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### Schools unveil UConn partnership

### THIS IS REALLY ABOUT CHANGING HOW WE DO BUSINESS'

BY GUS STEEVES NEWS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — Southbridge teachers and administrators sent kids home early Friday to gather at the Hotel and Conference Center for a system-wide lunch celebration of the district's fairly new five-year partnership with University of Connecticut to implement the Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support program.

The program is the centerpiece of Receiver Jeff Villar's effort to change the schools.

'Climate and culture is our number one priority," he said. "We're 10 months in, and it's sometimes hard to see we've made progress ... but you've made tremendous progress. ... It can't be done without teachers.

The concept of PBIS was born decades ago, and has been used in hundreds of districts across the US and in some other countries. In

our region, it's coordinated by UConn's Center for Behavioral Education and Research, where Drs George Sugai and Jennifer Freeman work.

According to Sugai, the concepts were born as approaches to special education, but they came to realize SpEd is really just a structure to protect certain kids while all kids deserve the same treatment. "All kids should get exposed to the same thing," he said. "... It's all about making sure their needs get met."

"The biggest thing is that people are investing in building a positive climate for every-body," Sugai said. "This is really about changing how we do business.

He noted every school he's worked with has started the program believing it wouldn't work for them because they were unique. And they are; those are the factors the project aims

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Photos Gus Steeves

Christen Hutchinson talks about West Street School's efforts to implement PBIS as members of her team show their support.

### Southbridge **Public** Schools hire **Communications** Specialist

SOUTHBRIDGE — Dr. Jeffrey Villar is pleased to announce that Sarah Champagne has been hired by Southbridge Public Schools as a communications specialist.

Ms. Champagne, a Southbridge native, brings with her considerable experience in communications and community engagement for the public, nonprofit and private sectors. Her most recent work writing for local news publications has strengthened her insight into the Southbridge community and its unique character.

In her role with the school system she will promote meaningful, effective, and timely communication between all stakeholders of the Southbridge Public Schools and the community at

Ms. Champagne will begin work in this role immediately, and welcomes community feedback. She can be reached at schampagne@gmail.com.

### Sturbridge native to open original play at Calliope Theater



Photos Courtesy

**Kara Emily Krantz** 

BY ANNIE SANDOLI VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

play-STURBRIDGE—Local wright and photographer Kara Emily Krantz is celebrating the East Coast premiere of her original production "All Bark, No Bite," taking place at the Calliope Theater in West Boylston starting Thursday, Feb. 28 and running until Sunday, March 10.

The play, which first opened as a community theater show on Friday, Feb. 8 at Bell Tower Theater in Dubuque, Iowa, is a full-length comedy based on the idea of what our dogs think of us and what they would say to us if they could speak.

"It started as a ridiculous idea and turned into a story about relationships, insecurities, and our desire to be accepted as we are," said Krantz. "An element of that is how well our dogs do that. Sometimes we develop these wonderful relationships with our pets that are harder to develop with

Growing up in Sturbridge and initially starting her career as a mental health counselor and Southbridge school teacher, Krantz made the decision to refocus her career to theater and photography when she was laid off after the state took over the Southbridge school system. She received her Master's degree in Writing for Stage and Screen from the New Hampshire Institute of Art in June and has since been acting at local theaters, writing original plays, and initiating script readings with fellow playwrights and actors in the Worcester County area.

"My passions are playwriting and the theater, and I got accepted to the New Hampshire Institute of Art about the same time I got booted from the school system," she said. "I saw it as a sign to switch paths and gave myself that gift. It

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### Iconic Nichols College statue damaged during Super Bowl celebration

**BY JASON BLEAU** 

VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – An iconic land mark at Nichols College has removed from campus after a group of over-rambunctious fans celebrated a little too much following the New



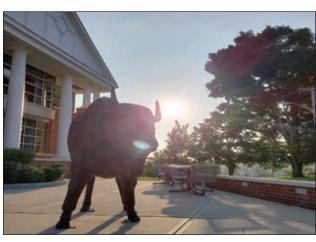
England Patriots Super Bowl LIII victory over the Rams on Sunday, Feb. 3.

Nichols College's wellknown bison statue, nicknamed "Thunder," that has long stood outside of the campus' Fels Student Center at the corner of Center and Healey Roads was knocked down during the celebration forcing the removal of the structure from campus the following day. Dean of Students P.J. Boggio released a statement revealing that the damage was to severe to simply put Thunder back in his place.

"Following a careful inspection, we determined that the extent of the damage done to Thunder had compromised the structural integrity of the statue and therefore could be a safety risk for the community. As soon as we are able, we will have a professional do a further inspection and help

determine if he can be repaired or not," Boggio

Thunder was first added to the campus in 2013 and has become a well known landmark since. Boggio implied that the damage was "intentional" as part of a celebration of the Patriots record-tying sixth Super Bowl title. It has become a tradition to take pictures with Thunder during highlight moments in cam-



Turn To STATUE page A7 Thunder as he stood before being vandalized on Feb. 3



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### Planning Board claims it was "left in the lurch" on VGG negotiations

VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON - The Valley Green Grow saga in Charlton continued on Wednesday, Feb. 6, with the Charlton Planning Board crying foul over continued negotiations between the company and officials in the town without the board's inclusion.

On Jan. 2, the Planning Board voted to deny the site plan submitted by Valley Green Grow which continues its push to house a one-million-squarefoot medical and recreational marijuana growing facility on the Charlton Orchard property located at 44 Old Worcester Rd. The project was one of the biggest stories to come out of the town in 2018 as the subject of numerous town meetings and protests from concerned citizens. It even led to bylaw changes and a potential ban of all marijuana related business in the town which will go to a ballot vote in

In the wake of the Planning Board's decision last month, Valley Green Grow and their representatives have filed an appeal in Worcester Superior Court claiming the board exceeded legal authority. The town has 20 days from the filing on Jan. 23 to respond, making the deadline Feb. 13. However, the Planning Board has not been included in negotiations with Valley Green Grow leading board chair Patricia Rydlak to voice her concerns n a public forum at the board's latest meeting.

"I was informed that our town administrator, the selectman chair along with KP Law and a Valley Green Grow representative negotiated without any knowledge of the Planning Board on the appeal of the denial of the Valley Green Grow site plan. We as a board expect transparency from fellow boards and the town administrator and we did not get that," Rydlak said.

The Planning Board invited attorney Michael Pill of Greens, Mills, Lipton LLP to speak during the meeting as an advisor to the board and he was direct in saying the Planning Board is being left out of discussions concerning a legal situation involving their own vote against the Valley Green Grow initiative. Pill, who last year defended he "wholeheartedly" agrees with that the Planning Board's right to deny the project, explained that the board does not have legal representation in that process.

"What the Board of Selectmen here appears to be doing in effect is simply saying we're going to leave you in the lurch to fend for yourselves and to run the risk of potentially being defaulted," Pill said later adding to his statements. "I will certainly do whatever I can on a pro bono volunteer basis to see that you are not left in the lurch."

Pill warned that the situation could lead to default without legal counsel being hired for the Planning Board to coordinate a response to the summons by the court. His recommendation was to hire Mark Bobrowski, an expert in land use law.

Pill did acknowledge one potential upside that he was made aware of from recent negotiations from Valley Green Grow. Those talks included a 20-day extension to the deadline and consolidation of the Supreme Court appeal as well as land court litigations continued from 2018. Pill said

approach.

The Planning Board publicly requested selectmen to hold an emergency join meeting to discuss the situation prior to the Feb. 13 deadline. Whether or not that request was accepted was not confirmed before deadline. Selectman Karen Spiewak, speaking as an individual and a citizen, was present for the Planning Board's meeting and offered some input prior to the close of discussion.

'We've not met, so we've not as a board made any votes about this," Spiewak said adding that she has made requests for a joint meeting. "I'm getting a lot of questions too. There's so much confusion and I think it's important the public and all of us are on the same page with that in the spirit of transparency and figuring this out together."

Selectmen were expected to discuss the matter on Tuesday, Feb. 12. A previous meeting had been scheduled to address the matter publicly, but a quo-

rum was not met to hold the meeting.

### Hemp growers face conflicting bills

**BY GUS STEEVES** 

REGION — Area farmers holding Chapter 61A land should pay attention to two short bills that will be winding their way through the Legislature this session.

Both would govern whether they can grow what's becoming a hot crop hemp. But they conflict.

One, filed by Representatives Paul Frost, Peter Durant and Timothy Whelan (HD 2319), would specifically prohibit hemp and marijuana production on Chapter 61A land, while SD 114, sponsored by Senators Dean Tran and Ryan Fattman would allow hemp, but not marijuana.

By email, Frost said his bill aimed to "address an issue where the Massachusetts Department of Revenue has no guidelines from the state legislature or current laws perdistributors. ... A farmer can still sell their land to a non-agricultural business or entity but the intent of this legislation is if they sell to a marijuana facility of some kind, the local community will get the right to match the sale offer. Also big marijuana businesses shouldn't be receiving an agricultural tax break which they could lay claim to under 61A.' The DOR, which oversees Chapter

taining to the sale of farm land to

big money marijuana growers and

61A, has taken a hands-off policy, with the Mass Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) Hemp Program frequently-asked questions page stating "any determination under the current law may be made by the local municipality.

Fattman and Durant did not respond to requests for comment by the time of writing on Sunday night.

"We would not be in favor of the Frost bill," said Mark Amato, president of the Mass Farm Bureau. "Now that the [federal] Farm Bill has authorized the production of hemp, it should be included as an agricultural

Specifically, he's referring to MGL Chapter 61A's list of what's acceptable, as defined in Section 2: "fruits, vegetables, berries, nuts and other for animals, tobacco, flower, sod, trees, nursery or greenhouse products, and ornamental plants and shrubs" plus forest products. The Tran bill would insert "hemp as defined in section 116 of chapter 128" after tobacco in that list.

Regarding marijuana, though, Amato's still undecided, noting "There are reasons to include it and reasons to exclude it." Part of his uncertainty comes from the fact the distinction can only be made by testing the plants, and he expects "many years of new regulations" and probably court cases before things stabilize.

"It's quite a fine line. There will be several years of testing this and testing that," he predicted, noting he's heard the new industry described as both "the Wild West" and "a gold rush." He expects "the foundation to be built for the whole thing" over the next 2-3 years, and the commodity market for hemp to mature over 15-20 years, when "the price will drop, as with corn or wheat.'

Until then, Amato argues hemp could help save some Massachusetts farmers who have been struggling for years, particularly dairies and cranberry growers. Some of them are "hanging on for dear life," and "when a new opportunity comes along, you can't turn it up," he said.

The two crops are botanically the ame species, Cannabis sativa, fer in their concentration of THC, the psychoactive component in marijuana (pot) that gets a person "high." Under state and federal law, hemp must have less than 0.3 percent THC; the species also contains hundreds of other cannibinoids that have a wide range of medicinal and other uses, but those do not matter in this regard.

The state legalized both crops in 2016, but under very different regulations; hemp is governed by MDAR, while pot is under the Department of Public Health and the Cannabis Control Commission. The federal government legalized hemp as a "commodity crop" in the 2019 Farm Bill after allowing research plots in some states for several years, but still considers pot an illegal Schedule I drug.

Speaking at a Dudley Economic Development forum in January, Taryn LaScola-Miner, MDAR's Director of Crop and Pest Services, described hemp as "pretty versatile," with a very long list of uses that include seed, fiber, food, oils, ink, rope, cloth and its many cannibinoids, particularly CBD. It's also "a good remediator; it takes a lot of things up from the soil."

She noted there are no pesticides that can legally be used on either crop, but the Farm Bill's passage means farmers can get crop insurance and bank accounts for hemp. Federal agencies are still working out regulations for various issues, including edibles and interstate transport, and have told the states to operate under the Farm Bill 2014 requirements for the next year so the feds can do so.

In Massachusetts, that means, among other things, all cannabis products (of either variety) can only be made using plants grown, tested and processed in the state, sh MDAR has three kinds of hemp licenses: a grower, a processor, and both. Application fees for each are \$100, and the license itself costs \$300 for each of the first two or \$500 for both.

The various requirements are available at MDAR's Hemp Program Web

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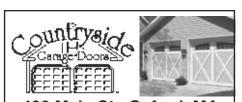
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### Emmanuel College names Martinek to Fall 2018 Dean's List

BOSTON — Emmanuel College in Boston named Grace Martinek of Southbridge to the Dean's List for the Fall 2018 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Emmanuel students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for a 16-credit semester.

Emmanuel College is a co-educational, residential institution with a 17-acre campus in the heart of Boston's educational, scientific, cultural and medical communities. Enrolling more than 2,200 undergraduate and graduate students, the College provides boundless opportunities for students to expand

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### **Fairfield University** congratulates Fall 2018 Dean's List

FAIRFIELD, Conn. — Tushi Patel of Southbridge received Dean's List Honors for the Fall 2018 semester at Fairfield University.

In order to be placed on the Dean's List, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester, have no outstanding or incomplete grades for that semester, and have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better.



### Free food at Sturbridge brewery to benefit Food Bank



The Free Food Project that began in December to benefit the Worcester County Food Bank has been carried over into the new year at Homefield Kitchen & Brewery.

STURBRIDGE — "The season of giving is year-round at Homefield," says Homefield Kitchen & Brewery co-founder, Jonathan Cook.

began in December to ben-

efit the Worcester County Food Bank has been carried over into the new year at his brewery and restaurant. What that means, according The Free Food Project that to Cook, "is we can keep giving certain menu items away for free on Monday nights and our guests can contribute cash that we collect for the Food Bank. Free Food night is Monday 5 to 9pm, but we collect every day we are open." According to Joni Kusminsky, Director of Communications and Development at the Food Bank, "We believe that food is a basic human right. Together with a network of 118 local Partner Agencies – food pantries and community meal programs across Worcester County we provide nourishing food to neighbors who need it, while also working to address the root causes of hunger.' The idea to provide food for free has always nudged at the back of Cook's mind.

"At first, I thought it would be great to allow people to pay what they felt the food is worth," Cook said. "Voluntary payment instead of putting prices on the menu. Because we use all local ingredients from farmers and artisan food makers, most we know personally, I just want people to enjoy. Everybody deserves good food. To us, the quality is tops, and we get so excited, so passionate, we just want to share. The food here has never been about the money. We do it because of our connections in the farming community. We're compelled. We feel uniquely able to connect people to the best of the region."

So, when they began to open Monday nights at the request of many of the area's restaurant workers who wanted a place to go on their night off, Cook saw the opportunity to launch his idea with a food industry customer base. Then he found out one of his employees volunteers at the Food Bank, and it all came together. Free food for Monday night patrons can be anything from soup to tacos to desserts.

"It really depends on what we have in abundance on that night," Cook says. "Our menu changes daily according to what we have in house and what we can get that day, usually by going farm to farm. Our days always begin with us shopping at bakeries, farm stands and orchards. We write a new menu moments before we open.' The menu is posted daily Homefieldbrewing.biz as well as on their social media pages. Aside from beer they make, Homefield has guest beers, wine, hard cider and soft drinks. For more information on how to support the Food Bank's mission, visit foodbank.org.



### Cameron Miranda named resident adviser at Coastal Carolina University

CONWAY, S.C. — More than 100 students at Coastal Carolina University work with University Housing as resident advisers, or RAs, serving as live-in peer leaders and role models for the residents of a specific floor, wing or building.

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Among the resident assistants for the 2018-2019 academic year include:

Cameron Miranda, Information Technology major from Southbridge.

