

BOS sets fall TM date

BY GREG VINE
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Winchendon selectmen voted Monday night to set the date for a fall town meeting. After asking the board to schedule the meeting, Town Manager Keith Hickey unveiled a total of 14 warrant articles, 13 of which cover a variety of expenditures. Anyone wishing to add an article to the warrant will have until 5 p.m. Monday, September 24 to do so.

The largest proposed cash outlay, \$147,000, is to cover the cost of so-called sally port,

which would be added to the rear of the new Central Street police station. At the May 2017 annual town meeting, voters approved an expenditure of \$691,000 for the construction of the sally port, which was to include space for the storage of firearms, a fingerprint room, an additional holding cell, and a new booking space.

"After receiving that vote we went out to bid," said Hickey, "and the low bidder for that project proposed spending \$147,000 more than we had funding for. The total bid

amount was \$838,000, which was surprising and disappointing."

"Working with the architect who helped with the police station as well as the sally port," Hickey continued, "he worked with the apparent low-bidder, qualified the low-bidder and, in discussions, that low-bidder has agreed to extend the bid timeframe until the additional \$147,000 in free cash could be raised at the fall town meeting. If it can be raised at the fall town meeting, the \$838,000 budget will stand, and the con-

tractor will honor the bid that he put together about a year or so ago."

Hickey said his support for the project has not changed.

"I think it's tough to swallow," he said. "It's an \$838,000 project for a sally port. That being said, the need for that project is still there and, unfortunately, the cost for that project is going to continue to increase."

The town manager did his best to assure the board the town will have the cash in hand to cover the cost of the

sally port and several other proposed expenditures.

"We believe very strongly that, conservatively, we're going to have a free cash balance of a million dollars at the end of fiscal 18. I'd like to propose," he continued, "that the board include an article on the warrant to fund the \$147,000 shortfall for the sally port out of fiscal year 18 free cash."

Responding to an inquiry from The Courier, Hickey confirmed the new sally port would not include all of the

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The ribbon is cut, officially opening the doors of the Clark Memorial YMCA's new Youth and Community Center. The \$1.6 million facility was dedicated Sunday afternoon, exactly 64 years to the day after the dedication of the Clark's main building on Central Street.

Clark dedicates new youth and community center

BY GREG VINE
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

On Sunday, 64 years to the day after the familiar Clark Memorial building at the corner of Central and Summer streets was dedicated, a host of local dignitaries and residents were on hand for the dedication of the Clark Memorial YMCA's new Youth and Community Center. Groundbreaking on the \$1.6 million facility was held in early November of last year.

After 10-year-old Madison

Cassidy of Winchendon led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Murdock High School Chamber Singers performed the Star-Spangled Banner, Cindy Landanno, chairman of the Clark's board of directors, provided a brief history of the new center.

"It's hard to believe that it's even here," she said. "As a board, we really started having this conversation - I'm going to say - close to 10 years ago. It started out as a necessity; we didn't have enough space. We were struggling with what to do with

programming and trying to expand what we could offer the community."

Landanno said a wide variety of proposals were discussed - some too expensive, some just plain unrealistic - until a seemingly workable plan was settled upon. The building's design was drawn up and strategies for a capital campaign to raise funds for the project were developed. Monies were raised from a number of sources, with major donations coming from the Robinson Broadhurst

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Boot drive policy settled — for now

BY GREG VINE
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One of the most popular ways for local cultural, service and non-profit organizations to raise funds is through the well-known "boot drive." It may, in fact, be THE most popular means to fatten-up organizational coffers; popular with the groups who hold them, perhaps, but certainly less so for motorists who feel compelled to stop and throw a buck or two into a boot, as well as those who must wait for contributors taking the time to hunt for the one or two Washingtons they hope to donate. "Hope," that is, because in this day and age of debit cards and iPhone transactions there is no guarantee - after all the pockets, purses, wallets, and the glove box have been checked - that a greenback of any denomination will be found.

On Monday night, after a long

discussion about how best to deal with the issue, selectmen settled on a policy that will likely displease both supporters and detractors of the boot drive. Before debate started, board Chairman Audrey LaBrie read an email from Winchendon resident Rick Ward who presented several suggestions. LaBrie explained Ward was unable to attend the meeting and had requested his email be read to the board.

Ward said any and all funds raised by boot drive should be used exclusively to benefit residents of Winchendon. He also argued that any organization granted a permit must be Winchendon-based, with a Winchendon address, and that it must also be a non-profit. Ward said only one permit per year should be granted to any single organization.

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Greg Vine photo

Winchendon election officials - including Town Clerk Judy LaJoie and Assistant Town Clerk Debra Skinner - last Friday carried out a recount of votes cast in the primary election contest for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Representative from Massachusetts' 3rd Congressional District. Witnessed by state and local officials and representatives from political parties and candidates, the event also drew local curiosity.

Art is a way to look at the world

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Nicole Elias has lived in a lot of different places as far-flung as San Francisco and for nearly a decade, Ireland. Now she's settled back in Massachusetts and has joined the faculty at Murdock High School as an art teacher, a job that was originally slated to be part-time but Elias so impressed n her interview, then Principal Ralph Olsen worked it out so Elias could come on board full-time. She's surely glad she has.

"I always loved art and I always worked with kids," reflected Elias who once upon a time was a live-in nanny in San Francisco before she became a teacher at an art studio in Dublin where she lived between 1998 and 2007. Despite that, "I really wasn't sure I was capable" when she returned to

the States, Elias recalled.

"I was working, raising my daughter, and I kept thinking about teaching. People were pushing me so I eventually went back to school," first at Fitchburg State then at Worcester State because Fitchburg had no visual arts major. School was hectic enough but there was more. She was also working in a restaurant which was certainly frenzied too and Elias had plenty of responsibility there but the teaching bug kept biting

"That's why I went back to school. I got a job as a long term sub last year at Leominster High, really for basically the whole year, October to June and then I began looking for full-time. I found the Murdock job online and I had other

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Greg Vine photo

New Murdock art teacher Nicole Elias. Elias has found her way in Winchendon after spending time in places such as Dublin, Ireland and San Francisco.

Recount includes every town

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

It took two weeks after primary day to make it official but Lori Trahan is the Democratic nominee in Massachusetts Third Congressional District and will face Republican Rick Green in the Nov. 6 general election. The winner will succeed Rep. Nikki Tsongas (D), who chose to retire.

When all the votes were counted, she had defeated Dan Koh by 147 votes out of about 89,000 cast. Koh conceded Monday night. However, no votes changed in Winchendon

where Koh received 82 votes to Trahan's 50, though district wide fifth place finisher Rufus Gifford carried the town.

"Dan Koh called to congratulate me and graciously offer his support in the weeks to come. His campaign stood for many of the values that are important to me and we will continue to fight for those values together," said Trahan.

Trahan, who was Marty Meehan's chief of staff when the now UMass Lowell president held the congressional seat before Tsongas, touted her

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WEEKLY QUOTE

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first.

- Mark Twain

CLYDE'S CORNER

Saturday September 29

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL: United Parish Fall Festival will be held at the church, 39 Front St., Winchendon on Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9-2 pm. Included will be Yard Sale, Bake Sale and of course, Mums. Lunch: hotdog meal \$5; hamburger meal \$6.

Saturday October 6

THE RACE FOR THE REST OF US: a .5K, yes that dot is important, a leisurely walk or a manic run, we don't care, around GAR Park. \$20 entry fee for adults, kids can enter free. First 50 to enter will get a t-shirt. This is first warning, more info to follow.

Saturday October 13

MASQUERADE MADNESS: tickets are now sale for the Masquerade Madness at the Murdock Whitney House, 151 Front St. Come in costume (the whole shebang or at least a mask) to enter a contest, the usual casino games, and a great time. The best time and fundraiser for the Winchendon History and Cultural Center. Tickets are \$25 each and always sell out. Available at Seppi's Ice Cream shop when open or call Peg at (561) 459-9484.

Saturday October 20

LAUGH FOR A CAUSE: The Winchendon CAC will be sponsoring a Comedy Fundraising Show on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 8 PM at the American Legion. Doors open at 7 PM. Raffles. Tickets are

\$20 per person and are available at the WCAC, To Each His Own Design, or at the door the night of the show.

Thursday October 25

TRIVIA NIGHT: Sons of the American Legion host Trivia Night beginning at 8 p.m. at the American Legion. Gather a team and challenge your friends. Hosted by questions master Ryan Murphy.

Sunday October 28

APPRAISAL DAY: Wayne Tuiskula of Central Mass Auctions will be at the Murdock Whitney House Museum Sunday, Oct. 28 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Wayne is an auctioneer and appraiser and the author of the Antiques column which appears regularly in the Winchendon Courier. Bring up to three items, each item will be examined for \$5 each. For

more information about Central Mass Auctions visit www.centralmassauctions.com.

Saturday November 10

OPERATION WINCHENDON CARES: Holiday Drive will be held Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at the American Legion Post 193 on School Street. That day is World Kindness Day, so what better way than to send some cheer to our military members who are unable to be home with their families on the holidays. Spread the word to your friends, family and neighbors. If you know of anyone who is not on our list, please contact us with his/her information or a contact person for them. Check out our Facebook page (Operation Winchendon Cares) and website: <http://www.winchendoncares.com>.

U.S. Housing Markets Moving Into Rent Territory for First Time in Over 8 Years: Report

U.S. housing markets, when viewed as a whole, are now in rent territory, meaning renting and reinvesting, on average, will outperform owning and building equity in terms of wealth creation, according to the latest national index produced by Florida Atlantic University and Florida International University faculty.

The last time U.S. markets as a whole crossed from ownership territory into rent territory was in June 1999. In January 2010, U.S. housing markets crossed back into ownership territory and have remained there until now. U.S. homeowners have, on average, outperformed renting and reinvesting in terms of wealth creation ever since.

Currently, 16 of the 23 cities covered in the Beracha, Hardin & Johnson Buy vs. Rent (BH&J) Index are in rent territory. Those cities include Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Miami,

Minneapolis, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Portland, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle and St. Louis, all of which will be experiencing downward pressure on the demand for ownership.

What does this mean for the future of U.S. housing prices? While residential real estate cycles are a relatively new phenomenon, making predictions difficult, the Index does have more than 36 years of quarterly pricing data, which allows its creators to draw some insight as to what is ahead.

"It is clear that we are at a point where markets will begin to see downward pricing pressure, implying in some markets annual pricing increases will begin to slow," said Ken Johnson, Ph.D., a real estate economist and one of the index's creators in FAU's College of Business.

The best buys in the country right now appear to be in the Midwest and Northeast, with Chicago and Cleveland

possessing the lowest/best ownership scores. Of all the cities in the BH&J Index, Johnson said, Dallas is most alarming with a score of .888.

"Across all of the data for the Index going back to 1982, only 49 times has a market in any given quarter been at this score or higher," Johnson said. "All of these markets experienced significant price declines in their residential housing prices."

