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Friday, May 21, 2021

Boy Scouts Collect Food for CHIP-IN



Photo Jason Bleau
Members of Boys Scout Troop 165 in Charlton show off just some of the food collected for CHIP-IN during a May 15 food drive.

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – While many were likely enjoying the warm 70-plus-degree weather on Saturday, May 15, a group of local Boy Scouts took the morning to help give back to Charlton’s CHIP-IN Food Pantry.

Members of Boy Scout Troop 165 in Charlton set up a collection site on the town common in front of the Charlton Town Hall to accept food donations to support CHIP-In and its clients as part of the merit badge requirements for several of the scouts.

Daniel Creeron, Assistant Scout Master for Troop 165, said that while three scouts were involved in planning the event for the badge requirements, the troop as a whole came together learning valuable lessons about community involvement and engagement.

“A few of our scouts are working on their ‘Citizenship in the Community’ merit badges and part of that is to find a nonprofit organization to

help so they picked CHIP-IN as the beneficiary and decided to do a food drive,” Creeron said. “This allows the kids to learn more about the town and how to help their fellow citizens. It’s a good time to give back and help the pantry considering everything that’s gone on with COVID. They’re also outside on a beautiful day and it shows the community that we’re hear for them like they’re always there to support us.”

Creeron added that he hopes the event allowed the scouts to learn that there are people in need in Charlton and that they can be a part of making a difference in peoples’ lives.

“They’re learning that there are a lot of less fortunate people out there. Whether it’s because of job circumstances or just situations in life there are people out there that need help and the pantry is a big part of that. They’re learning about the resources and that even in a small town like

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Memorial Day parade canceled

CHARLTON — After consideration of the restrictions of the COVID-19 virus and safe distancing guidelines recommended by the Board of Health here in Charlton, the Memorial Day committee and officials of the Charlton American Legion Post 391 have decided to cancel the 2021 Memorial Day parade.

There will however take place, the annual decoration of the graves of veterans that are buried here at all of the four cemeteries in town. Post 391 members along with Boy Scout Troop 165 will assemble at the entrance of Westridge cemetery at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 26th in order to place an American flag at each grave of our fallen comrades.

Also, on Sunday, May 30 at 10 a.m., Post members will meet in front of the town library to conduct a memorial service at the war memorials after which they will proceed to all four cemeteries, Westridge, Bay Path, Union and Northside and the Vietnam memorial bridge on Stafford Street to conduct memorial services and rifle salute to honor the dead.

We must never forget those who made the supreme sacrifice ensuring our freedom, at the same time remembering those men and women who are now serving in our armed forces around the world.

Charlton resident prepares for Jimmy Fund Walk

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The town of Charlton will be represented in the annual Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai as town resident Jamie Zeveska will continue her longstanding tradition of honoring her loved ones to help the fight against cancer.

Zeveska started her journey as a part of the annual walk in the early 2010s after her husband’s cousin Barbara lost her battle with cancer in 2011. In 2021, she is walking with added purpose as another loved one, a close friend named Judy, has been diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer leading Zeveska to double down on a pledge to participate in the walk every year until a cure for cancer is found.

“I would love to see a day that cancer only refers to a zodiac sign. New treatments being discovered could mean quality of life for those battling will be much better. Without research progress is difficult. It takes money to conduct research, I am healthy and am happy to play a small part,” Zeveska said of her participation in the event.

Even the COVID-19 pandemic couldn’t stop her from taking part as she continued her yearly commitment through a virtual walk adding the cemetery where Barbara was buried to her route to honor her memory.

“Last year, I walked alone; there was no support along the way cheering the walkers on like there was in



Courtesy Photo

Charlton resident Jamie Zeveska is preparing for her ninth consecutive Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk.

ment through a virtual walk adding the cemetery where Barbara was buried to her route to honor her memory.

“Last year, I walked alone; there was no support along the way cheering the walkers on like there was in

prior years. It’s very emotional to see so many people out there, walking for a cure. I am determined to walk each year as long as I am able. The

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Nichols College celebrates 2020 & 2021 graduates

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Nichols College celebrated not one, but two graduating classes on Saturday, May 15 and Sunday, May 16, as the classes of 2021 and 2020 were recognized in a ceremony on campus with a limited number of loved ones and guests invited to experience the pomp and circumstance.

The first ceremony on May 15 featured the Class of 2021 where TV panels were set up and a socially distanced seating arrangement making for a unique ceremony, but one brimming with school spirit. The ceremony included the customary speeches from select members of the class, including Valedictorian Adam Phillips of Brookfield, MA who reflected on his years at the college, but especially the challenges of the past

year that make the Class of 2021 a special one.

“I have high hopes for this class. A class made of accountants, police officers, sports executives, salesmen, entrepreneurs, or whatever path you decide to follow. I’m betting on you. You know why? Because we’ve experience everything together. We’ve made it through a global pandemic – We even suffered the loss of a fellow Bison,” said Phillips, referring to their classmate Hallie Linacre, who passed away in 2020 and was honored at the ceremony with the presentation of her degree to her parents. “We did what Bison do. We rallied around one another, we gave each other a shoulder to lean on, we became closer, we got back on our feet.”

The class of 2020 was celebrated the following day

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Photos Jason Bleau

Members of Nichols College’s Class of 2021, arranged in a socially distant manner, listen intently during a graduation ceremony on May 15.

Local students graduate from Assumption University

WORCESTER — Nearly 400 graduates received a bachelor’s degree during Assumption University’s 104th Commencement exercises on Sunday, May 9, at the DCU Center in downtown Worcester. Pulitzer Prize-winning and nationally syndicated Washington Post columnist George F. Will, Ph.D., delivered what he called the “last Assumption lecture for which you will be a captive audience” to the Class of 2021, in which he urged the graduates to live in the present while also imagining the past. The Class of 2021 is the first to graduate from Assumption University, which transitioned from Assumption College last year. Local students included:

Tyler Carlson, of Charlton
Cameron MacLean, of Charlton
Valerie Queirolo, of Charlton
Morgan Shields, of Uxbridge
“Mr. Will’s influence as an author, newspaper columnist and journalist, particularly for the Washington Post as well as a political commentator on ABC and MSNBC, cannot be overstated,” said Salutatorian Maeve McDonald ‘21 in her introduction of the speaker. «In speaking with Mr. Will about the value of such an education, he noted that, «the point of a liberal arts education is to teach you to open your mind to question, not to reject, but to question received opinions.» He argued that this is a particularly important skill for graduates today as we enter a world that is fraught with political turmoil and moral relativism.»

In his commencement address, Will shared an example of just how one’s liberal education can help one better understand the world. He prompted graduates to consider the political unrest in America and the “mudslinging” against “past Americans who played large roles in the creation and preservation of our nation,” whose statues are being toppled and names scrubbed from public buildings and places for what mudslingers deem moral and political failures.

“No one says our nation was, or those who passed it on to us, were without sin,” he shared. “Rather, I am here to warn against the sin of pride. This is the sin of those who today so much enjoy rendering harsh judgments against those who acted in earlier days. In harshly judging those who produced our nation, today’s unforgiving critics are guilty of their own sin. It is the sin of presentism.”