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## Sturbridge selectmen announce biring of new town administrator

**BY ANNIE SANDOLI** VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE—The Board of Selectmen announced on Monday, Jan. 28 that Jeffrey K. Bridges of Wethersfield, Connecticut will become the new Sturbridge town administra-

Bridges, who was chosen in a unanimous vote, has been serving as interim town administrator in Seward, Alaska since September and was one of three finalists chosen by the Town Administrator Search Committee out of over 40 applicants. The other two finalists were Southbridge Town Manager Ronald S. San Angelo and Mendon Town Administrator Kimberly D. Newman.

"We were looking for experience, knowledge of different issues, and someone who we felt would work well with people and move the town forward," said Mary Blanchard,

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. "After interviewing and reading resumes, he came out on top. He's got a lot of experience, is enthused about coming to town, and I think it will really work out.

Prior to his time in Seward, Bridges served as the town manager of Wethersfield for almost nine years and the city administrator of Andover, Kan, for 11 years. He has a master's degree in public administration from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

"I'm most looking forward to meeting all the people in Sturbridge and getting to know what's important to them and what their goals and objectives are," said Bridges. "My immediate goal is to meet with the governing body members and hear about their concerns and goals and meet with the department heads about their projects and where they're at."

Although his home in Wethersfield

is only 45 minutes away, Bridges plans to move to Sturbridge as soon as possible in order to be closer to his job and immerse himself in the town he will be working for.

"I think it's important for me to live in the town," he said. "One of the things about being town administrator is that you become part of the community and it's a quality of life for you, so why not enjoy the community you work in and participate in all the events and functions? I've never not lived in a community I've worked in and it's unique to me that I don't have to, but I still think it's important."

Bridges is currently negotiating his contract with the chairman of the Board of Selectmen and is scheduled to start his position on April 1. He is hoping to spend some time with the interim town administrator at the start of his position in order to learn more about the town and its current status.

"I want to spend a few weeks with Ted Kozak to understand what's going on in the town, have a smooth transition, and keep the momentum going. It's all about momentum!" Bridges

Bridges is replacing Leon Gaumond, who was appointed as the Sturbridge town administrator in February 2015 and resigned last September to become the town manager of Weston, a town about 15 miles west of Boston. Ted Kozak, the former town manager of Northbridge, Massachusetts, has been serving as Sturbridge's interim town administrator since the end of September and will hold the position until the end of March.

More information about the new town administrator can be found at https://www.town.sturbridge.ma.us/ town-administrator.

### Sturbridge hires new DPW director

BY ANNIE SANDOLI

VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE Department of Public Works Director Search Committee has appointed West Boylston Works Director Public Vernon Jackson as the new Sturbridge DPW Director as of Monday, Jan. 14.

Jackson, who has been the Director of Public Works in West Boylston since July 2016, will be replacing Greg Morse, a Sturbridge resident who served as the town's DPW director for 23 years and retired from the position on Friday, Dec. 21.

'We interviewed four candidates, and he had the best experience and education." said Ted Kozak, the interim town administrator of Sturbridge and the chairman



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41. Principal parts of the brain

65. Make an effort

32. Not pleased

due north

Ethiopian river

43. Where ships dock

44. One who wassails

47. Shock treatment

48. Popular average

37. Respects

38. Shake up

42. Brews

63. Soviet Socialist Republic

41. Type of dishwasher soap

47. Newspapers need them

46. Ancient Italian-Greek colony

54. Small group with shared interests

59. Likely the first Meso-American

### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Chop or cut
- 7. Male parent
- 10. Doctors' group
- 11. Ottoman military commander
- 12. A metal-bearing natural material
- 13. Lively ballroom dance
- Male Gypsy
- 16. Once-popular card game 19. Occurred just once
- 21. \_ Streisand, singer
- 23. Shiny yellow minerals
- 24. Get hitched again 25. See (Latin)
- 26. Lies between the Caspian and Persian Gulf
- 27. Scourges
- 30. Sentence 34. Supervises flying
- CLUES DOWN
- 2. Able to arouse feeling 3. Elk 4. Muscular weaknesses

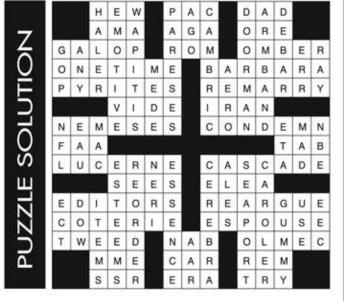
1. Czech monetary unit

- 5. Earlier
- 6. Lightweight fabric
- One who greets
- 8. Soldiers sometimes wear one 9. Officially prohibit
- 13. US political party 14. Used of a number or
- amount not specified 17. Make a mistake
- 18. Biopic starring Jamie Foxx
- 20. Ancient Media inhabitant 22. About aviation

- 28. Cologne
- 29. Partner to cheese
- 51. A type of "bear" 27. Popular American sports league 52. Utilize

- 53. European Economic Community 58. Swiss river

49. Things



of the DPW Director Search Committee. "He went back to school for engineering, worked for the town several years ago in the water department, and has experience with the Massachusetts Highway Department. He was really the best candidate for the position "

Prior to his employment in West Boylston, where he completed projects pertaining to construction, transportation, tree removal, water quality, and hazard mitigation, Jackson worked as a Project Superintendent for J.H. Lynch & Sons for more than 12 years and as a Maintenance Engineer for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority for nearly five years. He also holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering Technology from Nichols College.

"I'd like to follow through with whatever projects have been started and continue providing the service Greg Morse has provided over the last 23 years," said Jackson. "I'm looking forward to serving my home town. From the outside it appears the current DPW does a great job. I'm hoping my previous experience will find ways to improve some areas and I'm sure I'll learn a few things along the way."

The DPW Director Search committee, which was formed in accordance with the Sturbridge Town Charter Section 6.5 that calls for a five member committee that consists of the town administrator, two voters not currently employed by the town, and two members qualified to assist in the search process, included Ted Kozak, former DPW director Greg Morse, Sturbridge Planning Board Chairman and Palmer Town Administrator Charles Blanchard, Russell Chamberlain, and

The committee not only decided on Jackson because of his credentials, experience, and education, but also because he is a Sturbridge resident and therefore already familiar with the town and its needs.

"A really big thing for us was that he lives in town," said Kozak. "Living close to the department means he can keep an eye on things and already knows the area.

Jackson will formally leave his job in West Boylston on Monday, February 18 and is scheduled to start his position in Sturbridge on Tuesday, Feb. 19. He is on vacation for the next week as he transi-

For more information on the new DPW director, call the town administrator's office at 508-347-2500 or go to https:// www.town.sturbridge.ma.us.

### Greater Worcester Community Foundation scholarship application now open

WORCESTER Greater Worcester Community Foundation is now accepting scholarship applications. High school seniors who live in Worcester County and seek college tuition assistance for the 2019 - 2020 academic year are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is Monday, March 4, 2019. This is the only time this year that the Foundation will be accepting scholarship applications.

Students can apply online by visiting www.greaterworcester.org/scholarships/APPLY-HERE. Submitting a single application allows a student to be considered for any of the Foundation's 136 scholarships for which they are eligible. Scholarship awards range in size from \$300 to \$5,000 and are made to students based on a wide variety of criteria including financial need, area of study, community involvement, high school, and home-

Since 1978, the Foundation has distributed \$11.2 million in scholarships to support the academic goals of Worcester County students. For more information about the Foundation's Scholarship Program, please contact Liz Nye, Donor Services Officer at lnye@greaterworcester.org. Recipients will be announced

About the Greater Worcester **Community Foundation** 

Worcester Greater Community Foundation unites people from diverse sectors to create positive change within

our region. Created and built by local individuals, this permanent endowment is used to create personal and lasting legacies that improve lives and conditions within the community. Established in 1975, the Foundation has awarded more than \$110 million to cultural educational, human service and civic organizations. Today, the Foundation stewards a charitable endowment exceeding \$150 million in more than 600 named funds, all created by local citizens. In 2015, the Foundation adopted the Early Childhood Initiative which creates conditions that prepares local young children for success in school and life. For more information, visit www. greaterworcester.org.

### Sturbridge Federated Church to hold baked potato buffet

STURBRIDGE — The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, at 8 Maple St., Sturbridge, will hold a Baked Potato Buffet community dinner complete with Irish music on

Friday, March 1 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Dinner includes a baked potato with a variety of toppings, according to event organizer Nancy Castendyk. Coffee, tea and juice will also

be served and an assortment of desserts will also be for sale at the event.

Advance tickets for this special winter event are available for \$6 per person from all Sturbridge Federated Church members or the Church office, which Is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon. Tickets for a child's portion (aged six and under) are also available for \$4 and take-out orders will be available. For additional information, please call the Church office at (508) 347-3915 or visit the Church Web



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### Women In Business Scholarship Fundraiser to honor four local women





**Irene Garand** 



Alexandra McNitt



**Judy Ferguson** 

STURBRIDGE — The upcoming Woman in Business (WIB) Scholarship Fundraiser on Thursday, March 7 will not just be a night of dinner theater and auctions -four local women will be honored for their outstanding contributions to the community.

This year, WIB has chosen to honor the work and community contribu-

Carol Porra went to her first Woman in Business meeting in January of 1994, and has been an active member ever since. She became a committee of one on the Woman in Business Book Award, later named the Woman In Business Scholarship, among other notable and valuable contributions.

Irene Garand is a Certified Financial

Planner with Ameriprise Financial Services and has been a valuable and respected member of the community, integrating herself with many local organizations and committees.

Alexandra (Alix) McNitt has served as the Executive Director of the Central Mass South Chamber of Commerce for nearly thirteen years. Born in Southbridge and raised in Woodstock, Alix exemplifies what it means to be committed to a community.

Judy Ferguson has been the Owner and Manager of Village Photo and Portrait Studio since August 1984. Over the years, Village Photo has created fantastic photos and lasting memories for families, individuals, special events, schools, and business organizations throughout the region and Ferguson has given generously to her community time and time again.

The recipients will be honored during the evening's opening program, as recognized by Woman in Business Board Members.

Following the awards, guests will be entertained by "All in the Timing," a dinner-theater performance by Tantasqua High School Drama Club students. Tickets are on sale now for \$30 per person at wibsturbridge.org. Ticket cost includes a buffet dinner, sweet treats dessert assortment and performance. Guests may also buy tickets to a penny auction.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Event emcee is local entertainer Adam Webster of 98.9 Nash Icon and 100.1 The Pike.

Community members and businesses have shown generous support for the event and the scholarship foundation, with sponsorships reaching close to \$2,000. bankHometown is a Producer Sponsor, while Director Sponsors include Brenda M. Bianculli, CPA, LLC; Cornerstone Bank; Harrington HealthCare System; Hometown Insurance Center, LLC; Jones & Jones Realty; Christopher Heights of Webster, Steve's Collision Center, Inc., Your Hometown and Shopper Quinsigamond Community College.

### State review of Tantasqua Regional schools planned

FISKDALE — During the week of March 7, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Office of Public School Monitoring (PSM) will conduct a Tiered Focused Monitoring Review Tantasqua Regional/School Union 61 Districts (Brookfield, Sturbridge and Tantasqua Regional Schools - Junior,

Senior and Technical schools).

The Office of Public School Monitoring visits each district and charter school every three years to monitor compliance with federal and state special education and civil rights regulations. Areas of review related to special education include student assessments, determination of eligibility, the Individualized Education Program (IEP) Team process, and IEP development and implementation. Areas of review related to civil rights include bullying, student discipline, physical restraint, and equal access to school programs for all students.

In addition to the onsite visit, parent outreach is an important part of the review process. The review chairperson from the Office of Public School monitoring will send all parents of students with disabili-

an online survey that focuses on key areas of their child's special education program. Survey results

will contribute to the development of

a report. During the onsite review, the Office of Public School Monitoring will interview the chairperson(s) of the district's Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC). Other onsite activities may include interviews of district staff and administrators, reviews of student records, and onsite observations.

Parents and other individuals may call Sandra Hanig, Public School Monitoring Chairperson, at

(413) 314-6707 to request a telephone interview. If an individual requires an accom-

as translation, to participate in an interview, the Department will make the neces-

sary arrangements. Within approximately 60 business days after the onsite visit, the review chairperson will provide the Tantasqua Regional/ School Union 61 Districts with a report with information about areas in which the Tantasqua Regional/School Union 61 Districts meets or exceeds regulatory requirements and areas in which the Tantasqua Regional School District requires assistance to correct or improve practices. The public will be able to access the report at www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/ review/cpr/reports/.

### Southbridge Lions Club Cartoon Character Breakfast a huge success

The Southbridge Lions Club hosted its 28th Annual Cartoon Character Breakfast, serving almost 800 wide-eyed kids, their families, and friends Super Bowl Sunday, mixed with a little cartoon character fun. Who doesn't love to have a hearty breakfast with the likes of their favorite cartoon characters like Mickey and Minnie Mouse, Big Bird, Spider Man, and Batman, just to name a few of the cartoon celebrities who made an appearance. The success of this event is a result

SOUTHBRIDGE of the overwhelming support we received again this year from Southbridge and our surrounding communities—thank you! All proceeds will benefit local charitable organizations, schools, community events and individuals who need a helping hand.

A special thanks goes out to the following businesses, organizations, and friends whose support continually helps make this event the success it is: the Southbridge High School National Honor Society and Student Council, students from ASPIRA,

Glenn Petit, Mitch Smith, Griffin and Nolan Harold and Sofia Harold, Jack and Olivia Sansoucy, Sue Guerin, Ben Tully, LaRochelle, Mary Lou Volpe, Mike McGlone, our extra character helpers, Attorney Michael Colognesi, Big Bunny Market, All Star Incentive Marketing, Mike Trombley with Southbridge Community Center, Garelick Farms, H.P. Hood Company, Country Side Farms, Southbridge The News, and Colonial Copy Center.

### Adrian Thomas Suarez of Mandaluyong, attends Lehigh University's LeaderShape Program

Adrian Thomas Suarez of Mandaluyong was one of more than fifty Lehigh University students who attended the school's annual leadership program in January. LeaderShape is a nationally recognized six-day experience that focuses participants on exploring identity development and inclusive

leadership. The institute challenges participants to create a vision grounded in their deepest values. Students have the opportunity to learn about who they are, what they want to do, and who they want to be by engaging in dialogue and self-discovery, ultimately preparing them for future leadership roles.

For more than 150 years, Lehigh University (lehigh.edu) has combined outstanding academic and learning opportunities with leadership in fostering innovative research. The institution is among the nation's most selective, highly ranked private research universities. Lehigh's four colleges -College of Arts and Sciences, College

of Business and Economics, College of Education and the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science provide opportunities to 7,000 students to discover and grow in a learning community that promotes interdisciplinary programs with real-world experience.

### Gabriella Roberts of Southbridge named to Springfield College Dean's List

SPRINGFIELD Springfield College has named Gabriella Roberts of Southbridge to the dean's list for academic excellence for the fall 2018 term. Roberts is studying Health

Criteria for selection to the dean's list requires that the student must have a minimum semester grade point average of 3.500 for the semester.

Springfield College is a private, coeducational institution founded in 1885. Nearly 5,000 students, including 2,500 full-time undergraduate students, study at its main campus in Springfield, Mass., and at its regional campuses across the country. Springfield College inspires students through the guiding principles of its Humanics philosophy - educating in spirit, mind, and body for leadership in service to others.