Currently, the biggest driver for moving the U.S. into rent territory is the fact that, while both are rising, the cost of ownership is outpacing the cost of renting a like-kind property, said Eli Beracha, Ph.D., co-creator of the index and director of the Hollo School of Real Estate at FIU.

"Cycles appear to be with us to stay and that the tradeoff between renting and reinvesting versus owning and building wealth, as well as the cost of ownership relative to the cost of renting

like-kind property, will be fundamental drivers of housing prices," Beracha said.

William G. Hardin, Ph.D., director of FIU's Jerome Bain Real Estate Institute and associate dean of the Chapman Graduate School of Business, believes U.S. housing markets are clearly heading toward the peak of the current cycle. However, the perfect storm that was present in 2007-08, which preceded the last crash of real estate markets, is not around today.

"Interest rates are low and few junk mortgages are out there," Hardin said. "Additionally, employment, income, and borrower credit ratings are all up. These are all good signs for a smoother transition this time around."

For more information, visit www.fau.edu.

Cultural Council seeking proposals and members

Applications for the Winchendon Cultural Council are due Oct. 15.

Mass Cultural Council funds and manages a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils across

the state, representing every city and town in the Commonwealth. Each council awards money based on individual community cultural needs, assessed and set

by council members. The Winchendon Cultural Council will give priority to the following criteria:

1. Applicants that have secured a local

venue within the greater Winchendon community.

2. Projects that serve youth, adults, and the elderly.

3. Projects that focus on local history.

In addition to the state criteria, applications will be evaluated by community support, financial need, and demonstrated planning.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.mass-culture.org>

In addition, the Cultural Council needs more members. The committee can have up to 15 members, but at present is down to only five. Anyone with an interest in the cultural life of Winchendon or wants to help by volunteering for

the town, this is a great beginning to learn how to help. The Council has more than \$6,000 to provide grants this year, and needs dedicated volunteers to help make the necessary decisions.

If you are interested, contact the town manager's office to apply for membership or for more information.

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MOTORPALOOZA

The Narragansett Historical Society would like to invite you to attend their 4th annual Motorpalooza on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 11am-4pm, rain or shine, right in front of the building on 1 Boynton Road, on the Templeton Common.

Classic cars, souped up hot rods, engines doing their work; Old machines, new machines and all the things in between along with a great assortment of yummy lunch and snack options to purchase all will be there. Admission is FREE and of course, it's a family friendly event. You won't want to miss live music by Boothill Express in the Gazebo, starting at Noon. Bring your friends, your appetite and a lawn chair to enjoy the beautiful area in and around the Historical Society all day long.

HISTORICAL MEETING

The Narragansett Historical Society will hold their monthly meeting this coming Wednesday, September 26 at 7pm in the Document Room inside the building at 1 Boynton Road, Templeton. All are welcome to attend, members are strongly urged to attend. Items for discussion will include old business as well as new business of the Halloween and Jack Frost events, Cabin Fever planning for February as well as outlining next summer's schedule. Narragansett Historical Society is always seeking new members and volunteers, why not attend a meeting and see what they are all about? Got Questions? email nh1924society@gmail.com or find them on Facebook at Templeton Museum (Narr Hist Society).

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Fors Memorial raises funds for local EMS units

BY GREG VINE

When he was 13, Tom Fors was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. According to his parents, Karen and Davin, the Gardner teen did everything right when it came to keeping an eye on the disease and staying healthy.

"He took on the responsibility himself," said Karen.

Still, at age 22 Tom was gone. "On February 18, 2015 I found him in his room," Davin said, "and he was already gone. But it wasn't the diabetes that killed him. He died suddenly from an undetected heart arrhythmia. There was nothing we could do."

Tom Fors attended Gardner public schools through middle school. He then transferred to Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical High School where he majored in household carpentry.

"Basically," said Davin Fors with a chuckle, "he went to Monty Tech to learn that the last thing in the world he wanted to do was household carpentry. So, he ended up taking an EMT course that was being offered at the Ashburnham Fire Department. He loved it."

It turned out that Tom would follow in his father's footsteps since Davin has spent more than 25 years as an EMT. The younger Fors would go on to work for Armstrong Ambulance in Arlington, Woods Ambulance in Gardner, and for Lawrence General Hospital EMS. While working in Arlington, Tom was among those responding to Boston to stabilize and transport victims of the Marathon bombings in April 2013.

"Tom wanted to make a difference," added Karen. "He felt he could do that through a career in EMS."

After Tom's passing, Davin and Karen established the Tom Fors



This rider gets registered for the third annual Tom Fors Memorial Ride and Barbecue. Kickstands went up at 10 a.m. Sunday and the ride was followed by a great meal with plenty of delicious barbecue items. The event raises funds for area EMS providers.



A large flag - 20 feet by 30 feet - hangs over the entrance to Winchendon's Snowbound Club Sunday morning. The flag greeted participants in the third annual Tom Fors Memorial Ride and barbecue, which raises funds for local EMS providers.

Greg Vine photos

Memorial Fund. The non-profit organization raises funds to provide grants to various EMS units. Initially, said Karen, grants were made to programs that concentrated on EMT training. More recently, funds have been used to purchase equipment for municipal agencies. The latest purchase was an automatic defibrillator for the Gardner Fire Department.

His mother said Tom had "a passion for motorcycles," so it only makes sense that the biggest fundraiser of the year for the organization would include a whole lot of the two-wheeled vehicles. This past Sunday marked the third annual Tom Fors Memorial Motorcycle

Ride and Barbecue.

According to Davin Fors, more than 150 riders participated in the 60-mile ride through parts of southern New Hampshire and Northern Worcester County. The event, held at the Snowbound Club on Baldwinville Road in Winchendon, also featured a pig roast, grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, and a variety of side dishes. Music was provided by DJ Mike, The Two-Timers, and Brett Casavant & Neon Alley.

This year's ride and barbecue raised some \$13,000 for the foundation.

Anyone unable to make it Sunday's celebration of Tom Fors' life can still contribute. Checks made payable to the Tom Fors Memorial Fund can be mailed to the Community Foundation of North Central Mass., 649 John Fitch Highway, Fitchburg, MA 01420. Online donations can be made by going to www.cfncm.com; click the "donate" button and search for Tom's name to donate.

"Tom always wanted to help others," said Karen, "and this is a way for us to carry on that legacy."



TOP: The quiet of Winchendon's Old Centre is shattered as motorcyclists taking part in the Tom Fors Memorial Ride roar past the Old Centre Church. Mother Nature seemed to be fighting back the approach of autumn with bright blue skies and unseasonably warm temperatures for Sunday morning's event.

BOTTOM: Riders await the start of the third annual Tom Fors Memorial Ride and Barbecue.

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EDITORIAL

Saving our heritage

The Winchendon History and Cultural Center has taken on yet another building this week. The Old Centre Church, the original church for the entire town, is now in the hands of the organization.

Keeping our heritage intact is a very real concern, and Winchendon has done a patchy job of it in the past. They have let at least two religious buildings be demolished when they were no longer of use by the congregations; a very real loss to the community.

And while we know efforts to save other buildings of historic significance have not always happened, at least the awareness is more intense at this time.

This building is actually the third church built at the old center of town, and was constructed in 1850. It has been used and will continue to be used for religious ceremonies; weddings, funerals and services. But it will no longer be designated as the home of a congregation.

It is also an acoustically wonderful site for musical programs and has become an ideal venue for such annual events as the Winchendon Music Festival, a two weekend mélange of delight. It can obviously continue to be used for concerts, programs, lectures, and other events with plenty of seating and a beautiful setting.

Then there is the kitchen and full dining area in the basement; yet another venue available for nonprofits, private groups and even businesses to hold meetings, meals and fundraisers. It is a

great space, and has been under utilized in the past.

Yes, the WHCC will need to step up and do even more fundraising and grant writing and work even harder now that another responsibility is on the docket. But they are up to the task.

The board understands the importance of this. The intention is to keep the church building as a separate entity from the current holdings of the WHCC, creating a separate 501c3 to keep the funds (a small endowment does accompany the building); and to keep better track of both expenses and any income. Mixing the resources at this time is believed not to be in the best interests of the WHCC or the church itself. We need to see what the costs of the building will be.

There will be some repairs, some painting etc. to be done; but it is in good shape. There is historical significance, it fits the goals of the WHCC, it needs to be preserved; and the board of directors has taken on the challenge.

The rest of the town needs to say "thank you," and we hope they will step up and help when funding is requested. Attend the events, the Masquerade is upcoming and it's fun night for a good cause (tickets are available at the Seppi's Ice Cream Shop); the antique appraisal night is at the end of October and then of course there is the Walk for the Rest of Us on Oct. 6. Take part, donate, become a member, and help preserve another piece of Winchendon's history.

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"I'm on board with that 100 percent," said selectman Mike Barbaro.

"Mr. Ward and I agree on that 100 percent," added board member Barbara Anderson, a vocal opponent of boot drives who has said she'd like to see the practice done away with entirely.

The board deleted a section of the policy which stated boot drives could "be conducted no earlier than one half-hour after sunrise and end no later than one half-hour before sunset."

"We usually dictate the hours they're going to be out there, anyway," said Anderson.

Town Manager Keith Hickey questioned the efficacy of a section requiring an application to be submitted to selectmen "at least 30 days before the event."

"There's a decent percentage of organizations," said Hickey, "who don't meet that requirement. (Administrative Assistant) Linda (Daigle) has been kind enough in the past to rush them through and maybe bring opinions of department heads to the Board of Selectmen that evening because we didn't get them until the day of the board meeting."

The police and fire departments normally review requests for boot drives to determine any safety concerns they might want to bring to the board.

"Is 30 days the policy?" asked Hickey. "And, if so, if someone comes in 25 days before a board meeting are they told that they have to wait until the (following) board meeting?"

The board decided to reduce from 30

days to 21 days the amount of time before an event that a permit application must be submitted.

Selectman Austin Cyganiewicz opposed a proposal to require that any organization receiving a permit must be "Winchendon based."

"Why," he asked, "can't an organization based outside of Winchendon provide services to Winchendon residents?"

He cited North County Pop Warner as an example.

"They may have a Gardner address, but they also provide benefits to Winchendon residents," he said. Cyganiewicz also pointed to the Gardner Area League or Artists, which is headquartered in Winchendon but the majority of whose members are non-Winchendon residents. Relay for Life, which raises funds for cancer research, was given as another example of an organization based outside of Winchendon but whose work ultimately benefits Winchendon residents, among others.

"I agree with Austin," said LaBrie. "If an organization has a presence in Winchendon and the funds are used in Winchendon, but their headquarters is not in Winchendon, I can't see refusing them a permit."

A motion to require any group receiving a boot drive permit to be based in Winchendon was defeated on 2-2 vote. Because the board currently has only four members, a tie vote on any motion means the motion is defeated. Barbaro and Anderson supported the requirement, LaBrie and Cyganiewicz voted against it. The board also did away with a requirement that all permits must go exclusively to non-profit organizations.

