2016 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in said Spencer, situated on the Easterly side of Watson Street, and bounded and described

as follows: BEGINNING at the Northwesterly comer of the tract to be conveyed, in the Easterly line of Watson

Street at a point 140 feet Northerly of the intersection of Said Street line with the Northerly

line of Erving Street;

THENCE N. 75 1/2 Degrees W. 113-

THENCE S. 14 1/2 Degrees E. 65 feet; THENCE S. 75 1/2 Degrees 113-3/4 feet to the aforesaid Easterly line of Watson Street, the

Preceding courses all being by land now or formerly of Marion A. Cooper; THENCE Northerly by said street line 65 feet to the place of beginning.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated August 26, 2009, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44804, Page 221.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check,

bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Shechtman Halperin Savage, LLP 1080 Main Street Pawtucket, RI 02860 Attorney for Citizens Bank, N.A. f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A.

Present Holder of the Mortgage (401) 272-1400

October 14, 2016 October 21, 2016 October 28, 2106

**PUBLIC HEARING** ATTENTION SPENCER RESIDENTS

A PUBLIC HEARING WITH THE **BOARD OF SELECTMEN** WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS **COMPLETE STREETS** PRIORITIZATION, SIDEWALK BETTERMENT AND ADA TRANSITION PLANS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016 AT 6:00 PM MCCOURT SOCIAL HALL SPENCER MEMORIAL TOWN HALL

157 MAIN STREET SPENCER, MA 01562 October 28, 2016 November 4, 2016

(SEAL) **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT** 

> 16 SM 009734 **ORDER OF NOTICE**

To:

Edward W. Castelo and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 et seq.: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Spencer, numbered 15 Valley View Drive, given by Edward W. Castelo to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A., dated April 24, 2009, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44160, Page 12, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants'

Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must

file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before December 5, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief

Justice of said Court on October 19. 2016.

Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 201302-0116

October 28, 2016

#### **LEGAL NOTICE** October 20, 2016

The North Brookfield Planning Board will hold a public meeting and hearing on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 8:00pm at the Senior Center, 29 Forest Street to consider special permits under provisions of Section VI F of the Zoning By-Law (Commercial Solar Energy Bylaw) on the application of Melink Solar, LLC, 5140 River Valley Road, Milford, Ohio 45150 to allow construction of the following photovoltaic (PV) arrays on properties

located at: 48 Brickvard Road on 28.7 acres R-66 zone 2.5MW; 14 Bell Road on 27.3 acres R-66 zone 1.2MW; 10 New School Drive on 62.15 acres R-66 zone 1.9 MW; and 74 Oakham Road

owned by the Town of North Brookfield

on 22.7 acres R-66/R-30 zones 1.9 MW. Furthermore, the applicant seeks a waiver for the following provision in

part of Section VI F.3e (1) "Twenty Percent" (20%) of a parcel's total square footage may be used for a solar facility. Copies of the plans, map and appli-

cations are on file at the office of the Town Clerk, 215 North Main Street, North Brookfield.

William King Chairman October 28, 2016 November 4, 2016

# **LEGAL NOTICE**

October 20, 2016

The North Brookfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing and meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:15pm at the Senior Center, 29 Forest Street on the application of ZPT Energy Solutions, LLC, 309 East County Road, Rutland, MA to consider a special permit under Section VI. F and G, Section VII. B (2) Administration to allow construction in the R-66 district of a 1.0 MW photovoltaic (PV) array at 62 West Brookfield Road owned by Kevin & Donna Ledoux (designated JH Cluster Ledoux). Furthermore, the applicant seeks waivers for the following provisions in Section VI F.3e (1) Setbacks,(2) Natural Buffer for large solar projects, and 3.f (3) utility connections. A copy of the plan, application and map are available at the office of the Town Clerk, 215 North Main Street, North Brookfield. William King

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts** 

Chairman October 28, 2016 November 4, 2016

**The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family** Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO16P2659EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** 

> **Estate of:** Ronald G Mayo Date of Death: 06/04/2016 To all interested persons:

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Patricia Mayo of Spencer MA and Paul Mayo of Warren MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:

Patricia Mayo of Spencer MA and Paul Mayo of Warren MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Personal Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration

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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.

Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate October 28, 2016

Date: October 207, 2016





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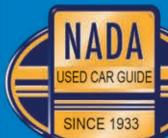
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**2015 CHEVY** MALIBU LS

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# OCTOBER IS NATIONAL WOMEN IN BUSINESS MONTH

"I am not afraid of storms for I am learning how to sail my ship."

~ Louisa May Alcott

"Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace."

Amelia Earhart

66 A woman is like a teabag - only in hot water do you realize how strong she is. "

~ Nancy Reagan

"If you get, give. If you learn, teach." ~ Maya Angelou



If you obey all the rules, you miss all the fun. ~ Katharine Hepburn



"Love yourself first, and everything else falls into line. You really have to love yourself

to get anything done in this world."