### Worcester State University Dean's List

following area residents have been named to the Dean's List at Worcester State University.

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WORCESTER — The Kathryn A. Belanger, Ismaely DeLeon, Zacharie T. Duvarney, Maxwell R. Kimball, Jhan B. LaTulippe, David A. Livengood, Jubilee K. Nale, Mayralejandra

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### Durgin Park restaurant auction



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ers recentwhen Durgin Park restaurant closed in January. The closing was not only reported by Boston WAYNE TUISKULA media outlets, but by others

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around the country. The landmark restaurant was in business for 192 years, and was the second longest operating Boston restaurant. Signs from Durgin Park touted the restaurants longevity. One large sign reads "established before you were born." Other Durgin Park advertising notes "your parents and grandparents ate here." The owners hoped that a buyer would continue to run the restaurant. When the sale failed to materialize, they contracted us to offer items to the public so that those who have fond memories of Durgin Park can purchase a memento from the popular restaurant.

"Eater Boston" reported that, according to tradition, the restaurant was founded in 1827 when John Durgin, Eldridge Park, and John Chandler opened the restaurant. In 1877, Chandler changed the name to Durgin Park to honor his co-founders



after their passing. The restaurant was run by the Chandlers for over six decades. John Chandler's grandson Jerry was killed during World War II and the restaurant was sold to James Hallett. Hallett had the poem "Just a boy" printed on the back of every menu to honor Jerry Chandler and his sacrifice. The poem continued to be printed on the back of every menu throughout the restaurant's existence. A large sign on the exterior of the building had a brass plaque with the poem as well.

Business thrived at Durgin Park throughout these times for several reasons. They served traditional New

England food that appealed to people in the area, and to tourists. Yankee pot roast, Boston baked beans and Cape Cod seafood were just some of the standard fare. Portions were big and prices were reasonable. Prices appealed to many area residents who couldn't afford to eat at some of Boston's finer, more expensive restaurants. Durgin Park was also known for its sassy waitresses. It is believed that the banter with patrons began when men who worked long shifts were rude to the waitresses. It's said that the restaurant employed older widows who didn't need the money they earned

but were merely looking for a way to occupy their time. They responded to the rude patrons with sass and surliness. Customers enjoyed the give and take and continued to patronize the restaurant. The Kelly family purchased the restaurant in the 1970's, and it's said that they asked that the ribbing of the customers be toned down a bit.

As you might expect, there is a large amount of memorabilia in a restaurant that old. The Durgin Park sign with the "Just a boy" poem will be auctioned along with the "established before you were born" sign. There are vintage signs advertising franks

and beans, Indian pudding, and Boston baked beans, of course. One of the highlights is a folk art carved wooden pig with a date of 1879 on the base. It is formed from several carved blocks of wood and has an old copper patch that lends even more character to it. There are plenty of items like menus, beanpots and glassware that are expected to sell in the price range of the working class and middle class families that Durgin Park appealed to. We'll be having a preview at the restaurant from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Feb. 16 and 17. Online bidding closes on Feb. 20. We have a link to the auction on our Web site.

We have several other upcoming events. Our next live auction will take place on Feb. 28 in Worcester. I'll be appraising items for the Quaboag Historical Society on March 3, and at the Worcester Senior Center on March 20. My "Evaluating your antiques" class will take place at Bay Path Evening Adult Education in Charlton on March 12. Please see www. centralmassauctions.com for details on these events.

Contact us at: Wayne Tuiskula Auctioneer/ Central Mass Appraiser Auctions for Antique Auctions, Estate Sales and Appraisal Services www.centralmassauctions.com (508-612-6111), info@ centralmassauctions.com.

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

### CHURCH PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje

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

#### **CHARLTON SENIOR** CENTER

Call Elaine or Debra for more info at (508) 248-2231 ~ Sign up sheets & flyers available at the Senior Center. Flyers are available on webpage www.townofcharlton. net: click on Departments then click on Council on Aging/Senior Center. Pick up is generally from St. Joseph's Church, 10 H Putnam Road

Extension, Charlton. March 12: Celtic Angels of Ireland & Celtic Knight Dancers at Venus De Milo.

Be transported to Ireland with some of the sweetest voices under heaven! The Celtic Angels: Victoria Carroll, Kenny, Emily Tammy Browne, Penston and Ellie Mullane are Irish to the core and seasoned entertainer all.

The Celtic Knight Dancers feature two lead dancers of Riverdance. Their rhythm

and artistry are astonishing. The Trinity Band Ensemble of Dublin round out the show with flawless interpretations of authentic Irish traditional instrumental and their backing of both singers and dancers is perfection. \$92 includes: lunch, show and transportation. (Driver gratuity not included). Payment due Feb. 12, 2019. Make check payable to: Best of Times

April 25: Dancing Dream an ABBA tribute band!

Be transported back to a similar time when gas was under \$1 per gallon, when

music was fun, inspiring and uplifting and disco was king! Performing ABBA's greatest hits from 1973 through 1983, DANCING DREAM, the Tribute to ABBA — precisely recreates all of the excitement and passion of their record-breaking 1979-80 world concert tour. With beautiful harmonies, elaborate costumes and exciting choreography, every show is to be remembered. \$92 includes: lunch, show and transportation. (Driver gratuity not included). Payment due March 25, 2019 Make check payable to: Best of Times

### **DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA**

The Daughters of Isabella proudly present our 2019 Fantastic Worldwide Tours! April 30-May 2: Atlantic

City Resorts Casino \$249 Atlantic City's original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. Slot play/\$60 food credit/two Casino Revue shows. Right on the Atlantic City board-

May 19: Newport Rail

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

June 9: Gloucester Lobster \$102

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

July 14: Essex Steam Train

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

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

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

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

Atlantic City's original casino! 7 a.m. Webster, 7:30 a.m. Southbridge. \$25 slot play/\$60 food credit/Casino Revue Show. Atlantic City! The 'Shore' Thing!

Oct. 6: NH Turkey Train

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

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

### **DUDLEY SENIORS**

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

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

#### **LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER**

Contact Leicester Senior Center, Joan Wall, (508) 892-3967 for information and reservations.

Friday, January 18: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

Friday, February 15: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

Friday, March 15: Trip to Foxwoods Casino. Bus leaves at 8 a.m.; cost is \$30. Free buffet and \$10 in free slot play.

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

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

IRELAND: September 9-22,

USA: SPLENDORS OF THE NORTHWEST: May 20 to June 4, 2019 JAPAN: March 26 to April

9, 2020 JAPAN & CHINA: March 26 to April 22, 2020

SPAIN & PORTUGAL: September 9-24, 2020

#### **SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**

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

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

SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS 2019 TRIP SCHEDULE

OPEN TO PUBLIC PAYMENT DUE AT SIGN

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March 12, 2019 - Tuesday Foxwoods \$25 – 8:30 - AM bus.

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

You will receive \$10 for gaming and \$15 meal vouch-

April 30 - May 2, 2019 -Tuesday – Thursday

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

For details call Jan at 508

May 19, 2019 - Sunday -

Trolley's available.

Newport rail tour.

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

For details call Jan at 508

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

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

For details call Jan at 508 887 2215

July 23, 2019 - Tuesday -Mohegan Sun \$25 - 10 AM Bus For \$25 You get a deluxe

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

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

For \$95 you will get a deluxe motor coach to Lake Pearl in

Wrentham MA. where you will hear the music of Neil Diamond, Carol King, Janice Joplin and more. You have a choice of baked stuffed chicken or schrod

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

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

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

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

Trips are open to the pub-

Make checks payable to the Southbridge Senior Citizens Association.

Contact Jim Julian at the Casaubon senior center Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM or call 774 922 4049, or e-mail me jimtrips@

#### **FRIENDS OF STURBRIDGE SENIORS**

Are you ready for a St. Patrick's CelebratIon? In the Spirit of Riverdance and Celtic Women, get ready for one of the Most Entertaining Shows. Featuring the sweetest voices of Five Celtic Angels from Ireland along with the Celtic Knight Male Dancers. Then round out the Cast with the Trinity Band Ensemble and you will enjoy a Spectacluar remember. Show to

Join us as we travel on Tuesday March 12th by Deluxe Motorcoach Bus to the beautiful Venus DeMilo in Swansea, Mass., about one and a quarter hours from Sturbridge. Included along with the Bus and the Show is a Plated Luncheon choice of Corned Beef and Cabbage or Baked Haddock, Venus Di Milo's famous Minestrone Soup, Vegetables, Breads, Dessert, Coffee/Tea.

Be chauffeured, be entertained, be served and sit back and enjoy the day. Or if you prefer to drive on your own to the Venus Di Milo, this option is also available.

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TAKE THE HINT KAREN

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Although there's still snow on the ground, one way to hurry spring along is to plan your garden! Few outdoor plantings are as charming as the humble herb garden. Whether lush and willowy or lofty and spiked, herbs are not only easy to grow, they offer the promise of medicinal magic.

As our modern culture rediscovers the attributes of "yesterday's miracle drugs," more and more people are adding herbs to their backyard garden plot. The good news is, it is easier than ever to enjoy the benefits of common herbs picked straight from the ground or from a windowsill pot! Read on for some tips on growing the most practical of medicinal herbs.

Note: Information culled from several sources, including "Natural Healing" by Mark Bricklin, Rodale Press,

Chamomile is a versatile herb that can be brewed into a tea to sooth such maladies

### Plan to plant helpful herbs

as an upset stomach, indigestion, anxiety and sleeplessness. The fragrant herb has even been touted as a nightmare deterrent! The hardy, lowgrowing plant is easy to grow in a backyard garden. Chamomile, dubbed the "herb of humility" because it seemed to thrive when walked on, and in England has actually been planted as a fragrant lawn! For best results, author Mark Bricklin suggests buying mature doubleflowered Anthemis (This variety of Chamomile is the Roman version and the perennial plants are available at garden nurseries).

The herb should be planted in rows about two and a half feet apart, leaving 18 inches between plants. While Chamomile doesn't require very fertile soil, some dried cow manure will ensure an adequate supply of nitrogen. When plants bloom, pick and dry the flowers away from direct sunlight. Spreading them on an old window screen will allow air to circulate and speed up the process.

To brew, bring a cup of water to boil, remove from heat and drop in about two teaspoons of the dried flowers. Allow to steep for about ten minutes (keep lid on tight). Strain off flowers and sip slowly.

Peppermint, the source of menthol, has long been utilized by households that always had a growing plant of peppermint, whether it be in the yard or on the windowsill. Its claim to fame is that peppermint relieves a tummy ache, alleviates the chills, and lessens symptoms of fever and the flu. A few strong cups of peppermint tea has even been credited with curing a headache.

In the garden peppermint likes moist, rich soil, but is easy to grow. Keep in mind it is a vigorous grower, so you might want to plant it alone. Start peppermint by dividing a purchased plant and replanting in a bed about two feet apart. Peppermint is ready to harvest when the lower leaves begin to yellow. Clip entire plant one inch from the ground. To dry peppermint, strip leaves from stems and let dry. Crumble dried leaves and store in tightly covered jars. Tea can be prepared from either fresh or dried leaves. Add a squeeze of lemon to taste.

While herbalists recommend catnip tea for upset stomach, nervous headache and promoting perspiration to cool a fever, it might be fun to grow catnip purely for your pet's pleasure! What could be more enjoyable to your furry feline than to have a windowsill garden to mosey up to and nibble on to its heart's content? Catnip is very easy to grow, and the hardy perennial requires practically no attention! Plant in light soil, expose to ample sunshine, keep moist and the plant will thrive. Either start from seed or divide roots of an established plant into new plants. New divisions should be planted immediately, about 18 inches apart. Seedlings should be thinned to 12inch intervals. Hint: Enthusiastic cats can easily damage growing transplants; sown from seed, however, the herb won't attract cats unless the plant is bruised.

Catnip grows fast and can be harvested any time after the plant matures and blooms, but before any yellowing begins. Strip leaves off plant and let dry thoroughly (don't dry in sun, or volatile oils will be

lost). When dry (up to a week) crumble leaves into pieces but not a powder. Pack in tight containers.

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

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

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pus however this is the first and only time such actions have caused damage to the statue leading Biggio to call the act "malicious."

The vandalism has sparked outrage among students, many taking to social media to denounce the act and to pay tribute to the statue and its place in the culture of Nichols College. Numerous hashtags includ-"#JusticeForThunder," along with the traditional Bison Pride hashtags that are used to celebrate Nichols College and its campus community have accompanied pictures and videos of the statue on Facebook and Twitter. Other posts have commented on the importance of tradition and how future generations could be

relinquished of an iconic symbol of

the campus thanks to the acts of a few. The college has revealed that the culprits have been identified but were not charged, and their names have not been released as part of privacy regulations.

In his statement, Dean Boggio thanks the college community for their support and said that the outcry against the actions is proof of the true nature of the Nichols College commu-

"Despite the reckless acts of a few, our community is strong and our traditions matter. That there is a very real feeling of connection and belonging and 'home' to our little Nichols College campus on this hill. Be well, make good choices, and let your common sense prevail and your voices when it's time – be heard," Boggio



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was a great gift, and if I'm going to struggle, I'd rather it be as an artist. I stopped worrying about what I should be and started doing what I love. I stopped trying to package my skills in a way that was more palatable for society."

Krantz was first introduced to the Calliope Theater when she auditioned for "An Inspector Calls," a 1945 play by J.B. Priestly about a death interrogation in England. She has now been given the opportunity to direct her own play and watch it live on the same stage she acted on in tne past.

"The Calliope Theater a really lovely, community-driven, professional, and kind place with a quality of work that I respect," she said. "They respected me back so they invited me to join the board and half of the board had already seen 'All Bark, No Bite' when it started as just a reading, so they decided



A rehearsal for "All Bark, No Bite."

to turn it into a show."

As her first original live production, Krantz is excited to watch "All Bark, No Bite" unfold and says that this is only the start of her career in theater, as she is currently working on another fulllength play, looking to partner with a community theater for her script readings, and hoping to become the artistic director of a local theater

"I know if I write a play, I can make it happen and see it live, and my goal with these two productions in Dubuque and West Boylston is to turn 'All Bark, No Bite' into a legitimate publication." she said. "For me, the skills of counseling and teaching, as well as directing and producing, coalesce in my playwriting experiences and in the theater. I feel that I have a lot to offer in that world."



Krantz does wedding photography in the Sturbridge area, specifical-

Showtimes for "All Bark, No Bite" are Thursday, Feb. 28, Friday, March 1, and Saturday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m., Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 10 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for

adults and \$17 for students and seniors.

For more information on the show or to purchase tickets, call the theater at 508-869-6887 or go to https://www. calliopeproductions.org/allbarknobite.php.

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to use to promote change by "building relationships, because without those engagements, it's not going to happen."

[Southbridge has] such a varied, multi-racial, multi-ethnic culture, Sugai said when asked what he thought one of Southbridge's strengths is. "Some groups have lived here for decades, some are just arriving. That's rich, and brings in all kinds of cool things you can do."

Freeman later observed those cultural differences will also prompt kids and

parents to respond differently. In general, the goal is to focus on building a community that encourages positive behavior (by students and staff), shows appreciation for work done well, models "a common vision, common language and common routine," and "teach[es] respect like you're teaching reading" and other subjects. he said. Much of his work has been in districts after something traumatic happened, and PBIS's goal is to create an environment that prevents such events and keeps the kids "away from the dark side and on the right side of the force," he told the crowd.

