



BACK TO SCHOOL

The officers for the Class of 2020 were excited for the start of a new school year at Auburn High School. Photo courtesy of the school's Twitter feed.

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Auburn resident receives SPS Technologies scholarship

AUBURN — Lucas Kushy of Auburn is a winner of the SPS Technologies Scholarship Program sponsored by SPS Technologies.

Kushy, the son of Richard Kushy, is currently enrolled at Union College as an Environmental Engineering major. A fan and player of baseball, he volunteers in his spare time with the Sports Gear 4 Kids program and is a member of Students for the Environment.

The SPS Technologies Scholarship Program was established to recognize sons and daughters of SPS Technologies employees who have outstanding academic records and who are active in volunteer school and community activities. Applicants to the SPS Technologies Scholarship Program must be children of SPS Technologies employees who are enrolled or planning to enroll in a full time program of undergraduate studies. The winners are chosen competitively on the basis of their academic records and personal achievements. All phases of the scholarship competition are independently managed by Scholarship Managers, a division of Career Opportunities Through Education, Inc. The contact person at SPS Technologies is Mr. Mark Miekley, who can be reached by fax at (215) 572-3776, by phone at (215) 517-2032, or by e-mail at mmiekley@spstech.com.

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Opacum Land Trust hosts author of “Stone Prayers”

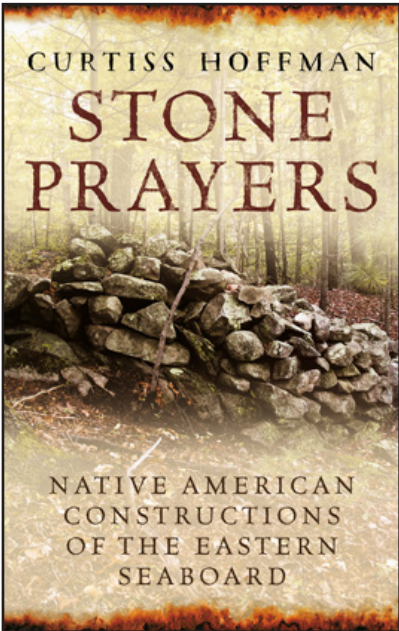
BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE
CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — Throughout the woods of New England, you will find structures or enclosures built of stacked native stones. These structures differ from the ubiquitous stone walls, familiar to New Englanders, that marked property borders in centuries past.

This other type of stone structure in New England is more of a historical mystery and the topic of the book “Stone Prayers” by Dr. Curtiss Hoffman, released earlier this year. Hoffman will give a talk on the topic Wednesday, September 18 at the Barn at Wight Tavern in Sturbridge. The event is an annual fundraising dinner and author talk to benefit Opacum Land Trust.

Hoffman will discuss four popular ideas about who created the stone structures and for what purpose. Beliefs about the structures include that they were built by colonial farmers removing rocks from their fields, that they were built by pre-Columbian trans-Atlantic travelers, that they are the result of natural forces such as erosion and glaciers, or that they were built as sacred structures by Native Americans. According to the event description, “the purpose of Dr. Hoffman’s latest book, “Stone Prayers” is to provide quantitative support for the indigenous construction hypothesis.”

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Local organization works to bring Congolese village fresh water

BY KAYCEE ROY
CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — If someone asked you to find Bibwa on a map, how long do you think it would take you to find it? Would you even know where to begin? Most would be hard pressed.

Over the past week, however, we learned about this small village in the Democratic Republic of Congo while sitting down with Lynne Brouillette, cofounder of the nonprofit organization Kids in the Congo.

In 2008, Brouillette teamed up with Father Salvator Musande, of Kyondo in the DRC, with a goal of sponsoring two children’s education.

“After he told me his story about how kids couldn’t go to school because they had to pay



Courtesy Photo

Lynne Brouillette with the children of Bibwa.

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Hall celebrating 25 years in Oxford

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD – A lot can change in twenty-five years and for Oxford paramedic Ricci Hall he’s seen it all. Now entering his 25th year of service in Oxford Hall has borne witness to changing leaderships, personnel, practices, facilities and especially communication seeing as he is a long-time dispatcher for the town as well.

Hall recalls beginning his work in Oxford in the ‘90s, meeting many individuals who had served just as long for the department. Once 25 years felt like a potential eternity for the dispatcher, paramedic and part time patrolman and instructor but now, as he reaches the milestone himself, he has begun to look back on a quarter century of service to a community he holds dear to his heart.

“It’s been great to see the professionalism increase over the past twenty-five years. There’s always been quality people here in town and they’ve done a good job providing services, but it’s also nice that we’ve moved to a full-time department and we’ve worked even harder to provide those services to the community. Our equipment has always been top notch. It’s been a great twenty-five years full of many chang-

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Jason Bleau Photo

Oxford paramedic and dispatcher Ricci Hall is entering his twenty-fifth year of service to the town.