 $\sim$  Lucille Ball

"Be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else." ~ Judy Garland



Jo-Ann Szymczak 179 Shrewsbury St. Worcester, MA 01604

Jo-Ann Szymczak CRS, GRI, SRES, ASP, CBR Realtor Re/Max Advantage 1

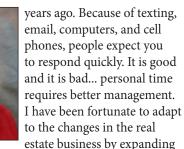
I have been listing and selling real estate for 39years. (1977) Being an independent contractor is basically being in business for yourself through a real estate company. It has involved business management skills and planning to operate your business. Adapting to changing market conditions, technology, and developing strong communication skills have been part of the essentials, to survival as a real estate person. I was fortunate to have seen my mother not only have a career as a social worker, but also a business women. She had owned two businesses before her career with the Red Cross as a field rep.



My mother Connie Nedoroscik and I worked together as a real estate team long before it became commonplace in

the business. Ironically people never realized, I was the one who recruited her into real estate after my father passed away. She had been an active person in the community and knew many people She was a natural for the business.

We combined our hobby of golf, local politics, family and community service with business for 20+ years We managed it comfortably. Today technology has made some aspects of business easier and other more difficult. It is not as easy to get down time as



my services with additional agents working with me. We use the concept of T-E-A-M – Together Everyone Accomplishes More. We have kept our individuality, but help each other to provide services to our clients.

I have been able to sell real estate, golf, and teach for over the 39 years. For 26 years I have taught real estate licensing; and conducted classes and seminars on purchasing foreclosures, homes, and investing. It has given me great satisfaction not to just sell houses but assist people in making good real estate decisions to give. Also to help them with the opportunity of a career change into real estate through licensing.

The most recent book I have read is *The* ONE Thing by Gary Kellrer. It certainly makes you thing about career choices. Real estate is an equal opportunity employer. You can achieve the level of financial success you desire It involves planing, discipline, and constantly enhancing your skills.







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# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Ana Snow, Owner

Business name: Black & White Grille & Pizzeria How long have you been in business? June 2010 General info about your business: Black & White is a family owned casual dining full service restaurant.

Open 7 days a week for lunch & dinner Who inspired you to start your own business? I have a family background in restaurant business. My mother and father came to America from Greece in 1969 and opened a family pizza shop in Barre, MA I grew up watching them work and my sisters and I started working there at a young age. I went to school and college and after working in the corporate world, I realized the need and want for independence and being in control of a business as a whole. Plus, I have a passion for food and cooking.

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I graduated from Wachusett Regional High School in 1998 and Assumption College in 2002. Looking back, I would have tried to be more involved in more after school groups and electives, but it was hard working and going to school to have time for the "extra" stuff.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Absolutley! A balance of business and all its responsibility places a tremendous stress on family life. I have 3 children ages 15, 12, and 5 and a husband who is a full time police officer. Not only is my job stressful but a mother's job is stressful and a policeman's wife, especially these days is a tremendous stress. With my business, often times quality family life gets sacrificed for the good of the business. I find the motivation to maintain a successful, growing business, is often times thwarted or internally questioned as to which is more important. Ultimately, family is most important, and the reason to I work hard and spend much of my time at work is to provide for my family.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

"Dreams only work if you do."

- Unknown

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? The biggest challenge is the continuous struggle to employ enough reliable employees with the work ethic and drive necessary to operate. As the primary business owner, you always think no one can do it as good as you and it's hard to let go of that control but you have to find trusting and like-minded people to support the business and your passion.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? A lot of people do not realize that the Black & White was closed for about 18 months prior to us re-opening it in 2010. So, taking on something that failed by a previous owner and taking the risk to get it back up and running was super stressful. It was quite overwhelming looking at the big picture of the whole operation and all its entities. i.e. cooking, ordering, hiring, firing, menu creation quality control, bill payments and so on, but with positive attitude and determination and the right people, I was able to take an expired business and rejuvenate it to the success that it has become. This is truly a rewarding accomplishment.

Is there life after work, how do you relax? Life after work consists of relaxing family time, watching the Patriots game with friends, cooking at my leisure at home or boarding an airplane and departing the non stop stresses of business ownership by flying to an island for a few days to live on "island time". Sometimes, taking time off may add additional stress, but stepping away is needed, otherwise you get burnt out.

What is the last book you read? Actually, the last book I read was to my 5 year old at bed time! it's called "I am the Dog I am the Cat" HA HA! I can't recall when the last time I sat and relaxed and read a full novel or book in it's entirety for my pleasure. I'll have to make a point to make time for that.