It usually takes a few years to see "a change where a stranger can walk into the building and say this feels like a caring place," he said.

Freeman noted the Uconn team would be here "to learn alongside you." She acknowledged Southbridge has seen some "crazy stuff" happen, but they'd work together to make the program be "Southbridge-sized," and fit it to each school, rather than "one size fits all."

'We need everybody, and we'll move ahead and bring everybody along," she later said, noting those why buy in early will help the more skeptical understand it by answering questions and being role models themselves. "... Join the process. This will work when we get the families on board, the kids on board" and reach out to the community.

For a while, Sugai, Freeman and Southbridge's Tamika LaSalle and Jennifer Bouckaert explained how the program would address questions those in attendance had submitted during lunch. Everyone present could see those questions projected on big screens, and as people voted on what their priorities were (via cellphone or laptop), they moved around.

Of them, one getting a lot of interest looked at how it'd deal with students who are "habitually disruptive." Sugai said the key to addressing that is the "continuum of support," which exists in three "tiers." About 80 percent of kids "are fine with a 'No' and a correction," but the rest - some of them with serious behavioral or emotional disabilities - will ignore that, needing something else that would "look different." He didn't specify what that would be, but later noted kids often say they don't want attention when they actually do.

Freeman said creating "a positive, predictable and safe place" for everyone can free up resources to help those tier two/three kids. One way to help that process has been simply having teachers greet all of their students daily.

Another key concern asked what the parents' role will be. LaSalle took that one, saying the district aims to be "transparent" and "more integrated" with families, getting better feedback from parents on what works for their kids. Part of it is teaching kids and parents to express when they aren't getting what they need without acting out, she

Freeman said that'll involve tapping kids when they do things right and making them role models for others. We need to "shift our attention from the kids who is acting out right in front of us to the 3, 4, or 5 kids who are doing it right," she noted.

"Without frequently bumping into successes, they'll see the schools as what they've always thought they were," rather than what they can be, Sugai said. "... 80 percent of families just need information," but some "prob-

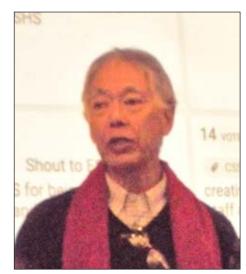
ably have needs themselves." After the program overview, each school summarized some of what they've been doing to implement PBIS.

Charlton Street's PBIS team described giving kids "bank accounts" by which they can convert their good behavior awards into actual stuff at the school store, student- and teacher of the month awards, recognizing "Golden Paws" with extra recess, and the like. Spokesman Valenti Tulloch praised one particular unnamed student who'd had 30 "office referrals" last year and four in September and October for having none since then and now being a

mentor to a third-grader. "Nobody's ever going to be perfect, but we're continuing to build a founda-

tion at Charlton Street," he said. Eastford Road showcased its "Best Behaved Bus" contest, which spokesman Anthony O'Coin said came about because "a lot of students were coming to school not ready to learn because of [behavior on] the bus." Weekly, the best bus gets a 12-15 minute "dance party" during the school day, and they've "seen great improvements" in overall behavior since starting it.

West Street has similar dance parties and have brought parents in to talk about issues. Staff at Southbridge Academy are roleplaying what respect



Dr. George Sugai

and disrespect are with kids, have been able to leave the kitchen doors unlocked (something they didn't so last year), and are building community among the kids with Academy t-shirts with the Pioneer logo.

The Middle School is working on a video script in which kids and teachers will enact role reversals and "lead kids into telling us what they need," spokewoman Shannon Jovan said. At the high school, teachers are putting "challenging" students on posters to serve as role models when they're caught doing good things.

Assistant Superintendent Margo Ferrick concluded by saying PBIS is "not easy and it's wicked messy." With a crack in her voice, she addressed UConn staff with "Thank you for believing in us, our staff and our students, and being on this journey with us."

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**EDITORIAL** 

## How about those Pats?

While it wasn't the most exciting game in Super Bowl history, the New England Patriots have secured the team's sixth title over the past 53 years. The Patriots, for those who weren't watching (yes, we know you exist), bested the Los Angeles Rams 13-3.

Patriot quarterback Tom Brady, now 41, has surpassed many records, including 232 game wins and most Super Bowl appearances at nine, most Super Bowl MVP awards at four, and of course, most Super Bowl wins at six. Brady also earned the NFL record for having the best touchdown to interception ratio in a single season. He is known as one of the greatest quarterbacks in the history of the NFL (if not the greatest, but outside New England, that may still be open to debate).

There are those who only watch one football game per year, maybe two. With that said, we could argue that the Super Bowl is just a game, with overgrown boys living out their childhood dreams. At the end of the day does it really matter who wins what? What does matter is the pride that a home team can bring back to their community. Everyone loves to rally around the home team, gather with family and friends, place friendly bets and eat amazing food, so yes, that does matter.

Loyal football fans follow the season very closely, and the Super Bowl is the highlight. Professional football requires a unique skill set that only a rare few possess. This is what pulls many of us in to watch. The same can be said for any sport, but there's something about a good sack that makes this sport more exciting to watch.

Seconds after the win, we were shocked at how composed Brady was when reporters and every other person on the infield stormed in and surrounded him, giving him barely enough elbow room to move his arms. This quarterback had just won his sixth Super Bowl and clearly wanted to use the moments following to congratulate his teammates, family, and to shake hands with the opposing team. One thing we did learn is that Brady is not claustrophobic.

Moving on to the halftime show. Every year without fail, we have huge expectations for this halftime show. We want something outlandish and unforgettable. Something that can match the adrenaline the game has already given us. The 1991 was the first time the halftime show moved from marching bands and drill teams to pop acts, with New Kids on the Block starting the trend.

In 1993, Michael Jackson raised the bar after his performance in Pasadena, Calif. Jackson appeared on stage through a capsule that shot him up into the sky, then magically reappeared on the stage, still as a statue, taking in the moment to stare out into the crowd before he was ready to shred the stage. Jackson simply turned his head from left to right and the crowd roared. Jackson's performance left no stone unturned. It was big. It took effort. It was unforgettable.

In 2001, 'Aero-Sync,' as the teaming of Aerosmith, were playfully called, gave us another one for the books. Aerosmith, N'Sync, Britney Spears and Mary J. Blige performed a collaboration that folks are still talking about today. The halftime show always needs that rock n roll element and Steven Tyler brought it.

U2, Prince, Beyonce, The Rolling Stones, Lady Gaga, and, of course Janet Jackson also gave brilliant — if occasionally infamous — performances that have yet to be matched.

Which brings us to Maroon 5, who delivered what may well be the most low-energy, yawn-inducing halftime performance in the game's modern history. While they weren't exactly terrible, they fell far from the heights of greatness to which their predecessors should have inspired them. While incredibly talented, Adam Levine, lead singer, didn't seem pumped to be there. Jamming out to Maroon 5 on your way to work or while you're sitting at the beach catching some rays is never a bad idea, but they showed neither the stage presence nor the spectacle they needed to bring to the table to prove that they belonged on the country's biggest stage Sunday night.

Cheers once again to a great win for the Patriots, though, and we hope to see the halftime stage next year with a bit more of a pulse.

## OPINION

Viewpoints and commentary from the Tri-Community and beyond

### TO THE EDITOR

### Some observations on our education system

To the Editor:

It is difficult to even fathom where to begin with voicing my frustration and disappointment with the State of Massachusetts and the Southbridge Public Schools. It is unimaginable that a school system run by the State is so dysfunctional and built on the "blame the parent" mentality. I am not a parent that educators enjoy hearing from and they cannot blame for not caring, as I am sure most parents in this town fall into the exact same category.

The blame clearly falls upon officials of the State who assign unprepared, somewhat qualified individuals. These administrators assign blame not only to the parents for their inept, ineffective management styles but also the dedicated, caring teachers who try to do the best for our children

I have watched at least four wonderful, effective professionals leave in three years. These educators worked diligently with the bare basics and less than adequate supplies to teach my special needs child. We have watched him turn into an independent adolescent with increased confidence. He loves school but most of all the teachers that are departing. It is a known fact, that teachers do not typically leave a school system mid-year. I can only assume something is definitely broken as all of them have.

In Southbridge, when a parent concern is voiced, you are passed along

from administration to an educator that clearly has no authority to make any changes. This creates not only frustration but the opinion that administration doesn't only not care about teachers, but parents as well. What kind of trust then do we have that our children are being cared for? There is no communication from the schools and only when a concern is brought forward they then send a memo home.

Teachers do not feel safe and quite frankly, I am disgusted that in all these years this state government cannot figure out how to fix this!! It is not my job to do or other parents. My husband and I work our tails off to provide a safe environment for our child and feel with all the tax money we pay, this should be an obvious factor at school. It appears that administration is over paid, under prepared and not willing to get the job accomplished while supporting those hard working, underpaid, dedicated teachers. I, for one, am tired of hearing it is the parents and their lack of involvement. There is zero communication and when someone like myself reaches out to communicate, I get absolutely nowhere. They think "parent night" is where issues are solved? I sav get out of your office, support your teachers, treat them well, pay them what they are worth and show genuine concern for our children.

I also blame the State of Massachusetts for no

follow up. Test scores mean nothing when most teachers gear their teaching to those tests. In some cases, you have no qualified teachers educating our youth. My son's teacher left and they have an "assistant" running the classroom.

I have lived my entire life in Southbridge, was educated here and make a pretty good living. My success I attribute to the basic education I had here. I had teachers who had support, supplies and administrators who cared.

Charlie Baker needs to get out to Southbridge to see firsthand this dysfunction that continues to perpetuate year after year. It is a crumbling school system funded by a government who is supposedly helping with the no kid left behind attitude. Seriously? Put into place a curriculum and administration who care about our children who are the future. We don't need high paid figure heads who go home to their expensive neighborhoods that are not invested in Southbridge or the children living in

this town.

Change is the difference not administration that is based on status. You are doing your teachers and most of all, our children a disservice. Open your eyes. I want the best for my child... care about him, and not just scores and yourselves.

A very unhappy moth-

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### Correcting misstatements made to Charlton's Planning Board

To the Editor:

While the Worcester Telegram and Gazette reporter was not at fault, since so far as we know she accurately reported misstatements which had been made at the Charlton Planning Board meeting by third parties, since the public has a right to know, we feel it important to provide accurate, corrective information as to at least some of the more important of those misstatements.

To begin with, the Board of Selectmen as of that time, and as of now, has yet to discuss and make a decision with respect to whether and by whom the Planning Board would be represented in the Worcester Superior Court Valley Green Grow appeal filed on or about Jan. 23. The Board will consider that issue in due course, but has not yet done so. The article did accurately report that the Board of Selectmen Chair and the lawyer representing the Town in a related Land Court lawsuit had secured from the lawyers representing VGG an extension of time to March 31 for filing of an appearance on behalf of the Planning Board. Thus, contrary to claims by the Planning Board chair and the Northampton attorney she contacted and brought to the meeting (an attorney who has also been advising private parties who have repeatedly sued the Town over

this project), there was

no threat of the Planning

Board being defaulted

and no emergency as implied by some of the reported statements.

Northampton The attorney, Michael Pill, expressed an opinion that it would be "irregular" were the town not to provide, or approve, legal counsel for the Planning Board in the Superior Court suit. On the contrary, it has been standard operating procedure for many, many years in Charlton, as in many communities, where the true beneficial parties in interest (which is to say those who have the most to lose or gain) in a particular case are represented by attorneys, for the Town to take a passive role and let those attorneys vigorously litigate the issues, each party advancing the strongest factual and legal arguments that it can in support of its posi-

As in many, perhaps most, towns in Massachusetts, the Town at most informs the Court that it will not be having legal counsel take an active part in the litigation and will simply comply with any final decision and order the Court may enter after considering all the evidence and applicable law. This has historically been the case in most such litigation in Charlton, including boards such as the Zoning Board of Appeals, Water and Sewer Commission and the Planning Board itself, in which cases with very rare exceptions the Town board's or official's position has

prevailed.

The reason for that

approach is, of course, obvious. There is no need for the Town to incur substantial legal expense, when there are others fully capable of bringing all necessary facts and arguments before the Court. This case presents the added problem that the Planning Board has taken a position that is contrary to the determination of the Town's Zoning Enforcement Officer (ZEO), who is the official charged with interpreting and applying the Town's Zoning Bylaws. Therefore, the Planning Board has requested counsel to contest the determination of another Town official.

The article also accu-

rately reported that the Board of Selectmen (and, in fact also the Town Zoning Enforcement Officer) and the Planning Board have diametrically opposite opinions with respect to interpretation and application of the Charlton Zoning Bylaw provisions at issue in the Superior Court suit - and also in related litigation still pending in the Land Court. The Town as a defendant in the Land Court action had already engaged special counsel to defend the Selectmen's and ZEO's interpretations of the bylaw. It appears that everyone is in agreement that those two cases should be consolidated and tried together in the Land Court, and the abutters to the proposed project are already represented by counsel in that action, as they were as plaintiffs

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## Market outlook for 2019: Uncertainty is certain



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To say the financial markets were a bit bumpy in 2018 may be an understatement. The S&P 500 was down 6.2 per-

cent for the year, the first time this key index fell since 2008, during the financial crisis. So, what can you anticipate in 2019? And what investment moves should you make?

Let's review the causes for last year's market volatility. Generally speaking, uncertainty was a major culprit. Uncertainty about tariffs, uncertainty about the continued trade dispute with China, uncertainty about Brexit – they all combined to make the markets nervous. Furthermore, the Federal Reserve raised interest rates four times, and even though rates remain low by historical standards, the increases caused some concern, as higher borrowing costs can eventually crimp the growth prospects for businesses.

And now that we're into 2019, these same uncertainties remain, so markets are likely to remain volatile. Although the Fed has indicated it may be more cautious with regard to new rate hikes, there are indications of slower growth ahead, particularly in China, the world's second-largest economy. And after strong 2018 earnings growth, helped by the corporate tax cuts, corporate earnings may grow more slowly – and, as always, earnings are a key driver of stock prices.

Nonetheless, the U.S. economy is showing enough strength that a recession does not appear to be on the horizon, which is also likely to be the case globally – and that should be good news, because an extended "bear" market typically does need to be fueled by a recession. Ultimately, the projected continued growth of the U.S. economy and the possible resolution of some uncertainties could help markets rebound.

As investors, we cannot control the everyday ups and downs in the markets, but we can control our decisions, look for opportunities and keep a long-term perspective within our investment portfolios. Consider these actions for 2019:

Be prepared for volatility. As mentioned, many of the same factors that led to the market upheavals of 2018 are still with us, along with the impact of the partial government shutdown – so don't be surprised to see continued volatility. The more you're prepared for market turbulence, the less startled you'll be when it arrives.

Stay diversified. At any given time, different financial assets may move in different directions: stocks up, bonds down, or vice versa. To help dilute risk and take advantage of different opportunities, you should maintain a broadly diversified portfolio containing stocks, international stocks, bonds, government securities and so on. You may need to rebalance your portfolio to maintain an appropriate proportion of each asset class, based on your risk tolerance and long-term goals. Keep in mind, though, that while diversification can reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio, it can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.

Take a long-term perspective. It can be disconcerting to see several-hundred point drops in the stock market. But you can look past short-term events, especially if your most important financial target – a comfortable retirement – is still years or decades away. By keeping your focus on the long term, you can make investment decisions based on your objectives – not your emotions.

