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## Sturbridge wades into Amazon fight

BY GUS STEEVES  
CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE – The most notable piece of the last selectmen's meeting wasn't formally on the agenda.

Under “Old Business,” new board member Jamie Goodwin raised more concerns about a giant Amazon distribution center being proposed nearby on Route 20 in Charlton. He argued it could bring more than 6,000 additional truck trips a day to that already fast stretch of road, and predicted it could cause backups “well into Brimfield, maybe even Palmer.”

“Even beyond the traffic issue, this is dangerous,

### Hitchcock Academy announces children’s summer programming

BRIMFIELD — Hitchcock Academy is pleased to announce a partnership with ART-ventures to present kid’s summer art programming. With a dash of whimsy and a dollop of fun, students will explore and learn how to think creatively about art and the amazing role it plays in the world.

ART-ventures programming provides talented instructors to encourage children’s creative spirit and imagination while fostering their creativity through exposure to a variety of art tools, techniques, and materials. Each program session includes t-shirt creations and two or three awesome works of art each day. Program sessions run Monday through Friday the first three weeks of August from 9 a.m. – noon with each week having its own theme. For more information and to register for one week, two weeks or all three weeks head to [hitchcockacademy.org](http://hitchcockacademy.org).

Hitchcock kicks off its free summer Movies on the Lawn with “Raiders of the Lost Ark” on Saturday, July 10 at 6 p.m. The movie debuts at dusk but before the movie pick a prime spot and settle in to play some of our games or bring your own. Pack a picnic or relax with food from Paradise B-B-Q. The summer blockbuster adventure film comes to you thanks to our Oscar Sponsor First American Insurance Agency and our Golden Globe sponsor Viant. If you haven’t already liked us on Facebook, do it and get the latest information regarding our upcoming free movie offerings, happening throughout the summer.

This year’s Hitchcock Summer Concert Series is better than ever with five free concerts Wednesdays on the Brimfield Common. Bring a lawn chair; bring a blanket, mark these dates on your calendar, and join us for an evening of great music beginning July 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. The Island Castaways Band, a Jimmy Buffet Tribute group, invite you to put on your flip flops and enjoy the summer vibe. Pack your own picnic or enjoy offerings from J.B.’s Mobile Café. The following week, July 28, the Time Stretchers bring you favorites from the 50’s to today. It’ll be a great night to enjoy 60 years of popular music. On Aug. 4, local favorites Radio Ranch return with their special take on country hits. Aug. 18, a new group makes our concert series debut: Frozen Red promises to entertain with a unique blend of Celtic music. The series culminates on August 25 with The James Paul Band who put a special spin as they cover your favorites and play some of their originals. Let

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Courtesy

An architectural rendering of the proposed Amazon distribution warehouse in Charlton.

and will have a chilling, at best, impact on our economy,” he said.

Noting the state’s Environmental Protection Act comment period ends this Friday, July 9, Goodwin moved the board seek legal representation in the process, although the town will need to use someone other than regular town counsel KP Law, since they’re already representing Charlton. He also moved to allow Town Administrator Jeff Bridges to use some of his budget to get an updated traffic study done, since the project proponents likely based theirs on lower-than-normal Covid-time traffic.

Both passed unanimously.

“With no exit in Charlton off the Pike, I just see it as one big safety problem for Sturbridge,” agreed Mary Dowling, noting she’s heard from several residents about this issue. Others had as well.

Turning to business on the evening’s agenda, the board approved applying for a state grant to fund alum treatment at South Pond.

Proponent Carl Neilson of the Quaboag Quacumquasit Lake Association said his group tried to do this last year, but didn’t get the grant. This time, he said, they’ve gotten commitments totaling \$85,000 from QQLA, East Brookfield, Brookfield and a Scout camp on the lake to match the state funds.

“If we get the grant, it’ll be a nice solution,” he said.

Specifically, the treatment is aimed at controlling the lake’s natural annual process of “internal recycling” of phosphorus, which promotes algae growth. At an extreme, uncontrolled growth can create toxic blooms that make the lake unsafe to swim in.

So far, Neilson noted, that has not happened, and such treatment stops “a good lake from becoming a bad lake.” It should last 15-20 years, he added.

Additionally, the board voted to formally imple-

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## Federated Church’s final Annual Auction will feature collectible decorated chairs

STURBRIDGE — The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale will hold its 71st and final Annual Antique Auction on Saturday, Aug. 14, on the beautiful Sturbridge Common across from the landmark Publick House Historic Inn. The auction will be held, rain or shine, under tent, with a preview of items to be sold beginning at 9 a.m. and bidding starting promptly at 10 a.m.

A highlight of the auction is the sale of two featured decorated chairs. These highly prized items, which always command a lot of attention, are decorated in bronze powder stenciling with a lovely Sturbridge or Publick House scene. The chairs are part of a limited series with only one of each produced each year and they are only available at the Federated Church annual auction.

As a special feature of this year’s auction, though, the Church will be auctioning off two of each chair - the Sturbridge Chair (#27 and #28 in the series) and The Publick House Chair (#49 and #50 in the series) –because last year’s auction had



Courtesy

A few of the items to be up for bid in the 2021 Sturbridge Federated Church Auction include this unusual inlaid tri-corner, drop-leaf table, an oversized Flexible Flyer sled, an antique country firkin, and a decorated Boston rocker.

## Rapscallion Brewery celebrates relocation



Kevin Flanders

Mug Members are thrilled to be part of the new Rapscallion Brewery location in Spencer.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Relocation has been a long journey filled with challenges, but the Rapscallion Brewery team recently celebrated the end of the process by showing off its Meadow Road facility to the community.

At the first ever Brew Day in its new home, the Rapscallion team welcomed guests on July 2 to its newly renovated 8 Meadow Rd. brewery and taproom.

Guests included Sen. Anne Gobi, State Representatives Peter Durant and Donald Berthiaume, Selectman Tony Pepe, and several other community members.

Cedric Daniel, who co-owns the business, was thrilled to welcome guests and meet community members. The brewery and taproom relocated to Spencer in December after a lengthy run in Sturbridge.

“It’s a huge day for us,” said Daniel, the brewery’s

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to be canceled.

A real old fashioned country auction, this event is known as the longest annually held church auction in the nation, according to auction committee chair, Tim Bardsley. Items up for bid include an assortment of antique items and collectibles donated by church and community members, many in original condition and some lovingly restored by local artisans.

As in prior years, any bidder whose purchases total \$500 or more will receive dinner for two, courtesy of The Publick House Historic Inn and Restaurant. Bidders whose purchases total \$1,000 or more, will receive one night of lodging and dinner for two.

The event also includes a silent auction featuring gift baskets, handmade crafts, gift certificates from local vendors, a bake sale and food booth. The auction is handicapped accessible and open to the general public free of charge with ample free parking around the Common and the Church.

The auction is being conducted for the 47th year in a row by the highly professional and entertaining Robert Glass Jr. and Gwen Glass Carbone of the Robert H. Glass family of auctioneers. For more information, please call the Church office at (508) 347-3915 or email [churchoffice@sturfed.org](mailto:churchoffice@sturfed.org).