Will explained that presentism is “the fallacy of judging by our standards the behavior of those who acted in circumstances very different than ours,” and that the only cure is a deep historical knowledge. “Only such knowledge can give us the ability to imagine what it was like to have been America’s leaders trying to act morally, as we all must try, in situations not of their choosing or of their making,” he said. “What I’m asking for, what I’m pleading for, is imagination. Usually when we speak of imagination, it is prospective imagination, imagination of the future. But what we urgently need now is retrospective imagination. The ability to imagine the past,” he said, adding that we need to reimagine the textures of a time long ago, with social settings, customs, political practices, and institutions and ethical standards much different than we have today.

He asked those in attendance “on this 21st century Sunday morning» to return in their imaginations to 167 years ago when the Kansas Nebraska Act became law. It allowed popular majorities in Kansas and Nebraska to decide whether to permit enslavement. Will asked the audience to imagine the scene as politically engaged Americans in 1954, and asked «What would you have advocated? What would you have done?»

Will shared that while Lincoln was against enslavement, he was also opposed to allowing the Union to dissolve, which would have called self-government into doubt. He “adopted the ethic of responsibility and committed himself to the patience of politics, to the long path of maneuver and persuasion.” Will said that to understand such dilemmas that politicians confronted in the past requires more than just the grounding of facts in history; it requires imagination and the empathy

that imagination can nourish. “Our nation today needs the empathy that can only come from imagination and the ability to imagine oneself in other people’s shoes. The ability to reason, and maneuver, and compromise as they had to do.”

Will called presentism a “pandemic of vindictiveness,” and a pandemic, though not of a virus, but something for which there is no vaccine. “Historically-grounded empathy inoculates us against the sin of pride that is at the cold heart of presentism,” said Will.

Will said that he hoped that the graduates’ time at Assumption had provided them with two talents that would make them immune to such moral vanity—a talent for gratitude and a talent for praising. “Having gratitude for those men and women in the American past, who, like all of us, were flawed but who nevertheless handed on to us a nation that had fewer flaws than when they inherited it,” he said. “Praising is an act of humility, an act of homage to those who have been in the arena and who have distinguished themselves there.”

He concluded his “final lecture” with an old English couplet: “The couplet is: ‘All men are created equal. They differ only in the sequel.’ You are the sequel to this excellent University’s fine touch,” he said. “You will go forth from here and live in the present. But you will, I hope and expect, leave the nation better, because you will avoid presentism. You will do so by appreciating the always crooked road we Americans are always traveling toward a more perfect Union.”

Assumption President Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D., also emphasized the enduring importance of a liberal arts education. “While so much changed this past year, what did not change was the essence and value of your Assumption education,” he said. “The pandemic has made more evident the value of the Catholic liberal education you have received in the last four years. You have come to appreciate that enduring ideas matter and provide a framework for understanding our contemporary world. You have explored the deepest questions of the human heart, which transcend time and place.”

President Cesareo added that these questions include understanding the common good, cultivating good judgment and understanding complexity, finding one’s purpose in life, and understanding the responsibilities we have to one another, especially among the most vulnerable. “A Catholic liberal education engages these questions and has prepared you to live out your vocations, professions and to be lifelong learners,” he said. “It has provided you with the wisdom and courage to confront the challenges we face during a time like this and that you will face throughout your life.”

Valedictorian Hannah White ‘21 also spoke of Assumption’s emphasis on vocation and its importance as she and her classmates enter “a pandemic-stricken workforce with no guarantee that we’ll find our ideal entry-level job, much less a clear career path,” she said. “Over the past four years we have become familiar with the tagline, “Light the way.” How can we be a light for others when we ourselves cannot see through the darkness of the unknown?”

White shared her experience in the SOPHIA program as one example in how Assumption helps its students understand what it means to choose a vocation. “Our vocations—our life callings— affect all aspects of how we live, work, and engage with the world around us,” she said. “Although we find it difficult to discern our future through the haze of uncertainty, remember this: our life purpose is not some far off goal that will allow us to be happy forever. Vocation is an ever ongoing process of self-discovery. It is living magnanimously, striving for the greatest good, especially in the day to day. It is using what gifts we have to serve others who have nothing. It is living in authentic community with others, where we help each other bear our burdens. Even if our futures are shrouded in darkness, in our vocations we have the light we need to see the next right step.”

In closing, President Cesareo reminded the graduates that they are the first

class to graduate from Assumption University, representing a milestone in the history of Assumption. “Throughout its history, Assumption has shown itself to be a resilient institution, overcoming challenges that on the surface seemed insurmountable,” he shared. “This year, you have also shown yourself to be resilient as you adapted to the changes that were necessary as we addressed the impact of the pandemic. The sacrifices you made have allowed you to grow as a person in ways that were unexpected. In this way, the pandemic shaped your education as it shaped you as well. Thank you for the many ways you contributed to making Assumption a better place over the last four years. As you move on to the next chapter of your journey, I congratulate you on all that you have accomplished as students at Assumption. We look forward to the many contributions you will make to our society because of your education at your alma mater.”

During the ceremony, Will and Vincent Strully, Jr., founder and CEO of the New England Center for Children, received honorary degrees. Will was honored for his “steadfast pursuit of knowledge and distinguished commentary [that] has enriched the American media landscape,” while Strully was recognized for his “four decades of selfless service” in which he has dedicated himself to “empowering those in the autism community.”

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Charlton we have people who need help and assistance. They can be a part of that and give back,” Creeron said.

These lessons and the generosity of the community did not go unnoticed by the scouts involved. Scouts Andrew Heywood, Jacob Creeron and Adam Rydlha, who helped lead the food drive for their merit badges, all praised the generosity of the community.

Heywood put it best, saying, “I feel like it’s very nice of us to do this and I feel like a lot of citizens have embraced it. We really appreciate it and I know they appreciate helping a lot of people out today.”

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Jadelyn enjoys school and was a peer mentor in her summer program. She is currently working on learning her multiplication tables.

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QCC student honored in 29 Who Shine ceremony



Fatima Mohammed

WORCESTER — On May 13 at the 10th Annual “29 Who Shine” Ceremony, Quinsigamond Community College Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) student Fatima Mohammed, of Worcester, joined 28 other public college and university graduates, to be honored virtually by Gov. Charlie Baker and higher education leaders in a Live YouTube ceremony at 2 p.m.

Each year, these awards are given to one student from each of the Commonwealth’s 29 public campuses, including the 15 community colleges, nine state universities and five campuses of the University of Massachusetts. This year, the 29 graduates are being honored for their resilience in the face of pandemic-related challenges and their willingness to pitch in and support COVID-19 relief efforts, while working to earn their degrees.

Ms. Mohammed played an essential role with QCC’s COVID-19 health team, assisting with student surveillance test-

ing during the Spring 2021 semester, working multiple volunteer shifts each week, and acting as a mentor and advisor to new volunteers.

“Fatima has been volunteering her time during the COVID-19 pandemic, helping to keep our college community safe. Her dedication to her fellow students, while maintaining the highest academic standards is inspiring. We are honored to have her as a member of our QCC community,” said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D.

Currently majoring in Liberal Arts, Ms. Mohammed will be graduating from QCC later this month with an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts. She plans to continue her education at the Mass College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) in fall 2021. She has received a \$10,000 merit scholarship from MCPHS, based on her academic qualifications, for the entire 16 consecutive months of the program. After earning her Bachelor of Science in Dental

Hygiene, she plans to continue her education to earn a Doctor of Medicine in Dentistry. Ms. Mohammed said she hopes to continue helping others in her future career in dentistry, caring for and educating low-income families about dental care.