LETTERS POLICY

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Trials and tribulations



JOURNEY
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CARTON

Of course Christine Ford deserves a full hearing, even though I'm quite sure Mitch McConnell and Chuck Grassley would have preferred otherwise. You think? Timing? She told her therapist six years ago, not six days ago. And as despicable as his views are on public policy seem to be through his evasive vagueness, Brett Kavanaugh deserves to tell his side of the story too. Let's see what unfolds Monday, though let me warn you the attacks on Ford will be beyond vicious. Stay tuned. Let's talk more next week.

In June, 1972 the Maryland National Guard, if memory serves, was plucking people off the roofs of homes a mile or so from my house. Hurricane Agnes was one of the most potent storms of the last half-century and while it's capriciousness left us

unscathed, that wasn't the case off Essex Road and it sure wasn't the case in perennially flooding Elliccott City where there was, tragically, a death toll for neither the first nor last time.

Seven years later in September 1979, the fire department was banging on our door at 2 in the morning telling us to get to higher ground as Hurricane David began bearing down on Baltimore. We were never in any danger once we did so and damage turned out to be minimal although I remain convinced my chronic asthma stems largely from the mess which overflowed the banks of the normally placid Western Run that night as it became something pretty close to a river.

I thought about those events last week as I watched the chaos and rescues and destruction from Florence. Anytime you want to shrug off a category one hurricane, try being in the midst of one as I was in 1979. As we were reminded last week, it's usually more the water than the wind that's the danger and some of that danger has increased because we haven't taken climate change seriously and so as we go on building in places we shouldn't

while the storms become more frequent and intense, it's almost a miracle there aren't even more fatalities and even more damage.

We haven't as a society taken climate change seriously enough because of the lack of political will to battle back against the greed of developers and the absurd fantasies of those who argue climate change is a hoax.

It's not just climate change, either. In my home state of Maryland, a United Way study reported 38-percent of the state's residents weren't earning enough money to live on what the organization termed a 'survival budget' of just under \$70,000 a year, a budget which included housing, food, transportation and child care and added more than half the jobs in the state pay under \$20 an hour. Take a guess how many kids right here in Winchendon are eligible for free or reduced school lunches. As a semi-aside, kudos to those Winchendon School students who are partnering with regional non-profits to combat food security issues by launching multiple gardens. Neighbors helping neighbors. Good stuff.

Here's the larger point. Where's the political will to say

these things are not okay and we need to do more than just talk about them? Where are the national leaders? I've heard exactly two national politicians in my life talk seriously about poverty — Bobby Kennedy and whatever his other human flaws, John Edwards. That's it. That's pretty scary because I think we can all agree we can't function as a fair society when the income and education gaps grow ever larger.

In 46 days it will be Election Day and I don't have to tell you yet again what's at stake but when the presidential campaign starts in earnest 47 days from today where are the prospective national leaders willing to be not so mealy-mouth or utterly unrealistic like that old guy from Vermont who might have great ideas in theory but no practical way to make them happen?

Instinctively I think about Joe Biden who has always known how to connect with working class folks, a lot of whom voted for DJT not because unlike him, they aren't racist bigots but because they felt justifiably screwed by a system which let them down whether through pension rip-offs or technology or industries drying up or whatever.

I've thought Joe Biden ought to be President since the summer of 1987 when he made his first try. But while it's easy to cavalierly say age isn't a disqualifying factor, it is a factor nonetheless. Who else is there? Granted, none of the other 5-thousand Democrats thinking about running have much if anything of a national profile yet, but what are the chances one or more of them will have the courage to hold firm in the wake of the relentless character and ideological attacks that are certain to come?

I honestly can't answer that now and neither can you and neither can anyone else but if that person is out there, they have a pretty good chance of becoming President. If they do after surviving the kind of campaign you know is coming, while they're not going to solve all the problems maybe they can help foster a legitimate, honest discussion about how to finally begin to confront issues like poverty and race. That's the kind of POTUS I want: one with some courage and integrity.

But first things first. 46 more days...see you next week.

A false or misleading claim; ain't that a lie?



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"Power is in tearing human minds to pieces and putting them together again in new shapes of your own choosing." — George Orwell, 1984

On September 13, Washington Post fact checkers Glenn Kessler, Salvador Rizzo, and Meg Kelly reported — as the headline over their story read — "President Trump has made more than 5,000 false or misleading claims." That meant that, by time he had reached the 601st day of his presidency, Donald J. Trump had uttered an average of 8.3 "false or misleading statements" each day since being sworn into office on

January 20, 2017.

That's a lot! Especially when one considers — again, according to the Post — Trump was averaging only 4.9 such statements per day during his first 100 days in the White House.

Let's call "false and misleading" what it really is — lying.

And it's not just Donald; it is also those around him. They want you to believe anything but the facts.

Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani: "The truth is not the truth."

Trump advisor Kellyanne Conway: "You're saying it's a falsehood...Our press secretary gave alternative facts."

Donald Trump: "Don't believe what you see from these people (journalists), the fake news."

Donald Trump: "What you're seeing and what you're reading is not what's happening."

Donald Trump: "Fake news media... is the enemy of the people."

Just about anyone who maintains any kind of loyalty to the president —

and the president himself — consider any less-than-complementary reporting to be "fake news," and those who report it are therefore "enemies of the people." They fail to grasp the reality that quoting Mr. Trump often means reporting a presidential lie.

Here's one of his favorites: "When we won the state of Wisconsin, it hadn't been won by a Republican since Dwight D. Eisenhower." Well, Wisconsin voted Republican in 1960, 1968, 1972, 1980 and 1984. Mr. Trump has two choices; stop lying or learn history.

Here's another one: "The GDP Rate (4.2%) is higher than the Unemployment Rate (3.9%) for the first time in over 100 years!"

Not quite. In the last 70 years, GDP has been higher than the unemployment rate in at least 62 quarters, most recently in 2006. His choices are the same.

How about this one: "They're (the Canadians) killing us on dairy."

Last year, Canadians bought \$792 mil-

lion in U.S. dairy products. The United States, on the other hand, bought \$149 million in Canadian dairy products. That's a nice little trade surplus of \$643 million for the U.S.

And even when he's not getting his facts wrong — either deliberately or by mistake — President Trump seems to contradict himself. And he hates it when those nasty facts get in the way.

For example, remember when he said he was canceling joint U.S.-South Korean military exercises because, in part, they were too costly? Well, those exercises, which keep our troops and those of a close ally sharp and ready to respond to any North Korean provocation, would have cost about \$14 million. Meanwhile, the price tag for the "Trump Day" military parade, which was still a "go" at the time, was pegged at some \$12 million or more. That would have been \$12 million spent on something which bought nothing for the U.S. but a chance for Donald Trump to

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Getting a good start on life

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Getting kids ready. Ready academically. Ready socially. Ready emotionally. That's a lot of responsibility but school has to start somewhere and for Winchendon's youngest students, it all begins at Memorial school where Principal Michelle Atter is well aware of the stakes.

"We're building expectations right from the get-go," said Atter and that means in and out of the classroom, so it should come as no surprise that math and reading are prioritized with the goal of having all students being able to read by third grade.

"Mary (Toy Town Principal Aker) and I are working collaboratively to close the gap between our schools. We have

a combined plan now. There's common terminology in the classroom, at recess, in the cafeteria. We want to send a common message. We're tracking data better. Kids are being assessed in reading a couple times a year. We're the feeder school for Toy Town so it makes sense to work together," explained Atter.

But academics are only part of the story. The old adage that claims everything you need to know you learn in kindergarten might not be quite true but these early school years do lay a foundation for decades down the road.

"We do a lot with kids" on that social and emotional foundation. "We're teaching them how to learn to deal with their peers appropriately," Atter noted, pointing out October

will be Bullying Prevention Month. That includes reinforcing lessons on things seemingly as simple as standing in line in the hall or not wearing a hat or navigating the cafeteria protocol and behaving the right way on the bus.

And in the 21st century, it includes learning about safety. The Fire Department showed up the fourth day of school for a drill and there will be something of a fire expo coming up Oct. 15. Police officers Tracy Flagg and Derek Blair were in school last week for an age-appropriate demonstration of the ALICE program used in many schools across the country, using the 'I'm Not Scared. I'm Prepared' manual.

Bottom line: a lot is going on at Memorial. September and October are particularly busy

months and one of Atter's projects is making sure the community knows what's going on.

"We'll be sending out a parent survey asking them to answer some specific questions. We'll be sending out postcards acknowledging student successes. We want parents to know when their children are doing well. We're trying to build family connections," she stressed.

Atter also gave high marks to new superintendent Joan Landers.

"She's been really visible. She's really approachable. She wants to be part of everything and that's what you want from a superintendent. I'm very comfortable with her," said Atter, who's been doing the school thing for a couple decades now. That hasn't tem-

pered her enthusiasm in the least.

"Every day is different. We're always getting new students," noting more newcomers arrived this year than defected elsewhere.

Principals alone don't make schools run and Atter offered kudos to her faculty and support staff.

"The people in this building are committed to our students and helping them get off to the best start possible. There are challenges but we are prepared to take those head on," she assured.

So another school year is underway. Another generation of young students are learning the ropes at Memorial.

"Watching them learn and grow, that never gets old," enthused Atter.

Nonprofits benefit from Fidelity Bank merger

LEOMINSTER — Fidelity Bank has made good on its promise to increase its support of local nonprofits in the communities of Winchendon and Gardner in recognition of the completion of their merger with Colonial Co-Operative Bank, which had branches in those communities prior to the merger. The merged state chartered, mutually owned financial institution has assets of approximately \$900 million.

"We wanted to honor Colonial Co-operative Bank's prior commitments to the people of Winchendon and Gardner, which aligns well with our LifeDesign promise of being a team of caring people, who take a caring approach, to provide caring solutions," says Fidelity Bank Chairman & CEO Edward F. Manzi Jr. "We are proud to support the work these nonprofits do to support their community."

Fidelity Bank gave gifts ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000 to four nonprofits based in Gardner and Winchendon. Former Colonial Co-operative Bank President Joseph D. Guercio serves as president of the advisory board, which chose the nonprofits who were honored.

"The charitable contributions allow us to dramatically increase our level of support for important local organizations," says Guercio.

The organizations are as fol-

lows:

The Wendell P. Clark Memorial YMCA received \$2,500. The Winchendon based nonprofit community service center has a mission to build a sense of community by developing character and positive values through activities that promotes social, physical and emotional well-being for all. The money will be allocated towards a new youth center that just opened this summer that provides before and after school care for children ages K-5.

"We are proud to be among the other recipients who support our community," says Executive Director Mike Quinn.

Alyssa's Place: Peer Recovery and Resource Center received \$5,000 from Fidelity Bank. The Gardner organization provides free assistance to people in recovery from substance use issues as well as their friends and loved ones. Michelle Dunn founded the nonprofit in 2015 to honor the memory of her 20-year-old daughter.