Hilary or Trump? Although both candidates have many flaws, I am going to vote Trump. This country cannot afford any more liars in political positions. It's time to stop worrying about being so "politically correct" and just be correct. It's time to make change in the political environment, I hate to say "let's stir things up" but I think he will be the one to do it, and he will do it for the good of our country



# Aussie Doggy Day Spa



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'I love goals. Goals get results. No goals gets no results or somebody else's results"

-Katrina Chumsae

#### WOMAN IN BUSINESS:

Katrina Chumsae International Master Groomer

Business name: Aussie Doggy Day Spa

How long have you been in business?

General info about your business: I offer full grooming services Monday thru Friday from 7:30 am; evening appointments

available 2 days a week. Who inspired you to start your own business? I am self-inspired but I do like what Lauder, Founder of Estee Lauder said: "I didn't get where I am by thinking about it or dreaming about it. I got here by just

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I never look back at the "what if's." I just want to keep learning and developing and doing new exciting things. Just being happy and

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? For small business owners, work-life balance isn't so straight forward. It's hard to break away even for an hour much less take a vacation and want the business to be successful. There is never true equilibrium between my business and my personal life. I have business obligations, so it's difficult tending two gardens.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No, discrimination of gender is 20th century thinking, but I may still hear the occasional offensive jokes of a suggestive or sexual nature; jokes that imply sub-par work due to your gender, but not often. Being a woman can sometimes be an advantage in business.

What is your biggest challenge to being **successful?** Investing the time to learn the skills you need before you start your own business is especially wise. Because once you've decided to put so much energy into starting a small business, you're going to want it to develop into a viable, thriving enterprise.

Some people respond better to a woman

than a man.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Justice for ROXY! Go to westchester.news12.com/news/policesearch-for-person-who-abandoned-abuseddog-1.10600860.

Http://abc7ny.com/pets/roxy-the-doggets-new-home-lease-on-life-after-beingabandoned/824650.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I simplified everything. When you simplify your life, you will have much more space and experience balance. You can relax in an uncluttered home with time to go fishing!

What is the last book that you read? I love to read random and often useless facts from



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#### **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Wendy Sergeant, Nurse Practitioner, APRN-BC, PHMNP-BC, CAGS-PSYCH NP, MSN, MA

Business name: Bright Star Health

How long have you been in business? Since 2009

General info about your business: I run and own a medical practice specializing in Primary Care and Psychiatry.

Who inspired you to start your own **business?** My inspiration of starting my own business came from my office manager Pat Bennett and my patients.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? I do find it difficult to balance other aspects of my life and business; I have a strong partnership with my significant other, whom instills in me relaxation time.

Do you feel discriminated against

because you are a woman in your **field?** Yes - I am discriminated against

because I am a nurse practitioner and a woman in a male dominated physicians world. I work harder to prove myself. I have succeeded!

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? My biggest challenge being successful is being accepted in the medical community.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? In life, my biggest accomplishment is my children, then my business.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I relax by meditating, reading, writing, and exercising.

What is the last book that you read? The last book I read "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi

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H. Emma Buccheri, Linda Seguin, and **Judy Ferguson** 

# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

508-765-0058

**Judy Ferguson** Owner/Professional Photographer

# **Business name:**

Village Photo and Portrait Studio 345 Main Street, Southbridge 508-765-0058

How long have you been in business? August 1984

#### General info about your business: Specializing in portraits, photofinishing (digital and negative) and

custom framing. Hours: T, W, Fri. 9am-6pm

Thur 8am-7pm • Sat 9am-3pm

#### Who inspired you to start your own **business?** My husband had the idea

- so I took a course and had a passion for photos and people. Since, I have continued taking courses - everyday is a new learning experience.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? Get a Business Degree. I have a BS in Science.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your

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**business?** Not really. I have a GREAT TEAM of employees that assist with our business demands.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

Biggest challenge to being successful? Keeping up with the digital technology and keeping our business unique and needed by the community.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Raising a wonderful family with my husband, Ron and managing a successful small business for 32 complete years. I am a Registered Nurse and work part-time for a Home Care company.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? There is life after work. We have a great circle of friends that love to travel on motorcycles and see the world.

What is the last book you read? Death, Dying and Bereavement: Essential Concepts by Barbara Rubel (Nursing

Hillary or Trump and why? Not sure yet! I will vote.

Requirement)



Noah's Ark Pet Shop of Sturbridge 57 Main Street Fiske Hill Mall

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# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Sandy Steinberg

**Business name:** Noah's Ark Pet Shop

happy.

How long have you been in business?

General info about your business: Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri 10-6

Thurs 10-7 Saturday 9:30-5 & Sun 12-5 Summer Hours: Sat 9:30-4 Closed Sunday July through Labor Day We carry premium quality foods and

products to keep your pet healthy and

Who inspired you to start your own **business?** Coming from a family oriented in business I developed a business plan that includes quality products with customer service being my ultimate goal.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? I wouldn't change anything. Everyday is a new learning experience.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your **business?** My business and my family are my priorities.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? I do not feel discriminated being a woman in business today.