If 2019 continues to be volatile, you'll need to stay prepared and make the right moves – so you can be confident that you did everything you could to keep moving toward your financial goals.

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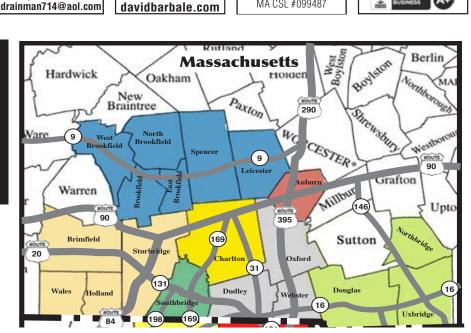
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### Love is so strong: thoughts for Valentine's Day

When I was little, Valentine's Day meant me dancing around the house in a cupid costume. I had a halo, fluffy white wings, and a toy bow

and arrow that shot to an impressive distance of about six inches. My parents would split the holiday so I could spend time with both of them, and my mom would give me heart-shaped chocolate, my dad would give me Smarties, and they would both give me

even more hugs than usual. As I grew up, Valentine's Day changed a little. All of a sudden, it became me and my first real boyfriend eating pizza and watching Modern Family in the finished basement of the house I grew up in. Then it became disappointment when a boy I real-



it, watching what seemed like every single couple expressing their love in cheesy, unoriginal ways by purchasing Hallmark cards and flowers and trying to make sure their significant other would have something to brag to their coworkers about on Feb. 15.

ly liked asked

me out to dinner

and cancelled an

hour before we

were supposed to

go. I eventually

grew to dislike

Once again, Valentine's Day means something different to me this year. A couple weeks ago, my therapist said to me, "We choose to hate, just as we choose to love." Throughout my 22 years of life, I've always made it a point to never hate anyone even though I make dislike them, but it reminded me that we could all use the reminder to love a little stronger and a little more often. Valentine's Day shouldn't be the only day we choose to love, but maybe it could be a reminder to try harder and to love more people more often.

Every day, we make choices that may seem so small, but matter so much in the long run. We alone decide whether to we stare blankly at a stranger or smile at them, judge others or appreciate their uniqueness, criticize those who are struggling or compliment them for their strength, tear someone down out of envy or lift them up out of selflessness, act with only our own best interest in mind or consider the feelings of the people who surround us, yell at and talk over our lovers or remain calm and really listen to their side of things, and help those who need it or ignore them with the assumption that it isn't our problem.

Several months ago, I was at Nu Kitchen trying to write, but was going through a really tough time and started crying pretty hard. The person sitting next to me could have reacted in so many different ways, but he asked me if I was okay. When I said I was. he smiled at me and told me everything would be alright. On his way out the door, he gave me his stamp card for a free smoothie and told me to try to have a good day. He chose to be kind, he chose to be human, he chose to try to make me feel better even though he could have easily left without saying a word, and as simple as his actions may seem, I haven't forgotten about them.

Choosing to love applies to so much more than just your boyfriend or girlfriend, husband or wife. It means to

dedicate time and affection to all your human relationships, even the difficult ones, and love others regardless of race, gender, religion, class, identity, appearance, political party, way of life, and level of education. In a divided country, a divided world, love is the thing that binds us together and is stronger than anything that has been created to separate us.

This Valentine's Day and throughout the year, I'm going to keep reminding myself to choose to love-to smile at that stranger, appreciate uniqueness, compliment strength, lift people up, be considerate, listen calmly, and help others. I hope you will join me, because there is so much to love in this world and every single one of us has so much love to choose to give.



The Great **OUTDOORS RALPH TRUE** 

This past weekend was not the best weather for ice fishing, especially this past Saturday. The high wind kept many anglers off of the ice Saturday, but Sunday, the winds relaxed and many anglers were observed fishing on ponds throughout the valley. Unfortunately, most Cape ponds remained unsafe.

The Singletary Rod & Gun Club held their ice fishing derby this past Sunday, and had a good turnout, although the derby was not attended by as many anglers 20 to 30 years ago. Unfortunately, all of the clubs have the same problem. I did get to talk to a few of the older members, like Charlie Dautrich and his fishing buddy Dave Deyoung, shown in this week's picture. Bob Bromley and his son also were in attendance, and were properly dressed for the elements, as this week's second picture shows. They both limited out with four brook trout each. The father/son team have been hunting, trapping and fishing together for all of their life, which is somewhat rare these days. The buffet breakfast was as great as always.

Cod fishing aboard the Island Current out of Snug Harbor Rhode Island, resumed their cod fishing trips last week, after many trips being canceled due to bad weather. Fishing for cod at this time of year is for the brave and hearty souls that can handle the cold temperatures. The rewards can have you reeling in some great eating fish. Give them a call to schedule a trip, or to inquire about the fishing reports. Check them out on their Web site at www.islandcurrent.com! This week's picture shows a happy angler with a nice cod fish he caught on a recent trip aboard the Island Current. He sure was bundled up for the cold weather.

The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club will hold their annual ice fishing derby this Saturday, Feb. 16 for members only.

### Fishing derbies galore



The derby will start at 7 a.m. Breakfast will be available at 6 a.m. Numerous prizes will be available for the largest trout in each class. The pond was recently stocked with trout and should make for a great day in the outdoors.

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their ice fishing derby for members only, on Feb. 16, and will have numerous prizes for the largest trout. The kitchen will also be open for breakfast starting at 8 a.m.! Both derbys are scheduled if the ice remains safe. Planning any outdoor activities in New England is extremely hard to do because of the fast changing weather patterns.

Ice fishing in Maine, New Hampshire & Vermont has had no problem with safe ice and many anglers are fishing in the comfort of their bob houses. This past week, I heard from Jerry Gareri, at his camp in Maine. Jerry caught a very large brown trout that measured 24 inches and tipped the scales at 4.54 pounds! Nice fish. Trout grow very fast in Maine because of the presence of smelt that are a main source of their diet. Unfortunately,



many local Mass. lakes do not have the feed fish that are necessary to grow large trout. Trout do not grow fast on insects. Wallum Lake is one body of water that needs another stocking of shoal spawning alewives to boost the fast growth of trout that it once produced. Four-pound-plus browns were caught back in the '90's, when the lake had a good population of alewives in them. Smelt were also stocked along with smelt eggs, but did not do well because of the acidity of the water at

A small group of local concerned citizens applied for and received a large application of lime by a company called Living lakes. Acid rain at that time was a big problem then, and still is, although it is rarely mentioned in the news. Prior to the liming of Wallum, the state would not stock rainbow trout because of the acidic water. After the liming of more than 30 years ago, rainbow trout are stocked annually at Wallum lake and do very well. Hopefully, the state will spend a few bucks to reintroduce alewives back into Wallum so that local anglers can once again catch four-plus-pound



trout again!

Many anglers enjoy catching some of the 12 to 16 inch trout which are stocked annually, but is a lot of fun to catch a lunker trout once in a while. With the loss of the brood stock salmon program ,improving fishing opportunities at Wallum with big brown trout is long overdue.

Wallum is called the " Little Quabbin" by many serious trout fishing anglers, and they deserve to have a few bucks set aside, to improve the lake's lunker trout back to what it was 30 or so years ago. It can be done! The Good Old Davs. Wallum Lake is an interstate body of water. Both Mass. Fish & Wildlife and Rhode Island Fish & Wildlife were suppose to work together to make the lake a trophy brown trout body of water, but were unable to work together and the sportsmen were the losers! Many new faces are responsible for MFW daily operation today. Hopefully, they will some how find a way to work together. Licensed sportsmen deserve no less!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

### Heart shaped plants to give for Valentine's Day



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Consider giving your valentine something different this year. Select an indoor plant with heart shaped leaves or flowers.

Anthuriums are an easyto-grow, low maintenance. long-blooming indoor plant. The red, pink or white heart shaped flowers rise above glossy green leaves.

Pothos and philodendron with heart shaped leaves are easy-to-grow and long time favorites. Select one of the newer variegated varieties like

thin line of chartreuse down the center of the leaf or Neon pothos with bright lime green leaves for an updated look.

Caladiums and Elephant ears are popular in the garden, but also make great house-

Perhaps your valentine would prefer a living heart sculpture. Stems of lucky bamboo are often trained into heart shapes and are a fun, unique

Or maybe it's a topiary of wire vine, English or another small leafed ivy trained into a heart. All you need is a pot with drainage holes, a couple vining type plants and a piece of heavy gauge wire or a preformed heart shaped topiary

When making your own, bend the wire into a heart

Brazil philodendron with a shape with one or two legs that will extend into the container. Select small plants with long branches to provide immediate impact. And consider dressing up your container with a bit of

> Fill the bottom half of the container with a well-drained potting mix. Set the topiary frame in place. Locate the plants in the container so the stems can be trained up either side of the heart. Cover the roots with soil and water.

Secure the stems to the wire frame and add a decorative stone mulch, if desired.

For a simpler gift, add a few cut flowers placed in water picks to any pot of indoor plants. They add some color and are sure to brighten your Valentine's Day.

No matter how you decide to celebrate, enjoy a Valentine's



Day celebration with a friend or family member that is sure to refresh your spirit and honor those you love.

Melinda Myers is the author of numerous books, including 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' Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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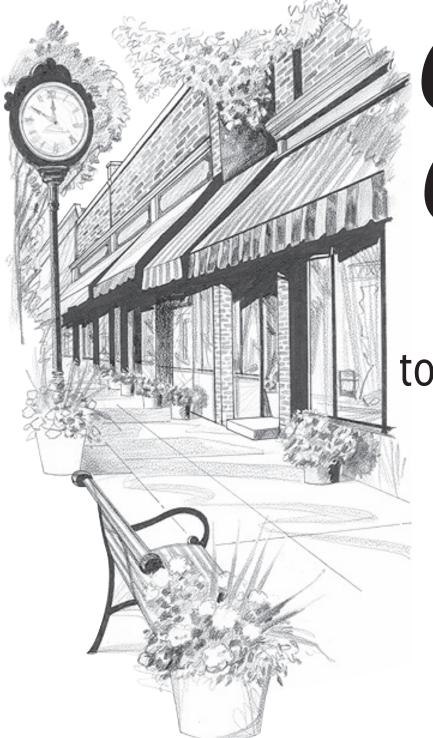
in a recent Superior Court suit against the Town, which was

dismissed. While the Board of Selectmen has yet to consider the issue of counsel in the most recent Superior Court appeal, it would hardly be unusual for a Board of Selectmen to decide that it would be imprudent to have the

Town pay for attorneys arguing a position adverse to that of the ZEO, or even perhaps to consent to having an attorney represent a separate Town board which is arguing a conclusion that the Board of Selectmen believes to

be incorrect. Once again, the Selectmen will take up this issue in due course, and before any default were ever to be threatened in the Superior Court suit. When it does consider the issue, the Board will take the duties imposed upon it by law seriously and make the decision which it considers to be in the best interest of the Town and its residents as a whole.

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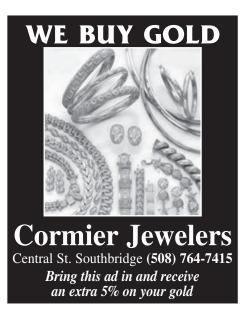
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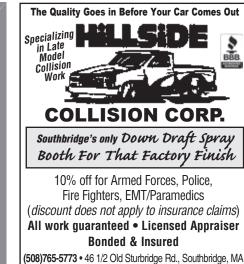
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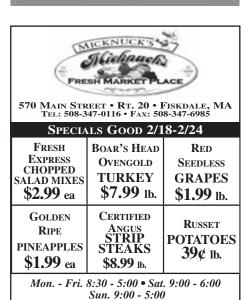
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### **UBITUARIES**

### Barbara M. Kupiec, 91

CHARLTON-BUCKEYE, AZ/Barbara M. (Pokraka) Kupiec, 91, formerly of Blood Rd., Charlton, passed



Monday, away on February 4th, at Assisted Pathways Living and Memory Home Care in Goodyear, AZ after battling Dementia for the last 12 years.

Her beloved husband of 68 years, Joseph L. Kupiec,

died in 2017. Barbara leaves her sister Dorothy Cozzens of Webster; her two daughters, Karen Seelig of Oak Island, NC and Karla Endicott and husband Bill of Buckeye, AZ; five grandchildren, Beth Woodard, Derek Plourde, Jan Zukowski, Jeff Zukowski and Stefan Zukowski; and seven great-grandchildren, Kaila Woodard, Kash Plourde, Jack Zukowski, Ellery Zukowski, Cole Zukowski, Amelia Zukowski and Thomas Zukowski; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister, Phyllis Naramore and her brother. Donnie

Pokraka. She was born in Webster the daughter of Valley Pokraka and Stella Lisnieski.

Barbara was employed at American Optical Company in Southbridge and Briley Lombard in Auburn for many years. She loved playing Bingo and playing cribbage. She had the best green thumb and would always share with her friends. She had a passion for cooking and would feed a house full of friends every Sunday evening. In her younger days, she loved to bowl and had many trophy's to show her skill. She also loved dancing and swimming. But, most of all, she loved each and every one of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren like crazy! She was the most loving and giving person and will be missed by everyone who was lucky enough to have known her.

Barbara's Memorial Service will be held at a later date in Southbridge,

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

www.morrillfuneralhome.com

### Michael J. Neely, Sr, 66

CHARLTON- Michael J. Neely, Sr, age 66, died February 6, 2019, at Mass General Hospital after an illness.



He leaves his wife of 25 years, Elaine C. (Alexander) Derry-Neely. They were married October 9, 1993. He leaves 6 chil-

dren Michael J. Neely, Jr. and his significant other Carol of Brimfield, James O. Derry and his wife Sarah of Dudley, Scott E. Neely and wife Jennifer Southbridge, Shaleena Duval and her husband Ernest of

Poplarville, MS, Jill Derry of Moosup, CT, and Christina Thrasher and her husband James of Jacksonville, FL, and 16 grandchildren, and 4 great-granchidren.. He also leaves a brother Randy Neely and his wife Ann of Seattle, WA, and sisters Laurie Hughey and her husband Frank of Colorado Springs, CO, Terry Pottinger and her husband Jeff of Virginia Beach, VA, and Patricia Neely of Gainesville, GA, and many nieces and nephews

Michael was born in San Diego, son of Edgar R. and Anne L. (Frank) Neely, Jr., and has lived here for many years. He was a proud US Army veteran. He was employed as a foreman for NED Manufacturer for many years. He enjoyed being a "jack of all trades" being able to fix and repair most things, but most loved spending time with his family.

Calling hours will be Monday, February 18, 2019, from 5-7PM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge. Burial with Military Honors will be Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at 9 AM at the Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1390 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

### Roger G. Plouffe, 90

DUDLEY - Roger G. Plouffe, 90, formerly of Dudley, MA and later of Dyer,



February 7, 2019 at the Southbridge Rehabilitation neamh Care Cemer. His wife of 64 years, Pauline A. (St. Laurent) Plouffe, died

February 12, 2014. He is survived by 4 children, Ann Marie and her husband Daniel A. Ellis of Dyer, IN. Livernois Susan Thompson, CT, Arthur Plouffe and his wife Carol of

Blackstone, MA, and Alan Plouffe and his wife Karen of

Spencer, MA. He is also survived by 7 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchild, and a sister Constance Del Vecchio of Saratoga Springs, CA. He was predeceased by his son Ronald Plouffe, his brother Normand Plouffe, and 2 sisters Therese Dunn and Rita Gaudreau.