# SCHOTT employees raise nearly \$16,000 for Relay for Life

SOUTHBRIDGE — The “SCHOTT for a Cure” team, consisting of employees from both locations in Southbridge raised almost \$16,000 in donations for the American Cancer Society to help the nation with its biggest health problem: Cancer.

As it was last year, due to Covid-19, the June 18th even was held in hybrid fashion: After a brief opening ceremony, the event kicked off with a car parade, with about two dozen cars through Southbridge. The parade was streamed live on Facebook, as were other events of the night. SCHOTT has participated in this important fundraising event for several years now with the Southbridge team “SCHOTT for a Cure”, which consists of members from both SCHOTT Lighting and Imaging and SCHOTT Electronic Packaging.



**SCHOTT cares**  
SCHOTT employees from both locations organized an internal celebration for all team members, including family

and friends, to mark this event. The community came together in the parking lot of SCHOTT Lighting and Imaging and walked several laps around it to honor all who have lost and won the fight against cancer, those who are still fighting, and the caregivers who selflessly help others. This “SCHOTT hour” was the team’s way to be part of the livestreamed event. Several team members also attended the Luminary Ceremony later in the night at the Southbridge Common.

With almost \$16,000 in donations, the “SCHOTT for a Cure” team raised the most money of all the teams in the event this year. The employees from both locations fundraise throughout the year by selling raffle tickets for various donated

items, parking spots, calendars raffles, T-shirts, luminary bags or just simply asking for cash donations. Both SCHOTT locations also donated a substantial company match of \$6,000 to support their employees’ efforts.

“In these difficult times, we were able to send a message through our celebration that we care not only about our employees, but also about their family and friends and all others who have been affected by cancer in any way. Thank you for the commitment of all participants and for the teamwork,” said Susan Gauvin, current team Chair.

SCHOTT is proud to have such a great workforce supporting the American Cancer Society.

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# Khamphan Houatchanthara receives Clinical Excellence Award from Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy

CHARLTON — Khamphan Houatchanthara of Southbridge, is the PN Class of 2021 Award Recipient of the Clinical Excellence Award. Houatchanthara received the award for her distinguished clinical performance throughout her training and education at Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy.

Houatchanthara received the Clinical Excellence Award, an engraved crystal woven plate from Tiffany & Co., at the official Graduation and Pinning Ceremony at the Lakeside Pavilion of the Indian Ranch on June 25. Houatchanthara attended Southbridge High School in Southbridge, Ma and graduated in 2001. She completed her associate in Criminal Justice degree and her Certified Nursing Certificate at Quinsigamond Community College. She obtained her Medical Assistant Certificate at Bay Path Regional Vocational Night School in 2009. She has been with Simon Says Pizza Chef in Southbridge as a Manager since 1999.

While at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Houatchanthara was active with the UNICEF Club and various fundraising activities for charitable causes. She participated in the Admissions Panel Interview and the Mock Code Team. She received a Random Act of Kindness (RAK) recognition and honor cord. She is Dementia Care Certified, Mental Health First Aid Certified, and completed the COVID-19 Contact Tracing



Courtesy

(Left) Jennifer DeFilippo, MSN Ed, RN awarding Khamphan her Clinical Excellence Award.

at Johns Hopkins University.

"We congratulate Khamphan for this immense honor and wholeheartedly applaud her family for their love and support. Khamphan is a revered practical nursing student for her kindness and provision of compassionate care. We are so very happy that she is recognized for her Clinical Excellence," said, Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Academy Director.

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## Local non-profit CMDART seeks board members

REGION — The Central Massachusetts Disaster Animal Response Team, Inc. (CMDART) is currently seeking additional volunteer Board members to aid the administration of our non-profit 501C3 charitable organization that helps animals and pet owners facing man-made or natural disasters.

Since 2003, CMDART has aided local communities with public safety and prevention education where it involves pets and the people who love them. A new addition of Board members will help support our forward progress, assist a manageable distribution of tasks, and assist the establishment of strategic short and long-range goals. Central Mass residency required.

Candidates for the Board will hopefully have some knowledge of the workings of a non-profit organization, fund-raising, and group task/committee work. As a board member, you will gain some knowledge and experience in planning, finance

and emergency management; enhance and challenge your organizational and leadership skills; increase your professional network, help to improve the safety and welfare of pet owners and animals, contribute to a humanitarian cause that can prevent, respond to, and reduce suffering for pet owners and their animals.

During this year of Covid-19, the team has distributed personal protective equipment to hospitals, senior facilities and animal control, assisted local emergency planning to include efforts to help pet owners, has volunteered at local vaccine clinics, produced an on-line program about assistance animals, held a couple of fun yard sales, assisted local fire recovery sites, and distributed pet food to some local food pantries.

For more information and to submit a letter of interest to our organization, contact [cmdartmembership@gmail.com](mailto:cmdartmembership@gmail.com) or call 508-803-1989 and go to our Web site, [www.cmdart.org](http://www.cmdart.org), for more information.

## Brimfield Senior Center to host therapeutic drumming program

BRIMFIELD — The Brimfield Senior Center is pleased to host a unique program "Spirit of the Drum." Come join us for an uplifting and therapeutic drumming 'experience' using authentic Native American Log Drums.

This workshop is designed to bring our senior friends together to experience the wonderful benefits of hand drumming. Today's technology has proven that hand drumming actually helps our immune system and reduces stress. The hand

drumming experience is therapeutic, fun and different. If someone can not exercise the ability to drum or just holding one is therapy enough. The workshop is being led by Cliff Madru and Elizabeth Sutton. Come share with us the Spirit of the Drum on Friday, July 23 at 10:45 a.m. Please reserve your space prior to July 20.

The Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield, 413-245-7253.

## Friday's Child



Dominic  
Age 15

Hi! My name is Dominic and I would love to have a pet dog!

Dominic is a caring, creative, and funny boy of Caucasian descent. Whether is caring for them or just playing with them, Dominic loves every chance he gets to spend time with animals! When Dominic gets older, he'd love to become a veterinarian. Dominic is described as a kind and funny young man. In his spare time, Dominic also likes drawing and coloring. He is curious boy who has been known to take apart toys to figure out how they work and then put them back together. He loves cars as well. Dominic has been doing well in his current placement, and is hopeful to transition to his forever family. Dominic continues to work on his social growth and peer relationships.

Legally freed for adoption, a two-parent household would best support Dominic's everyday needs. A family would need to be open to services entering their home to work with Dominic on a regular basis. Dominic's three siblings also have a goal of adoption, so continued contact would be beneficial.

### Who Can Adopt?

Can you provide the guidance, love and stability that a child needs? If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ singles and couples.

The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit [www.mare-inc.org](http://www.mare-inc.org). The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have a permanent place to call home.