Bay Path hosts annual College Fair

CHARLTON — Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is pleased to announce that it will be hosting its annual College Fair on Thursday, Sept. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. This event is open to the public and free of charge.

This free event focuses on higher education and career preparation and provides the opportunity for students to explore college and career readiness options. Students will be able to interact with admission representatives from a wide range of post-secondary institutions as well as connect with the branches of the military. Representatives will discuss course offerings, admissions procedures, financial aid requirements, and other information pertinent to the higher education selection process and/or preparing for a career in the mili-

tary.

Bay Path staff members will be available to answer timeline questions and will support parents and students as they navigate through the process of applying to colleges, the military, handling financial aid, and applying for scholarships. Bay Path encourages anyone who is interested to take advantage of this exciting opportunity.

Several reputable colleges and universities will be in attendance, including but not limited to:

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Local shelter saving lives with Best Friends Strut Your Mutt

BRIMFIELD — Brimfield shelter Here Today Adopted Tomorrow along with hundreds of animal rescue groups across the country, is participating in the Best Friends Animal Society's Strut Your Mutt.

Since the very first Strut Your Mutt in 1996 in Salt Lake City, national animal welfare organization Best Friends Animal Society has combined celebrating everything wonderful that dogs and cats bring to their families with supporting the urgent work of saving the lives of homeless pets. Over the years, Strut Your Mutt has grown into a national series where local animal rescue organizations and animal shelters raise money to help the pets in their care and community.

In celebration of Strut Your Mutt, Here Today Adopted Tomorrow is holding our 7th annual Tails on the Trail, from 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Sept.

14 on the Brimfield Commons. Registration begins at 9 a.m. It's so much more than a charity walk! It is a fun-filled festival with so much to see and do including, food, a free photo booth, vendors, the farmer's market, raffles, contests and more.

Executive Director, Rachael Max, said, "Here Today Adopted Tomorrow is proud to be working with Best Friends towards the goal of taking this nation no-kill by 2025. Working together we can accomplish great things in the nation, and right here at home for our cats. We love our community and we know you do too, so help us take action for the pets and people in our town."

"Come join us in saving lives while having fun and Strut Your Mutt at the Here Today Adopted Tomorrow Tails on the Trail. Don't have a furry friend to bring? You don't need a tail to walk the trail!"

To sign up please visit

<http://support.bestfriends.org/goto/HTAT> and click on "Join Team" or call 413 324-8224 or email smudge@here-todaysanctuary.org for more information.

About Here Today Adopted Tomorrow Animal Sanctuary Here Today Adopted Tomorrow, HTAT, was founded by mother-daughter team Barbara Horn and Rachael Max. HTAT is a volunteer driven group focused on reducing the number of homeless animals in our community through prevention and adoption services. In 2012, we opened our no kill, cageless cat adoption center for adult cats and kittens in Brimfield. Our ultimate goal is to decrease the number of animals entering the shelter system. It is deeply important to us that every resident's stay at HTAT is comfortable and healthy, making for well-adjusted, happy animals. We have programs to help special needs cats flourish and get adopted, including shy, fearful



and senior cats. Shortly after opening, we realized there were more homeless cats than we could handle by adoption alone, so we started programs to spay and neuter local community cats. To date, Here Today has helped more than 2,200 cats. For more information, visit heretodaysanctuary.org.

To become a fan of Here Today Adopted Tomorrow on Facebook, go to [Facebook.com/heretodaysanctuary](https://www.facebook.com/heretodaysanctuary).

About Best Friends Animal Society Best Friends Animal Society is a leading national animal welfare organization dedicated to ending the killing of dogs and cats in America's shelters. In addition to running lifesaving programs in partnership with more than 2,600 animal welfare groups across the country, Best Friends has regional centers in New York City, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Salt Lake City, and operates the

nation's largest no-kill sanctuary for companion animals. Founded in 1984, Best Friends is a pioneer in the no-kill movement and has helped reduce the number of animals killed in shelters nationwide from 17 million per year to about 800,000. That means there are still nearly 2,200 dogs and cats killed every day in shelters, just because they don't have safe places to call home. We are determined to bring the country to no-kill by the year 2025. Working collaboratively with shelters, rescue groups, other organizations and you, we will end the killing and Save Them All. For more information, visit bestfriends.org.

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Historical Society meets Sept. 26

STURBRIDGE — The Sturbridge Historical Society will hold its first program meeting at the Publick House Historical Inn on Sturbridge Common on Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Tom Kelleher; Historian and curator of Mechanical Arts at the Old Sturbridge Village. He will talk about sending a letter : A History of the U.S. Post Office before the Civil War.