“Ten years from now, the letter grades of the ‘29 Who Shine’ won’t matter. What we will remember is their commitment to their communities in a time of crisis,” said Gov. Charlie Baker. “Our public colleges and universities educate hometown Massachusetts natives – people who are here to learn, and here to stay. They have shown how much they care about where they come from, how much they care about us, and how much they will contribute to the civic and economic future of our Commonwealth.”

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QCC’s E-Sports team once again crowned champions in League of Legends Tournament

WORCESTER — Another great season has ended for the fledgling Wyverns League of Legends E-Sports team, and another championship is added to their impressive record. The Quinsigamond Community College team played their final games on April 25, winning handily 3-0 over Bunker Hill Community College in the Region XXI

Championship E-Sports game. The Wyverns finished the season with a 5-1 record, echoing the record from the fall 2020 season and even mirroring their fall championship win against Bunker Hill 3-0 in the finals.

“The team of 12 came together this season. Week in and week out, they dedicated time and effort to improving

their skills. Each player got a chance to start in a game throughout the season, and each and every player stood out,” said Wyverns E-Sports Coach Nathaniel “Nate” Mello.

“I am so proud of what this team was able to accomplish this year and I hope to continue our success in the future with players new and old,” Coach Mello said.

QCC began its E-Sports team in the summer of 2020, taking part in a League of Legends collegiate competition. This is a highly competitive, fast paced, action-strategy online game. When not in a global pandemic the game is often played in-person, in an arena setting.

QCC’s Athletic Director Lisa Gurnick said the E-Sports

team has made a superb addition to the Wyvern sports teams and Coach Mello has been an important part of the team’s success.

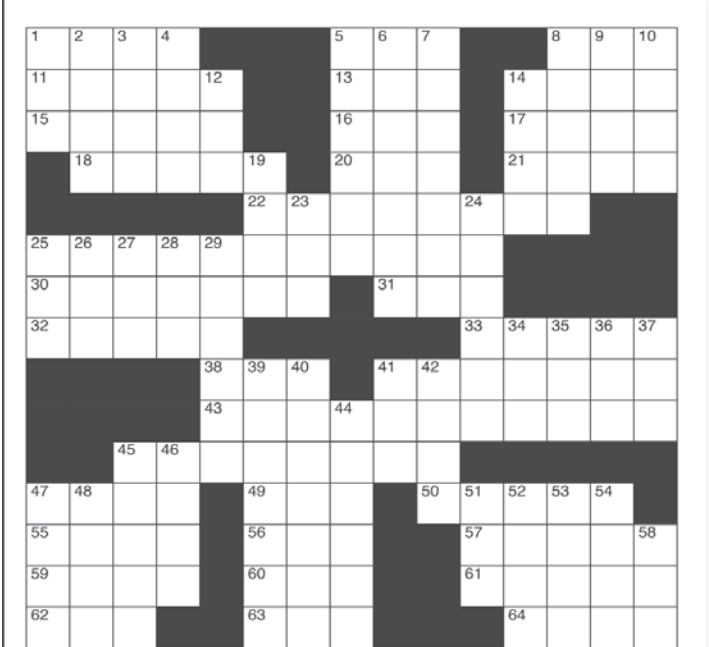
“Coach Mello was fantastic, and he was the ‘sports announcer’ for all three of these final games. He presented the play-by play action. It was great for anyone to follow who didn’t know anything about the game League of Legends but wanted to follow along,” Ms. Gurnick said. “The team has played amazing all season and has worked hard to get where they are. We are incredibly proud of our newest Wyvern team.”

The Wyvern 2021 E-Sports team includes:

- Alexis Fluegel
- Samuel Marshall
- Trevor Dodson
- Alex Vongkhamheuang
- Andrew Boucher
- David Huynh
- Dylan Tang
- Joseph Pauplis
- Monica Doan
- Eric Miller
- Lawrence Loughan
- Gabe Varner
- Head Coach Nate Mello
- Assistant Coach Alec Yorston

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Prevents harm to young

5. “Losing My Religion” rockers

8. Partner to pan

11. Cavalry unit

13. Peyton’s little brother

14. Mexican dish

15. Disseminates info to the public

16. Set an animal on

17. Canadian flyers

18. Elongated mouths of anthropods

20. I (German)

21. Opposite of west

22. Glows

25. Measures how quickly a car moves

30. One who has gained wealth

31. Patti Hearst’s captors
32. Extensive landed property

33. Male aristocrat

38. For each

41. More fidgety

43. Very happy

45. A place to store info

47. Helps to heal

49. 12th month (abbr.)

50. Broad, shallow craters

55. Nocturnal S. American rodent

56. Frost

57. Ethiopian town

59. Curved shapes

60. Company that rings receipts

61. Spiritual leader

62. Sheep native to Sweden

63. Cars need it

64. Partner to relaxation

CLUES DOWN

1. Scientist’s high-resolution tool (abbr.)

2. Type of school

3. Formal close (music)

4. Transmits high voltage

5. A way to occupy a certain area

6. Draws out

7. His Airness

8. Nocturnal rodents

9. South American plants

10. Homestead

12. Bland or semiliquid food

14. Forest resident

19. The body needs it

23. Atomic mass unit (abbr.)

24. Spell

25. Relaxing place

26. Political fundraising tool

27. Make a mistake

28. Partner to Adam
29. Tyrant

34. Unit of electrical resistance

35. A history of one’s life

36. Actor DiCaprio

37. Sea eagle

39. Avoiding being caught

40. ___ de Mornay, actress

41. Belonging to a thing

42. Not us

44. Motorcars

45. Capital of Bangladesh

46. Ancient Greek sophist

47. Practice boxing

48. ___ Grant, actor

51. Swiss river

52. S. Sudan river

53. A bumpkin

54. One point south of southwest

58. Small island (British)

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walk this year will also be our way, like last year. The research needs to continue, cancer has not taken a day off,” she said.

Zeveska’s fundraising efforts go beyond her contributions to the walk. When she’s not preparing for the event, she is knitting and crocheting items that she sells through her Facebook page Jamiez Handiworkx to benefit the cause.

“I wanted to raise more money, so in 2019, I decided to make items to sell at a craft fair in Charlton on Labor Day. Covid made that impossible for 2020. I typically work on some-

thing every morning with my coffee and again in the evening. I thought it may be easier to obtain donations if the person were able to purchase something. I started the Facebook page to attempt selling my items and was able to sell various products before fundraising ended last year. I’ve sold many other items this year and it appears Old Home Day will take place on Labor Day. I’ve had many supporters that continue to donate year after year, which is wonderful, I appreciate every one of them. Every penny counts and add up,” Zeveska said.

Those wishing to support Jamie Zeveska’s fundraising effort can visit danafarber.jimmyfund.org/goto/jamiezeveska2021 to donate. As of this report the donation page had recorded \$2,568 in donations with a \$3,000 goal.

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TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY CELEBRATES TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

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TCA students, parents and administration appreciate the dedication of their teachers and support staff. Teacher Appreciation Week offered the opportunity to share their gratitude for the valued crew. Upon arrival on Monday, May 3, TCA teachers were greeted with festively decorated school doors. This and several activities to exercise appreciation were orchestrated by the TCA Parent Teacher Organization throughout the week. A padlet web-tool enabled students to post special messages to their individual teachers and staff. More than 100 messages from the hears of TCA students were shared. On Wednesday, special pastry from “Jessica’s Bake Shop” of Our Father’s Table were delivered by the Advancement department for all to indulge. Friday, a fun cluster of candy with a gift card was placed on the desk of each teacher and support staff. It is evident, that TCA faculty are invaluable to all who benefit from their abilities and service.