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# DA's CIMS program generates encouraging results

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

REGION – Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early, Jr., and his team continue to see encouraging local response metrics in the opioid crisis. Launched in March 2020, the DA's Critical Incident Management System (CIMS) was used by police departments in all 60 Worcester County cities and towns over the last year to collect overdose data and offer services to overdose victims. Response visits made to victims were performed

by a plainclothes police officer and a recovery coach, usually within 48 hours of an overdose incident. In the last year, more than half of all residents who were offered services following an overdose accepted treatment as part of the CIMS program. "These are encouraging numbers," Early said. "It was a challenging year to launch this program with the roadblocks presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. These numbers are a promising start. Any time we can help even one person get access

to treatment is a life that is being saved." The District Attorney's Office purchased the CIMS software for \$40,000, using drug forfeiture funds in 2019. The implementation of CIMS represented a partnership between the District Attorney's Office, local police departments, and municipalities. The CIMS software works by collecting and processing data on overdose victims to enable officials to better provide assistance. The goal is to help people recover, not prosecute them,

officials said. "By getting the names of the folks who've had the non-fatal overdoses, and by giving the opportunity for the follow-up – what you've done is open the door," said Worcester City Manager Edward Augustus, Jr. "You've made the connection. You've provided an opportunity for that person when they're ready to take advantage of the treatment options that are available to them." CIMS also allows police departments to

share information. That way, when a person overdoses outside of their hometown, they are still able to receive a follow-up visit. "Addiction has no jurisdictional boundaries," said Fitchburg Police Chief Ernest Martineau, the former president of the Central Mass. Chiefs of Police Association. "When there's no boundary for that, there can be no boundary for helping people. And that's what this does. It connects 60 cities' and towns'

police departments in responding and helping." Added Webster Police Chief Michael Shaw, "The beauty of CIMS coming on board is now we have a centralized database that's tracking, and we get an alert when we have to go offer up services. And the other thing that we were missing was when people were outside of Webster having an overdose, we never knew. Now, with CIMS, we can follow up with them. It's a really integral part of

getting these people the help they need." Webster's responses to those in need has been assisted by a partnership with Opening the Word Recovery Center, run by Rev. Janice Ford. Opened in June 2020, the facility has served more than 2,000 people. The Spencer Police Department has also enjoyed its experience with the CIMS program. "We are tracking these individuals who would have fallen

through the cracks in the past," said Spencer PD Chief David Darrin. Although the CIMS response data is pointed in the right direction, officials know there is much more work to be done. In the fall of 2020, the District Attorney's office was awarded a \$1.2 million grant from the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund recovery coaches that will respond with police to follow up and offer services after an overdose.

## Local student honored at Annual SkillsUSA workforce development event

Leesburg, Va. — A career and technical education student in Massachusetts won one of the nation's highest awards at the 2021 SkillsUSA Championships, held virtually from June 14-24. More than 3,700 students competed at the national showcase of career and technical education. The SkillsUSA Championships is the largest skill competition in the world. Students were invited to the event to demonstrate their technical skills, workplace skills and personal skills in 107 hands-on occupational and leadership competitions including robotics, automotive technology, drafting, criminal justice, aviation maintenance and public speaking. Industry leaders from 650 business-

es, corporations, trade associations and unions planned and evaluated the contestants against their standards for entry-level workers. Industry support of the in-person SkillsUSA Championships is valued at over \$36 million in donated time, equipment, cash and material. More than 1,000 industry judges and technical committee members participated this year. Due to the pandemic, contests were conducted locally at schools or industry sites nationwide, with proctors supervising events and judges evaluating the students' work. More than 1,100 gold, silver and bronze medals were presented to students. Many winners also received industry prizes, tools of their trade or scholarships.

The following student received a SkillsUSA Championships medal from your area: C o n o r Krochmalnyckyj, from Sturbridge and a student at Tantasqua Regional High School (Fiskdale), was awarded the high school gold medal in Carpentry. "More than 3,700 students from every state in the nation participated in the virtual 2021 SkillsUSA Championships," said SkillsUSA Executive Director Chelle Travis. "This showcase of career and technical education demonstrates our SkillsUSA partnership at its finest. Our students, instructors and industry partners work together to ensure that every student excels. This program expands learning

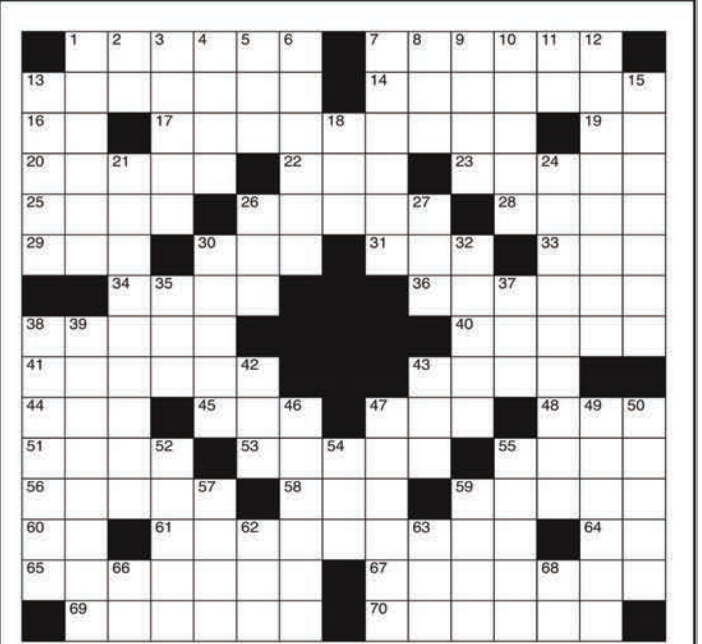
and career opportunities for our members." The SkillsUSA Championships event is held annually for students in middle school, high school or college/postsecondary programs as part of the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference. The national, nonprofit partnership of students, instructors and industry is a verified talent pipeline for America's skilled workforce that is working to help solve the skills gap. About SkillsUSA SkillsUSA is a nonprofit partnership of education and industry founded in 1965 to strengthen our nation's skilled workforce. Driven by employer demand, SkillsUSA helps students develop necessary personal and workplace skills along with technical skills grounded in academics.

This SkillsUSA Framework empowers every student to succeed at work and in life, while helping to close the skills gap in which millions of positions go unfilled. Through SkillsUSA's championships program and curriculum, employers have long ensured schools are teaching relevant technical skills, and with SkillsUSA's new credentialing process, they can now assess how ready potential employees are for the job. SkillsUSA has members nationwide in high schools, colleges and middle schools, covering over 130 trade, technical and skilled service occupations, and is recognized by the U.S. departments of Education and Labor as integral to career and technical education. We have served nearly 13.8 million members since 1965. For more information: www.skillsusa.org.

## Area residents named to dean's list for the Spring 2021 semester at Quinnipiac University

H A M D E N , Conn. — Addison Ellithorpe of Fiskdale was named to the dean's list for the Spring 2021 semester at Quinnipiac University. To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade

basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester. About Quinnipiac University Quinnipiac is a private, coeducational, nonsectarian institution located 90 minutes north of New York City and two hours from Boston. The university enrolls 9,715 students in 110 degree programs through its Schools of Business, Communications, Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Law, Medicine, Nursing and the College of Arts and Sciences. Quinnipiac is recognized by U.S. News & World Report and Princeton Review's "The Best 386 Colleges." For more information, please visit qu.edu. Connect with Quinnipiac on Facebook and follow Quinnipiac on Twitter @QuinnipiacU.