Biggest challenge to being successful? The biggest challenges to being successful are the changing trends in merchandising and education in nutrition.

In life, what is your biggest **accomplishment?** My greatest accomplishment is operating a successful business. I have developed long term relationships with our customers and the community.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Yes, there is life after work (minimal!!) I love to cook and bake, read and get together with friends.

What is the last book you read? The Woman Who Wasn't There

Hillary or Trump and why?





# BUSINESS

# Tips for juggling work and family

alancing work and family is a juggling act faced by many working parents. Responsibilities to work and parents. family often overlap, and that can make solving the riddle of balancing work and family that much more difficult.

Single-income households have decreased dramatically over the last several decades, as escalating costs of living have made it difficult for many families to get by on just one income. But working parents can employ several strategies, both at the office and at home, as they attempt to make the job of juggling commitments to work and family a little less difficult.

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A major concern many parents have as they attempt to balance work and family is that they are not spending enough time at home with their children or not paying enough attention to their kids or even their spouses when they are home. One way to find more time at home is to inquire about the possibility of working remotely. Advancements in technology that have made it easier to remotely communicate with clients and coworkers has led to an influx of workfrom-home employees. While working from home does not mean workloads will diminish, it does save men and women the time they would spend commuting to and from work, and that translates to more time at home with the family. If working remotely full-time is not a possibility, men and women can ask if it's possible as such a schedule will still provide more time at home.

Another avenue men and women can explore as they attempt to achieve a better balance between work and family concerns how efficiently they do their jobs. Chatting with coworkers about issues that do not pertain to work can be a great way to reduce work-related stress, but professionals who feel as if they never have enough time to get their jobs done in a typical work day should determine if they are working as efficiently as possible. Avoid too much water cooler chitchat and resist the temptation to check personal emails or text messages while at work. Such distractions can eat up a considerable amount of time over the course of a workday, making it harder for men and women to get their jobs done in a typical workday and forcing them to stay late or bring work home.

Men and women working to achieve a greater balance between work and family also can examine how willing they are to take on additional work. While coworkers love a team player willing to pitch in, routinely accepting extra work can drastically cut into the time men and women have to do their own jobs as well as the time they have to spend with their families. Helping coworkers out in a pinch is fine, but men and women should resist any urges to take on more than they can reasonably handle.

# AT HOME

Men and women also can take steps at home to create a better balance between work

who want the time they have with their children each night to be more substantive can turn off their devices upon arriving home from work. Devices such as smartphones and tablets keep working professionals attached to their offices, and many men and women are tempted to check work emails or answer phone calls and voicemails even when they have left the office for the day. Parents should resist that temptation so their families know their focus is on them and not back at the office.

Another way to create a greater balance between work and family life is to make more efficient use of time at home. For example, rather than spending an hour each night making dinner, working parents can use a slow cooker so family meals are ready the moment everyone arrives home at night. That frees up time the family can spend together and gives working parents one less thing to do when they arrive home.

Working parents looking get more quality time with their families also can cut back on the time families spend watching television each night. Limit television time to an hour or two each night, using the extra time to connect with one anoth-

Many working parents strive to create a greater balance between work and family. While doing so is not always easy, men and women can

employ strategies at work and at home to make the challenge a little less complicat-



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# Take a cue from successful women

Women had another successful year in 2015. According to the Fortune 500 list, 2015 tied the record set for the highest number of female CEOs in America's largest companies by revenue. Twentyfour women, including Mary Barra of General Motors, Meg Whitman of Hewlett-Packard and Ginny Rometty of IBM, made the

Although women make up 45 percent of the labor

force and only 5 percent head Fortune 500 companies, women are making greater strides than ever before. For example, in 1998, just one woman led a Fortune 500 company, according to Pew Research Center.

Certain traits could help propel successful women to the top. Here's a look at some of the ways female professionals can overcome professional hurdles and make their mark.

· Be passionate about what you do. Women who maintain passion about their careers are more likely to overcome any challenges and stand out in the workplace. If your profession is not stoking any passion, explore alternate career opportunities.

· Recognize your strengths. Today's professionals are less likely than their predecessors to stick with one company or line of work for their entire working lives. But just because you change jobs or career paths does not mean your past experience is useless. Successful women know what they do best, whether it's public speaking, writing or making sales pitches. Apply those strengths when looking for a new job or career.