Heidelberg University honors student achievements

TIFFIN, Ohio — Jayce Porter of Charlton was among about 85 students honored at the conclusion of the spring semester at Heidelberg University. This year’s Student Awards Celebration was conducted virtually in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Porter, a sophomore majoring in Music Education, received the Paul H. Hoernemann Memorial Prize for Voice during Heidelberg’s celebration of academic, athletic, service and leadership excellence among individual students, student organizations and faculty members.

Students also selected music professor Dr. Greg Ramsdell and English professor Dr. Barry Devine as co-Faculty Members of the Year.

Founded in 1850, Heidelberg offers 26 majors, 30 minors and 9 pre-professional programs, awarding the bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, and bachelor of music degrees, as well as master’s degrees in counseling, business administration and athletic training (2021). Heidelberg has been consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as a top college in the Midwest, as a “best value” for providing a high-quality education at an affordable price and as a “top performer” on the Social Mobility list. For more information visit the web site at www.heidelberg.edu.



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School District remains cautious as state reopens

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY/CHARLTON – As the state and businesses continue to reopen and the CDC is loosening guidelines with the increase in vaccinations nationwide, the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District is refusing to let its guard down as the second school year impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic comes to a close.

Superintendent Steven Lamarche urged everyone in the school district to remain diligent during a May 12 meeting of the regional school com-

mittee. Lamarche prefaced his statements by saying how exciting it has been to see “life” back on the campus with sporting events returning and spectators once again attending games. However, he warned everyone not to let their guard down especially as end of the year celebrations commence.

“I want to recognize not only the school nurses, but all the educators in appreciation for everything that they’re doing. This has been an unprecedented year, and that goes to the school committee as well and to administrators. Collectively, the district has gone above and beyond,” Lamarche said, add-

ing he’s also responsible for being the voice of reality as the pandemic continues into late May and early June. “We have a few weeks left of school and we really want it to end on a positive note. So, as we continue to plan events and opportunities, we are still restricted by some of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and DESE guidance so please do not expect unwavering expectations with respect to our role as a school district. Our priority is the health and wellbeing and safety of staff and students and we want to ensure appropriate, gradual and well thought out movement

and a socially rich experience for everyone. We do appreciate everyone’s patience.”

Even as the state and CDC continue to loosen their guidelines Lamarche said not to expect swift and sweeping changes to the district in the immediate future. Schools follow very specific recommendations, and the goal is to ensure the safety of everyone in the district acknowledging that while the pandemic might be nearing an end the threat of widespread COVID infection remains a potential risk.

“Sometimes, the new guidance doesn’t address all of the old guidance. You have to

understand we have hundreds and hundreds of pages of guidance. So, there are details that we continue to process through and at times they don’t correlate so we’re going to do the best we can to continue to overlap them and find common sense application to things that may have a little bit of a grey area,” said Lamarche. “In the end, our goal is to maintain the health, well being and safety of our staff because COVID is still in our district. It’s still in our communities and we need to do the best we can to keep it out.”

Western Mass. Child Care Resources contract awarded to Seven Hills Foundation

WORCESTER — The Massachusetts Department of Early Education & Care (EEC) recently awarded the contract for the Child Care Resources program in Western Massachusetts to the Seven Hills CCR&R program which is operated by its affiliate, Children’s Aid & Family Services (CAFS). In the announcement from EEC, it was noted that a bid process had been completed and Seven Hills CCR&R in Worcester had been selected to provide the services. Over the coming weeks, three Western Massachusetts CCR&R offices will be transitioned to Seven Hills CCR&R to allow for continuity of services and ensure assistance to families and providers is not interrupted.

With offices currently in Fitchburg, Worcester and Hopedale, the Seven Hills CCR&R Program works in partnership with Coordinated Family Community Engagement Programs and the Educator and Provider Support System to promote quality of care and to

help the Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) fulfill its mission. For more than 40 years, Seven Hills’ CCR&R program has provided quality child care services to the families in the Central and Metro West areas of Massachusetts. “We believe that our program has the professional expertise to meet the diverse needs of parents and child care providers and we are excited about now serving all of Western Massachusetts,” said Kim Dion, Assistant Vice President & Program Director.

The Child Care Resources (CCR) Program at Seven Hills provides resource and referral services to assist families in locating affordable, quality child-care programs. Additionally, they ensure families have access to high-quality information, resources and referrals to meet their childcare needs; educate families on the cost, quality and availability of early education and out-of-school-time care; and promote provider development and support, with ongoing

access to training and technical assistance.

Seven Hills CCR&R will be reaching out to parents to explain the transition and reassure families that their ability to access these services will remain local. Seven Hills CCR&R also plans to offer several zoom meetings in the event parents want to engage about the transition. Seven Hills CCR&R plans to maintain offices in Pittsfield, Greenfield and Springfield.

Headquartered in Worcester, Massachusetts, the Seven Hills Foundation is a comprehensive health and human services network currently offering program sites at 190 locations throughout Massachusetts and Rhode Island employing nearly 4,600 professionals. Seven Hills Foundation offers a continuum of clinical, educational, and community-based supports to 60,000 children, adults and seniors with disabilities and other life challenges through its 14 affiliate organizations that are part of the Foundation.

BAY PATH PRACTICAL NURSING STUDENTS HOST FUNDRAISING PLANT SALE



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The Bay Path Practical Nursing (PN) Academy, PN Class of 2021 hosted a plant sale the week before Mother's Day. The members of the PN Class of 2021 offered a wide variety of plants with appropriate COVID-19 precautions in place. The fundraiser benefited an alumna diagnosed with cancer. The plants sold from an anonymous donor's garden that has been grown specifically for the sale included Chinese Money Plant (Pilea), ZZ plant, Tiger Aloe, Snake Plant, Jade Plant, Peperomia, Oxalis, Pothos, Bromeliad, Ivy, Anthurium, and Cereus plants. The funds raised totaled \$505. The fundraiser plant sale was made possible by the support of Khamphan Houatchanthara of Southbridge, Meghan Reidy of Auburn, Loise Kamero of Worcester, Tianna Welcome of Oxford, and the generosity of the management and employees of Simon Says Pizza Chef of Southbridge.

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The pitfalls of ‘senioritis’

We’ve all heard the term ‘senioritis’ — perhaps even experienced a case of it ourselves — but is this diagnosis real? After some lengthy research, we say absolutely.

Senioritis is defined as, “A supposed affliction of students in their final year of high school or college, characterized by a decline in motivation or performance.” The end is near, with graduation just around the corner, and many seniors can taste freedom, but aren’t quite sure what to do with it. Even with some students heading off to college, the fear of the unknown combined with a complete change in the cadence in life is enough to make several seniors come down with a serious case of senioritis. The senioritis is a way to break away from the stress and rigors of 13 years of schooling.

Some signs of the affliction include a lack of motivation, a decline in grades, or feeling as though nothing they do in the final months leading up to graduation really matters much. Most students’ entire senior years of high school are spent trying to plan for the future, this can be daunting and stressful for these kids, who are still really, just kids. Some symptoms parents should look for include extreme laziness, apathy, spending all of their free time with friends away from home.