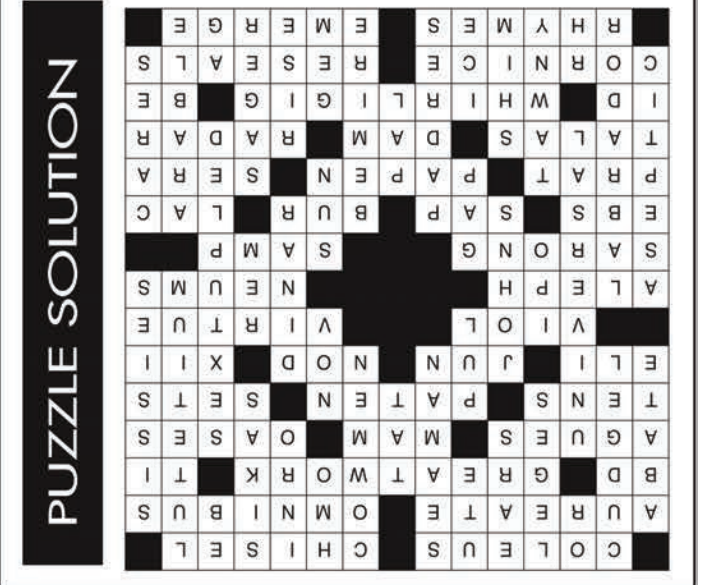


### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Plant of the mint family
- 7. Hand tool
- 13. Made of the color of gold
- 14. A volume of several novels
- 16. Type of degree
- 17. Good job!
- 19. Seventh tone in major scale
- 20. Fevers
- 22. One's mother
- 23. Fertile desert spots
- 25. Large integers
- 26. Plate for Eucharist
- 28. Tennis matches have them
- 29. Peyton's little brother
- 30. Monetary unit of N. Korea
- 31. Head movement
- 33. Twelve
- 34. Renaissance musical instrument
- 36. Behavior showing high moral standards
- 38. Letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- 40. Notes to be sung
- 41. Women's garment
- 43. Coarsely ground corn
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- 45. A way to deplete
- 47. Rough, prickly covering of a seed
- 48. LA hoopster, but not a Laker
- 51. Hindquarters
- 53. Franz van \_\_, German diplomat
- 55. Liquid body substances
- 56. Rhythmic patterns
- 58. A beaver might build one
- 59. Police officer's tool
- 60. Indicates who you are
- 61. Pinwheel
- 64. Exist
- 65. Ornamental molding
- 67. Closes again
- 69. Verses
- 70. Come into view

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- 2. An alternative
- 3. Laws
- 4. Sense organs
- 5. One from Utah
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- 9. Ornamental box
- 10. Forest-dwelling deer
- 11. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
- 12. Atomic #71
- 13. Become less intense
- 15. Cowards
- 18. Body ornament (slang)
- 21. Applicable to all cases
- 24. Multiplied by 6
- 26. Afghanistan monetary unit
- 27. Calendar month
- 30. Cena and Lennon are two
- 32. Monetary unit of Serbia
- 35. First time on the market
- 37. Georgia rockers
- 38. Free from contamination
- 39. Coastal region of Canada
- 42. Clothing retailer
- 43. It rises and sets
- 46. Fathers
- 47. Stain with mud
- 49. Suitable for crops
- 50. Feels concern for
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# Nichols names IWL after Engelkemeyer

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – The Institute for Women's Leadership at Nichols College will have a familiar name forever attached to it with the announcement by the college's Board of Trustees that the IWL will be named in honor of now-retired Nichols president Susan Engelkemeyer.

The college made the announcement on June 28 also announcing \$400,000 contributed to the endowment for the Institute by the trustees. Engelkemeyer, who joined Nichols College in 2011, was a driving force in the creating of the IWL in 2013 after reading an article about the gender wage gap in the workforce. Today the Institute helps foster career opportunities for women in business and, with the help of Professor Jean Beaupre, produces the Massachusetts Women's Leadership Index every two years.

## Christine A. Byrne graduates from Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD — Christine A. Byrne of Brimfield graduated from Western New England University with a MS in Accounting.

On Sunday, May 16, the University conferred degrees to over 160 graduates receiving masters, law, and doctorate degrees from its Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy, and School of Law.

In his remarks, President Robert E. Johnson charged the Class of 2021 to go out as global citizens and transform the world.

"This journey that took place over the course of the last year has prepared you for that next stage and step in your life as you leave Golden Bear country and go out into the world," he said congratulating the graduates as they join the more than 48,000 alumni of the University. "There were times where we could not necessarily see the end, but we made it. Each and every one of you hung in there. You are now prepared for the next step in your life. You

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"The Institute for Women's Leadership is an integral part of the Nichols College mission to develop prepared, confident and ethical leaders of tomorrow," said President Engelkemeyer in a statement released by the college. "Our students – both female and male – benefit from the Institute's efforts to foster awareness of gender inequality and to affect change at the personal and institutional levels. I am proud that my name will continue to be associated with this important work and truly thank the Board of Trustees for this honor."

Board of Trustees Chair John H. Davis said that President Engelkemeyer was part of a decade of growth and improvement for the school. Naming the IWL in her honor was a special way for the Board to cement her legacy on campus and beyond.



Courtesy

Susan Engelkemeyer

"Nichols has come a long way in the past 10 years with Susan's steady hand at the helm. She has navigated the college through tough waters and positioned us for even greater success," said Davis in a statement. "Susan has been a model leader and an inspiration to our students. We are excited that the IWL, one of her crowning achievements, will reflect and honor that legacy."

Under Engelkemeyer's presidency, Nichols college saw growth in enrollment, student retention, graduation rates, endowments, and the largest fundraising campaign in the colleges 200-year history with the Bicentennial Campaign topping off at over \$66 million. Engelkemeyer oversaw her final graduation in May before officially retiring from the school.

## Area students receive degrees as Western New England University celebrates Commencement

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University's undergraduate commencement was held on Saturday, May 15. More than 480 students received degrees. The top five fields of study for undergraduates in 2021 were Mechanical Engineering, Pharmacy Studies, Accounting, Criminal Justice, and Psychology.

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Graduating senior Autumn Kelly (Communication) gave the Undergraduate Class of 2021 student address, reminding her fellow graduates that "this journey has been long and hard, harder than we could have ever imagined, and yet here we are standing.

Although each of our paths were different, we all landed here at the same destination, graduation day. Our journeys do not end today. New targets are in view like graduate school, the military, or joining the workforce and, like the strongest Native American warrior, it is time once again to take back that bow string, aim our crooked arrows, and reach our next target."

The graduating class hailed from 27 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, and Wisconsin. Graduates were also from Canada, China, and India.

Western New England University congratulates the following students:

Ashlynn Dawn Field of Brimfield graduated with a BS in Forensic Biology.

Shauna M. Rowley of Fiskdale graduated with a BS in Forensic Biology.

Adam A. Jensen of Brimfield graduated Cum Laude with a BS in Information Technology.

John Joseph Reilly V of Brimfield graduated with a BS in Information Technology.