"An award like this keeps the door of our center open," says Dunn. "When a bank like that acknowledges you, it shows we're doing the right thing and moving in the right direction."

Montachusett Veterans Outreach Center also received \$5,000. The Center, located in

Gardner, provides support to military veterans and their families in need of services to develop a resilient, self-sufficient lifestyle.

"We can only carry out our work with support from the community," says Ellen Murphy Naughton, Acting Executive Director. "Everything makes a dramatic impact. The new funds will help provide so many services to so many clients. We can't thank Fidelity Bank enough."

The Gardner Community Action Committee received \$5,000 serves the needs of the economically disadvantaged in the Greater Gardner communities. They operate a food pantry, help with fuel assistance, provide funding to help people rent apartments, clothing, and give children back to school backpacks for the school year. In the fall they create holiday baskets and collect toys for needy children.

Fidelity Bank's new full service office at Colonial's former Winchendon location is open to the public. Since both banks have branches in Gardner, the combined banks will eventually consolidate into the Colonial office at 6 City Hall Avenue in the fall, after making a significant investment in renovations.

Founded in 1888, Fidelity Bank is one of the oldest independent community banks

in Central Massachusetts. Fidelity Bank's exclusive LifeDesign approach offers a range of banking, investment and insurance solutions to clients in 12 full-service offices in Leominster, Worcester, Fitchburg, Gardner, Shirley, Barre, Millbury, Paxton, Princeton and Winchendon. The Bank has consistently earned a "5 Star" rating from BauerFinancial, Inc., the nation's leading independent

bank rating and research firm. The Bank has been named to the Boston Globe's Top Places to Work list four times and recognized by the Worcester Business Journal as a Top Workplace. As of June 30, 2018, the bank had total assets of approximately \$900 million. For more information, visit www.fidelitybankonline.com or www.facebook.com/fidelitybankma.

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march some soldiers around and play with his really cool army tanks, trucks, and Jeeps.

Donald Trump's "false and misleading statements" - lies - are far too numerous to list in one column (or book). The examples cited here are pretty minor compared to

others. And yet, no matter how obvious or plentiful they may be, his supporters will - for some reason - continue to dismiss them while reviling the media for reporting them. I can't help but wonder if those in our area who have recently expressed great concern about the honest-

ty of elected officials have been bombarding the White House with demands for a resignation. Anyway, elections are right around the corner and, hopefully, the outcome will finally lead to consequences for our president's outright disdain for honesty.



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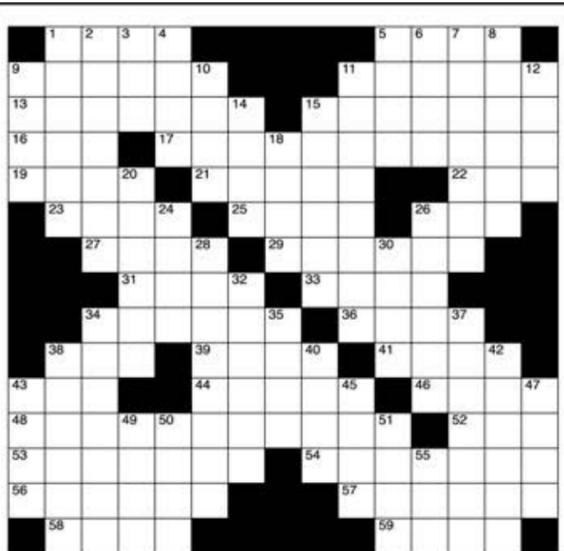
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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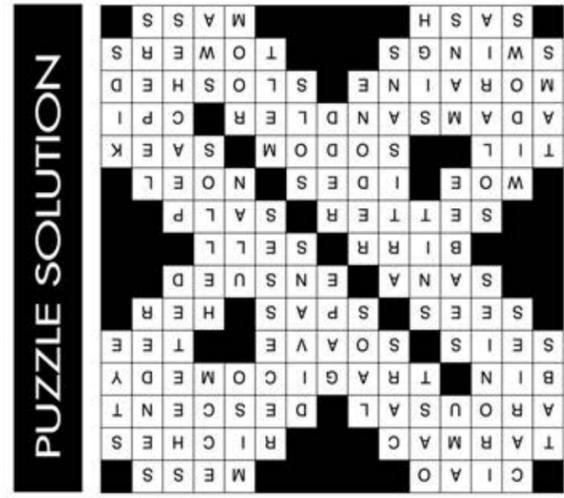


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. A greeting
- 5. A type of hall
- 9. Planes need one
- 11. Wealth
- 13. The act of exciting
- 15. A movement downward
- 16. Type of storage
- 17. A funny and sad play
- 19. After cinco
- 21. Dry white Italian wine
- 22. Where golfers begin
- 23. Witnesses
- 25. Relaxing places
- 26. Of she
- 27. Discontinued compact car
- 29. Resulted
- 31. Large Irish castle
- 33. Offer for a price
- 34. One type is Irish
- 36. Free-swimming invertebrate
- 38. A type of tale
- 39. The middle of the month
- 41. Christmas
- 43. ' _ death do us part
- 44. Goes with Gomorrah
- 46. Ethnic group of Thailand
- 48. "Grown Ups" funnyman
- 52. A type of index
- 53. A mass of rocks
- 54. Splashed
- 56. Kids' playground necessities
- 57. Sears and London are two
- 58. Strip of cloth
- 59. Church

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Progressive decay of a bone or tooth
- 2. Deliberately contrary events
- 3. Unit of mass
- 4. Kiln
- 5. Soybean paste
- 6. Electronic counter-countermeasures
- 7. Made the bed
- 8. One who mails
- 9. Bar bills
- 10. Automotive vehicles
- 11. Breaks
- 12. Swelling of the eyelid
- 14. Asian country
- 15. Couches
- 18. Stare with mouth wide open
- 20. Member of U.S. Navy
- 24. A sulk
- 26. Greetings
- 28. Craftsmen
- 30. Mongolian city _ Bator
- 32. Did again
- 34. Sunrooms
- 35. Start over
- 37. Georgians love them
- 38. Women
- 40. "Snake Tales" cartoonist
- 42. Pariahs
- 43. Caps
- 45. Gradually become less solid
- 47. Goats
- 49. French city Le _
- 50. Exhale
- 51. Homes have at least one
- 55. Type of power cable



POLICE LOG

Editor's Note: The information contained in this police log was obtained through public documents kept by the police department, and is considered to be the account of the police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Police agencies can no longer print the names of people who are arrested or charged with domestic assault related charges. The new law is designed to protect victims, so they are not re-victimized through indirect identification.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

12:32-12:35 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:49 a.m.: DPW call (Glenallen Street), referred; 12:56-2:47 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:26 a.m.: animal complaint (Pearl Street), referred to ACO; 6:25 a.m.: assist citizen (Lakeshore Drive), info taken; 7:16 a.m.: burglar alarm (Railroad Street), canceled; 9:13 a.m.: summons service (Converse Drive), served; 9:16 a.m.: registration check (Converse Drive), spoken to; 9:35 a.m.: mv stop (School Street), verbal warning; 9:43 a.m.: larceny (Sibley Road), report taken; 11:42 a.m.: mv stop (School Street), citation issued; 12:02 p.m.: disturbance (Mill Glen Road), report taken; 12:28 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), referred to ACO; 12:40 p.m.: welfare check/general (Spring Street), services rendered; 1:06 p.m.: sex offender registration (Front Street), assisted; 1:38 p.m.: abandoned mv (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 1:42 p.m.: burglary/b&e (Elm Street), report taken; 3:01 p.m.: hazardous materials spill (Memorial Drive), removed; 4:21 p.m.: investigation (Baldwinville State Road), report taken; 5:08 p.m.: assist citizen (Brown Street); 5:11 p.m.: animal complaint (School Street), referred to ACO; 5:59 p.m.: investigation (Elm Street), report taken; 6:08 p.m.: harassment (Goodrich Street), gone on arrival; 7:00 p.m.: officer wanted (West Shore Drive), report taken; 7:08 p.m.: bolo (Elm Street, Baldwinville), report taken; 10:45 p.m.: burglar alarm (Baldwinville Road), secure.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

12:00-12:45 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:50 a.m.: 911 hang up (West Street), unable to locate; 12:57 a.m.: mv stop (School Street), citation issued; 1:09-2:19 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 5:45 a.m.: traffic hazard (Central Street), referred; 6:22 a.m.: ambulance (Front Street), transported; 7:07 a.m.: suspicious mv (Central Street), services rendered; 7:50 a.m.: burglar alarm (School Street), false alarm; 8:44 a.m.: 911 non-emergency (Central Street), spoken to; 9:00 a.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), verbal warning; 9:32 a.m.: mv stop (Front Street), verbal warning; 12:20 p.m.: fire/brush (Maple Place), extinguished; 12:23 p.m.: 911 non-emergency (Alger Street), services rendered; 1:02 p.m.: mental health issue (Grove Street), transported; 2:16 p.m.: info/general (Elm Street), services rendered; 2:30 p.m.: summons service (Brown Street), unable to serve; 4:49 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), written warning; 5:24 p.m.: property damage (Pleasant

Street), report taken; 6:44 p.m.: investigation (River Street), info taken; 7:18 p.m.: traffic hazard (Court Street), unable to locate; 7:43 p.m.: ambulance (Elmwood Road), transported; 7:48 p.m.: mv repossession (West Monomonic Road), info taken; 8:18 p.m.: suspicious/other (Grove Street), secure; 8:54 p.m.: suspicious person (Franklin Street), spoken to; 9:39 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), Justin D. Phillips, 31, 751 River Street, Winchendon, op w/suspended license, possession Cass E drug/2 counts, no inspection sticker, arrest; 10:15 p.m.: officer wanted (Spring Street), spoken to.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

12:04-2:46 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:49 a.m.: noise complaint (Beech Street), assisted; 6:04 a.m.: officer wanted (Pearl Drive), report taken; 8:21 a.m.: ambulance (Grove Street), transported; 8:23 a.m.: info/general (Mechanic Street), info taken; 8:31 a.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), unable to locate; 9:06 a.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 9:39 a.m.: summons service (River Street), served; 9:47 a.m.: summons service (River Street), served; 10:00 a.m.: summons service (Spruce Street), served; 10:01 a.m.: summons service (Spruce Street), served; 10:07 a.m.: summons service (School Street), served; 11:33 a.m.: assault (Old Gardner Road), Kamal Ghattas, 33, 75 Ridgewood Lane, #9, Gardner, assault & battery, sexually annoying/accosting, report taken; 12:12 p.m.: welfare check/child (Hyde Street), unable to locate; 12:28 p.m.: animal complaint (Goodrich Drive), referred to ACO; 1:24 p.m.: accident (Spring Street), report taken; 1:42 p.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), verbal warning; 1:54 p.m.: burglar alarm (Teel Road), secure; 1:58 a.m.: warrant of apprehension (Mill Glen Road), arrest; 2:39 p.m.: fraud (Summer Street), report taken; 4:13 p.m.: harassment (Whitney Street), report taken; 6:20 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 6:56 p.m.: assist citizen (Mechanic Street), advised civil action; 7:20 p.m.: ambulance (Central Street), transported; 8:52 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), Timothy J. Gray, 24, 27 Pleasant Street, Unit A, Winchendon, unlicensed operation, arrest; 10:10 p.m.: deliver message (Front Street), not delivered; 10:15 p.m.: mv stop (Lincoln Avenue), verbal warning; 11:06 p.m.: suspicious person (Central Street), spoken to.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