Unfortunately, the rapid decline in motivation does not go unseen by universities. After being accepted, many schools will look at a student’s last semester, and a substantial decrease in grades raises a red flag. This has admissions offices questioning a prospective student’s level of commitment and the question of maturity is also put on the table. If the situation is bad enough, a college or university can rescind an acceptance. Each year, thousands of students receive such letters. Sometimes a student will enter their freshman year of college already on academic probation. If a student was issued merit aid from an institution, they risk losing those funds.

There are things that can be done to help offset senioritis. One thing a student can do is to set tiny goals such as getting a B or higher on the next quiz or test, or to finish an assignment ahead of time. Working on better ways to study for tests is also crucial. Too much pressure can cause students to shut down so taking some time to relax and have fun with family and friends is a great idea.

Another idea is for parents and teachers to reassure students that life after high school is an exciting time and that not every graduate needs a definitive plan right away. Explain different opportunities for a gap year, including the pros and cons of taking one.

If your child becomes too self-destructive handing out consequences is key. Finding their currency and removing it may change their perspective and keep them on track. Remembering to reward good behavior is a must. If your child is behaving in such a way that they become emotionally removed, disobedient and disrespectful taking a gap year might be the best option as college is expensive and tuition should never go to waste. Sometimes when students see their friends off at school while they are left behind can be motivation to get back into the swing of things.

Stress is a part of daily life and common, everyday tension can take a toll on both your physical and mental health. With more than half of Americans concerned about the high levels of stress they experience in their daily lives, high anxiety is practically an epidemic in this country. While it’s a fact that frayed nerves are often the price you pay for an overactive lifestyle, that doesn’t mean you can’t diffuse the impact. In fact, odds are your daily routine includes everyday activities that have been proven to lessen the stress factor. From petting your dog to writing in your diary, there are many simple and deliberate actions you can practice to de-stress without reaching for a pill.

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If you drink coffee in the morning, a study by University College of London might convince you to switch to black tea. According to the study, drinking daily cups of the tea has a positive effect on stress hormone levels, which can help a person recover more quickly from everyday stresses.

The research, published in the journal

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The straw bale gardening technique begins with the conditioning process which is done to start the inside of the straw bale composting, so it can support plant growth.

Create a garden anywhere with straw bale gardening

Add productive garden space and raise your planting bed with straw bale gardening. This technique allows you to create a raised bed garden on the patio, lawn, or poor compacted soil. Straw bale gardening has been around for centuries, but thanks to Joel Karsten’s book “Straw Bale Gardens,” it has gained new popularity.

All you need are a few straw bales, fertilizer, a bit of compost and time to condition, plant and water your garden.

Purchase straw bales made from alfalfa, wheat, oats, rye or other cereal that have less weed seeds than hay. Start a few weeks before you plan to start planting.

Place bales in their permanent location with the cut sides up and twine parallel to the ground. When you start the condition process, they become very heavy and hard to move. Once the bales are in place, you are ready to start the conditioning process. This is done to start the inside of the straw bales composting, so they will support plant growth.

Day one spread fertilizer over the top of the bale. Use one half cup of a complete garden fertilizer or three cups of an organic fertilizer, like Milorganite. The organic fertilizers feed the microorganisms that help decompose the straw into a nutrient rich planting medium. Now thoroughly moisten the bale with water.

Continue to thoroughly soak the bale every day. On days three and five you will also add more fertilizer at the same rate used on day one.

Days seven through nine use half the rate used on day one. This would be one quarter cup of a complete garden fertilizer or one and a half cups of an organic fertilizer. And once again thoroughly water the bale.

On day ten you will add one cup of



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10-10-10 or three cups of an organic fertilizer rich in phosphorous and potassium. This completes the conditioning process.

Bales treated with a complete fertilizer should be ready to plant. You will likely need to wait a few more days when using an organic fertilizer. The inside of the bale should be the temperature of warm bath water or cooler. If it is hotter than this, wait for the bale to cool a bit before planting.

Use a trowel to pry open a hole in the bale. Place the transplant in the hole and cover the roots with potting mix or compost.

Create a planting bed for seeds by covering the bale with a one- to two-inch-thick layer of planting mix. Follow the planting directions on the back of the seed packet.

Regular watering is critical for success with this method. Soaker hoses or drip irrigation make this an easier task. You can also use gallon milk jugs with holes in the bottom or inverted 2-liter soda bottles placed near the base of each plant to provide water where it is needed.

Give your straw bale garden a nutrient boost about once a month or as needed throughout the growing season.

You are on your way to growing a productive straw bale garden to enjoy throughout the season.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *The Midwest Gardener’s Handbook* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything”* DVD series and the nationally-syndicated *Melinda’s Garden Moment* TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Her Web site is www.melindamyers.com.

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What to expect from a financial review

The COVID-19 pandemic may have unsettled many aspects of your life – including your financial situation. Even if your employment and earnings were not directly affected, you might have concerns about whether you’ve been making the right investment moves in such a stressful environment. The pandemic is, hopefully, just a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence, but different events can rattle financial markets. And changes in your own life also can affect your plans. To prepare yourself for whatever tomorrow may hold, you may want to get some professional help – but what, really, can you expect from a financial advisor?



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A financial advisor will look holistically at your life – your family composition, your career, your hopes and dreams, your instincts about saving and spending money, your risk tolerance and other factors. So, during your initial meeting, and at subsequent reviews afterward, here are some of the key areas you’ll discuss:

Feelings about your financial situation – Numbers are important to financial advisors, but what’s most meaningful to them is understanding what’s important to their clients. Are you confident about your overall financial outlook? Are you worried about your cash flow? Are you distressed over volatility in the financial markets? Do you have concerns about your career? By getting at the answers to these and similar questions, a financial advisor can gain a clear sense of who you are and what matters to you. You can then follow an established process to build your personalized strategies and take the specific actions needed to achieve your goals.

Progress toward your goals – It takes patience and discipline to achieve long-term goals, such as helping send your kids to college or enjoying the retirement lifestyle you’ve envisioned for yourself. As you save and invest for these goals over the years, you’ll want to...measure your progress regularly. If you seem to be falling behind, your financial advisor can suggest moves such as increasing your investments or adjusting your investment mix.

Changes in your family situation – Marriage or remarriage, the arrival of new children, the departure of children for college, caregiving responsibilities for older parents – any and all of these events can make a big difference in your goals and, as a result, your investment plans. During your reviews, your financial advisor will consider these changes when making suggestions or recommendations. (Changes in your family’s status may affect your estate plans, so you’ll also need to work with your legal advisor or other estate-planning professional.)

Changes in your retirement plans – As you near retirement, you might decide that your original plans for this time of your life no longer suit you. For example, you might have once thought that, when you retired, you would stay close to home, volunteering and pursuing your hobbies. But now you’ve been thinking how much you would enjoy traveling, or perhaps even living abroad for a while. To accommodate your change in plans, a financial professional may recommend certain moves, such as working a couple of years longer or adjusting the amount you eventually withdraw from your 401(k), IRA and other retirement accounts.

As you work toward your goals, you may find it challenging to navigate the financial markets and respond to the changes in your life – but you don’t have to go it alone. And knowing what to expect from a financial advisor can help smooth your journey.

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Everyday Activities Reduce Stress



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Psychopharmacology, revealed found that people who drank black tea were able to de-stress more quickly than those who drank a placebo tea. Moreover, the participants (who drank black tea four times a day for six weeks) displayed lower levels of the stress hormone cortisol after experiencing a stressful event, as compared to a control group who drank the placebo tea for the same period of time.