Kevin T. Izzio of Sturbridge graduated with a BS in Pharmacy Studies.

Matthew J. Dumas of Holland graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BSE in Mechanical Engineering/Mechatronics Concentration.

View the Western New England University 2021 Commencement Ceremonies at <https://www1.wne.edu/commencement/index>.

A model for the "New Traditional University," Western New England University (WNE) is among just 13 percent of private (5,000 students or less) institutions ranked among US News and World Report "National Universities" and a "Top 100 Engineering Program." Known for its supportive environment and picturesque campus in Springfield, WNE enrolls 3,690 students, including 2,552 full-time undergraduate, in bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees at its Colleges of Arts & Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy & Health Sciences, and School of Law. A WNE education provides career-span agility through a curriculum grounded in professional/experiential studies, enhanced by the liberal arts, and enriched by mentored research that equips graduates to adapt and succeed in the workplace of the future.

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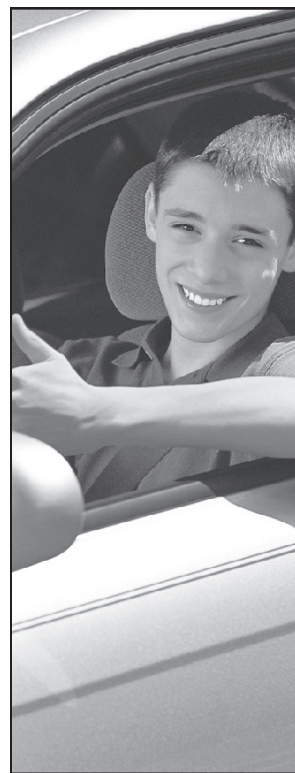
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# Hanover Insurance Group Foundation awards scholarships to 52 students

WORCESTER — The Hanover Insurance Group Foundation recently awarded 52 college scholarships to high school and college students to support higher education learning.

Students were recognized with scholarships based on their local community involvement and commitments to academic excellence. This marks the 17th year The Hanover Insurance Group Foundation has awarded college scholarships to help students accomplish their academic goals.

“We are proud of the commitment shown by this year’s scholarship recipients at a time when there was so much uncertainty in the world,” said Kimberly M. Salmon, assistant vice president of The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc.’s community relations team. “These scholars overcame obstacles created by the COVID-19 pandemic and focused their energy on education and community to continue on their journeys toward successful futures. We are honored to sup-

port their education and continue our mission of helping youth realize their full potential.”

Greater Worcester community scholarship recipients are:  
Abdulkadir Abdullahi North High School, Worcester, Mass.  
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Leona Antwi Doherty High School, Worcester, Mass.  
Samantha Anusauskas Auburn Senior High School, Auburn, Mass.  
Ananda Boateng Abby Kelley Foster Charter School, Worcester, Mass.  
Michaela Cluett Shepherd Hill Regional High School, Dudley, Mass.  
Gabriella Correa B u r n c o a t Senior High School, Worcester, Mass.  
Alysha Creelman Auburn Senior High School, Auburn, Mass.  
Ashley Figueroa Shepherd Hill Regional High School, Dudley, Mass.

Maxwell Fyfe Doherty High School, Worcester, Mass.  
Keegan Gleason M i l l b u r y Memorial Jr./ Sr. High School, Millbury, Mass.  
Aracely Herrera Doherty High School, Worcester, Mass.  
Truong-Thinh Huynh Doherty High School, Worcester, Mass.  
Kathryn James Bartlett High School, Webster, Mass.  
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**About The Hanover Insurance Group Foundation**  
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## Journey to Ellis Island from the comfort of home

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE – Thanks to an upcoming virtual library program, residents will enjoy a summer getaway this month without having to leave the comfort of home.

As part of the You Belong Here campaign, the Joshua Hyde Public Library recently announced a program called “Virtual Ellis Island: Gateway to the American Dream.”

The Zoom program is set for Wednesday, July 14, at 7 p.m. Join New York City tour guide Michael Morgenthal, whose great grandparents immigrated through Ellis Island from the Ukraine in 1905. The virtual experience will help guests learn more about Ellis Island and the experience of countless immigrants seeking the American Dream.

From 1892-1924, Ellis Island was the busiest immigration station in the U.S., processing approximately 12 million immigrants from across the globe as they began their new lives in the United States. As many as 20 percent of all American citizens are estimated to have roots through Ellis Island. For a nation of immigrants, Ellis Island helps to define what it means to be American, library officials said.

The program will also be a can’t-

miss event for local historians and their families.

“Topics will include everything from why Ellis Island was opened, to what kinds of things immigrants were asked upon arrival, and what happened to those who were denied entry,” said Becky Plimpton, Director of the Joshua Hyde Public Library. “As part of the You Belong Here campaign, this program will highlight a portion of the immigrant experience in the 1900s.”

The program also helps reinforce the library’s mission to promote inclusion.

“The You Belong Here campaign recognizes that patrons of the library and the broader community of Sturbridge come from varying backgrounds and experiences,” read a statement issued by the library staff. “The library is taking active steps to create an environment in which the identities and cultural backgrounds of all are valued and respected.”

To register for this program, or to learn more about other upcoming library programs, please visit [www.sturbridgelibrary.org](http://www.sturbridgelibrary.org). You can also check out the library’s social media pages.

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## Sturbridge Rotary awards scholarships to Tantasqua students

STURBRIDGE — The Sturbridge Rotary Club awarded \$6,000 in scholarships to students at Tantasqua Regional High School. This year’s recipients of \$1,000 each are Alexis Carson, Sydney Leanna, Emma O’Coin, Ainsley Maus, Mary Godek and Jason Snyder. Additionally, Alexa Knight received the \$500 “Wendall Wright Memorial Award.” Wendall was an educator and longtime supporter of Rotary.

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## Matthew Sexton named to College of the Holy Cross

WORCESTER — Matthew Sexton of Wales, was named to the College of the Holy Cross Spring 2021 Dean’s List. A member of the Class of 2022, Sexton is majoring in Economics and Political Science.

Sexton was among more than 1,451 students named to the Dean’s List for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

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- \* Jason Paul Cronin of Auburn
- \* David Lee Mejorado of Auburn
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EDITORIAL

“What would Barry say?”

One of our favorite holidays to write about is Independence Day. We all know the stories of our forefathers, John Adams, Sam Adams, George Washington, Paul Revere, James Madison, Benjamin Franklin and Alexander Hamilton, to name a few. However, the history is endless. We thought we would shine a light on aspects surrounding Independence Day that are not commonly known.

The famous painting that depicts the signing of the Declaration of Independence isn't exactly an accurate portrayal. All of the delegates were never together at the same time in Philadelphia. The final signing took place roughly a month later, on Aug. 2. The Declaration was formally dated and adopted by Congress on July 4; however, Congress voted for independence on July 2.

Celebrating their new independence, soldiers along with civilians tore down a statue of King George III and melted it into bullets. In Georgia, people burnt the King in effigy and even held a faux funeral service. In Philadelphia, the King's coat of arms was burned in a bonfire. Massachusetts was the first state to recognize July 4th as a holiday in 1781.