In the early 19th century, America was far from either the largest or richest country in the world, but its postal service was already by far the biggest.

This examination of the early

American mail system, its significance and how it worked, includes a look at how a letter went from sender to an address in early 1800 hundreds, and how the post office grew and changed as it shaped America.

In his role at Old Sturbridge Village, Tom has worn many hats both literally and figuratively for more than 30 years. He is currently President of the International Association for Living History. Farm and Agricultural Museums, and has taught and demonstrated at museums and historical societies around the country. Tom holds a masters in history from the University

of Connecticut, and writes often for a variety of magazines and journals, including Early American Life.

Historical meetings are free of charge with dessert and meeting room provided by Michael Glick, Publick House Innkeeper.

Society Annual Dues are \$10, which help support the cost of speakers. Meetings are held September through May on the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December. November's meeting is held the first Thursday in December.

All meetings start at 7 p.m.

Students named to Dean's List at Western NE University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates more than 500 students named to the Spring 2019 Dean's List. Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Jessica Clifford of Auburn, working toward a BA in Psychology.

Madison Lucier of Auburn, working toward a BS in Health Sciences/Pre-Phys Asst Concentration.

Emily Sarkisian of Auburn, working toward a BSBA in Accounting.

Nathan Ramos of Auburn, working toward a BSBA in Sport Management.


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Christopher Bernier of Auburn, working toward a BSE in Electrical Engineering.

Celebrating its Centennial in the year 2019, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Western New England serves 3,974 students, including 2,629 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

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Florals and Feathers

BIRDS INSPIRE LOCAL GARDENERS IN FLOWER SHOW



Jason Bleau Photos

The women of the Charlton Garden Club pose for a photo during the 2019 Flower Show.



A table of floral arrangements inspired by the peacock.



Some floral arrangements complimenting the brown, black and white colors of the common owl.

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – After more than 80 years, the Charlton Garden Club's Old Home Day Flower Show is still going strong, showcasing some of the most

beautiful works by local horticulturists all set to a common theme. For 2019 the theme was "Birds of a Feather" where participants were challenged to produce floral arrangements inspired by birds.

Amy Taraskiewicz, coordinator of the 2019 Flower Show, which was held on Labor Day Monday, said the theme was chosen to challenge members to take inspiration from some of the most colorful animals around in order to create unique masterpieces utilizing not only different flowers and plants, but props as well.

"We have 12 different categories based on different birds and poultry. We just made suggestions based on the normal colors of the birds. We gave that little hint and people took it and ran with it. I think our florists did an awesome job this year embracing the theme," Taraskiewicz said.

Among the birds listed as inspirations for the show were cardinals, blue jays, parrots, peacocks, owls and even chickens and turkeys, each with their own color scheme. Ginny Charette, the co-president of the Garden Club, called the 2019 show a great success with many visitors calling it their best show in years.

"It's mostly to show people what you can grow here in Charlton and beyond. There's a wide variety of plants involved here, and we have both men and women who take part. We started this show to give people an idea of what grows around here," Charette said. "This is always a wonderful show. Every year we see something different. People try new things and some people walk away wanting to try what they

saw in their own gardens. It just shows a whole spectrum of how things grow and what you can grow."

The Charlton Garden Club's history dates back to the 1930s and the Garden Club Flower Show has been a staple of Old Home Day weekend from the very beginning. More than 300 men and women have participated in the club's programs and activities over the years making it one of Charlton's longest lasting community groups. Those interested in becoming a part of the club can visit their Web site at www.charltongarden.club.

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"Tuesdays with Morrie" comes to the Gateway Players stage

SOUTHBIDGE — Gateway Players Theatre of Southbridge presents "Tuesday with Morrie" by Jeffrey Hatcher and Mitch Albom, based on the book by Mitch Albom. Performance dates are Sept. 13, 14, 20 & 21 at 7:30 p.m. and Sept. 22 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held at the Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church, 61 Elm St. in Southbridge. Parking is available on Elm Street, or in the parking deck behind the Southbridge Town Hall. This production will be directed by Suzanne Adams, and pro-

duced by Kathi Grenier, with Allen Adams as stage manager. The cast features Jim Douglas (Morrie) and Seth Jajliardo (Mitch). Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for seniors and youth under 18. Tickets may be reserved by calling Gateway at 508-764-4531. Online credit card ticket sales are available at: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4312748> Presented by permission through special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc. "Tuesdays with Morrie" is the autobiographical story of Mitch

Albom, an accomplished journalist driven solely by his career, and Morrie Schwartz, his former college professor. Sixteen years after graduation, Mitch happens to catch Morrie's appearance on a television news program and learns that his old professor is battling Lou Gehrig's Disease. Mitch is reunited with Morrie, and what starts as a simple visit turns into a weekly pilgrimage and a last class in the meaning of life.