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Exercise is a proven method of lowering stress levels, and many people make a workout part of their daily routine. And there’s good news for those who don’t go to a gym on a regular basis. Research reveals a daily 20 minute walk

can be as effective as a mild tranquilizer.

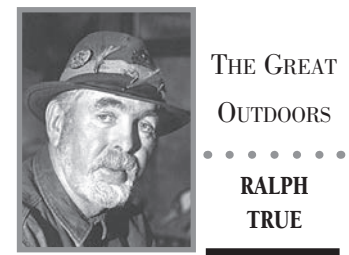
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It’s no surprise pets play an important role in reducing stress. What is surprising is a research study that shows pets may be better at reducing stress than a loved one! According to a report published in the September/October issue of the journal Psychosomatic Medicine, researchers examined the effects of the presence of friends, spouses and pets on the level of stress associated with certain relatively unpleasant tasks. They found that compared with human support, the presence of pets was associated with lower perceived and actual responses to stress.

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Even if you’re not artistically inclined, dabbling in some form of creative art each day can boost your stress relieving hormones. In fact, the University of California – Irvine offers a class in Art Therapy, utilizing the simple act of drawing and creating art to relieve stress in two ways. First, cre-

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This week’s picture shows Captain Mel True with his fishing buddy, John Caiazi, with a nice catch of winter flounder this past week in Massachusetts! Rhode Island winter flounder fishing in most if not all of Narragansett Bay is closed because of overfishing by commercial draggers over the years. Fluke fishing in both states have very different regulations. This year, Rhode Island has decided to raise the fluke size to 19 inches, while Massachusetts has stayed at 17 inches. The 19-inch size for fluke is totally ridiculous, and will result in many dead fish for crabs to feed on. Anyone that does any amount of fishing for fluke, can tell you that there will be a lot of them that do not survive after being released. You do not need a college education to make that evaluation. Again, it is driven by politics!

This past week, I had my Lab, Twig, at the Veterinarian’s for a checkup, and was not able to go with her when the technician came to bring her in to the doctor. As I was sitting in my car with the windows rolled down, I heard a familiar sound. I looked down to see a hen turkey walking along the grassy area of the parking lot only few feet from the highway. As she walked, she was “putting,” a sound female wild turkey make. I soon had three hens and a jake (one year old turkey following the vocal hen to the edge of the woods. Suddenly, a loud gobble



Captain Mel True of “FISHNET” Charters with a nice catch of winter flounder this past Saturday while fishing with his buddy on the Cape, and John Caiazi with his prize.

from a tom turkey was heard as he came into view that was sporting a long beard. It was not long before they were all in a small patch of woods alongside of the highway when the vocal hen darted across the highway, nearly being hit by a car. I knew this was not going to end well. As the vocal hen called to the rest of the flock, the Jake bird and hen attempted to cross the road also. One made it across the road by running, but the second bird took flight and nearly

crashed through the window of a small car. I watched the Tom bird in the woods as he seemed to be wondering were all his flock had gone. His neck was stretched high, as he stood motionless in the woods. Suddenly, he headed for the road to cross over. The Tom bird and the hen were the last to attempt a crossing to the other side of the road. The Tom turkey quickly ran across the road safely, but the hen turkey was a bit slower crashing into the side of a



car. The driver never touched his brakes, or even slowed down after the collision. The big bird lay motionless on the side of the road, and not a single car slowed, as the turkey’s feathers were blowing across the road. Not all collisions with wildlife are preventable, but many are. Drivers need to give wildlife a break. The driver not only killed the hen, but also another flock of young turkeys. There will be a lot of activity with wildlife crossing roads at this time of year. Whitetail deer will be having their young, as well as many other four-legged animals. Canada geese are also raising their young, as well as ducks, and often cross roads with their young broods. A pair of Eagles continue to make their home on the Meadow Pond, Whitinsville. They were spotted by a couple of fishermen last week. One eagle was carrying home dinner (fish) when he dropped it

in flight. As soon as it hit the water, the second Eagle tried to make a recovery , but failed. They sure are nice to see in the area. The Eagle restoration project started years ago by Mass. Fish & Wildlife and sure is a great success story. It mostly funded by sportsmen’s monies. Stripers are in in many areas, both on the Cape and Rhode Island waters, with some legal-size fish being caught. It is only a matter of days before the bigger fish move in. The Providence River should become active with legal size stripers by the time you read this column. Porgies were in the river last week and snagging a few to catch stripers should improve daily if the commercial Porgy boats do not take them all! Seabass fishing opened this past Tuesday in Massachusetts! *Take a Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!*

Two wooden sticks formed my world

I’ve been a percussionist since I was eight years old. For those who are unfamiliar with the term ... I’m a drummer. A man named Levi Rock handed me a pair of Ludwig 3S laminated drumsticks. Although I didn’t know it at the time, the trajectory of my life was set. He then said, “Hey Bill ... strap a drum on this kid and take him outside and teach him to play Paradiddles, Triplets and Shave and a Hair Cut.” Bill Buck, still a dearest friend to this day, nodded and I followed him into “the cage,” the equipment room for the Kankakee Challengers Drum & Bugle Corps. It was love at first grip as I held those sticks in hand and looked at that red, silver, and blue sparkle drum strapped to my right shoulder and resting on my left thigh. It felt natural ... as if I were born to wear it. Time passed, but every step of my life was guided or influenced by this pair of wooden sticks. My junior high and high

school years were all dominated by concert band, jazz band, marching band, and drum & bugle corps at the American Legion. The sticks then took me to VanderCook College of Music for a degree in music education. I won a state NBTA Rudimental Drumming Solo Championship and two months later placed third in the nation. I performed and toured for a season with the National/World Champion Chicago Cavaliers. Music never became my vocation but led, guided, and influenced my professional and personal life in profoundly positive ways. Those sticks took me on a five-week tour as a drummer for Country Star Ray Price. All along the way, I couldn’t have ever imagined where my sticks would take me next. Through the years, I’ve performed off



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and on in my church with our praise and worship team, but life, health and professional travel brought me to the point where performing ended. A few weeks ago, Pastor Matt Smith, arranged an opportunity for me to take those wooden sticks and make music one more time, and maybe for the last time. I was so rusty ... but the band pulled me along and allowed me the privilege to sit at those drums and play. I’m grateful. What’s the point of this column? One point is to emphasize the importance of music education, which I believe is tragically undervalued within our educational system. More importantly, the point is to highlight the impact of doing what you love and finding your passion. The joy of taking those two pieces of wood into my hands and making a

joyful noise, for me, is priceless. It has enriched my life in indescribable ways. You just never know the profound impact moments in time can have. Lightning may strike at any time. You must always be open to new experiences, as you never know where they will lead. For my dad, I’m guessing it might be the first time someone handed him a baseball. For my daughter, a Pastor, the first time she was handed a Bible. For my wife, it’s gardening. Drumsticks, a baseball, a Bible, a few flowers magically arranged to create beauty ... all unexpected but profound moments that led to a lifelong passion. We can’t choose those moments that lead to our passions. They just happen. We don’t plan them and usually are not even aware that they’ve happened at all until years later. A parent can’t choose for a child ... and I don’t think we choose *Turn To MOORE page A15*