· Know when to ask for help. Even the most accomplished women have limitations. Asking for help when you need it can help you overcome those limitations. To be good at what you do, you first have to learn from others. Sometimes the smartest way to overcome an obstacle is having several hands on deck to provide a boost. Thinking that the work is better left to you alone could be a mistake. Enlist



· Make time for exercise. A sluggish body can make for a sluggish mind. Successful people need to be sharp, and exercise can help them maintain their mental focus. According to John J. Ratey, Ph.D., a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, muscles send hormones rushing to the brain where they mix with a substance called brain-derived neurotrophic factor, or BDNF. BDNF plays a role in brain cell growth and learning. Without it, brains can't absorb new information or grow and learn. Exercise also helps relieve stress, which can make resolutions easier to see and make tasks less overwhelming.

· Go easy on yourself. While many successful people strive for perfection, achieving perfection is unlikely, if not impossible. Successful people often admit to being their own worst critics, but don't beat yourself up if you endure some trial and error. Mistakes can be a great teacher, so use any you make to your advantage.

· Don't be afraid to take risks. Successful women are not afraid to take risks. Many may have decided they don't fit a specific mold and want to affect change. However, calculated risks are different from reckless decisions, and it is important to recognize the difference. A calculated risk may involve starting your own business after learning the ropes in a specific field and testing the waters. Reckless behavior would be opening that business with no relevant experience.



# BUSINESS

# Healthy habits to combat stress

tress has an immediate and potentially long-term effect on the human body. Though it's a natural response to both good and bad experiences, stress, when chronic, can produce a host of negative consequences that greatly diminish one's quality of life.

Combatting stress can sometimes be difficult, as the causes of stress are never too far away for many adults. In its 2015 "Stress in AmericaTM: Paying With Our Health" survey, the American Psychological Association found that money is the top cause of stress for Americans. The survey was conducted on behalf of the APA by Harris Poll, which asked more than 3,000 participants about their issues with stress. Sixty-four percent said money was a somewhat or very significant source of stress, and that number was even higher for parents (77 percent). Survey respondents also noted that work is a significant source of stress.

Few adults can imagine a life that does not include financial- or work-related stress. But there are ways to combat stress that can benefit people's longterm health and improve their present-day quality of life.

 Develop a support network. Speaking about problems with trusted friends and family members can be an effective way to combat stress. The APA study found that participants who reported having an emotional support network reported lower stress levels than those who had no such networks to rely on. Try to overcome any reticence you might have about speaking about your stress to a close friend or trusted relative on those days when stress seems overwhelming.

· Get more exercise. Routine exercise is another healthy way to combat stress. According to the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, studies have shown that exercise can reduce fatigue, improve alertness and



Daily exercise is an effective way to combat stress.

concentration and enhance overall cognitive function. Those are considerable benefits to people dealing with elevated levels of stress, which can contribute to both physical and mental fatigue and negatively impact one's ability to concentrate. Studies also have shown that regular exercise can decrease tension, which tends to increase as stress levels rise. and elevate and help to stabilize mood, which often decreases as stress levels increase.

· Don't lean on alcohol after stressful

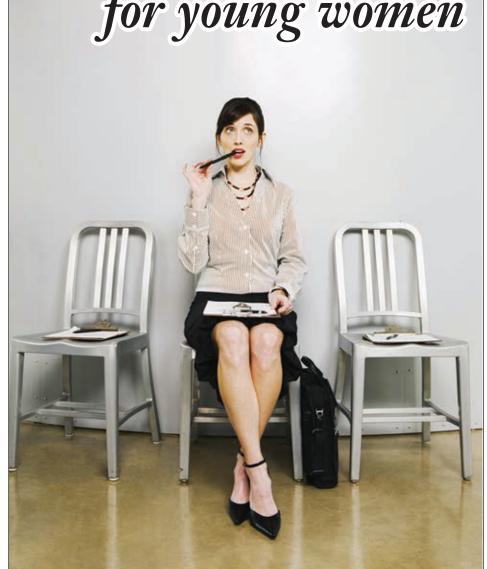
days. Many people respond to stressful 
Institute of Stress notes that focused days by consuming alcohol. While alcohol helps some people forget a stressful day, it also produces psychological and physiological side effects that can compound the effects of the very stress drinkers are looking to relieve. People who drink to alleviate stress may only be doing more harm with each drink, so find a way to cope with stress that has a more positive impact on both your body and mind than that produced by alcohol

· Breathe deeply. The American

breathing is a relaxation response that stimulates the nervous system and promotes a sense of calmness. Deep breathing can combat stress, lower blood pressure and draw your attention away from those things that are causing your stress. Visit www.stress.org to learn about deep breathing exercises.

Stress if a fact of life for many people. But while stress may be inevitable, it can be overcome.

# Job hunting tips for young women



"Imperfection is beauty, madness is genius and it's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring."

~ Marilyn Monroe

Young women preparing to enter the workforce may discover a job market that's difficult to crack. Getting a foot in the door in your desired field is not always easy, but young women looking to land that first job out of college can consider the following tips to help them take that all-important first step toward a rewarding career.