Born in Southbridge on March 21, 1928, Roger was the son of the late Ephrem and Yvonne (Bernard) Plouffe. He lived in Southbridge, MA for many years, moving to Dudley, MA in 1960 with his wife to raise their family. He and his wife later moved to Arizona for many years, and then to Dyer, IN to be with his loving daughter Ann Marie to be cared for in his later years. He was a former longtime member of St. Stephen's Church in Quinebaug, CT.

He was a proud veteran of the US Army during World War II, serving with the Military Police, and also served as the personal driver for General Douglas MacArthur during his tour in the Philippines. He also watched over the POW's of WW2.

He worked for over 38 years at the former American Optical Co., where he was a lens grinder. After retirement, he did landscaping work locally and in Arizona for many years. He enjoyed gardening, going to the casino, and many years ago enjoyed skiing.

Calling hours will be Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019, from 9:30-10:30AM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA with a Mass at 11AM at St. Stephen's Church, Quinebaug, CT. Burial with Military Honors will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery in North Grosvenordale, CT. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

### Mason E. Seavey, 64

SOUTHBRIDGE- Mason E. Seavey, 64, died Sunday, February 10, 2019 at his home, surrounded by his loving family, after a sudden illness.



Mason is survived by his wife of 43 years, Debra (Matheson) Seavey. He is also survived by his son, Eric Seavey of Southbridge; 2 daughters, Amanda Gentile and her husband, Brian, of Oakham,

MA, and Jaime St. Peter and her husband, Ray, of Spencer, MA; 8 grandchildren; and his sister, Alison Berry of Naples, FL.

Mason was born in Bangor, ME on February 15, 1954, son of the late Orrin Lyman and Bertha (Lewis) Seavey. He served as an Artillarymen for 20 years in the US Army, retiring as a Staff Sergeant in 2003. He later worked at the Bangor International Airport as an aircraft service technician. Mason had three great loves in his life: His grandchildren, maple syrup and the Miami Dolphins.

Calling hours will be Saturday, February 23, 2019 from 10AM-11:30AM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA. There will be a time of reflection by family at 11:30, followed by Military Honors at 12Noon. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

### Philip J. Cournoyer, 70

SOUTHBRIDGE-Philip J. Cournoyer, 70, of Worcester St., passed away on Sunday, Feb. 3rd, in the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, after a battle with cancer.



his He leaves two sons, Andrew Cournoyer Southbridge Michael A. Cournoyer and his wife Lesley of Southbridge; his former wife, Patricia C. (Peloquin) Nikolla Southbridge; of

and many cousins. He was born in Southbridge the son of the late Rene A. and Clara C. (Grzych) Cournoyer. He was a graduate of Fitchburg State

Phil worked as a purchasing agent for

the United Lens Co. in Southbridge for over 35 years, retiring in recent years. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing pool and played in local pool leagues. He was also an avid fan of all the New England sports teams. One of his greatest pleasures was spending time at his family cottage on Little Alum Lake in Brimfield.

A graveside service for Phil in New Notre Dame Cemetery, Southbridge, will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the V Foundation. (Victory Over Cancer), 14600 Weston Parkway, Cary, NC 27513.

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

www.morrillfuneralhome.com

### William E Gendreau, 59

William E Gendreau, 59, of Quinebaug, CT died Friday, February



2019 at Backus Hospital of Norwich. CT. after a battle with cancer. William was born September 26, 1959 in Southbridge, MA. He is the son of Henry "Pete" and the late Shirley (Talbot) Gendreau.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Justine (Bodreau) Gendreau, one daughter: Ashley Gendreau of Quinebaug, CT and one son: Ryan Gendreau and his wife Lucy of Danielson, CT; his father Henry "Pete" Gendreau; of Southbridge, one sister: Cheryl Gendreau of Auburn, MA; Several nieces and nephews. His brothers and sisters in the Fire Service.

Predeceased by his brother, Donald

Gendreau.

William graduated from Bay Path High School. He worked several years in the printing ink business. Most recently worked for Auto Zone in Webster as a Commercial Sales Manager.

Willie devoted 41 years to the Quinebaug Vol Fire Dept. as Captain. He proudly served as Lieutenant with the Webster Fire Rescue and formerly with Southbridge Fire Dept. where he began his career in Fire Service.

A Mass of Christian burial was held 10:00 am on Thursday, February 14 at St. Stephens Church, Corners of Route 197 & 131, in Quinebaug, CT.

Calling hours were Wednesday, February 13 from 4 to 8 PM at Bartel Funeral Home, 33 Schofield Avenue, Dudley, MA.www.bartelfuneralhome.

#Willie Strong

### Joseph P. Meszaro, 29

WORCESTER-Joseph P. Meszaro, 29, passed away suddenly at St. Vincent's Hospital on Sat. Feb.



2, 2019 after being stricken ill. He is survived by his parents Paula (Nedoroscik) Meszaro of Oxford, and Peter M. Meszaro of Southbridge, as well as several aunts, uncles, cousins, and many good friends.

He was predeceased by his maternal grandparents Joseph and Evelyn Nedoroscik, and his paternal grandparents Andrew and Sophia Meszaro.

Joe grew up in Oxford and Douglas. He had attended classes at QCC and worked jobs in landscaping and as a cook. He had a passion for music and will be missed in the Worcester music scene - supporting his band as well as other local artists.

Joe was truly a one of a kind individual - sarcastic, caring, sentimental, loving, compassionate, brutally honest and a hilarious person. Joe was described as accepting of all and considered to be an amazing friend to many. His contagious laughter and infamous sense of humor will be missed by his family and countless friends. He will be remembered for his positive outlook and his ability to brighten a room with his jokes.

Joseph's funeral service was held on Sat. Feb. 9 at 12:30 in Jackman Funeral Home, 12 Spring Whitinsville, MA 01588. Burial lowed in St. Patrick's Cemetery. Whitinsville. Calling hours at the funeral home were held prior to the service on Sat. from 9:30am-12:30pm. To leave a condolence message for his family, please visit: http://www. Jackmanfuneralhomes.com

### CALENDAR LISTINGS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

VALENTINE'S PRIME DINNER: 5 p.m., hosted by Southbridge Aerie 334 Eagle Riders at 59 Mill St., Southbridge. Open to the public. \$15 donation per person; \$25 donation per couple.

#### SATURDAYS OCTOBER 20-DECEMBER 15

WINTER COAT CLOSET: The Winter Coat Closet at Holy Trinity Church, 446 Hamilton St., Southbridge will be open every Saturday morning from 9-11 am, beginning Oct. 20 through Dec. 15. Anyone in need of a coat can come pick one out at no charge. Donations of clean, gently used winter weight coats are needed, especially children's and men's! Please no light weight or dry clean only coats and no other clothing, as space is limited. The Winter Coat Closet is an ecumenical project,

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involving many area churches. Call Chris McTigue 508-248-4726 for more information.

**ONGOING** 

SOUTHBRIDGE **SENIOR** LEAGUE: BOWLING The Southbridge Senior Bowling League will start their new season Sept. 5-April at the Bayberry Bowling Lane Center in Spencer. Bowling is every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. SHARP. For more information please call President Art Salce at (508) 764-2844 or Mike Daniels at (508) 764-8615.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: On the third Wednesday of each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy

Walker at (508) 434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

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

**EATING DISORDERS: Overeaters** Anonymous — Group meeting every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Come to Room RHF-1 at Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret St., Putnam, CT. We will welcome you! For more information, contact Kathryn at (508) 949-0819.

**HEALING: Grief Support Group** at Overlook Hospice — Have you recently experienced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the

### CALENDAR LISTINGS

death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

BARGAINS: Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

NUMISMATICS: Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Road (Route 20), Sturbridge.

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These Shows are open to the Public ages 21 and over. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo.com

Presenting Dancing Dream, the Ultimate ABBA Tribute Band, Hear them perform the songs that you will be singing for days afterwards such as Dancing Queen, Take a Chance on Me, Gimme Gimme, Fernando, Waterloo, Super Trouper, Knowing Me Knowing You, Name of the Game and of course Mamma Mia. The Dancing Dream Band will transport you back to a simpler time period of 1974 to 1982 as ABBA became one of the most successful groups in the history of popular music. Their six number 1 hits were Fun, Inspiring and Uplifting. Be amazed with the Bands beautiful harmony, elaborate costumes, and brilliant choreography.

Come along with us on Wednesday April 24th as we travel by Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation to the Luxurious Danversport Yacht Club which is about one and a half hours drive from Sturbridge. Included with

the Bus and the Show, is a delicious Plated Luncheon of Stuffed Breast of Chicken, or Baked Schrod, Salad, Potato, Vegetables, Breads, Dessert and Coffee/Tea.

Tickets are also available for those people who prefer to drive on their own. These Shows are open to the Public ages 21 and over. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at 508-410-1332 or at lisirichard15@ yahoo.com.

ST. ANDREW BOBOLA PARISH

TRIP TO USA NATIONAL PARKS St Andrew Bobola Parish, is organizing a special TRIP TO THE NATIONAL PARKS 11 DAYS, May 12-23 2019. Total cost: \$2,000

PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL AND JORDAN St. Andrew Bobola Parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan March 17-28, 2019. All inclusive cost with breakfast, dinners is \$3,190.

Please contact: 508-943-5633. Registration forms are available on the website: www.standrewbobola.

#### UNION SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE CHAPTER 12

Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste, Chapter #12, Southbridge, is sponsoring a variety of excursions for all to enjoy in 2019. We are a non-profit family oriented Franco-American fraternal society since 1900. As always, you do not have to be a member to participate in any of the scheduled events. All are welcome. Gift certificates purchased in any amount can be used by the recipient to any event at face value. For information or reservations contact Ted at (508) 764-7909.

2019 is the Society's 27th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experience excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

#### **UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER**

All trips leave from the Whitinsville Walmart and the Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St, Westboro. Make sure to include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency # when sending payment. "Like" us on FacebookThe Silver Club and The

Uxbridge Senior Center. Please call Sue at (508) 476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2019 Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Uxbridge Senior Center and its Silver Club travelling group is offering the following trips for 2019:

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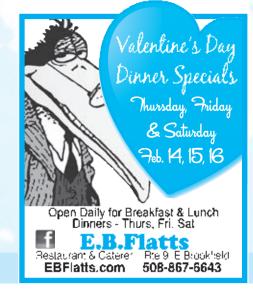
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### Athletic Hall of Fame inductees — coaches



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CHARLIE BICKERSTAFF AND LEFTY VARIN

Several weeks ago we introduced you to those selected to enter the Mary E. Wells/Southbridge High School Athletic Hall of Fame. This week we would like to introduce you to the coaches selected.

Wally Gosk led the basketball Pioneers for 12 seasons divided up over two stretches, the first for four seasons, 1970-71 to 1973-74 and the second from 1981-82 to 1987-88. He has the distinction of being the only boys' coach to have won a District Championship, which occurred during the 1982-83 season. During his 12 seasons he led the team to five Clark Tournament and six District playoff appearances. His 134 wins leads all basketball coaches

in wins. He also coached the girls' basketball team in 1997-98 with a record of 9-9. Wally was the first soccer coach at SHS and coached for 17 seasons with a record of 98 wins, which included three District appearances.

Scott Phipps became head football coach in 1997. During his six-year coaching reign he had an amazing 44-22 record for a .667 winning percentage. During his second year he went to the Super Bowl, and SHS won the last Telegram and Gazette Division 2 Championship along with the Southern Worcester County League Championship. They beat Northbridge in Northbridge as they were going for their third straight undefeated season. In 1999 they went 10-1 and went back to the Super Bowl and again won the SWCL championship. Jason Bonadies set a new SHS scoring record that year with 156 points. In 2000, SHS went 10-1. Scott coached Izzy Ayala, who set a new scoring record that year with 190 points. Southbridge scored 49 points against Bartlett that year, the most ever in a Thanksgiving game. During his coaching career he defeated Bartlett five out of six times.

Tom Kruczek coached softball from 1985-2001. Tom took over the softball coaching duties from Hall of Famer Dick Leduc. As a coach he won over 140 games during his years of coaching. He went to the Districts for 11 years in a row and made it to the semifinals in 2001. He produced such outstanding softball players as Hall of Famers Carissa Marcucci and Jessica Lisi. He served as assistant soccer coach for 15 years and coached the varsity for four seasons. He served as band and music instructor for many years teaching at the high school, junior high school and elementary schools.

#### **OUR CONDOLENCES**

The Sports Historians were saddened to hear of the recent passing of two prominent members of the local athletic scene who passed away within two days of each other. George Chicoloff, a 1958 Mary E. Wells High School graduate, was a three-sport standout who starred on the success-

ful teams coached by Paul Duhart during the late 1950's. Inducted into the Wells/SHS Athletic Hall of Fame many years ago, he captained all three major teams as a senior and was voted "most athletic" by his classmates. He was an elementary school teacher for many years.

Roland Servant, who worked for the Southbridge Public School System for 33 years, died on Jan. 15. He was a lifetime member, and one-time president of the Southbridge Optimist Club and a strong supporter of all local athletics, especially Southbridge High School. He was also a member of the Mary E. Wells-Southbridge High School Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee. Our deepest sympathies to both families.

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## Indians shake off rare loss with strong performance at Southbridge



Nick Ethier photos

Chris Reyes of Southbridge outraces Bartlett defender Zach Candito while driving toward the basket.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBRIDGE — After the Bartlett High boys' varsity basketball team started its season at 1-4, the Indians embarked on a 12-game winning streak. Bartlett then lost an 89-85 decision to St. Bernard's High in double overtime on Feb. 9, but they were able to regroup versus Southbridge High in its next game, played Monday, Feb. 11. The Indians won in convincing fashion, 94-58.

"I think it was a little bit," Bartlett head coach Tony Paranto said of taking some frustration out when playing the Pioneers. "It was a tough loss against St. Bernard's. I think we lost our focus a little bit. We had our tempo going and then we lost our tempo. We learned that with our walk-through yesterday that we needed to get up and down the court and play our style of play. We started to do that a little bit more tonight."

The Indians' up-tempo style was on full display early versus Southbridge, as they led, 15-2, with 5:43 to go in the opening quarter following a Tyler Nuttall 3-pointer. At that point the Pioneers had already burned their second timeout.

Bartlett led after the initial eight-minute frame, 34-4.

The Indians then reached the 50-point plateau with 3:40 remaining until halftime when Brandon Boucher sent a deep pass down the court to a streaking Logan Paranto, who finished a fast-break layup to up the advantage to 51-14.

Bartlett held a 62-16 lead at the break, with nine players scoring and eight 3-pointers being made.

"We shot the ball better, we missed 30 3's in the game against St. Bernard's. At our place that's unheard of, shooting 10 for 40 on 3's," Tony Paranto said of a better shooting night versus the Pioneers. "We knew it was going to be an up-tempo game, it always is against Southbridge, and we don't mind playing that tempo."

"First half, that wasn't the team that we are. I kept yelling, 'slow the ball down.' We practiced it but their press...our guys wanted to rush instead of just staying patient," said Southbridge head coach Victor Colon.

The Pioneers' scoring then picked up in the third quarter—they netted 20 points—but Bartlett's remained high—they scored an additional 23 points—as the Indians led,

85-36, heading into the final quarter.

There, with the Indians playing their reserves, Southbridge won the period, 22-9, to account for the final score.