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ating artwork requires focus, and takes your mind off stress causing issues. When the project is done, your head is clearer (and less tense). Also, while creating art, you are engaged in the action to the point of being in a near meditative state. This results in many of the benefits of meditation and you may feel less stressed when you are done. ** Gardening is another pastime that has been linked to lower blood pressure and reduced anxiety. An estimated 40% of Americans find that being in the presence of a garden makes them feel relaxed and calm. Retreating to a garden can renew energy, create a sense of peace, and restore well-being. The benefits of gardening, both physically and emotionally, are well-documented. Whether planning, planting, tending, or harvesting, many gardeners describe feeling this emotional “high”, which promotes well-being and relieves stress symptoms. Like meditation and relaxation programs, gardening involves both physical movement and mental concentration, a combination that has been attributed to numerous health benefits. Today, a variety of garden programs are used as Horticultural Therapy to promote health and wellness. ** Writing in a journal is therapeutic and jotting down your feelings both good and bad, can also help relieve stress. University of Texas at Austin psychologist and researcher James Pennebaker contends that regular journaling strengthens immune cells, called T-lymphocytes. Pennebaker believes that writing about stressful events helps you come to terms with them, thus reducing the impact of these stressors on your physical health. To boost the stress relieving effect, be sure to “count your blessings” and list them, as keeping a gratitude journal has been proven to be a powerful calming aid. On the other hand, it is also beneficial to write out your feelings and

negative emotions. According to Psych Central, journaling about anger, sadness and other painful emotions helps to release the intensity of these feelings. By doing so you will feel calmer and better able to stay in the present. ** Here are some more stress busters: *It’s a known fact that color can alter our moods. “Cool” colors like violet, purple and green can soothe jittery nerves. Blue has shown to be the most calming color influence of all. *Meditation can be a powerful weapon in the fight against stress, and can work to head off a panic attacks. Meditation and proper breathing can helps slow the heart rate and calm nerves A quick calming trick is to close your eyes and breathe slowly and deeply, focusing on the breaths. *Prayer helps you focus within and

Deep breathing can also cause a temporary drop in blood pressure. *Naps are also therapeutic for diffusing stress. A study found that workers who nap for at least 45 minutes during the day had lower average blood pressure after suffering psychological stress compared to those who did not. *According the Calm Clinic, whole grain snacks, blueberries, peaches, almonds, and dark chocolate are all good food choices with natural calming properties. Also, foods with magnesium, vitamin B12 (and other B vitamins), zinc, and antioxidants can be beneficial for helping you deal with stress. ** *Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House*

business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I’m counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints! Please note the contest had been suspended due to COVID restrictions for seating in restaurants. It is expected to start up again in June. All entries have been collected and will be entered into an upcoming drawing. Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, c/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

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Norma Peters

CHARLTON- Norma (Pellino) Peters passed away peacefully on May 12, 2021 with her family by her side, and joins the love of her life Arthur, who passed away at an early age 49 years ago. She was born in Hartford, Ct., daughter of Lucia (Procaccino) and Antonio Pellino who has immigrated to the United States from Bisaccia, Italy.

She was very proud of her Italian heritage and having lived to the age of 96 saw many changes and was part of what is called the “Greatest Generation.”

She lived in Hartford, graduating from Buckley High, working at Heinz Foods and marrying her high school sweetheart Art. They soon moved to Simsbury, Ct. and moved into their house built by her father “Tone”. Her and Art loved traveling, especially to

Europe visiting the village where her parents were born. They also enjoyed dining out and going to plays.

They went on to have 3 children and later moved to Charlton where she lived for 53 years. She ran the business her husband had started, Arthur M. Peters

Company, manufacturer representative in the lawn and garden industry, for years and the worked at Centre Coffee Shoppe in Charlton with family members.

She loved Siamese cats, hot fudge sundaes and seafood, especially lobster. She always had snacks whether it was nuts, cookies or candy. She enjoyed watching sports and was a Red Sox fan for many years. She was a member of the Charlton Senior Center and its knitting group where she would knit blankets and hats for the hospital or the church to be given out. She enjoyed painting, playing the lottery, bingo, watching the Golden Girls, playing dress up with

her grand -daughters, gardening, collecting knickknacks and trips to the casino with her best friend and sister, Cira. Every Halloween she would go to her granddaughters houses to enjoy Trick or Treating with her great grandchildren and seeing them in her handmade costumes she would custom make for them. She spent every holiday and birthday surrounded by her grandchildren and great -grandchildren and especially enjoyed their Sunday dinners together.

She was predeceased by her husband Arthur, daughter Valerie Prunier, sister Cira Ferris and a brother Luigi (Lou) Pellino.

She is survived by 2 sons. David and his wife Donna of Charlton and Stephen of Chelsea, Vt., grandchildren: Erin Lefebvre and her husband Patrick, Ashley Alexion and her husband James, Zane Peters. and Angela Prunier and her 9 great -grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

There are no calling hours. Burial

will be private in West Ridge Cemetery in Charlton.

The family wishes to thank the 5th floor at The Jewish Healthcare Center staff in Worcester for the great care they gave her and also Father Bob at St. Joseph’s

Church in Charlton.

Donations may be made to St. Joseph’s Church in Charlton in her memory.

“For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven; a time to be born and a time to die.”

So enjoy life, family and cherish you memories!

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Rock and roll memorabilia

It may seem hard to believe, but the Beatles made their first American appearance on the Ed Sullivan show over 60 years ago, on Feb. 9, 1964. Rock and roll’s origins go back further, even prior to Bill Haley and the Comet’s release of Rock around the Clock’s in 1954. Rock and Roll was influenced by R & B performers of the 1940s and 1950s.

In a 1950s interview Fats Domino said, “Rock & roll is nothing but rhythm & blues,” according to a Rolling Stone article. Which is the first rock and roll song is the subject of debate. Mental Floss Magazine’s website lists 5 songs that might be considered the first rock and roll song:

1. “That’s All Right Mama” by Arthur “Big Boy” Crudup (1946)
2. ‘Good Rockin’ Tonight” by Wynonie Harris (1948)
3. “Rock this Joint” by Jimmy Preston and his Prestonians (1949)
4. “Saturday Night Fish Fry” by Ls Jordan & the Tympany Five (1949)
5. “Rocket 88” by Jackie Brenston and his Delta Cats



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(1951) Of these songs, “Rocket 88” is considered by most to be the first rock and roll record. Ike Turner wrote the record that was recorded at Sam Phillips’ Sun Records studio in Memphis. According to Mental Floss magazine, “the guitarist’s amplifier had a torn speaker, and producer Sam Phillips (who a few years later, would discover Elvis) jerry-rigged it, stuffing some packing paper in

the speaker cone. The unexpected result was a fuzzy sound that defined the song’s raw vibe, and became a blueprint for the guitar tone of everyone from Chuck Berry to the Rolling Stones.” Later during the 1950s, Rock grew and other acts such as Elvis Presley, Sam Cooke, Chuck Berry, and Fats Domino became popular. In the 1960s Berry Gordon’s Motown Record Company produced a string of hits by multiple artists. The Beatles, the Animals, and the Rolling Stones were some of the bands that came to the U.S. as part of the British Invasion during the ‘60s. The Vietnam War influenced many American

performing artists during the 1960s, like Bob Dylan, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, and the Doors. The Eagles and Southern rock bands Lynyrd Skynyrd and the Allman Brothers were some of the most popular performers during the 1970s. Alternative musical acts such as the Ramones, Blondie, and the Talking Heads started to gain attention and fans. The 1980s and 1990s saw a wide range of styles from Van Halen and ZZ Top to the Red Hot Chili Peppers and the Pretenders.