• Decide on a path. Blindly searching for work or any old job is a recipe for an aimless search that likely won't land you a job you enjoy. Choose what it is that you want to do and who you hope to do it for, and then you can proceed with a more refined search that does not include you spending time pursuing positions you don't want.

· Don't be afraid to seek advice. Once you determine some companies you may want to work for, don't be afraid to seek advice from people who already work for those companies. Even if such businesses don't have any current openings, you might be able to schedule informational meetings. Treat such meetings like you would a job interview, asking questions about the industry and what you can do to get your foot in the door. Once such meetings have concluded, send a hand-written thank-you note to the person who took time out of their day to give you the informational meeting.

· Learn from each job interview. Many people, especially young people just starting out, go through many job interviews before finally landing a job. Each interview is not just an opportunity to land a job or hone your interviewing skills, but also a chance to learn what employers are looking for. Many interviews for entry-level jobs are similar regardless of the industry, so make note of your responses that went over well and those that might need a little more work.

• Be prepared to explain why you should be hired. Job seekers should be able to explain both their

enthusiasm for the job and why they are right for that job. Keep your description of your capabilities concise, but don't be afraid to confidently state why you are the best possible candidate.

 Look for volunteering opportunities. After you have targeted a field you want to work in, you may find that there are few paying opportunities within that field. But you  $might\,be\,able\,to\,volunteer$ or even pursue an internship if you only recently graduated from college. Volunteering or accepting an unpaid internship is a great way to start making some contacts and gaining some legitimate experience, and working for free might just indicate to prospective employers that you are serious about pursuing a particular career and not just landing a job.

Young women may be met with a difficult job market upon graduating from college. But there are ways to make job hunts easier and land the job of your dreams.

# Did you know?

According to the Small Business Administration, a small business is defined as an enterprise with fewer than 500 employees. By that measure, the SBA notes there are nearly 28 million small businesses in the United States, more than 22 million of which are self-employed men and women with no additional payroll or employees. With so many small businesses to choose from, it's no wonder that more than half the working population works in a small business. The SBA also highlights the important role that small businesses play in generating new jobs, noting that, since 1995, more than 65 percent of the net new jobs have been generated by small businesses. Despite their strength in numbers, small businesses still face an uphill battle to survive for the long haul. SBA statistics indicate that seven out of 10 new employer firms survive at least two years, but those figures drop considerably as time goes on, with only 50 percent surviving at least five years, one-third making it to their tenth anniversary and just 25 percent staying in business for 15 years or

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# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Natalie, M Stanley, DMD

**Business name:** 

Natalie, M Stanley, DMD & Associates,

How long have you been in business? June 2016

General info about your business: Family General Dentistry Monday & Thursday: 9-6 Tuesday: 8-6 Wednesday: 9-4 Friday: 8-5

Who inspired you to start your own business? My uncle is an orthodontist in town and I grew up working in his office. He inspired me to go to dental school and become a dentist. Owning my own practice was something that I wanted for myself once I graduated and began working as an associate.

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do **differently?** Nothing. I went to Holy Name High School in Worcester, was very involved in sports, chorus, Christian leadership, National Honor Society. I loved my high school

experience. College – Worcester State University. This was more stressful making sure I did well to get into dental

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? I've always been good with time management. I'm busy - but

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No - my graduating class from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine had slightly more than 50% women. There are more and more woman graduating as dentists every

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? It is a tie between graduating dental school and buying my own practice. As a young girl I never would have dreamed I would be a dentist, let alone owning my own practice at age 29.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? I love to exercise. It is my stress reliver. Crossfit and hot yoga keep me



# Bark & Bubble **Full Service Pet Grooming**

#### **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Casandra Leite Owner/Groomer 450 Main St., Sturbridge, MA 508-347-3773

**Business name:** Bark & Bubble Pet Grooming

How long have you been in business? Before owning Bark & Bubble for 2 1/2 years I was employed here for 5 years.

about Tuesday-Saturday business: 8am-? (We try to accommodate all of our furry friends). We offer: full grooming for dogs and cats, self-serve pet wash (wash your own dog), nail clipping, flea bath/skunk bath, ear cleaning, teeth brushing, specialty shampoo for all skin types, Lion clips (for cats)

Who inspired you to start your own business? Bark and Bubble was already an existing business. I was hired as a bather on an as needed basis 7 years ago. After a short period of time, Melissa who is also a groomer here at Bark & Bubble said: "This girl got what it takes to be a groomer!" She taught me everything I know about grooming. I am very thankful that I was given that opportunity because I would never have made it to where I am now as the owner/groomer. Also with tons of support from family & friends and many returning clients. I would not have been able to make it happen without them.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Some days are easier than others. Being a mom of 3 and trying to be here and there at the same time can be challenging sometimes. With 2 young boys dedicated to baseball year round, a daughter thats a full time nursing student, and running the shop while trying to be flexible for all of our clients. Thankfully I have wonderful parents that help me tremendously with the kids, and two great employees, Melissa and Barbara, that are my backbone to the shop.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? Nope. I do not feel discriminated at all. I am too busy in my daily life to be worried about feeling discriminated. I may not be big and strong physically, but my mind is set and that's all the strength you need.