12:41 a.m.: harassment (Central Street), spoken to; 1:44-2:33 a.m.: building checked, secure; 7:33 a.m.: harassment (Old Gardner Road), report taken; 9:03 a.m.: investigation (Monadnock Avenue), report taken; 9:38 a.m.: traffic hazard (Front Street), referred to DPW; 9:38 a.m.: smoke (Murdock Avenue), services rendered; 9:51 a.m.: harassment (School Street), referred; 10:11 a.m.: ambulance (Pine Street), transported; 12:40 p.m.: officer wanted (Willoughby Avenue), report taken; 12:48 p.m.: animal complaint (River Street), referred to ACO; 1:29 p.m.: DPW call (Maple Street), referred; 2:43 p.m.: property lost (Baldwinville Road), report taken;

2:56 p.m.: burglar alarm (Russell Farm Road), accidental; 3:00 p.m.: accident (Front Street), report taken; 3:20 p.m.: officer wanted (Willoughby Avenue), referred to court; 3:51 p.m.: threats (Willoughby Avenue), report taken; 4:15 p.m.: assist citizen (Central Street), spoken to; 5:25 p.m.: officer wanted (Maple Street), spoken to; 5:29 p.m.: traffic hazard (Gardner Road), unfounded; 5:44 p.m.: assist citizen (High Street); 5:49 p.m.: erratic operation (Gardner Road), spoken to; 7:08 p.m.: ambulance (Pine Street), transported; 7:54 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 8:05 p.m.: mv stop (Walnut Street), verbal warning; 8:22 p.m.: disabled mv (Congress Road), canceled; 8:41 p.m.: mv stop (Maple Street), verbal warning; 8:49 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 9:02 p.m.: mv stop (Brown Street), verbal warning; 9:13 p.m.: mv stop (Juniper Street), spoken to; 9:22 p.m.: mv stop (School Street), verbal warning; 9:26 p.m.: mv stop (School Street), written warning; 9:30 p.m.: mv stop (School Street), written warning; 9:50 p.m.: mv stop (Grove Street), citation issued; 10:05 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 10:10 p.m.: erratic operation (Central Street), spoken to; 10:19 p.m.: investigation (Spring Street), spoken to; 11:49 p.m.: ambulance (Juniper Street), referred.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

12:13 a.m.: animal complaint (Glenallen Street), referred to ACO; 12:17 a.m.: intoxicated person (Maple Street), assisted; 1:00 a.m.: noise complaint (Banner Place), unfounded; 3:15 a.m.: assist other PD (Robbins Road), unable to locate; 3:47 a.m.: patrol initiated (School Street), transport; 4:02 a.m.: vandalism (Central Street), report taken; 10:38 a.m.: animal complaint (Harrisville Court), referred to ACO; 12:15 p.m.: investigation (Pleasant Street), info taken; 1:04 p.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), unable to locate; 1:16 p.m.: illegal dumping (Spring Street), info taken; 2:14 p.m.: mv stop (Maple Street), verbal warning; 3:15 p.m.: animal complaint (Mill Court), referred to ACO; 4:35 p.m.: 911 hang up (Gardner Road), unfounded; 4:46 p.m.: noise complaint (River Street), unable to locate; 5:29 p.m.: officer wanted (Central Street), spoken to; 7:14 p.m.: erratic operation (River Street), unable to locate; 7:15 p.m.: notification (Mill Glen Road), info taken; 7:42 p.m.: info/general (Central Street), services rendered; 7:45 p.m.: parking violation (Pearl Drive), unfounded; 8:33 p.m.: suspicious mv (Mill Glen Road), unfounded; 8:49 p.m.: patrol initiated (Central Street), secure; 8:59 p.m.: FD call (Banner Place), services rendered; 9:00 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:08 p.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), unable to locate; 9:40 p.m.: noise complaint (Rose Court), unable to locate; 9:54 p.m.: extra patrols, secure; 10:00 p.m.: noise complaint (Pond Street), unable to locate.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

12:30-12:40 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:58 a.m.: unwanted party (Central Street), spoken to; 1:20-3:09 a.m.:

buildings checked, secure; 8:27 a.m.: ambulance (Mill Street), transported; 9:10 a.m.: mv stop (Juniper Street), written warning; 9:38 a.m.: drug/narcotics violation (Spring Circle), info taken; 10:16 a.m.: erratic operation (Spring Street), advised officer; 10:24 a.m.: accident (School Street), report taken; 10:29 a.m.: FD call (Pearl Drive), services rendered; 11:34 a.m.: mv stop (Baldwinville Road), citation issued; 11:52 a.m.: ambulance (Hyde Park Drive), unfounded; 12:42 p.m.: suspicious mv (Brooks Road), spoken to; 12:54 p.m.: investigation (Mill Street), unable to locate; 2:08 p.m.: accident (School Street), report taken; 3:02 p.m.: erratic operation (Old Gardner Road), info given; 4:08 p.m.: animal complaint (Spring Street), gone on arrival; 4:34 p.m.: assist citizen (Monadnock Avenue), spoken to; 5:19 p.m.: animal complaint (Bayberry Circle), referred to ACO; 5:34 p.m.: welfare check/general (Robbins Road), unable to locate; 6:03 p.m.: fire/brush (River Street), referred; 7:37 p.m.: custody dispute (Woodlawn Street), report taken; 7:51 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:19 p.m.: suicide threats (Spring Street), Section 12; 8:39 p.m.: erratic operation (Glenallen Street), referred; 11:45 p.m.: building checked, secure.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

12:13 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:15 a.m.: fire alarm (Linden Street), false alarm; 12:31 a.m.: burglar alarm (Spring Street), false alarm; 1:19 a.m.: animal complaint (Joslin Road), unfounded; 1:34-3:25 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:37 a.m.: accident (River Street), services rendered; 7:32 a.m.: officer wanted (Elmwood Road), spoken to; 7:59 a.m.: lift assist (Central Street), canceled; 8:30 a.m.: mv stop (Front Street), verbal warning; 8:41 a.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), citation issued; 9:00 a.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), verbal warning; 9:39 a.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 11:40 a.m.: open door/window (Central Street), secure; 12:13 p.m.: animal complaint (Central Street), referred to ACO; 12:20 p.m.: ATV complaint (Teel Road), unable to locate; 1:56 p.m.: animal complaint (Woodlawn Avenue), referred to ACO; 2:01 p.m.: trespassing (Ash Street), spoken to; 2:10 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 2:23 p.m.: mv stop (Front Street), verbal warning; 3:10 p.m.: animal complaint (Mill Street), referred to ACO; 3:49 p.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 4:43 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), 209A issued; 4:53 p.m.: accident (Front Street), report taken; 4:58 p.m.: trespass notice entry (Front Street), services rendered; 5:28 p.m.: investigation (River Street), services rendered; 7:15 p.m.: mv stop (Mill Glen Road), verbal warning; 7:54 p.m.: mv stop (Elmwood Road), verbal warning; 8:30 p.m.: mv stop (Spring Street), written warning; 9:02 p.m.: mv stop (Gardner Road), Jason F. Bosselait, 39, 39 Beech Street, Winchendon, op w/suspended license, citation issued; 10:15 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), verbal warning; 10:34 p.m.: mv stop (Central Street), written warning.

Personalized shopping: Toy Town's outdoor market

In this era of big box stores and "Made in China" labels, it is particularly refreshing to find hand-crafted and personally tended products and produce at the long-running Toy Town Outdoor Market. While the size



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of the market has dwindled in recent years, a stalwart group of local farmers and crafters gather on the front lawn of the Unitarian Universalist Church on Central Street every Thursday afternoon from 4-7 PM and Saturday morning from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. during seasonable weather. Wander by during this harvest time and you'll be surprised by

the variety of goods on display and the helpful knowledge shared by the proprietors. On a recent visit, I was greeted by Tammy Stevens of Jennie's Farm in Phillipston. The farm, named after one of her favorite border collies, produces a wide variety of organically grown vegetables, and this day her offerings included hot, bell and banana peppers, beets, broccoli, tomatoes and beans. Of special interest were the round lemon cucumbers – trim the ends and eat just like an apple. Tammy is well-attuned to the seasonal growing conditions and can

explain why some crops are doing better than others, noting, "This is a really good year for peppers."

Mike sits on the back of his flatbed truck next to three impressive varieties of fresh garlic. He picked up gardening from his grandfather, who operated an organic farm in Winchendon "before it was fashionable." Linger for a few minutes and gain practical tips on the selection, storage and use of garlic. Shoppers can choose from German extra-hearty garlic, a powerful, all-around choice, Rosewood garlic, that features an initial hot bite, and Siberian garlic, particularly good for baking.

Mike advises, "Just wrap it in foil with a little olive oil and salt, bake, and squeeze on crostini!"

Siberian garlic has particularly high heart-healthy allicin levels. Regarding storage, he cautions to never refrigerate garlic, and when placed in an open dish out of the sun, his garlic will "keep until Christmas."

While finding hand-crocheted or hand-knitted crafts from commercial yarn is fairly common, finding crafts pedigreed from the raw wool is quite rare. Winchendon resident Virginia Accurso, or "Spinning Ginny," begins her crafting fresh from the shorn animal. She buys unfinished wool in bulk, and does her own washing, dyeing and spinning of the wool into yarn, before she begins knitting her own designs. This allows her to control the weight, content, and coloring of the yarn she uses. She can knit a wide variety of clothing, ranging from scarves, hats, sweaters, gloves and custom orders. Ginny is never idle; when you visit her stall you'll often find her at her spinning wheel. It's worth the trip just to observe this lost art.

For a little bit of everything, stop at Olde Soul Jewelry and Crafts, owned by Winchendon resident Helene Sunderland. Helene's creativity extends to hand-crafted jewelry, crocheted and knitted throws and shawls, and even printed cards featuring a favorite water-color scene she painted



Jill Sackett photos

Tammy Stevens of Jennie's Farm displays her bumper crop of peppers.

of her back woods. Of particular note is her sea glass jewelry. Helene collects the glass herself from the shoreline between Rockport and Salem, and works with pieces ranging in size from bead to pendant, and colors such as greens, browns, reds and golds. Want something special made? Just ask Helene.