Wings of Song to host fall auction

STURBRIDGE — Wings of Song (WoS), formerly Quinebaug Valley Singers (QVS), will be having their annual fall auction on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale.

The church is located at 8 Maple St., which is at the corner of Maple and Main Streets between the Sturbridge Town Hall and Joshua Hyde Library. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for registration and to preview items up for auction, and live musical entertainment performed by members of WoS will take place before the auction starts. Light refreshments will also be provided.

We always have many different items available to bid on between a live auction and a silent auction. Donations are still coming in but we will have various handmade items, gift certificates to many local businesses of all types, and

all sizes and types of themed baskets just to name a few. A prime example of the generosity of our supporters is a 50-minute scenic flight over Southern Worcester County/Northern Connecticut in a four seater Cessna that will be up for bid in the live auction.

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Charlton residents recognized with Community Awards

KUEHL NAMED CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Charlton Citizen of the Year Kathy Kuehl accepts her honor.

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – It’s a staple of Charlton’s annual Labor Day festivities. On Monday, Sept. 2, the town honored seven outstanding citizens and a local business with awards for their commitment and service to their local communities as part of the weekend-long festivities

celebrating the end of summer and the sense of community the town holds dear. Three community service awards, a youth service award, a posthumous award, a business award, the Old Home Day Parade Marshal honor and the Citizen of the Year award were all presented prior to the annual Old Home Day Parade. The

ceremony saw each recipient honored for different contributions to the town, all of them nominated by members of the community who felt their contributions to Charlton were worth recognition. The Youth Award was the first honor given out and was presented to Quinn Beck who has served as a peer leader and youth volunteer for CHIP-IN, a local food pantry. As the outstanding youth volunteer for 2019 Quinn said she was grateful for the honor but it’s not the recognition that drives her to contribute.

“It feels great, but I don’t need to be recognized for it. I just do it because people need the help,” Beck said, offering some words of wisdom to other youth volunteers. “Don’t do it because someone tells you to. Do what feels right for you to make a difference.”

Three Community Service Awards were presented next, each to a woman who has contributed countless hours of their own time to making the town of Charlton a great place to live. The first honoree, Rita Reil, is a 52-year resident of Charlton, has worked to spread faith and a sense of community as a long-time member of St. Joseph’s Church and said she was shocked to learn she had even been nominated for the award.

“I don’t think I really deserved it, but I’m glad to be a member of this town. I love it,” Reil said.

That humble perspective was shared by another long-time resident and the second Community Service Award winner Sue Crockett who was recognized for her contributions to the Charlton Senior Center, Council of Aging and other organizations.

“I was really surprised and thrilled, but I would continue to do what I do without this recognition. I love this town. I want to continue to give back to Charlton,” Crockett said.

The third Community Service Award went to singer, musician and yoga aficionado Linda Davis whose offerings of free yoga and healthy lifestyle guidance as well as her commitment as an originator and member of the Charlton Earth Day Festival Committee earned her the award.

“It’s very nice to be recognized for the work that you do because you see a need for it or it’s something that you believe in,” David said. “You’re not really expecting anything back other than getting something done. It’s nice that people appreciate what we do, and it’s very satisfying.”

While there were many humble honorees represented over the course of the ceremony possibly the humblest was the Citizen of the Year. This year’s biggest honor went to Kathy Kuehl who was described as “kind, thoughtful, caring, and a generous person” by those who nominated her. Over the years Kuehl was instrumental in kickstarting the Old Home Day Parade, has worked with the American Legion for over 45 years, became a lifetime member of the Helping Hand Society, and served 35 years with the Charlton Senior Center just to name a few of her accomplishments. She has received numerous honors over that time, but for her it’s



Sen. Anne Gobi presents a citation from the Senate to Charlton Community Award recipient Sue Crockett.



Community Award winner Linda Davis is recognized by Charlton Board of Selectman Chair David Singer.



State Rep. Peter Durant greets Charlton Community Service Award winner Rita Reil.