In 1777, fireworks could be seen in the sky and the ringing of bells rang through the night in Philadelphia. Ships were decorated and lined the coast and streamers could be seen flying in celebration everywhere. The oldest annual parade takes place in Bristol, R.I. 2020 will be the town's 235th consecutive celebration, it's start in 1785.

In New England, dining on salmon became tradition. The story behind the popular cuisine, is due to the influx of salmon that summer. Along with the salmon, people had peas and turtle soup.

One curious fact is that Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died on July 4, 1826. James Monroe also died on the fourth of July in 1831. President Calvin Coolidge was born July 4, 1872.

Left out of mainstream history was the story of Crispus Attucks, the first to die in the patriot cause. Attucks was a black/native American patriot who was shot, and the first to fall during the 1770 Boston Massacre. Attucks was a runaway slave who was a rope maker and sailor. History says he was shot by two musket balls to the chest. In 1778, it became legal in Rhode Island for free and enslaved blacks to serve the cause, with freedom as part of their payment. Educated by her owners, Phillis Wheatley was a well known poet during those times. Wheatley was kidnapped in West Africa and brought to America. At the age of 20, in 1773, she became the first African American and third female to publish a book of poetry. She eventually became free. She also advocated for independence, writing in support for George Washington's Revolutionary War in her poem, "To His Excellency, General Washington." Washington, impressed by her talent invited her to a meeting.

In 1958, when Alaska and Hawaii were on deck to become states, a history teacher assigned his class to design a flag, depicting the two new states. 16 year old Robert Heft, received a B- on the project. Unhappy with the mark, Heft sent the flag to Dwight D. Eisenhower. After the flag was chosen, Heft had his grade changed to an A.

Another fun fact is that Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration on what was referred to as a laptop. A writing desk that could fit over a person's lap.

In 1778, Washington ordered a double ration of rum for soldiers to celebrate with.

In 1776, there were roughly 2.5 million people living in America. The current population is now 325.7 million.

Wearing an American flag, whether it be on a tee-shirt, headband, towel or shorts is in violation of the Flag Code. The code says that you are in violation if you sell, display any "article of merchandise, upon which shall have been printed, painted, attached, or otherwise placed a representation of [the flag... in order to] advertise, call attention to, decorate, mark, or distinguish the article or substance on which so placed." The code, however, is not enforceable.

OPINION

Views and commentary from Sturbridge, Brimfield, Holland and Wales

Tips to Combat the Jump at the Pump

With the recent jump in gas prices, it's more important than ever to conserve energy use. Thanks to good old fashioned Yankee ingenuity, trimming costs doesn't necessarily translate into sacrifice. From reviewing classic moneysaving tactics to revealing new strategies, the following information is geared toward cutting the cost of fuel this season and beyond.



TAKE THE HINT  
KAREN TRAINOR

Price Tools: Your gasoline-saving strategies start even before you fuel up. Gas comparison sites and phone applications offer consumers instant prices that add up to optimum savings.

GasBuddy.com lists gas stations near you and their current gas prices. The tool is engineered by a community of users working together to update local gas costs.

The app offers online price comparison, and you can download it for free.

Mapquest.com also offers a user friendly tool that has a map format and visual pinpoints to post real time prices of gas stations in your area or destination.

Pump up the Savings: Some careful thought at the pump pays off in savings and that begins with gassing up:

Experts advise downgrading to upgrade gas efficiency. Motorist can cut costs without sacrificing efficiency by buying the lowest grade of octane that is appropriate for the vehicle. Check with your mechanic or car dealer to see if it's safe for you to switch to a lower grade. This money saving method alone can save hundreds of dollars a year.

Auto advisers also recommend buying gasoline during coolest time of day, such as early morning or late evening. During these times gasoline is densest. Gas pumps measure volumes of gasoline, so it's a better deal to buy it at its densest fuel concentration. And don't top off the gas tank as gasoline as may seep out from expansion

Also, be sure your gas tank fits nice and snug. If not, buy a new one. According to the experts, gas can easily evaporate from the tank through loose caps.

Proper Maintenance = Fuel Efficiency: Performing periodic vehicle "checkups" is a cost effective way to keep from wasting gas.

It's no secret a well-tuned engine burns less gas. Routine maintenance is your best insurance against gas guzzling.

Also, worn spark plugs can cause your engine to use more gasoline. A dirty spark plug causes misfiring, which wastes fuel. Spark plugs need to be replaced as recommended by the manufacturer.

And be sure to check your air filter each time you have your oil changed. Clogged air filters cause engines to work overtime which eats up more gas. Replacing a clogged air filter can improve gas mileage by as much as 10 percent, saving about 20 cents a gallon. And avoid reusable air filters, as a good paper filter does a better job, according to the experts.

Periodic wheel alignments and keeping tires inflated to the maximum recommended pressure really does improve your gas mileage, according to experts. When tires aren't inflated properly it's like driving with the parking brake on and can cost a mile or two per gallon. Don't ignore the low tire pressure alerts on the dashboard! It is important to keep an eye on the tire pressure because under-inflated tires consume more fuel. According to SGI, you waste 1% fuel for every 10 lb per square inch of under inflation. Low air pressure does not only impact your mileage, but it also reduces the lifetime of your tires.

Heads Up: And keep in mind tires need special attention during winter. Cold temperatures decreased the air pressure in tires which just adds to the rolling resistance caused by snow and slush. Check tire pressure regularly, especially after there has

been a sharp drop in temperature.

Driving Down Gas Usage: You can literally drive down gas waste with some careful strategies that won't cost you an extra dime!

This column has reviewed similar driving tips in the past, but with fuel economy in mind, the bear repeating:

The faster you drive the more gas you use. In fact, lowering driving speed from 65 to 55 mph can improve fuel economy by an impressive two miles per gallon.

Also, traveling at fast rates in low gears can consume up to 45% more fuel than is needed. . Using cruise control will save 5% to 10% of a gallon of gas on long trips. And don't forget to use the overdrive shift as soon as your speed is high enough. It also acts as a fuel saver.

Keeping a steady foot on the pedal also prevents gas waste. Tests show jerky starts and hard breaking reduces travel time by only four percent, but fuel consumption is increased by nearly 40 percent.

Do you love the feel the wind in your hair? If so, it could cost you! Driving with your windows all the way down at higher speeds, will waste 10% more gallons of gasoline than driving with them closed. The drag will cost you more in fuel, so delay opening windows wide until you've slowed down a bit (unless you want to literally throw money out the window!)

And opt for driving on smooth roads whenever possible. Rough roads with dirt or gravel rob you of up to 30% of your gas mileage. On the highway, closed windows decrease air resistance, so it's efficient to run the air conditioner in hot weather.

Quick tip: In stop-and-go traffic, shutting off the air conditioner and opening the windows can lighten your fuel use. Experts estimate using the auto a/c can lower your fuel economy by 10 percent to 20 percent.

Fuel consumption records show gas usage increases as much as 50 percent during the cold weather driving. Idling the car for long periods of time is not only a common wintertime practice, it's a costly one. Did you know ten seconds of idling actually uses more fuel than restarting the engine? If your car doesn't have an automatic idling shut-off feature, you can still save gas by making it a habit to turn off the car when parked.