There are a variety of items from throughout Rock’s history that are popular with collectors. If you happen to have something exceptional like a Ringo Starr drum kit or Kurt Cobain played guitar, it could sell for millions. More common things like records and posters can still be valuable though. The First U.K. pressing of Led Zeppelin’s III album sold for over \$3,300 in 2011. A rare Beatles poster for a 1966 Toronto Maple Leafs Garden performance sold for \$50,000 in 2019. Even a guitar pick can be valuable. An Eddie Van Halen Ed Leffler guitar pick recently sold for \$1000 online after striking a chord with bidders.

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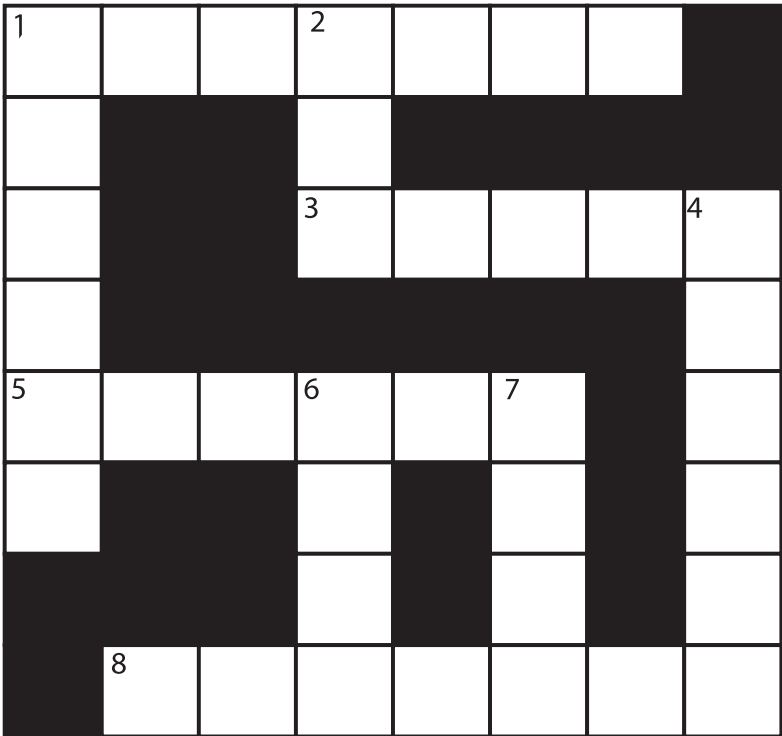
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- 1. Living organisms
- 3. Loose garment
- 5. Shelters for dogs or cats
- 8. Being with others

DOWN

- 1. Foolish behaviors
- 2. Small rug
- 4. Pleasant to snuggle together
- 6. People working together
- 7. Long story

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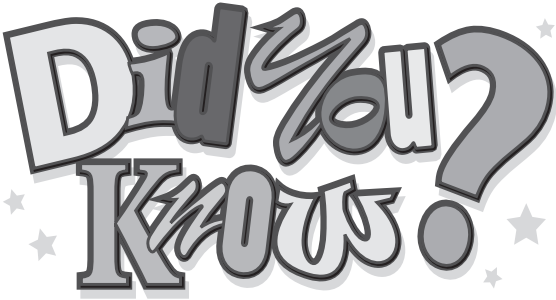
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ITALIAN: Animale

FRENCH: Animal de compagnie

GERMAN: Haustier



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Clue: Body of water

C. 7 12 24 9 10 13

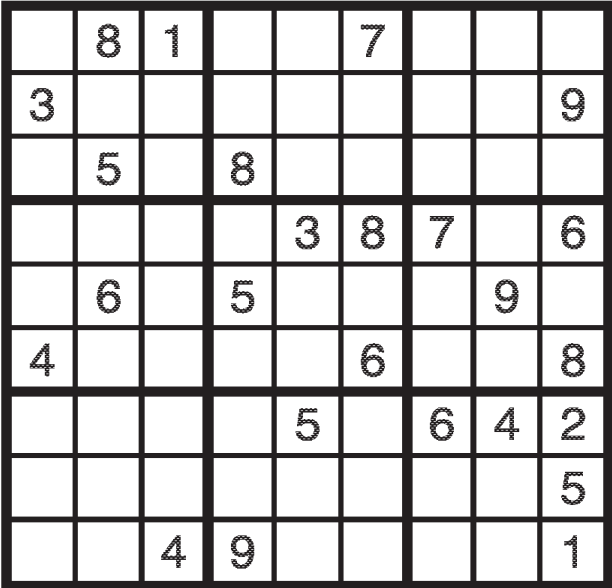
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D. 8 24 9 10 6

Clue: Curling water

Answers: A. marina B. ocean C. travel D. waves

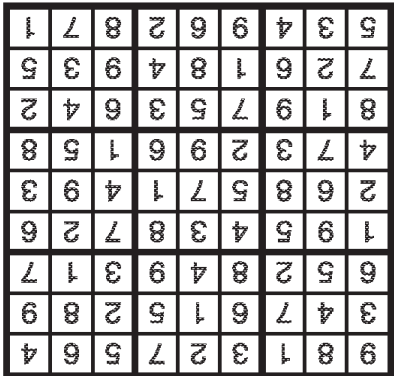
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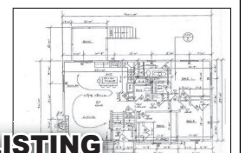
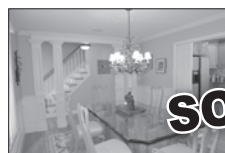
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Exploring different backyard structures

Designing an ideal backyard space requires forethought and an eye for style. Knowing which features to include in a yard often boils down to what homeowners want to achieve in the space. Will it be a relaxing oasis or a central entertaining focal point?

People often look to various structures to add height and visual interest to outdoor spaces. Homeowners will likely come across structures like arbors, gazebos, pergolas, and even trellises as they wade through the variety of features they can incorporate into backyard plans. Each of these structures can add appeal, but they also can offer shelter from the sun and privacy when enjoying the yard. There are significant differences between each structure, so here's an in-depth look at what sets them apart.

- **Arbor:** An arbor is one of the more simple garden structures. It is usually a frame that is arched or square-cornered. Most homeowners use it as an entryway to a garden or even the front of the home. Those with green thumbs may cover the arbor with climbing and

trailing plants. The Spruce says arbors date back to early Egyptian and Roman gardens and were used throughout Europe by the late 16th century.

- **Pergola:** The words arbor and pergola are often used interchangeably, but to suggest the two structures are the same would not be accurate. Pergola comes from the Italian word "pergula," which means "projection." Pergolas were once projected from exterior walls and supported on one side by pillars or columns. Today, arbors are usually freestanding units with two or four posts. Pergolas may be connected on one side to a home or another structure. Some are freestanding units supported by four posts. Pergolas tend to be larger and offer more privacy and shade than arbors.
- **Gazebo:** Gazebos are more defined garden buildings, states the contractor referral site Network. Gazebos are freestanding units that can be built in various shapes. Some are octagonal, others are square. Like a pergola, a gazebo is supported by columns and may



have low railings or built-in benches. Gazebos also may have a more solid roof than arbors or pergolas, providing sun and other weather protection. The roof may have added architectural appeal, like a cupola.

- **Trellis:** A trellis is a simple, geometrically-shaped structure that provides a surface for climbing plants. A trellis also may support fruit-bearing trees. Trellis work may be used

in conjunction with an arbor or pergola, or be installed on fencing.

Incorporating structures into backyard designs can provide functionality and appeal.



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