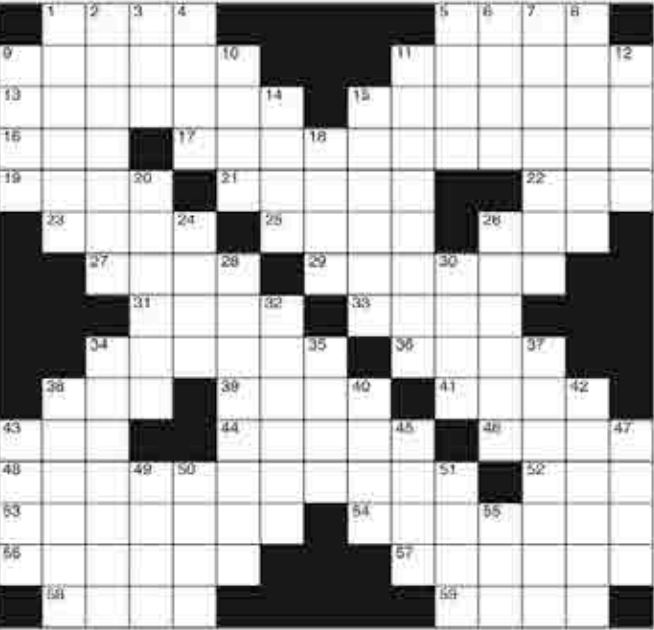
Quinn Beck was recognized with the Charlton Youth Award.

not about the awards it’s about being a strong and committed member of a tight-knit community that provides the most rewards.

“It feels great I want to thank everybody who nominated me,” Kuehl said in an interview. “It’s a nice gesture, but I do like the olden days.”

Kuehl called Charlton a “great place to raise your family” and said the people help make it a wonderful community.

Other honorees included the Old Home Day Parade Marshall Debra Ciesluk who dedicated her honor to her parents who inspired her and her siblings to become active members of the community. Comosse Masonry Supply was honored with the Business Award for their longstanding commitment to Charlton while the family of former selectman Jack Bacon, who passed away in January, were on hand to accept a posthumous award for Bacon’s years of service to the town as both a town official and an educator as Bay Path Regional Vocational High School.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Babies’ eating accessories

5. Charge on a coat of arms

9. Set of five

11. California town

13. One who cites

15. Elected official

16. Japanese delicacy

17. Couldn’t be happier

19. Enormous

21. Hunter’s tool

22. Georgia rockers

23. Cold wind

25. Beginner

26. Where you sleep

27. Without

29. We all have them

31. Spoiled
33. Platform

34. Drama and horror are two

36. In abundance

38. Turf

39. Inventor Musk

41. Negative answers

43. French river

44. Saps of energy

46. Type of sandwich

48. Sets apart again

52. Engage in a contest

53. Sufferings

54. Freestanding sculpture

56. Digs into

57. Fish have them

58. Speaks

59. Storage unit

CLUES DOWN

1. Spread over

2. Dyes

3. British thermal unit

4. Small city in Maine

5. Having an affection for

6. Welsh for John

7. Plays that ridicule

8. Not of your right mind

9. A way to get there

10. Hideaways

11. Relating to neurons

12. “Family City USA”

14. Proof of payment (abbr.)

15. Flew high

18. Wreaths

20. Got rid of

24. Shortly

26. Confer
28. Monies given as support

30. German electric car

32. Objects of an earlier time

34. Flat-bottomed boats

35. Small waterbird

37. Willingness to please others

38. Military actions

40. Brooklyn hoopsters

42. Took to the seas

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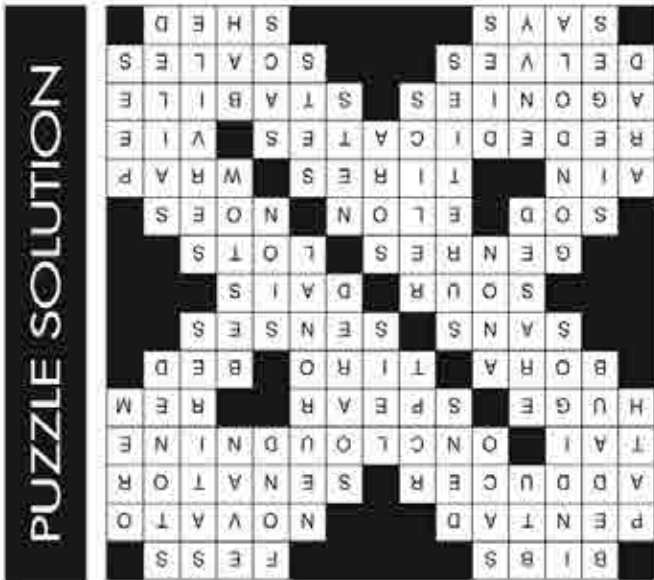
47. Titans’ DC Dean

49. Resentful longing

50. Ceases to live

51. Pouches

55. Humbug



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es,” Hall said. Among the biggest changes is, of course, technology. As a dispatcher Hall has seen a shift from purely radio communication to the use of more modern devises and computers to communi-

cate which he said has made for a much stronger, more efficient system. “Our 911 systems are improved, the ability to do computer aided dispatching has improved, so a lot of the technology has increased significantly over that time and made our jobs a lot easier,” said Hall. So, after all this time one has to wonder what keeps Hall so ingrained in

Oxford. As with many who have chosen public service and safety as their career path, for Hall its about the people and the sense of community that comes with it. “I think the people have been the best part. There have been some amazing, good, strong paramedics, firefighters and police officers in this town. Oxford is lucky. It really is. It has a great core

of people here,” Hall said. “I have no intent to leave the town or. the department anytime soon. I get a lot of value out of servicing the community.” While he acknowledged it as a cliché, Hall said the best thing he gets from his service is giving back to the community and helping people through their tough times towards a better tomorrow.