Bartlett saw 10 players find the score sheet, highlighted by the starting five all scoring at least seven points. Boucher had 18 points, Wilson Aybar 15, Logan Paranto 11, Zach Candito 8 and Nuttall 7. Coming off the bench, Colin Minarik matched Boucher with 18 points and Dylan Paddleford added 7 more.

The Indians are now 14-5 as they embark on the Clark Tournament Small Schools bracket, where they earned the No. 3 seed. They will take on No. 6 Sutton High on Monday, Feb. 18 at 1 p.m. That result will count as Bartlett's 20th and final game toward the Central Mass. Division 3 Tournament. Tony Paranto hopes to win the game to improve the team's District seeding.

"We're worried about what our seed will be. It could determine if we have a home game or two in District play," he

and. There's also the added

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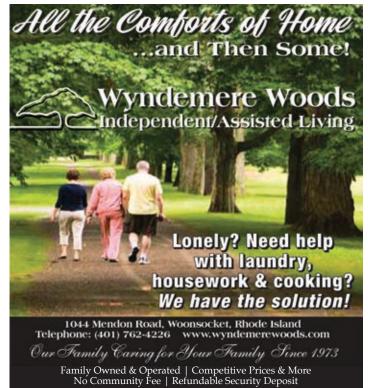
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### Despite another loss, this time to Leicester, Pioneers remain upbeat



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Southbridge's Genexy Pichardo shoots up and over Leicester defender Danielle Ampofo.

**BY KEN POWERS** 

LEICESTER — It would be understandable to believe that the grind of a so far winless season could wear down a coach, but that hasn't been the case with Southbridge High girls' varsity basketball head coach Elvin Rodriguez.

Moments after the Pioneers lost handily to playoff-bound Leicester High, 62-20, on Friday, Feb. 8, the Southbridge coach was his usual upbeat, smiling self, choosing — as he always does — to see the glass as at least half full, rather than half empty.

What I love about these girls is that they don't give up. They know that we're building for the next couple of years," Rodriguez said. "They know this season is an improvement year; we want to get better game by game. I've been seeing these girls improve in every single contest from Game 1 to right now, Game 16.'

Southbridge (0-16) was led in scoring by sophomore Ashanti Morales-Rivers, who scored eight points, six coming on a pair of 3-pointers. Classmate Beth Young added five points while freshman Jomarieliz Lebron scored on a 3-pointer. Melanie Figueroa and Nevaeh Espola chipped in with two points each.

The Pioneers — who trailed 23-3after the first quarter, 41-3 at halftime



Jomarieliz Lebron of Southbridge flings a pass down the court.

and 54-10 after three quarters — have a roster comprised entirely of sophomores, freshmen and a pair of middle school students.

Despite the lopsidedness of the score the Southbridge players continued to scrap and fight until the final horn. Not one of the 11 players in the game or on the bench seemed discouraged – not even a little bit.

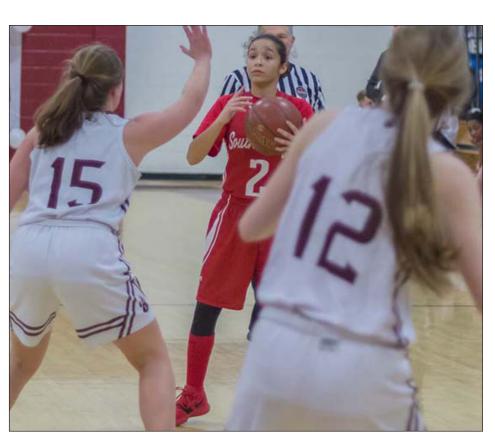
"They never get discouraged; they never get down. They know what they need to do to get better. Mostly it's just little fundamentals we need to work on," Rodriguez said. "I feel right now that this is a JV team playing against varsity teams. We're down on height; every team we play has starters who are 6 feet tall and we don't have that. We're basically playing against a bunch of trees.

The engaged, invested attitude that the Southbridge players exhibit starts with Rodriguez's demeanor on the sidelines. When the Pioneers' players come out of the game the longtime coach is always praising first and teaching second.

"We've got to stay positive, have fun and enjoy playing the game, and that starts with me," Rodriguez said. "I can't get down on these girls, they work too hard. I see the effort they put in every practice and every game."



Southbridge's Beth Young holds onto the ball in the interior while trying to find an open teammate on the court.



Jomarieliz Lebron of Southbridge calls out a play from the top of the key.

### SOUTHBRIDGE

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incentive of trying to exact revenge on the Sammies following Sutton's 76-51 win over Bartlett back in December.

"I think we're a little bit of a different team now," said Tony Paranto. "We're looking forward to that challenge."

The Pioneers, meanwhile, won't be participating in the Clark Tournament — their final regular season record dropped to 6-13 — but they will also prepare for Districts as Southbridge will take part in the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament thanks to the Sullivan Rule, which states that if a team plays 70 percent or more of their league games against teams from higher divisions, they must go at least .500 in common division contests. The Pioneers are the Southern Worcester County League's only Division 4 team, and they ended up going 2-1 against fellow D4 schools.

"After last year, six returners from last year's team, so they wanted to go back," Colon said of getting a chance to play some postseason basketball.

Jaylyn Williamson and Brandon Valentin led the Pioneers with 10 points apiece versus Bartlett.



Southbridge's Reniel Vazquez prepares to heave a pass over to the other side



### HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

### Warriors' swim results

Feb. 4

Tantasqua takes part in Coaches Invitational — The Warriors took part in the Coaches Invitational at The Boys and Girls Club in Worcester. The event was for swimmers that do not make the cut times for Mid-Wach Champs. There were some wonderful swims as the Mixed 200 Medley relay was won by Cameron Chisholms, Julia Obrycki, Caitlin Bilodeau and Tyler Locke. Emily Locke won the 200 Free, while Bilodeau won the 50 Free and 100 free. Tyler Locke took second in the 50 free and won the 100 free. Jesse Gomes won the 100 back, and the 400 free relay team of Maddie Griffin, Dani Harwood, Emily Locke and Bilodeau took first. The meet was made even more fun since it was coached by the kids themselves.



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**BOTTOM RIGHT:** Eury Mateo of Southbridge makes a behind-the-back pass while driving through the lane.

## Tantasqua makes it six straight wins after holding off Rams



Jackson Hall of Tantasqua shoots up and over the reach of Shepherd Hill's Danny Brooks.

Tantasqua's Griffin Polga steals the ball away on a pass intended for Shepherd Hill's Eric Lehmann.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — With sights set on six wins in a row, the Tantasqua Regional boys' varsity basketball team found themselves in a battle. Shepherd Hill Regional had cut a deficit that was once 17 points early in the second half down to just four with less than a minute remaining in their game played on Friday, Feb. 8.

The Warriors had possession, but with 45 seconds to go a bad pass to the high post ended up in the hands of Rams' sophomore Cam Hackett. Hackett turned on the jets and streaked to the basket in hopes of an easy layup to pull his team within two, but Tantasqua forward Troy Lee had other plans. The lengthy junior kept stride for stride with Hackett and sent the shot off the backboard for an emphatic chase down

"Troy Lee is just a hustler," expressed Tantasqua head coach Scott Dion. "He never gives up on plays and he is long and athletic. That was

a huge stop for us, because it wasn't looking good."

Lee's block and, moments later, a pair of free throws by senior captain Hayden Peterson ended all hopes of a comeback by Shepherd Hill. A complete team effort and big plays in crucial moments helped extend Tantasqua's win streak with a 64-56 victory over the Rams (4-13). The Warriors are now 12-3.

"We are trying to form an identity; before they were primarily a zone team and I am primarily a man coach, so we are blending and trying do both," explained Dion, in his first year patrolling the sideline at Tantasqua, about his team's recent success. "During our run here the last six games we have been able to switch defenses a lot. Tonight was a man-to-man type of night, but to win at the next level you have to be able to do multiple things, and that is our goal."

The Warriors led from start to finish and were able to do so because they got off to quick starts to begin the game and to start the second half. They started the game on a 15-5 run, sparked by 3-pointers from long range by seniors Jeremiah Dingui, Jackson Hall and Chase Freeland. Hall and Dingui led the way in the scoring department for the Warriors with 14 and 12 points, respectively. Freeland added seven.

However, it was a game of runs and on the shoulders of sophomore Danny Brooks, Shepherd Hill found themselves down just eight going into the locker room, 34-26. Brooks scored six of his 15 points in the second quarter.

Again, Tantasqua came out of the gates quickly; they extended their lead to 17 points in the third quarter, sparked by a quick 13-2 run to open the frame. Hall converted a pair of triples during the run to lead the Warriors.

"It is huge," Dion explained about his team's quick bursts to begin the first and third quarters. "We also talk about winning the first two minutes of the first half and the first two minutes of the second half, and when you can do that it gets going on the right



Tantasqua's Jeremiah Dingui zips a pass down the court to a teammate.

foot. We certainly did that in the first half, we were up six or eight real quick and in the second half we were able to make a run to go up 17.

"I am a little disappointed once we were up 17, but good teams make runs. I know their record is what people would look at and say they're not a good team, but they are. They are in the Mid-Wach [League A Division], they play the big boys," added Dion.

### Crusaders use size mismatch to dethrone Shepherd Hill



Jason Mckay photos

Shepherd Hill's Cody Adams goes in for a layup while being guarded by a Groton-Dunstable defender.

BY KEN POWERS

DUDLEY — The Groton-Dunstable Regional boys' varsity basketball team avenged its loss in the Central Mass. Division 2 Tournament last vear to Shepherd Hill Regional by thrashing the Rams, 79-51, on Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Shepherd Hill, who wound up winning the District Tournament, defeated the Crusaders, 61-51, in the quarterfinal round last year. The Rams (4-12) will not get a chance to defend their title in the upcoming playoffs however, having been eliminated from playoff consideration.

After trailing in the early going by as many as six points (9-3 with 3:13 left in the first quarter) Shepherd Hill rallied to lead by a point, 12-11, at the end of the period. The game remained close in the first four minutes of the second quarter, and the Rams were ahead, 23-21, with 3:24 to play before halftime following a Jack Rynne (eight points) drive and layup.

The two-point advantage was Shepherd Hill's last lead of the game.

At that point Groton-Dunstable head coach Greg Gillette called time out to refocus his team, reminding his Crusaders of the considerable size advantage they had over the Rams. It's a size advantage that features the play of 6-foot-6 senior forwards Connor Keegan and Jacob Gavel, and their 6-1 classmate, guard Evan Cook.

Gillette's players listened well during that timeout, finished the second quarter with an 11-2 run and led, 32-25, at halftime. During the run to close the first half Cook (23 points) scored seven points while Keegan (23 points) and Gavel (four points) each added a bucket.

"They just started break-

ing down our zone at that point and picking us apart," Shepherd Hill head coach Mike Byrnes said. "They have so much size we couldn't really guard them inside. Their size opens up everything else for them."

Groton-Dunstable (13-3) picked up in the third quarter where it left off in the second, a 17-5 run in the first five minutes of the period pushing the Crusaders' lead to 50-35. The Crusaders still led, 60-42, as play moved to the fourth quarter. A 14-3 run to start the final period left Groton-Dunstable with a 74-45 lead with 2:53 remaining in the game.

"From late in the second quarter on they were dumping the ball inside, and then kicking it back outside, and they were doing a good job of reversing the ball, too," Byrnes said. "They were playing great basketball.

"They were moving the ball and moving without the ball very well the entire second half," Byrnes continued. "All of that movement caused our zone defense to shift to try and guard them and then when they kicked it outside we were a step late getting out to cover their perimeter guys. Because they're good shooters, the

time it took for the zone to recover was all the time they needed to get a good shot off from the outside."

At one point in the second half the Crusaders scored on 10 straight possessions.

"They demolished our zone defense," Byrnes said. "We played four different defenses during that run and we couldn't even slow them down, never mind stop them."

Prior to the game Byrnes and the rest of the Rams' coaching staff, and the athletic department took a moment to honor the seven seniors on the team — Rynne, Chris Nellis, Ravi Patel, Cody Adams, Mina Roufail, Eric Lehmann and David Bilis — who were playing their final home game for the Shepherd Hill basketball program.

Lehmann (11 points) led the Rams in scoring against Groton-Dunstable. and Adams added nine points each, and sophomore Cam Hackett added seven. Shepherd Hill hit seven shots from beyond the 3-point arc in the game; three by Adams, and one each by Rynne, Lehmann, Hackett and sophomore Danny Brooks.

### Minutemen remain resilient, eventually take down Parker Charter



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Jamie Rodriguez catches a pass in the paint and motions toward the hoop.

**BY NICK ETHIER** SPORTS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON — No matter what the Bay Path Regional boys' varsity basketball team did, they couldn't put away Parker Charter in a game played Thursday, Feb. 7. In the first quarter the Minutemen employed a full-court press that worked wonders, only for the Panthers to rally and lead, 22-18, at the end of the frame. Bay Path then scored the first eight points of the second quarter, but Parker battled back to go ahead, 42-40, at the break. And, after three quarters, the Minutemen had the lead, 55-52, but it was still anyone's game.

Bay Path finally figured it out in the fourth when leading scorer Cory Cotton poured in 18 of his game-high 33 points as the Minutemen won, 79-69.

"That's what we expect out of Cory being a senior,' said Bay Path head coach Al Greenough. "This is the time we need him to step forward, and he did. He was overly

aggressive wanting the basketball and carrying our team offensively."

"I'm just the type of player that takes the game in his hands and puts the team on

his back," added Cotton.
With the Minutemen leading, 59-52, Cotton added another two points and, with 4:35 to play, Bay Path finally grabbed a 10-point lead (at 65-55) when Cotton finished off a layup.

Pesky Parker did cut the deficit down to four points (71-67) as the clock continued to wind down, but Cotton all but ended it with a 3-pointer.

"I give that team a lot of credit, they've come a long way this season," Greenough said of the now 9-9 Panthers, who lost to Bay Path by 28 points in the first meeting back on Jan. 7. "When we played them earlier in the year they weren't able to do that [battle]. They put their heads down and we beat them by a pretty big margin."

"This time they were more scrappy, more developed and tougher competition," added Cotton.

When Cotton was "limited" to 15 points through the first three quarters, other Minutemen stepped up. Cam Hafner, a freshman, scored all 10 of his points in the second quarter and Jamie Rodriguez had an all-around strong effort with 16 points and 9 rebounds.

"We really relied heavily on Cory in the beginning of the season, but now teams know that he's our scorer and they've been doing a much better job of locking down on him. We've had some really, really good contributions from other guys stepping it up as the year goes on," said Greenough. "We're a much more well-rounded team."

Cotton loves how his courtmates are contributing at a high rate to help both him and the team.

"It's a big help because there's nights that I'm not scoring," he said, referencing a game versus Blackstone Valley Tech where he scored just nine points but the Minutemen still won. "When I have role players that can shoot, that helps."

The one aspect of the game that concerned Greenough was Bay Path's defense, or lack thereof, in the first half.

"We played a good offensive game, that wasn't our kind of defense at times in this game," he said. "That's something we need to work on and shore up going into our next couple of games."

Greenough did appreciate the way his team buckled down defensively in the second half, though, when Parker scored just 27 points.

"I like the way they came out in the third quarter and they played good defense," he

The Minutemen are now 14-4 and will have a high seed in the upcoming Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament following their 20-game regular season. Cotton hopes that they can make a nice run and go deep into Districts.

"Senior year, it would be nice to go to WPI," said Cotton of the tournament's Final Four location.



Ben LaPointe of Bay Path soars past Parker Charter's Tom Heer and toward the basket.