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? The

"grooming competition." There are many people that are opening grooming shops all over the area. Although Bark & Bubble has been voted "Best Groomer" by the local paper 7 years in a row! We take full pride in every service that we offer. Myself, Melissa and Barbara absolutely love doing what we have chosen to do for a career. Not just anyone can do what we do, and love it. It's a passion. Each dog or cat that comes through our door has a different personality, and we quickly have to figure them out. Grooming for some dogs can be stressful, as with a vet visit or a simple car ride. We have to earn the trust from the furry friend. After a while most of the dogs that come through our door walk in and make themselves right at home. Not all groomers are capable of handling some of the different situations that we may be able to handle, having many years of experience between us all. That being said, we all do learn new things/techniques everyday.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Raising my three unique and talented kids and being a successful woman business owner.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? You have to find time to relax. It may come in small increments planned or unexpectedly. But you need to re-group, spend time with family. If you don't, you will not be able to perform at your maximum ability. If I'm at the ball field with the boys, or hanging out at home talking with my daughter about her Chemistry mid-term and the boys are playing catch in the kitchen, that's relaxing to me. My kids and my shop... that's my life!







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"Don't let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do"

- John Wooden

# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Roseanne Longo, LMT

**Business name:** Hands-On Healthcare Massage Therapy

How long have you been in business? Established 2001

**General info about your business:** I offer 30, 60 and 90 minute Massage Therapy sessions, tailored to your health goals. Monday-Friday by appointment. Handicap accessible.

Who inspired you to start your own business? After three years of being a Massage Therapist I was encouraged to open my own business by my clients and family. I credit my mother, especially for my strong work ethic and level of compassion. Hands-On Healthcare was created to operate and reflect my philosophies. Massage therapy is a way to maintain or to better your health, and should be viewed as more than just a luxury or "treat". A "Hands-On" approach implies active involvement of yourself as well as the massage therapist in working towards your wellness goals.

How did school affect your success? Completing college and spending about ten years in the corporate world helped prepare me to manage my own business. It also helped me understand what I needed to feel personally successful. I

have brought my analytical mind into my massage practice, working with clients to figure out what things contribute to their pain, and steps to get them closer to their optimum health.

What is your biggest challenge to being **successful?** The biggest challenge is simply the economics of being self employed, especially in an industry still considered "alternative healthcare." It does have it's advantages, such as providing me a level of schedule flexibility, and the opportunity to help and be with friends or family in the tough/end stages of their lives.

What do you consider big accomplishments? One accomplishment was having the courage and drive to leave the corporate world to pursue a career in Massage Therapy. Another

was moving my business into my home last year. I was able to re-design the house and create a separate, welcoming business space.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? When not working, I recharge and relax by enjoying the outdoors by foot, bike, skis, kayak, or occasionally from the air. If I am indoors I may be swing dancing or getting a massage from a colleague.



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# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**

Annie Bergman

**Business name:** Paradise Found

How long have you been in business? Since 1986

**Hours of Operation Service/Products you offer:** The shop is open Tuesday through Sunday 10am to 5pm. Located in the Sturbridge Marketplace in Sturbridge, MA, Paradise Found offers a wonderful selection of lovely fashions in petite, missy and plus sizes ranging from casual to dressy. We even carry elegant gowns for weddings, cruises and other special occasions. Also, to celebrate our 30th Anniversary, we are offering great monthly specials related to "30"!

Who inspired you to start your own **business?** I grew up in a business environment. My parents owned and operated the Sturbridge Yankee Workshop, a retail mail-order and stores business specializing in early American furniture and gifts. Coincidentally, the mail-order part of the business was eventually moved into the building which later became the Sturbridge Marketplace where Paradise Found is located. I was also inspired by a

rooftop in Orleans on Cape Cod! A few years before opening Paradise Found, I was driving through Orleans and on a roof was painted "16 to 52". My svelte mother had no idea what that meant but I said, "Let's stop we must investigate!" It was a plus-sized shop called "Twice as Nice" and having been a "chubette" all my life, I knew exactly what those numbers on the roof meant - a store all for me! Such a rarity! So I came back home and started Paradise Found. We carried exclusively plus sizes until about ten years ago. Due to so many kind words about our fashions from women of all sizes, and tough economic times, I decided it was time to add missy and petite sizes. We now carry sizes 6 to

Biggest challenge to being successful? Unfortunately, the convenience of shopping online has made it very difficult for many small retail businesses to survive. My only hope is that the uniqueness and great service provided by so many small businesses will help potential customers see the terrific advantage to buying locally.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? My greatest source of joy and biggest stress reliever comes from my long involvement with a wonderful community choir, The Quinebaug Valley Singers.