OPACUM
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Hoffman has a Ph.D from Yale University and taught at Bridgewater State University’s Anthropology Department for decades. Technically retired, he still teaches part time. He is also the author of “People of the Fresh Water Lake: A Prehistory of Westborough, Massachusetts” and “The Seven Story Tower: A Mythic Journey Through Space and Time.” “I have been interested in stone structures and generally, what I refer to as ‘cognitive archeology’ for all of my career. This refers to trying to understand the way earlier peoples construed and constructed their view of the world,” Hoffman says of his fascination

on the topic and his expertise. Dr. Hoffman has identified 18 different types of stone structures including stone piles, stone rows, chambers, balanced rocks, petroglyphs, effigies and many more. He presents evidence of the theory that these structures were created by Native Americans, but he reviews competing theories on their origin, including that the stone structures were created by pre-Columbian transatlantic travellers. The idea of contact with the American continent by transatlantic travellers earlier in history than currently hypothesized is intriguing to many, as evidenced by the popularity of the Travel Channel show America Unearthed.

Dr. Hoffman says that while he believes that pre-Columbian travel to the American continent is not impossible, and is even documented in the case of Norse travellers, he does not believe that the structures in question were created by transatlantic travellers. In fact, one could argue that the pre-Colombian theory has a distinct eurocentric bias. “Evidence I have gathered strongly indicates that the overwhelming majority of the structures are of indigenous origin. Native people in this region consider the popular notion that they were incapable of putting one rock on top of another and needed allegedly superior Europeans to show them how to do this to be insulting. I agree!” says Hoffman about the theory. Dr. Hoffman draws his conclusions

from historical accounts from the 17th through 20th centuries and observations he has recorded at over five thousand sites of the stone structures. Unfortunately, protected status for the stone structures is limited. They are protected for their historical status in some states, especially in the Southeast. However, the Massachusetts Historical Commission considers them to be the result of colonial farmers clearing their fields, rather than having a cultural significance deeper in history. Hoffman says that his research tells a different story. The Fall for Opacum Dinner and author talk will take place Wednesday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are sold online or by contacting Opacum Land trust at (508) 437-9144.

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30’ East twenty-six and three tenths (26.3) feet to a point; Thence North 16 degrees 30’ East forty-four (44) feet to a point; Thence south 87 degrees 36’ East one hundred fifty-five (155) feet to a point; Thence North 2 degrees 24’ East seventeen (17) feet to a point; Thence South 88 degrees East eighty-nine (89) feet to a point; Thence North 10 1/2 degrees East seventy-six and five tenths (76.5) feet to a point; Thence North 79 1/2 degrees West two hundred sixty-eight and four tenths (268.4) feet to a point at the easterly side of Harrison Avenue; Thence South 10 1/2 degrees West by said easterly line of Harrison Avenue one hundred forty-seven and five tenths (147.5) feet to a point; Thence South 16 degrees 30’ West still by said easterly line of Harrison Avenue seventeen and seven tenths (17.7) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. Said premises are conveyed subject to rights and conditions of record, if still In force and applicable. County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts; APN #: AUBU-000025-000000-000022 Being the same premises described in the Deed recorded in Book 33012 Page 350 at the Worcester County Registry of Deeds. The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney’s fees and costs. TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee’s attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2007-HE2 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANDS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 16-007206 September 6, 2019 September 13, 2019 September 20, 2019

Fall stocking begins



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Mass. Fish & Wildlife will be stocking trout in numerous lakes and ponds throughout the state, starting in the next two weeks. The state has 60,000 Rainbow trout and 4,000 Brown trout available for this year's fall stocking. Rainbow trout are not as easy to catch in the fall after they are stocked. It takes a few days and sometimes weeks to become acclimated to their new home. It is a great time to fish freshwater, as most anglers are gearing up for hunting season, leaving the freshly stocked trout to only a low number of anglers.

A few of the local ponds to receive a fall trout stocking are Wallum Lake, Webster Lake, Singletary Lake, Pratt Pond. For a complete list of ponds, click on to the Mass Fish & Wildlife Web site. Rivers and streams are rarely stocked with trout in the fall locally, but many of them do have hold over trout. It is worth giving them a try, but this year's spread of EEE require anglers that fish the streams and brooks to take necessary measures to protect themselves from the life threatening disease.