Bay Path's Cory Cotton plays a tight defense on Parker Charter's Pat

### Total team effort helps Beavers defeat Bay Path



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Alexxus Afriyie steps into a jump shot from the

BY NICK ETHIER

UPTON — The phrase "speed kills" fit perfectly when the Blackstone Valley Tech girls' varsity basketball team took on Bay Path Regional on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at the Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick Competition

The Beavers displayed good defense and transitioned that into fastbreak offense, which the Minutemen couldn't keep up with. The final result was a 52-36 victory for BVT.

"Their speed, they just ran us out of the building," said Bay Path head coach John Selen. "They're a quick defensive team and they outhustled us."

Blackstone Valley

Tech head coach Britt Kahler added that for her team to be as successful as possible, speedy play is a necessity.

"We do so much better when we're pushing the ball," she said. "If we're running, we do a much better job scoring. If we're in the half-court, sometimes we have trouble because we're so young."

With the first half of the first quarter taking some time to get things going — the Beavers and Minutemen were tied, 2-2, through four minutes — things turned speedy for BVT after that. They embarked on a 12-1 run to lead, 14-3, following the initial eight-minute frame.

Both sides then played evenly in the second quarter — Valley Tech won the period, 11-9 — as it was a 13-point, 25-12 game at intermission.

Bay Path's Madison Paulhus kept her team as close as possible by scoring 9 of the Minutemen's 12 first half points. She finished with a gamehigh 19 points, good for 53 percent of her team's scoring, but it was in part because her teammates weren't producing as well as they normally do.

"Maddie played well," said Selen. "Maddie had her head in the game, she always does. Everyone [else] was looking to play one-on-one; we weren't really setting screens on the ball and helping each

other to get better.' Despite the offensive woes, the Minutemen cut the deficit down to single digits, 29-20, nearing the end of the third quarter. But BVT scored the frame's final eight points to lead, 37-20, as Riley Webster hit a free throw, Mackenzie Vollmer made a basket, Brianna Carroll buried a 3-pointer and Madison Deppe finished off a

layup. As that scoring surge suggests, it was a total team effort for the Beavers.

"I have 12 kids on this team and all 12 played good minutes tonight. All 12 did so well," said Kahler. "Victoria Russian scored 33 against Monty Tech, but the next night somebody



Madison Paulhus of Bay Path bounces a pass past Blackstone Valley Tech defender Victoria Russian.

else stepped up and then after that somebody else.

After Bay Path won fourth quarter scoring, 16-15, to account for the 52-36 final, 11 of Valley Tech's 12 players found the score sheet. Russian and Gabrielle Muscatell tied for the team lead with 8 points, while Deppe pulled down a team-best 8 rebounds.

The Beavers improved to an impressive 12-3 following the win.

"We're just honestly happy to be where we are; I lost almost everybody last year. I only have four returning,' said Kahler of a Valley Tech team that reached the finals of both the State Vocational Large Schools Championship and the Central Mass. Division 4 Tournament last winter.

Bay Path, meanwhile, still sports an impressive record of 13-4 as they will also partake in the Central Mass. D4 Tournament.

'We're by no means running into Districts,"

what he called a "disappointing" loss.

warned Selen following

"We thought it'd be a measuring stick, but we just didn't have our heads in the game today," he said. This is a team we thought we could be competitive with, more competitive than we were.

"We have a lot of work to do left. We need more gym time and more practice time," added Selen.

Kiara Coates corralled a game-high 10 rebounds for the Minutemen.

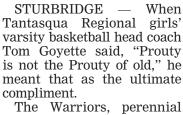
### Warriors wear down David Prouty late to take close victory



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua's Erin Jensen fights through David Prouty defensive pressure to hoist up a shot.





District Tournament mainstays, hosted David Prouty Regional on Friday, Feb. 8. And although the result remained the same as in years past — Tantasqua won - the score didn't. The game was tied up, 19-19, at halftime before the Warriors took home a 45-39 victory.

'They are up and coming, they've got quite a team there and they're definitely legit. We knew that coming in and knew that they had some big weapons in [Gabby] Soter and [Jenna] Petruzzi and [Brooke] Pepin."

Although the Warriors held Petruzzi (3 points, 10 rebounds) and Pepin (7 points) in check, it was Soter, a freshman, who bothered the Warriors all game long.

"She's a good shooter. Sometimes I feel like I don't do her justice — I need to get her open more to shoot," explained David Prouty head coach Johanna Annunziata.

Soter still shot enough to

register a game-high 15 points. The Panthers opened the game on a 4-0 run, with Pepin netting two buckets, but Tantasqua held a slim 7-6 lead heading into the second quarter. There, Prouty outscored the Warriors, 13-12, as the game was tied up heading into the third.

Tantasqua then created some separation — although it was only a two-possession, six-point game — with 3:45 to play in the third quarter when Lindsey Zak and Lydia Boland executed a perfect twoon-one play that saw Zak wait until the Panthers' defender bit and ran at her, only for Zak to lob a pass over to Boland, who finished off the layup.

That basket made the score 30-24 in the Warriors' favor and they still led by six points, 34-28, heading into the final

Zak then opened the fourth with a steal and coinciding layup, and Boland followed with a layup to give her team a 10-point cushion, 38-28, with 7:15 to go.

Prouty remained relentless and closed the gap to six, but that's how the final score wound up.

"I thought our defense was pretty strong most of the night and came up with some big plays," Goyette said of limiting the Panthers to 39 points. "Our offense came alive more in the second half and I liked how we attacked the basket a lot more. I think we knew



Jordyn Trombly of Tantasqua shoots up and over the reach of David Prouty's Jenna Petruzzi.

Tantasqua's Lydia Boland finds a way to take and make an off-balance

shot from inside the paint. we could take the ball to the hoop a little more. They [Prouty] were very aggressive on defense and we had a nice attack mentality. We penetrated and that created some kickouts for open shots.'

Boland led Tantasqua with 13 points, while Ainsley Way (12 points, 9 rebounds) and Zak (11 points) were also solid contributors.

The Warriors are now 11-5 following the win.

"We're in Districts," said Goyette, as Tantasqua will play in the Western Mass. Division 2 Tournament.

Following two final regular season games (after press time), the Warriors will compete in a playoff-stacked Westborough Invitational Tournament before taking part in Districts.

"Those are games to get us ready for Districts for sure,"

said Goyette. Prouty dropped to 9-8 with the loss and will need to win one more game out of the final

three to qualify for the Central

Mass. Division 3 Tournament. Annunziata said that this particular loss hurt, whereas in years past — and even in weeks past — it wouldn't

"I feel like when we played Northbridge and we lost by nine, it was a very similar game. I was like, 'That's OK, I'm pumped we competed.' Now I feel like I'm at the point in the season, and my dad [assistant coach Michael Annunziata] as well that we're like, 'I'm mad now.' We're no longer just Prouty and we can win," she said. "This was the first night that I saw them look mad and I can feel that vibe."

The Panthers host Leicester High and Millbury High (after press time) before traveling to North Brookfield High in the season finale on Feb. 18. Prouty defeated the Indians by 44 points in the first meeting between the two.



Sophie Law of Tantasqua uses a head-fake to make David Prouty's Erin

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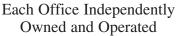
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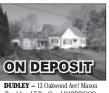




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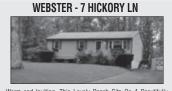
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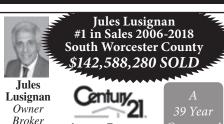


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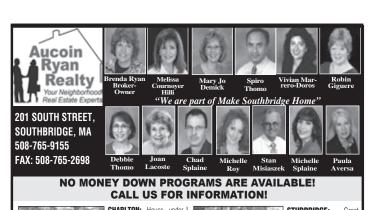


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#### **LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE** OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert P. Tuohey and Kristen L. Tuohey to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for USAA Federal Savings Bank, dated September 27, 2007 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 41872, Page 37 (the "Mortgage"), as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 51877, Page 55 of which mortgage PHH Mortgage Corporation is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.(MERS) as nominee for USAA Federal Savings Bank its successors and assigns to PHH Mortgage Corporation dated November 1, 2011 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 48186, Page 244, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 5 Highland Lane, Fiskdale (Sturbridge), MA 01518 will be sold at a Public Auction at 4:00 PM on March 12, 2019, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract of land containing 44,742 square feet or 1.0271 acres, more or less, being shown as Lot 8 on Plan of "The Highlands", Definitive Subdivision Plan of Land in Sturbridge, Massachusetts prepared for Robert E. Moss, dated August 16, 2002 recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds Plan Book 808 Plan 29.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 41872, Page 34.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the

sale. PHH Mortgage Corporation Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street **Suite 3102** Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Tuohey, Robert P., 11-006430 February 14, 2019 February 21, 2019 February 28, 2019

#### **NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 104 Elm Street, Southbridge, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Eric J. Bryant to Sovereign Bank, N.A., said mortgage dated October 16, 2012, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 49916 at Page 352 and now held by Santander Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Sovereign Bank, N.A., for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on February 22, 2019 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

Property Address: 104 ELM STREET, SOUTHBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

The land on the westerly side of Elm Street, Southbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner thereof at a stone bound;

THENCE northerly along a right of way

a distance of fifty-five (55) feet to a stone bound;

THENCE easterly on land now or formerly of Elrebert Ouellette, et ux., a distance of one hundred (100) feet to the westerly line of said Elm Street; THENCE southerly by said street line a distance of fifty-five (55) feet to a stone bound at land now or formerly of John Adams; and

THENCE westerly by said Adams land to the point of beginning.

Together with such rights as we have, if any, in the driveways extended from the rear of the granted premises to said Street.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated October 22, 2008, and recorded in Book 43488 at Page 390 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

BENDETT & MCHUGH, PC 270 Farmington Avenue Farmington, CT 06032 Attorney for Santander Bank, N.A. Present Holder of the Mortgage (860) 677-2868

January 31, 2019 February 7, 2019 February 14, 2019

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT** 

2018SM005478 **ORDER OF NOTICE** 

Erik M. Evensen; Tanya L. Evensen and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 et seq.: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Sturbridge, numbered 18 Cedar Lake Drive, given by Erik M. Evensen and Tanya L. Evensen to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for United Mortgage Finance Group, Inc., dated August 15, 2003, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 31258, Page 87, as modified by a certain modification agreement dated April 1, 2016, and recorded with said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 55865, Page 326, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been,

in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before March 18, 2019 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on January 31,

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 12898

February 14, 2019

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts** The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family** Court

225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO19P0380EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **Estate of:** 

Pauline R. Ludwig Also known as Pauline Ludwig Date of Death: 11/14/2018

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will has been filed by Christopher J. Ludwig of San Francisco CA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that

Christopher J. Ludwig of San Francisco CA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/05/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 04, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate February 14, 2019

CARE AND PROTECTION, **TERMINATION OF** PARENTAL RIGHTS, SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, **DOCKET NUMBER: 18CP0494WC,** Trial Court of Massachusetts, Juvenile Court Department, **COMMONWEALTH** OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Worcester County Juvenile Court, 225 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608 TO: Gregson Robert Chaffee: A

petition has been presented to this court by DCF (Worcester), seeking, as to the following children, Ezekhyel K. Ruiz, Sylus M. Ruiz, that said children be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the children named herein, if it finds that the children are in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the children would be served by said disposition.

You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time: 05/06/2019 11:00 AM Pre Trial Conference (CR/CV)

You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you.

If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter with a trial on the merits of the petition and an adjudication of this matter.

For further information call the Office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 508-831-2000. WITNESS: Hon. Carol A. Erskine, FIRST JUSTICE

Brendan J. Moran, Acting Clerk-Magistrate DATE ISSUED: 01/23/2019 February 14, 2019

February 21, 2019

February 28, 2019

#### **TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE PUBLIC NOTICE TRAFFIC RULES and ORDERS PARKING REGULATION**

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 85, Section 2, of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) as amended, the following parking regulation is hereby adopted by the Town Manager of the Town of Southbridge:

That the Traffic Rules and Orders of the Town of Southbridge, adopted by the Board of Selectmen, October 9, 1936, as amended, Article 5, Section 2, be amended to repeal Permit No. P-00019 which reads as follows:

That a permit be issued for a "ONE HOUR PARKING, 7:00AM to 8:00PM' zone on the easterly side of Mechanic Street beginning at the North side of Rose Street thence Northerly for 55

Date of Repeal: January 28, 2019 Ron San Angelo Town Manager February 14, 2019

> **Town of Holland Public Hearing**

In accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, a public hearing will be held by the Holland Conservation Commission for review of a Notice of Intent filed by Green Hill Engineering on behalf of Christopher Bodensieck for the project located at Lot 3 Butterworth Road (assessors map 5-C-1.2), Holland, MA for the construction of a single family

home.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, 27 Sturbridge Road. Holland Conservation Commission February 14, 2019

#### **HOLLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE**

ACCORDANCE WITH WETLANDS PROTECTION CHAPTER 131, SECTION 40, A PUB-LIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 26, 2019 AT 7:00 PM BY THE HOLLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT THE HOLLAND TOWN HALL, 27 STURBRIDGE ROAD FOR REVIEW OF A NOTICE OF INTENT FILED BY JALBERT ENGINEERING TO RAZE AND REBUILD A SINGLE-FAMILY RES-IDENCE ON PROPERTY LOCAT-ED AT 15 MASSACONNIC TRAIL. THE CONSTRUCTION INCLUDES SITE IMPROVEMENTS SUCH AS SHORELINE WALL REPLACEMENT, DRIVEWAY, LANDSCAPING, TREE REMOVAL AND SHED REMOVAL. HOLLAND CONSERVATION COM-**MISSION** 

February 14, 2019

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138, Section 12 of Massachusetts General Laws of a public hearing to be held in the George Parent Meeting room, second floor of the Town Hall, 41 Elm Street, Southbridge, MA., on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. during the regular scheduled Liquor Board Meeting in regard to the alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: Violation of M.G.L. 138 Sec. 69 Sale or Delivery to intoxicated persons or SLLB Regulations 1.03 Admissions to the Premises, and SLLB License Regulations 1.11 Illegal Activity on the Licensed Premises, & 1.08 Environs of Licensed Premises. This hearing pertains to The Twelve

Crane Street Corporation at 12 Crane Street, Southbridge, MA. Anyone wishing to speak will be given the opportunity to be heard.

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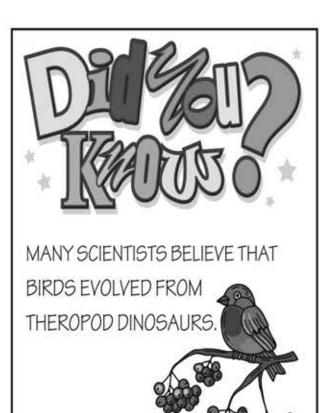
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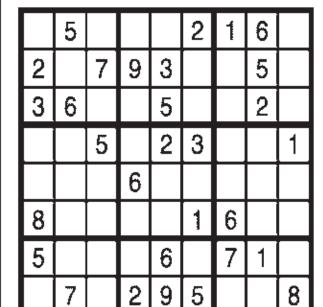
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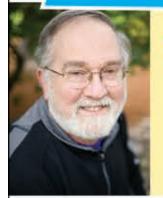
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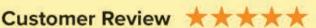
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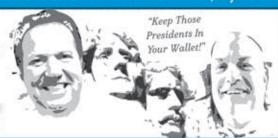
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