As I write this, the fate of Toy Town's Outdoor Market lies in question. For a variety of factors, foot traffic in downtown Winchendon has decreased. Some vendors have left due to reduced sales or personal circumstances. Would a new venue help? Different times? Would different vendors or more advertising help? Your suggestions and thoughts would be welcome. Contact the vendors through their Facebook page: facebook.com/ToyTownOutdoorMarket.

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Raymond G. Girouard, 78

GARDNER — Raymond G. Girouard, age 78, of 128 Champagne Road, died peacefully Tuesday evening, September 11, 2018 in Gardner Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, with his wife at his side.



He was born in Gardner on May 13, 1940, son of the late Edward and Ella (Goguen) Girouard and he returned to Gardner two years ago after living for 16 years in Wells and Waterboro, Maine.



Ray worked for Simplex Time Recorder for 38 years until his retirement as a senior production manager. He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Air Force. Ray was a member of Ovila Case Post #905 VFW and Otter River Sportsmens Club. He enjoyed playing golf for many years and

had been a member of Simplex Drum and Bugle Corps. Additionally, he enjoyed making homemade rolls and bread.

He leaves his wife of 56 years, Arlene (Jay) Girouard; two children, Jeffrey Girouard and his wife Kathaleen of Gardner and Michelle Girouard of Maine; a sister, Julie Richard and her husband Ernie of Gardner; four grandchildren, his special granddaughter Alicia and her fiancé Wade Allaire, Stephanie, Jennifer and Alan, and a nephew Brian Richard and his wife Tracie.

Military funeral services will be held Friday, October 5, 2018 at 1 P.M. in the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, 111 Glenallan Street, Winchendon. There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to American Cancer Society, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701 or to Gardner Rehabilitation and Nursing Center Activities Fund, 59 Eastwood Circle, Gardner, MA 01440.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.

Alice M. (Bourgault) Morris, 105

GARDNER — Alice M. (Bourgault) Morris, age 105, of Gardner died peacefully Friday evening, Sept. 14, 2018 in Alliance Health at Baldwinville, with her family at her side.



She was born in Winchendon on June 7, 1913, one of 13 children of the late Louis and Ernestine (Belanger) Bourgault. She was vice president of her graduating Class of 1931 at Murdock High School. Alice was a resident of Gardner for most of her life until moving to Baldwinville seven years ago.

Alice worked for many years at Digital as a clerk. She retired at the age of 77. She was a member of the former Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and its Mothers Guild. Alice most especially enjoyed spending quality time with her children and grandchildren. She also enjoyed traveling, including trips to Hawaii, Ireland, Seattle, Canada and more; knitting and reading. In her younger years, she enjoyed attending dances at the Acadia Ball Room. Alice was also an

avid fan of the New England Patriots and Boston Red Sox. She spent many winters in the Carolinas.

Her husband of 25 years, Lawrence E. "Ted" Morris, died in 1968. She leaves five children, John L. Morris of Winchendon, Lawrence E. Morris Jr and his wife Ann of Leominster, Marie A. Perreault and her husband John of Leominster, David J. Morris of Gardner and Alice A. Oravetz and her husband Christopher of Cary, NC; eight grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She also leaves a former daughter-in-law, Linda Morris of Templeton.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 11 A.M. in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 52 Spruce Street, Winchendon. Burial will be in St. Johns Cemetery, Gardner.

Calling hours in Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon are Friday, September 21, 2018 from 4 to 7 P.M.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Society, care of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 52 Spruce Street, Winchendon.

William M. Roche, 74

WINCHESTER, NH — William M. Roche, age 74, of Winchester, NH, passed away unexpectedly at his home in Winchester, on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018.



He was born on Jan. 28, 1944, in Cocoa Beach, FL the son of Edward and Lillian (Bolduc) Roche.

Bill grew up in Millers Falls and was a graduate of Mahar Regional High School in Orange.

In 1983, Bill founded W.R. Painting, Inc., the business he proudly ran for 35 successful years.

Bill was an avid sports fan, faithfully following the Patriots and the Red Sox. He may be remembered for the sponsorship of several teams in the Greater Keene Men's Softball league. His love of modified racing brought him to Monadnock Speedway on numerous occasions.

He will be greatly missed by many within the community, especially by his wife of 41 years, Deborah M. (Goodenow) Roche of Winchester, and her son, Edward M. Hickey and his wife, Lori and their daughter, Erin, all of Keene, NH; his children, a son, Todd

M. Roche and his girlfriend, Roberta Navaroli of Orange; a daughter, Rhonda M. Devost and her husband, Donald and their son, Kyle, of Berwick, ME; two sisters, Rosemary Urato of Boynton Beach, FL and Cheryl Libby and her husband, Donn, of Winchendon; a brother, Robert Roche of Ivor, VA; his brothers-in-law, John Goodenow and his wife, Gail, and Arthur Casineau Jr., all of West Springfield; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister-in-law, Coralynn Casineau and brother-in-law, Robert Fenwick.

A prayer service will be held on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the Foley Funeral Home, 49 Court Street, Keene, NH. Burial will be private. Family and friends are invited to call on Monday evening, September 24th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Foley Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bill's memory to the Monadnock Humane Society, 101 West Swanzy Road, West Swanzy, NH 03446; or to The Jimmy Fund, c/o Dan Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney Street, Boston, MA 02115.

To offer online condolences to the family or to share special memories, please visit www.foleyfuneralhome.com.

Agnes A. Truesdell, 98

GREENFIELD — Agnes A. Truesdell, age 98, 10 Congress Street and formerly of Colrain, died Friday, September 14, 2018 at Buckley Health Care Center, where she was a resident for the last fourteen months.



Agnes was born in Winchendon on April 1, 1920, the daughter of Honorius and Marie (Fontaine) Caouette. She was predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Harold Truesdell.

She and her husband owned and operated a dairy farm and Truesdell's Sugar House in Colrain.

Agnes had many interests. Her first love was her family. She loved supporting her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in all their activities and sports. She loved to travel and has had many exciting trips with family and friends throughout the years, all over the United States. Agnes and Harold especially loved the Amish Country of Pennsylvania and traveled there many times a year. She found much enjoyment playing cards with family and friends. In her younger years, Agnes decorated

birthday and wedding cakes, loved to sew, crochet, and had a reputation as a great cook.

Agnes leaves behind her three daughters, Kathleen Jenks of Shelburne, Mary Lou Morawski of Sebastian FL, and Barbara Whitemen of South Deerfield, her brother Kenneth Caouette of Greenfield, nine grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was a devoted Mother, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother, and Aunt, who traveled to be a part of the many activities in her families lives and had a special relationship with each one. Her thoughtfulness is her greatest legacy.

Funeral services will be held Friday, September 21, 2018 at Smith-Kelleher Funeral Home in Shelburne Falls. Calling hours will be at 11:00 a.m. and funeral services at 12:00 p.m., with a burial to follow at Arms Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorial donations be sent to Hospice of Franklin County, 329 Conway Street, Greenfield, MA 01301, in Agnes's memory.

To send a condolence visit smithkelleherfuneralhome.com

Elsie Cherniwchan, 82

NAPERVILLE IL — Elsie Cherniwchan, age 82 of Naperville for 40 years, formerly of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, passed away peacefully, Friday, September 14, 2018 at the Autumn Leaves of Oswego.



She was born August 9, 1936 in Alberta, Canada to her loving late parents, Nick and Mary Nypit. Beloved wife of the late William

N. Cherniwchan, wedded on June 11, 1960. Cherished mom of William Jr. "Bill" (Lori) Cherniwchan of Rockford, IL Terry (Jennifer) Cherniwchan of Montgomery, IL and Debra (Tom) Belletete of Winchendon. Adored grandma of Kristin "Tina" and Joe Belletete and Riley Cherniwchan.

Elsie was a graduate of the University of Alberta, Edmonton with a degree in nursing. As an RN, she worked 10 years in

various hospitals. Then she took time off to help raise her family. Later, she completed her studies in medical records coding at the College of DuPage. She worked for Rush-Copley Hospital in Aurora recently, retiring three years ago after 30 years of service in the medical records department.

Elsie was an avid reader and gardener. She enjoyed traveling, especially keeping a vacation log.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Suite # 800, Chicago, IL 60631. Visitation: Friday, September 21st 9:00-11:00 AM at Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville, IL 60540. Funeral service to follow at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment will be at Naperville Cemetery, Naperville, IL. For more information, please call 630-355-0213 or www.friedrich-jones.com

Patricia A. (Rice) Daly, 72

WINCHENDON — Patricia A. (Rice) Daly, age 72, died Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Saint Vincent Hospital. She was born in Worcester, daughter of Ernest M. and Adella M. (Mikenas) Rice and graduated from David Hale Fanning Trade High School. Pat lived in Worcester for most of her life until recently moving to Winchendon to live with her daughter. She worked at St. Francis Home and Providence House for many years as a CNA until retiring due to illness.



Pat is survived by two daughters, Donna M. Belanger and her husband Steve of North Brookfield and Dorene M. Mahan and her husband Scott of Winchendon. She

was affectionately known as "Big Gram" to Matthew, Jennifer, Samantha, Jessica, Nathan and Jacob and great grandson Gavin. A granddaughter Kristin Mahan, predeceased her. She also leaves a brother, David Rice of Millbury and nieces and nephews. Two brothers, Richard Rice and Ernest M. Rice, Jr predeceased her.

Pat was a loving and devoted grandmother and truly enjoyed spending time and talking with her grandchildren. The arrival of her first great grandchild was very special to her. She enjoyed shopping and her summer trips to Hampton Beach.

Funeral Services and Burial are private and in the care of Callahan Fay & Caswell Funeral Home, 61 Myrtle Street, Worcester. To place an online message of condolence, please visit www.callahanfay.com

Walter J. Donahue Jr. 90

ASHBURNHAM — Walter J. Donahue Jr., age 90, of Winchendon and formerly of Ashburnham, died peacefully Sunday morning, September 16, 2018 in Gardner Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, with his family at his side.



He was born in Fitchburg on November 12, 1927, son of Walter J. and Flora (Hayward) Donahue and attended Fitchburg schools. Walter lived in Ashburnham for most of his life and had the lived the last part of his life in Winchendon.



Walter proudly served his country as a member of the United

States Navy during World War II. He worked at Simplex Time Recorder for several years until his retirement. He enjoyed walking and having dinner with his family. He was a patron of the former Gardner Steam Bath. In earlier years, Walter enjoyed hunting.

Walter leaves many nieces and nephews and the caring nurses, CNAs and other staff at Gardner Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. He was predeceased by his brothers, Robert F. Donahue and Philip Paul Donahue and three sisters, Helen T. Hopkins, Marjorie E. Lober and Marian K. Schuh.

Graveside services, with military honors, will be held Friday, September 21, 2018 at 11 AM in New Cemetery, Ashburnham.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.

Richard L. Morton, 67

WINCHENDON — Richard L. Morton, age 67, of Winchendon, died peacefully Wednesday morning, September 12, 2018 in UMass Memorial Medical Center, University Campus, Worcester.