It is almost time to purchase a surplus deer permit in Mass. starting at 9 a.m. each day! On Sept. 24, surplus antlerless deer permits for zone 11 will go on sale. Zone 10 permits go on sale Sept. 25. Zones 9, 13, and 14 will go on sale Sept. 26. Log onto the MassFishHunt Web site. Type in your last name and birth date. Click the license sales button at the bottom of the screen.

From the menu, select surplus deer permits. Next, click add next to surplus antlerless deer permit. Click next to the zone for which you would like to purchase a surplus permit. Click check out on the



bottom right of the screen and proceed to checkout. Do it early as the permits are sold out very quick. Remember all above mentioned permits go on sale at 9 a.m.!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field day on Sept. 21. The annual event draws a good number of people to the club grounds to enjoy good food, music and entertainment. Clams, Lobster, Chowder, Chicken BBQ, along with hot dogs and hamburgers, will be available to all in attendance. Call the club to reserve your tickets prior to the event to ensure you are not left out on lobsters and clams.

Nine local bear hunters from the valley returned from Maine recently with seven harvesting their bear, including Jerry Gareri of Uxbridge. The other two had shots, but missed their target.

Fresh water bass fishing is slow, but one angler made up his own fishing lure and landed a 6.8 lb. largemouth bass from Hopedale Pond last week. This week's picture shows Bill Philips with his huge largemouth bass which was weighed

in at Jerry's Bait & Tackle shop in Milford. The huge bass was kept alive and released into Hopedale Pond. Hopedale Pond has its share of big large-mouth bass and it is a favorite fishing hole for many local anglers.

On the saltwater scene, this week's picture shows a large seabass that was caught by a Mass. Marine Fisheries Analyst Nichola Meserve during a 2018 pilot study to identify Black Seabass" hot spots." Black Seabass can grow up to 25 inches, and can live up to 25 years, and weigh up to eight pounds!

Unfortunately, commercial fishermen in Massachusetts & Rhode Island. have open and closed seasons for seabass, resulting in a wasted resource when they are catching them and throwing them back during the closed season. As I mentioned in one of my columns recently the seabass that are caught during the closed season most often die from stress after they have been caught and returned to the ocean during the closed season. Stripers are also wasted after be released by commercial anglers fishing with nets.



Now the Mass. Marine Fisheries Biologist are contemplating a plan to ask Charter boat Captains not to fish in areas where there are high haddock and cod populations. They have made a map for recreational anglers and Rod & Reel anglers on charter boats to fish in that have a good population of haddock and very few cod, hoping to cut down on mortality of the released cod which stands at 15 percent or higher. Reeling in cod from depths of 100 feet to as much as 200 feet often results in mortality of the species, when released. I have seen bladders of fish often coming out of their mouths when reeled in from these depths.

Have the commercial and recreational anglers keep all of there catch on numerous species. Allowing a daily limit of 10 fish per day of cod or haddock for recreational anglers, should help stop this crazy waste of our fish stocks. Commercial limits on poundage for trawlers including there bycatch, needs to be implemented. The sooner they catch their quota of fish, the sooner they stop fishing, resulting in less fishing being caught and wasted. Just an idea. Something needs to be done, and soon.

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Extracurricular activities make for a better student

Day in and day out, we see high school students bust through the doors when the clock strikes 2:45 p.m. to make their way for home. Some students are headed to an after school job or to help out with the family business; however, those cases are few and far between. Some of the best learning actually happens after school due to the fact that any extracurricular activity you are a part of is by choice. Being a part of a sports team teaches teamwork, discipline, commitment, keeps you fit and healthy; not to mention, it's fun.

If your budding student isn't into sports, have no fear — there are a plethora of clubs and activities that go on after school that do not require a mouthguard or running shoes. The list of clubs is nearly endless — Spanish club, French Club, FFA, FBLA, Film and Art clubs, Odyssey of the Mind, TSA, to name a few. If you can think it, there's a club for it. Oftentimes, students aren't aware of the fact that they may excel at a specific sport because they have not yet been exposed to it. If there isn't a club your Sally or Johnny are interested in, have them form one of their own. To participate in just school during regular hours is to rob yourself from the full experience, it can also be viewed as simple laziness.

Extracurricular activities can help a student 'push their paradigms' as a wise teacher once said. High endurance activities train athletes to practice patience and resilience in the face of intense conditions and also teaches what it means to set and achieve a goal.

Leadership clubs such as YLTA fosters management and delegation skills and debate clubs can teach students how to gain more confidence for public speaking.


When a student is involved in extracurricular activities, they expand their social circle. It presents a chance for students to spend time with those who share similar interests. Time management skills are honed due to the balancing act that being more involved in hobbies requires.