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"Color is my day-long obsession, joy, and torment"

~Claude Monet

# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:** Melissa Ruttle

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**Business name:** Color Consulting & Decorating

How long have you been in business? Since 2001

General info about your business: I offer help with choosing the perfect color palette for the interior or exterior of your home, design window treatments, help with furniture selection and placement, reupholstery projects, wallpaper, tile and counter top advice, and accessory shopping.

Who Inspired You to Start Your Own Business: My dear friend, Tara Ruiz, my husband, Brian, and my dad, Ben. With my extensive training as a colorist and designer for the home textile industry, they believed I needed to get out there and help home owners with their paint and fabric challenges. Boy, were they right! It has been such a wonderful and fulfilling career. I love what I do and I love the people I meet!

If You Could Go Back To High School or College, What Would You Do Differently? Honestly, I would not change much. I would have taken a lot more business courses in college. I was an art major. I should have minored in business.

Do You Find It Difficult To Balance Other Aspects Of Your Life With Your Business? Sometimes it is difficult to balance my family life and my career. I have two teenage boys, a rental property, and like most moms, a lot of responsibility, but it is all worth it!

Is There Life After Work, How Do You Relax? Yes, there is life after work, but I must confess that my work sometimes is my happy place and it fulfills my creative spirit. I enjoy being with my family, my dog, my nieces, and yoga. I love to kayak, dance, and be with friends.

What Is The Last Book You Read? The last book I read was called, When Crickets Cry. I have many sitting on my Kindle.



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# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:** Kristen Walther

NMLS# 19396 Business name:

Kristen Walther

Producing Branch Owner/Manager

How long have you been in business? Norcom Branch Owner/Manager since 2011 and in this profession since 2003

General info about your business: Residential Mortgage Specialist Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sturbridge.NorcomMortgage.com

Who inspired you to start your own business? James Morin, VP Retail Sales at Norcom Headquarters, Avon, CT

If you could go back to high school or college, What would you do differently? Nothing. I am right where I want to be, here with my Norcom family.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? No. Never! Bring it on!

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

**Biggest challenge to being successful?** I try to overcome any challenges that are put before me and strive to conquer them.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? Being a mother to my handsome son Cameron, my three beautiful step-daughters and being a Mimi to my precious grandson Jayden. Achieving high ranks as top producer year in and year out to grow my business.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Ride my horses, powerlift/gym

What is the last book you read? Mr. Schmooze

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- Dean Kamazes

# **WOMAN IN BUSINESS:**Dr Jennifer A. Fagerquist, DVM

Business name:

Spencer Veterinary Hospital

**How long have you been in business?** I purchased the practice in November 2006

General info about your business: We are a full-service small animal (cats and dogs) hospital, including well care, sick care, surgery, acupuncture, and more. New patients are always welcome.

Who inspired you to start your own business? Truly, my parents inspired/helped me to start my first business (making and selling candy) when I was very young so that I could afford to get and have a horse.

If you could go back to high school or college, what would you do differently? I would take more time to enjoy and learn about other activities unrelated to my field. That is to say, that I would take more time to smell the roses. Otherwise, I wouldn't change a thing; I am who I am today because of my past.

Do you find it difficult to balance other aspects of your life with your business? Yes. I am learning every day to focus on the moment at hand. I have found meditation to be helpful.

Do you feel discriminated against because you are a woman in your field? No.

What is your biggest challenge to being successful? Finding balance and feeling comfortable with not being perfect. Acknowledging that I cannot be all things to all people. Prioritizing.

In life, what is your biggest accomplishment? My family! I have a wonderful husband and six beautiful children with close extended family as well. Additionally, keeping old and making new traditions and finding the lesson in each experience.

Is there life after work? How do you relax? Farm work. We are currently working on growing and raising our own food. I get a real sense of satisfaction from getting my hands dirty and knowing where my food is coming from.

What is the last book that you read? *The Slight Edge* by Jeff Olson



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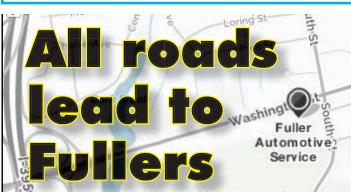
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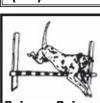
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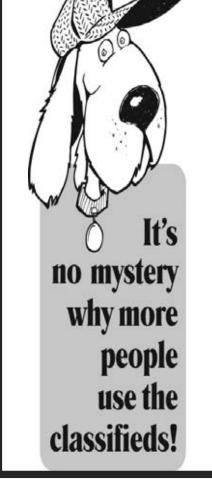
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