He was born in Boston on April 3, 1951, son of the late Lewis C. and Mildred M. (Graumann) Morton. He grew up in Boston and graduated from Norwood High School. During the Vietnam War, he proudly served in the United States Navy.

Dick worked as a State Police special officer, working at the campuses of Worcester State College and Fitchburg State College

until retirement. He began his career at Mt. Ida College. A resident of Winchendon for over 20 years, he enjoyed boating and being on the water.

He leaves his sister, Linda C. Robinson of Winchendon; two nieces, Heidi Bevacqua and Heather Robinson and three great nephews, Colin, Sean and Rocco.

Military funeral services will be held Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 11 A.M. in Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Winchendon. There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home (stone-ladeau.com), 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.

George H. 'Bud' Wilder, 80

TEMPLETON — George H. "Bud" Wilder, age 80, of 107 Main Street, Otter River died peacefully at his residence, surrounded by his family, Sunday evening, September 16, 2018.



He was born in Gardner on October 5, 1937, son of the late Arthur F. and Sadie L. (Moore) Wilder and was a 1957 graduate and member of the baseball team of the former Templeton High School.

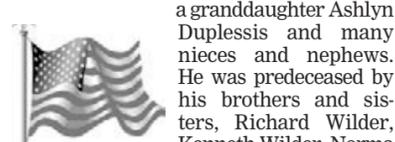
Bud grew up in East Templeton and moved to Otter River six years ago.

Bud worked for over twenty years at the former George Bent Furniture Company. He had also worked at Conant and Ball and retired from Data Guide Co. Bud enjoyed gardening and especially enjoyed time with his family. An avid fan of the Boston Red Sox, he enjoyed collecting baseball cards.

Bud had served in the Massachusetts National Guard. He was a long time member of the former East Templeton Methodist Church, where he was a lay leader and member of its choir. He was currently a member of Chestnut Street Methodist Church in Gardner.

He leaves his wife of 59 years, Roberta H. (Case) Wilder; three children, Clifford F Wilder

and his fiancé Caty Collins of Winchendon, Robert A. Wilder and Amy R. Duplessis and her husband Justin of Baldwinville; a granddaughter Ashlyn Duplessis and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters, Richard Wilder, Kenneth Wilder, Norma Fournier, Elizabeth Ann Wilder, Helen Denyour, Doris Grabowski and Eleanor Meserve.



Funeral services were held Thursday, September 20, 2018 in Chestnut Street United Methodist Church, 161 Chestnut Street, Gardner.

Burial followed in Greenlawn Cemetery, Baldwinville.

Memorial donations may be made to Chestnut Street United Methodist Church, 161 Chestnut Street, Gardner, MA 01440.

Stone-Ladeau Funeral Home, 343 Central Street, Winchendon is directing arrangements.



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SPORTS

Polcari ties up scoring record despite loss

BY JERRY CARTON
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

Maria Polcari tied Murdock's career scoring record last week but otherwise goals were in short supply, short supply as in non-existent in a 12-0 girls' soccer loss to Ayer, an 8-0 defeat against Athol and a 6-0 boys blanking at Ayer last week.

Her 19th career tally in a 12-1 loss to Tahanto matched the mark set by Mackenzie Rushia between 2012-15. Ironically, Polcari had an assist on Rushia's record score. She had a chance to establish a new mark when

the Lady Devils visited Narragansett Wednesday.

"It's a great accomplishment," enthused Polcari.

"Kenz was my favorite player to play on the field with so tying her record has been incredible but makes me miss playing with her by my side every day. It's crazy to think I have accomplished something the person I looked up to so much in the sport had done just a few years prior," she reflected.

In all four defeats, though, Alex Burke, who coached both squads, the girls in the absence of Jason Marshall who is away on business, found some

bright spots. Mackenzie Lundin won player of the match honors against Ayer for her "team support and aggressiveness during the game," said Burke. Arianna Dibble won that designation in the other girls' game "for playing hard defense and containing the other team's offensive players."

On the boys' side, Julio Rodriguez "played with confidence as goalie" against Ayer and MacCLean Bromhall and Adam Digman (captains both) were honored "for providing leadership on and off the field."

Polcari's tally came on a penalty kick, but aside from that, the Lady Devils

simply weren't able to generate any offense. Nonetheless, when Marshall returned for the Athol game he highlighted some positives.

"We played hard and gave it our all," he noted, adding numerous Athol opportunities were "shut down by the strong play" of the MHS defense.

"Those plays they couldn't stop, Cassidy (goalie Stadtfeldt) put in a strong effort making 20 saves throughout the match."

Gabby Cote was awarded player of the match.

Fall sports heat up

The Murdock Varsity Field Hockey team played its first league game against Maynard on last Friday's very hot and humid afternoon.

Coach Amanda Lawler, in her fourth year at the helm, stated "it was a tough day for our team. We struggled to put the pieces together, but we still gave a solid effort."

Murdock fell to the Tigers 5-0. Scorewise, the Lady Devils did not fare much better in their 5-1 loss to Tahanto, but the girls played hard.

Lawler reports, "Jocelyn Garner and Erica Lashua lead the midfield with power and kept us in the game!"

Senior, Lindsey Smith, scored the goal for Murdock.

Congratulations to Maria Polcari who has tied the girls' varsity soccer school record (held by Mackenzie Ruschia, Class of 2016) for total high school career soccer goals.

What a great turn out for the varsity home football game last Friday! Murdock won 30-28! It was great to see so many



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Murdock fans! Continue your support by attending tonight's game at 7:00 as the Blue Devils play Oxford High School.

Upcoming events:
Saturday, Sept. 22: Can drive,

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Monday, Sept. 24: Girls Varsity Soccer @ West Boylston at 3:30; Varsity Field Hockey @ Narragansett - 6:00

Tuesday, Sept. 25: Girls varsity soccer at 3:30; Boys varsity soccer at 5:30; Middle school girls/boys' soccer at Quabbin at 3:30; JV Football @ Oxford - 3:30

Wednesday, Sept. 26: Boys varsity soccer at 3:30; Middle School Cross Country at Skyview MS (Leominster) at 3:30

Thursday, Sept. 27: Middle school girls/boys' soccer at 4:00/5:15; Varsity Cross Country at Littleton at 3:30; Middle school football at 6:00

Friday, Sept. 28: Field Hockey at Assabet at 3:30; Boys varsity soccer at Parker Charter at 3:30;

Saturday, Sept. 29: Varsity Football at Gardner (Stone Field) at 1:00

Please visit www.mwlma.org for a complete schedule of all athletic events.

Devil's complete sweep of Worcester teams

BY CHRIS MARTIN
COURIER CORRESPONDENT

On Sept. 8, the Murdock Blue Devils kicked off their season by winning the season opener at Worcester South, coming away with a 36-6 victory to start the season with their first win.

Last Friday the Devils hosted the Worcester North Polar Bears in their home opener and to come away with a nail biting Victory, 30-28; and also to open up the season 2-0 by completing the sweep of both Worcester teams.

With 3:19 left in the first quarter Richard Swanson sprinted 92 yards for a Blue Devil touchdown, and the two point conversion from Jack Polcari to Kevin Pesce for an 8-0 lead over the Polar Bears.

Polcari sprinted 55 yards to the end zone on a quarterback keeper with 4:55 left in the first half and again for the second time Polcari found Pesce in the end zone for the two points to go up 16-0. Murdock took a 16-0 lead into half time, looking to pick up their second win

of the season. The Polar Bears came out of half-time and quickly got on the board and found the end zone with 8:28 left in the third to cut the lead to 16-8.

Luis Maldonado answered back on a touchdown run of his own to put the Devils up 22-8 with 6:22 left in the third, the conversion was no good.

The Polar Bears made it interesting before heading into the final quarter, as they knotted things up at 22 apiece on back to back touchdowns.

Swanson found the end zone again in the fourth quarter with both the touchdown and two point conversion to put his team up 30-22 with 7:34 to go in the game.

North made thing interesting in the fourth quarter with under three minutes left to pick up another touchdown to trail 30-28. However, though the Polar Bears would try for the two points to tie it, the Devil's defense came up strong preventing them. Murdock would go on to a 30-28 victory picking up their second win

of the season and to complete the sweep of both Worcester teams.

With the win the Devils improved to 2-0 on the season.

After the game Coach Jim Tansey said, "I'm proud of the kids! It's been a few weeks and it's good to see positive vibes and a lot of contributing by everybody. A lot of the kids moved the ball."

Tansey said, "Joe Marobella had a great game defensively and I thought he was our anchor on defense. And he hurt his knee and hope he's ok. But we had to go pretty deep into the bench but the kids showed a lot of heart and good for them."

"Swanson had a big run early in the game and Jack Polcari did a good job commanding the offense. So things were good!"

Tonight the Blue Devils host Oxford at home for a 7:00 pm kickoff and looking for their third win of the season.



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Richard Swanson is pursued by a Worcester North player during last Friday's game.



Logan Hawkins faces a wall of Polar Bears.



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SPORTS

On the pitch



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In a tough game against Maynard, Lindsey Smith dribbles down the sideline.



Rylee Brooks is all alone as she controls.



Lindsey Smith in traffic.



Erica Lashua and a Maynard player chase a hit.

BLUE DEVILS SUPPORT



Courtesy photo

Athletic Director Jenna Whitaker said, "Loving all the support the Blue Devils are getting from our future athletes!!" North County Pop Warner cheerleaders standing behind the Murdock Blue Devils football team as the National Anthem was sung by Murdock Chamber Singers. The Pop Warner cheerleaders and football players also lined the track to give high fives as the Blue Devils ran onto the field prior to the start of the game.

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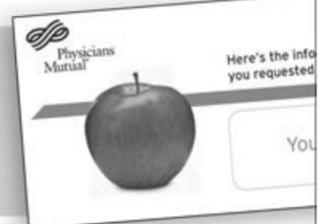
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Foundation, the Telemachus & Irene Demoulas Family Foundation, the George I. Alden Trust, the Amelia Peabody Charitable Foundation, and Ernest "Bud" and Carla Fletcher. Contributions large and small came from many individuals, businesses, and organizations throughout the region. "One of the joys of this building," continued Landanno, "is that it's able to be used in a lot of different ways. A steel-frame building such as this can keep changing as the needs of the community keep changing. The building truly exceeds our expectations. We were excited in June to be able to hold our very first activity here. We were able to hold a gymnastics exhibition."