And the simple chore of cleaning out your trunk can also translate into impressive fuel savings. For every extra 250 pounds your engine hauls, the car loses about one mile per gallon in fuel economy. And keep in mind removable ski racks like roof racks, increase a vehicle's aerodynamic drag, so it's a thrifty move to take them down them when they are not in use.

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Keep working toward lifetime goals



FINANCIAL FOCUS

JEFF BURDICK

As the years go by, many of your short-term plans may change. But you'll always need to focus on three lifetime goals: planning for retirement, preparing for the unexpected and creating an estate plan. What steps should you take to meet these goals?

Let's start with retirement. Throughout your career, you'll need to put away money for a retirement that could last two or three decades. So, you'll want to contribute enough to your IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan to provide for your income needs in retirement. And you'll want to fund these accounts with a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments, based on your comfort with risk and how long you have to invest.

But planning for retirement involves more than just a general commitment to save and invest. You'll also need to envision your retirement lifestyle. Will you travel extensively or stay close to home, pursuing your hobbies? Or are you thinking about relocating or spending part of the year in a vacation home? Your retirement aspirations will help determine how much money you'll ultimately need to live the lifestyle you desire.

And finally, once you are retired, you'll have to ensure you don't outlive your resources. Consequently, as you begin taking money from your retirement accounts and investment portfolio, you'll want to establish a sustainable withdrawal rate – one that lets you enjoy your retirement while accommodating the inevitable ups and downs of the financial markets.

Now, let's move to the second lifetime goal: planning for the unexpected. Even if you budget carefully, you may not always be prepared for unplanned costs, such as a needed home improvement. If your cash flow can't meet these expenses, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments, possibly leading to taxes, penalties and fewer funds left for retirement. That's why it's a good idea to maintain an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money held in a liquid, low-risk account.

Of course, more serious unexpected events can also occur. If something were to happen to you, could your family members maintain their lifestyle? Could the mortgage still be paid? Could your children continue with their higher education plans? It's essential that you maintain sufficient life insurance to meet these needs.

The last lifetime goal – creating an estate plan – is meant to achieve multiple aims. For example, you may want to name someone to make financial and medical decisions on your behalf should you become incapacitated. If you have children, it is important to name a guardian should something happen to you. It's also necessary to keep your beneficiary designations up to date. And you may want to leave something to charitable groups.

To meet all these objectives, and possibly even more, you'll need to work with a legal professional to create the necessary documents and arrangements, such as a durable power of attorney, a will, a living trust and so on. You may also need the help of your financial advisor to review your beneficiaries and to balance your estate and legacy goals with your other financial objectives.

Life is full of twists and turns, and you may change your own course along the way. But no matter which roads you follow, you'll still need to achieve the three lifetime goals we've discussed – so keep working toward them.

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# The ups and downs of saltwater fishing



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I promise I will not discuss the outrageous fishing regulations of stripers and fluke again this month. Saltwater fishing has had its ups and downs this past week, but if you were there when the bass were feeding, you had a great day of fishing, although little was legal to bring home for the dinner table. Bass fishing was fantastic at the canal one day and not so good the next. Boat captains of six pack boats are also frustrated with the bass regulations, and it is costing them big money!

The haddock and cod bite on the North Shore has been relatively very good, although only one cod can be retained per angler per day! Jig fishing and anglers using bait, are catching their limits of haddock. Wolf fish are still illegal to keep, and need to be sent back to the sea. This great eating fish is being protected because of their dwindling populations, like most saltwater species in Massachusetts & Rhode Island. Rhode Island cod fishery continues to give up some nice market size cod with a daily bag limit of 10 fish in that state. Anglers may want to consider a charter boat trip to fish for cod in Rhode Island.

Seabass fishing opened June 24 in Rhode Island, but the fishing was slow. This writer and my fishing buddy Matt Fontain, only managed to land a couple of nice seabass and one legal size fluke. Reports of a lot better action out at Block Island was good news. We fished in front of the Five Cottages area, and the Charlestown Breachway, where we were surrounded by a few draggers that seemed



This week's picture shows a well-trained Yellow Lab waiting patiently for his owner to finish some fishing at a recent fishing derby.

to have a lot better luck than us! I was told to fish around the Newport Bridge area if I wanted to have better luck fishing away from the draggers. Jerry Gareri, his son John, and a couple of other anglers, chartered a boat called the "Natural Nine" with Captain Dan Smith on Father's Day, and landed more than 40 seabass among the four fishermen, retaining

their legal limit of 20 seabass. They fished in the Buzzard Bay area, that provide anglers with some great fishing during the month of June for seabass and super-size scaup. Captain Smith is now concentrating his fishing business on the South Shore specializing in catching numerous ground fish. He will also be targeting stripers in the weeks ahead. Give him a call at 1-401-402-1963 for your next fishing trip.

Local fresh water anglers are still catching some impressive largemouth bass in local waters. Shiners and plastics are the most popular baits among bass anglers, but some anglers are doing well on stick baits and surface poppers.

The Uncle Josh pork strips have no longer being manufactured for a number of years now, but have been replaced by another product called "Fat Cow" jig strips and come in a few colors. They are great for fishing both fresh and saltwater. The new strips are not made out of pig skin, but are a product of man-made material, and work just as well. They are a favorite for fishing for fluke and other ground fish.

With the recent continued hot weather during the month of June with no end in sight, pets need to be brought into a cool place, and given plenty of water. This week's picture shows a yellow Lab patiently waiting for the fall hunting season, and he will not need to wait long. Thinking of purchasing a dog for the upcoming hunting season 2021? Do your homework, and be sure you are purchasing a good one! Find a good breeder and be sure to see the parents of the dog. Ask for references and bring along someone that knows dogs. It does not cost any more money to raise a good dog or a great one that you will be proud of. It is a 10 to 15 year commitment. The cost of buying a good pedigree dog can run from \$1,000 and up! Be sure you have the time, money and energy to raise your new dog! When you decide to purchase a dog for you and your family, you will be rewarded with years of love & companionship, both at home and in the field.

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## Concrete failures in Florida hit close to home

**BY SEN. ANNE GOBI AND REP. BRIAN ASHE**

The sudden collapse of the Champlain Towers condominium in Surfside, Fla. last week has left more than 150 people unaccounted for, sixteen dead, and countless affected at the time of this writing. Structural problems first noted during a 2018 inspection are being scrutinized as a potential cause for the destruction but at this time the focus remains on clearing the rubble and identifying both victims and survivors. The investigation into the collapse is likely to take months and may find no single definitive cause.

As we've watched the situation unfold, and more information about the available warning signs has come to light, we are reminded of the concrete infrastructure failures that remain in place here in the northeast where thousands of homes are deteriorating as a result of a rare iron sulfide mineral, pyrrhotite, in the concrete aggregate. When exposed to water and oxygen the mineral expands, causing the concrete to crack in a web pattern until it degrades and fails. While the mineral is rare it is estimated that as many as 2,000 homes in central and Western Massachusetts have been built with this material, and Connecticut has documented and started the repair process on more than 1,600 affected homes dating back to last year. Massachusetts currently has a foundation testing reimbursement program in place, refunding visual and core sample inspections by licensed engineers, but no mechanism for funding the actual repairs necessary to keep these homes livable. The most

proven solution currently to remedy the problem is to lift the home off of the existing foundation and replace it with an unaffected one- at a cost of \$150,000 to \$250,000 per house.

The Champlain Towers collapse was an issue that could have been remediated if the necessary funds were dedicated and repairs made. The structural problems identified in 2018 went unresolved and unchecked until they reached a literal breaking point, a deadly occurrence that it is impossible to put a price tag on in hindsight. In this case, they had one, however: \$16.2 million for the total repair and restoration at a cost to homeowners ranging from \$80,000 for a one-bedroom unit to more than \$300,000 for the penthouse suite. High costs, of course, particularly for individuals who had purchased the units without knowing the underlying structural issues at hand or the devastation that might occur if left unchecked.

Much like the process with pyrrhotite, this was a slow-moving disaster where the natural elements exposed issues in the building's construction until the materials inevitably failed. While the science surrounding the type of decay is different the outcome is the same- the concrete deteriorates, people are displaced, and lives are changed forever.

With nearly \$5 billion in American Rescue Plan Act stimulus funding available to the state we are in a unique position where we may be able to address monetary shortfalls in rapid fashion, and direct funding towards projects that yield immediate dividends to our constituents. Set into a fund to be appropriated by the legislature this money could become available in the near future and make an enormous impact in our communities.

Given this influx of funding it is imperative that we look at problems effecting homeowners that haven't been addressed, and we feel that the deteriorating homes in our state demand attention. We should not shy away from acting on this issue because of the price tag- the large upfront cost of each individual repair- particularly at a time when the state is awash with cash. Instead of continuing to debate the merits of spending the money to help affected families, discussing who should be responsible for footing the bill after the courts have ruled that the neither the contractors, insurance companies, nor bankrupt concrete supplier can be held liable, we can dedicate money from this pool of federal funding to help them directly. This is not an unheard of thought; as mentioned before the state of Connecticut has established a reimbursement program for the exact same issue, from the same supplier and led by spending over \$120 million for repairs. It simply requires attention and action from the leaders in our state, at a time where inaction would be immoral.

House and Senate leaders plan to hold public hearings and gather input on how to spend the funding in the future, and we urge our colleagues to advocate for these families in Massachusetts who have been dealt a hand directly countering the American dream of owning a home that you can call your own. These people did everything right, followed every step they needed to along the path towards home ownership which many consider their primary asset in life. Failure to come to their aid would be akin to letting the results of a natural disaster impact an area without state or federal help- a tornado path that tears up Main Street and is never repaired while home values plummet and the town suffers. By appropriating this money for reimbursement in the future, we allow these individuals to move forward, safely, towards remediate their homes and give them the stability they need without waiting for a tragic collapse in our own state to spur action.

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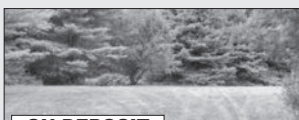


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**WEBSTER • 233 - 235 NORTH MAIN STREET**

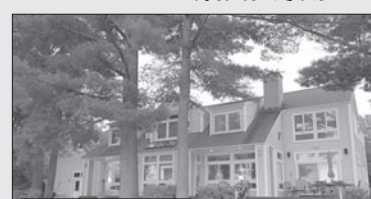


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# of Homes Sold	14	14	►
Avg Days on Market	60	48	▼
Month Supply Inv.	1.63	1.89	▲

**WEBSTER**

	June 2020	June 2021	Trend
Median Price	\$284,00	\$310,000	▲
Market Volume	\$2,269,000	\$5,556,211	▲
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Sen. Anne Gobi celebrates with the Rapsallion Brewery team.

## RAPSCALLION

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fourth owner, who accepted proclamations from the State House celebrating his business.

The new location, a former garage and equipment office, allows the brewery to expand its operations and business model.

"We wanted to have a production facility that we owned," said Jonas Noble, the head brewer and operations manager with Rapsallion, in a previous interview.

The process of brewing signature products is far more involved and time-consuming than many might assume. The fermentation process can last between a week and 14 days, and the finished product takes about 20 days.

On July 2, guests took a tour through the brewery and learned about the process from start to finish. With an extensive array of equipment at its Spencer production facility, the Rapsallion team has everything it needs to create and ship high-quality products.

The newly acquired facility also

enables area residents, customers, and brewing aficionados to visit and learn about the process. Moreover, the recently opened taproom allows guests to sample products on site.

It took a major effort for the Rapsallion team to convert the facility. Trench drains were installed, the floors were painted, a bar was added to the taproom, and a moving company was hired to transport all of the equipment from Sturbridge – all during a pandemic that caused delays and complicated planning phases.

New hours for the taproom are 2-9 every day. The business is starting a home brew club, and staff members will also support renovation efforts at Luther Hill Park and other local projects. The goal is to be active and involved in the community, Daniel said.

The brewery also operates restaurants in Concord and Acton. Beer produced at the Spencer facility will be shipped to those locations.

To learn more about the latest developments at the brewery, visit [www.DrinkRapsallion.com](http://www.DrinkRapsallion.com). Guests are reminded to continue bringing their

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State Representatives Peter Durant, left, and Donald Berthiaume, right, celebrate with Rapsallion Brewery officials Cedric Daniel, second right, and Jonas Noble.



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Local officials celebrate with the Rapsallion Brewery team.

own food to the taproom, but brewery leaders are hoping to work with local food vendors in the future.

The brewery also celebrates its newly

minted Mug Members, with 20 members already joining the new Spencer location.

## HITCHCOCK

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## AMAZON

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ment Town Meeting's wish to exercise "first refusal" rights and buy four abutting parcels off Fiske Hill Road. Bridges said he'd received doc-

uments a few days earlier stating that the seller had negotiated a price of \$155,000 with a private buyer, and the town has to match that.

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**Spencer** – Wire Village Rd – New construction! Split Entry, 3 bdrm, 2.5 ba. 2 acre lot, vaulted ceilings, hardwood flooring in livingroom & kitchen, granite, cherry cabinetry, deck off the kitchen! Front to back Mastersuite w/ large walk-in closet. Bonus room & 1/2 bath on the lower level. **CENTRAL AIR! \$489,900.**

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**225 Main Street  
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Docket No. WO21P1171GD  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF  
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT  
OF GUARDIAN FOR  
INCAPACITATED PERSON  
PURSUANT TO  
G.L.c. 190B, §5-304**

**In the matter of:  
Judy M Raymond  
Of: Sturbridge, MA  
RESPONDENT**

Alleged Incapacitated Person  
To the named Respondent and all

other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Kelly D Sharpe, of Sturbridge MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Judy M Raymond** is in need of a Guardian requesting that Kelly D Sharpe, of Sturbridge MA, (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that a protective order or appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court. **You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **07/13/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing

date, but a deadline date by which you have object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by said return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s). Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Guardian pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court. You have the right to send to the Guardian, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the Petition and account(s) at no cost to you.

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