Landanno praised the work of Sean Pepper, president of D.R. Poulin Construction Co. of Fitchburg. Pepper assisted with the design of the facility and it was his company that built the new structure. "It's a state of the art, beautiful facility where we'll be able to provide before and after school programming," said Landanno. "We'll also be able to provide some specialty services to young children in our community. And, we have space in the building for community events." She added that - for the first time - the Clark's board of directors held a meeting in the new facility. Until then, Landanno explained, the board had been meeting in the community room of the Winchendon Housing Authority. "It's nice that they hosted us but we're glad to be in our own area; in our

own space." Landanno was followed to the lectern by Winchendon Town Manager Keith Hickey. "This will be a tremendous asset to this community," he said, "and it will bring residents and visitors into the downtown area, coming to this area to utilize this resource rather than having to travel outside of town to do some of the things they'll be able to do now here in Winchendon." Hickey pointed out the Clark has worked steadily in recent years to meet the needs, both present and future, of the community. Prior to construction of the Youth and Community Center, funds were invested in retrofitting the original Wendell P. Clark Memorial building to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. An elevator was installed to allow easy access to both

floors, restrooms were made ADA compliant, and the men's and women's locker rooms were expanded and upgraded and made handicap accessible. With the completion of the new center, the Clark now has plans to transform the room that once housed the Zamboni for the former skating rink (now the Clark's field house) into a teen center. The cost of the project is currently pegged at about \$300,000. Other speakers at Sunday's ceremony included Ernest "Bud" Fletcher, state Sen. Ann Gobi and state Rep. Jon Zlotnik. A prayer of blessing was offered by Rev. Cal Miller, pastor of Winchendon's United Parish. Following a ribbon-cutting, doors of the Clark Youth and Community Center were thrown open for public tours.



en-year-old Madison Cassidy of Winchendon, a 4th-grader at Toy Town Elementary School, leads attendees of Sunday's dedication of the Clark Memorial YMCA's Youth and Community Center in the Pledge of Allegiance.



Cindy Landanno, Chairman of the Clark Memorial YMCA's Board of Trustees, provided a narrative of the new Youth and Community Center - from concept through construction - while also thanking a long list of individuals and organizations who made the idea become a reality.



Bud Fletcher.



Town Manager Keith Hickey.



Rev. Calvin Miller.



State Sen. Ann Gobi and state Rep. Jon Zlotnik.

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amenities originally proposed for the project. A couple of features, including a firearms storage area and dedicated fingerprint room, have been dropped from the plans in order to meet the proposed budget. The sally port is a structure with a garage door at both ends, which allows a police cruiser to enter the secure facility with a

prisoner, thus doing away with the need to walk a prisoner from a police vehicle into the police station in open view of the public. Police Chief David Walsh has argued a sally port not only preserves the privacy of a detainee but also improves public safety by making it much more difficult for a suspect to flee. Other significant cash commitments, to be funded from free cash, include \$100,000 to be deposited in the town's stabilization account, \$75,000 to

undertake a facility needs study for the Department of Public Works, and \$45,000 to fund the position of curriculum director for the school department for the second half of the academic year. Additional articles would cover costs associated with dam inspection, public works vehicle maintenance, DPW personnel, and fire department personnel. The fall town meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 29 at the Murdock High School auditorium.

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offers but I chose Murdock due to the community. Seeing that teachers have stayed for decades, the classroom sizes are a bit smaller and quite honestly, the staff both within the school and in central office have been nothing but helpful. Cordial, respectful and not lacking a sense of humor. If you don't have the latter, don't go into teaching," she laughed. Elias also discovered she liked working with middle and high school level students.

ever did was open my eyes and my ears. And conversation! What a way to learn the truths, the reality, the lives of others. It makes it so easy to relate."

"Plus," added the musically inclined Elias (yes, she's had a band), "keeping connected to the musical realm is a huge gateway to kids' inner selves."

Is teaching art perhaps a way to express how Elias looks at the world?

"Isn't it amazing when we listen to kids? Their honest take on just about everything? Well, teaching art is another form of guided expression where teacher and student both teach and learn together. So if my occupation determines how I look at the world in some respect, then I'd say it's hopeful and honest," she remarked. Elias has been at MHS about a month now.

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life-long connections to the district. "My deep roots in the district will be a constant reminder of who I am doing this job for. It's time for a new breed of leaders who will stand up for working class families, seniors and

women and root out the corruptive influence of corporate money and special interests," she said. "I look forward to work ahead and becoming not just the Democratic candidate but the person - the woman - who will follow in Congresswoman Tsongas' remarkable footsteps," said Trahan. For his part, Koh told support-

ers in an email, "Out of 89,000 votes, it looks like we fell short by about 0.1 percent. There's no use in getting upset about the close margin. We can't afford to. It's time for us to unite behind Lori Trahan to make sure this seat stays Democratic." After remaining neutral during the primary, Tsongas formally endorsed Trahan earlier this week.

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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The land in Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows, viz:- A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon and numbered 99 School Street, bounded as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of land formerly of David S. Roby, on the Easterly line of School Street; Thence Easterly on line of said Ruby land, now owned and herein conveyed by Julia R. Young, about one hundred seventy-three (173) feet, more or less to the Southerly line of Park Street, as laid out by the Town of Winchendon under date of October 27, 1915, which is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of said town; THENCE Southeasterly on line of said Park Street, 17 feet and 8 inches, more or less, to the Westerly bank of an old ditch in line of land formerly of E. Murdock, Jr.; Thence Southerly on the west bank of said ditch, about forty two (42) feet, more or less, to a stake and stones; Thence Westerly in line parallel with the North line about 11 rods to the Easterly line of School Street; Thence Northerly on the Easterly line of School Street to the bound first mentioned. Also the lot adjoining the above described tract of land on the north and bounded as follows: Beginning at point where Park Street as extended intersects said School Street; Thence Southerly on line of said School Street fifty-four (54) feet, more or less, to a corner, it being the point of beginning of the above described lot; Thence Easterly on line of said above described lot about one hundred seventy three (173) feet, more or less, to the Southerly line of said Park Street; Thence Westerly on line of said Park Street, to a point of beginning. For Mortgages' title see deed recorded herewith. B45854 P63 For consideration paid, the signors of the mortgage to which this Exhibit is attached, (the Mortgage) hereby release any and all rights of homestead in and to the mortgaged premises as against the holder of the Mortgage. It is agreed that any such Homestead shall not have any effect upon the Mortgage and to the extent such Homestead is legally enforceable, shall be subordinated and junior to said Mortgage in every respect.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Jesse L. Algarin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Federal Savings Bank of Boston, its successors and assigns, dated January 4, 2012 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 48364, Page 269, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Federal Savings Bank of Boston, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 52501, Page 143 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on October 12, 2018 at 16 Chase Lane, Winchendon, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, located in Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, shown as Lot 2 on a plan of land entitled, "Definitive Plan Sand Heights Subdivision, Winchendon, Mass., prepared for Emmett T. Jeffers," dated November 16, 1988 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 620, Plan 9, more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the southerly side of Metcalf Street, said point being the northeast corner of the Lot to be conveyed and the northwest corner of Lot 1; Thence South 22 degrees 16' 11" West, by Lot 1 225.63 feet to a point; Thence North 68 degrees 51' 25" West, 150.00 feet to a corner at Lot 3; Thence North 21 degrees 26' 32" East, by Lot 3, 226.39 feet to the southerly side of Metcalf Street; Thence South 68 degrees 33' 28" East, by said Metcalf Street, 153.25 feet the place of beginning. Containing 34,267 square feet or land, more or less, according to said plan. For title reference see deed to the mortgagor, recorded with Worcester District Deeds herewith. Book 48364 Page 267

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Felix De Leon and Paulina Pichardo to AMCAP Mortgage, Inc., dated December 1, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 35231, Page 217, subsequently assigned to Option One

Mortgage Corporation by AMCAP Mortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 37275, Page 225, subsequently assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee for ABFC 2005-HE1 Trust, ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-HE1 by Sand Canyon Corporation FKA Option One Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47553, Page 271 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on October 5, 2018 at 1135 Alger Street, AKA 543 Alger Street, Winchendon, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

That parcel of land with all buildings and improvements thereon, situate in Winchendon, Worcester County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, shown as Lot #4 on a plan entitled "Plan of lots prepared for Robert Van Dyke, Winchendon, MA, scale 1 inch =60 feet, August 29, 2001, Edmund J. Boucher, PLS, 4 Jolly Road, Royalston, MA, 01368" which plan is recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 773, Plan 16, to which reference is made for a more particular description. Being the same premises conveyed to these mortgagors in a deed recorded in Book 32367, Page 58.

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Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a The Bank of New York as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Asset Backed Funding Corporation, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-HE1 Present Holder of said Mortgage,
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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Barry P. Devanna to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated September 25, 2014 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 52872, Page 1 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on October 12, 2018 at 78 Spruce Street, Winchendon, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon in Winchendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on and numbered 78 Spruce Street, bounded and described as follows, viz: Commencing at a point distant northerly five (5) feet from the original southwest corner of the premises, on line of land formerly of John D. Howard; thence Northerly on said Howard land fifty-five (55) feet to land formerly of Otis Chamberlain, now or formerly owned or occupied by the heirs of John B. Fisher (deceased); thence Easterly on line of said Chamberlain or Fisher land five (5) rods to Spruce Street; thence

Southerly on said Spruce Street sixty (60) feet to land of Willard N. Sawyer; thence Westerly on line of said Sawyer land sixty-two (62) feet; thence Northerly still on said Sawyer land and parallel to the line of said Howard land five (5) feet; thence Westerly in a line parallel to and five (5) feet distant from the original southerly line of the premises, twenty and one-half (20 1/2) feet to the place of beginning. Also conveying to the grantees, and to their heirs and assigns, an existing right of way over a strip of land on the north side of the adjoining premises now owned by Willard N. Sawyer, five (5) feet wide and sixty-two (62) feet deep, running westerly along the southerly line of the granted premises, and subject to the reservation of a similar right of way over a strip of land on the south side of the granted premises, adjoining said Sawyer land, five (5) feet wide and sixty-two (62) feet deep, running westerly from Spruce Street, the two strips of land together making a ten (10) foot right of way for the use in common of the owners of the respective lots. Being the same parcel conveyed to Barry P. Devanna from Carlos N. Fernandes and Jose A. Fernandes, by virtue of a Deed Dated 4/27/2011, Recorded 4/27/2011, in Deed Book 47331, Page 185, as Instrument No. 2011 00040984 County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts. Tax ID 5B2-84

"Upon information and belief there is an error in the legal description attached to subject Mortgage wherein it should have excepted the portion of land described on Deed recorded at Book 5346 Page 4".

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Town of Winchendon Zoning Board of Appeals PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 7:05 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 2nd Fl., 109 Front St., Winchendon, MA 01475, for property located on 812 Central Street, Winchendon, MA 01475 identified as Winchendon Assessors Map 2 Parcel 172 owned by Paul Betourney, PO Box 305, Winchendon, MA 01475 for a Variance of 25', from 200' to 175' to build a single family dwelling per article 7, Section 2 of the Winchendon Zoning Bylaw, lot frontage is less than 200'. Said property is located in the R80-Rural Residential District. A copy of the application is available at the Dept. of P&D, Winchendon Town Hall. All interested persons should plan to attend.
BY: Nicole Roberts, Planning Clerk
Winchendon Zoning Board of Appeals
September 14, 2018
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