Students who branch out into other facets of school life are more likely to settle into a career they are passionate about. When they expose themselves to different things the chance becomes higher that they will meet a diverse group of students as well as formulate their own ideas on their future.

According to one study, students who are involved in extracurricular activities surpass their peers in the classroom and maintain a sense of belonging and overall well being. Clubs play a large role in developing a student's self-esteem and also allows them to feel like they're contributing to a larger cause.

Colleges hold students who are more involved in their school community in higher esteem. The clubs and sports they are involved in gives a clearer picture of what the student is like and what they can offer the university.

Schools should require every student to be involved in at least three different extracurricular activities by the time they graduate. Oftentimes, parents will give in to their child's lack of motivation; however, adolescence is when they need our guidance the most. If you raise the bar, they will reach it.



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Fall Foliage: Facts and Tracks

(Each year Mother Nature puts on a spectacular show across New England. Blazing colors paint the landscape as lush crimson and gold canopies line the winding roads of our region. People travel from across the nation (and the world) to view the majestic foliage that is uniquely "New England."

While the highly anticipated show of colors typically arrive in mid to late September through October, it's impossible to accurately track the path of nature's paintbrush. Factors that affect the timing of autumn leaves changing colors include biology of the trees and environmental influences such as rainfall, sunshine and nutrients in the soil. In the spirit of planning this year's leaf peeping jaunts, the following info is offered.



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nears, this site offers a foliage map of Massachusetts that highlights peak dates for statewide regions. A "must see" for those serious about viewing the color show at its peak.

Scenic Routes: The Massachusetts Bureau of Travel and Tourism has rounded up top foliage destinations that include the following scenic routes that are a comfortable drive from the Our Town region.

Central Massachusetts: Enjoy superb color at a relaxed pace when you drive along the less frequently traveled routes to the Quabbin Reservoir: From Rt. 128, follow Rt. 117 to Stow, in the heart of apple country, then Rt. 62 South and West to Princeton. Turn north on the unnumbered route to Wachusett Mountain Reservation. There you can drive, hike or take a "skyride" to the summit for a sweeping view of the countryside. Return to Rt. 62 and head west to Barre, then south on Rt. 32 to Old Furnace Rd. Follow the unnumbered road west to Hardwick. Turn north on Rt. 32A, which runs along the Quabbin Reservoir to Petersham. At Petersham follow Rt. 101 East through Templeton, Gardner and the Ashburnhams to the junction with Rt. 119. Head east on Rt. 119 through the Willard Brook State Forest in Ashby and Townsend.

Greater Springfield/Franklin County: The secondary roads of Rt. 116 and Rt. 9 wind through rolling countryside and hill towns. Rt. 116 passes through the picturesque towns of Conway and Ashfield; Rt. 9 leads through the village centers of Cummington and Goshen and the college towns of Northampton and Amherst. Scenic routes 143 and 112 travel through rolling New England countryside in the towns of Goshen, Chesterfield, Worthington and Huntington.

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What can a financial advisor do for you?



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What does investing mean to you? If the word makes you think of transactions – buying or selling stocks and bonds – you're looking at just part of the picture. To work toward all your goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you need a comprehensive financial strategy. And for that, you might need to work with a personal financial advisor. But what, specifically, can this type of professional do for you?

Here are some of the key services a financial advisor can provide:

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While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you'll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you'll want to pick someone who understands what's important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you'll want someone who will be with you in the long run – someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

A financial advisor can make a big difference in your life. So, work diligently to find the right one – and take full advantage of the help you'll receive as you move toward your important goals.

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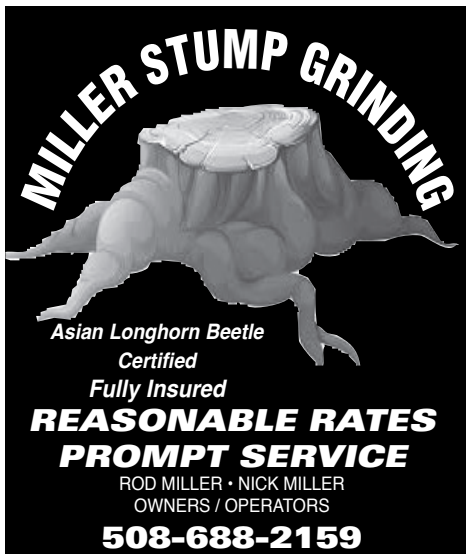
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SPORTS

A win for Rockets, a positive first game experience for David Prouty



Auburn's Bryan Cavanaugh sprints down the field with possession of the ball firmly on his right foot.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — After seemingly sleepwalking through the first half of its game with David Prouty Regional, the Auburn High boys' varsity soccer team scored two goals in a four-minute span early in the second half and proceeded to defeat the Panthers, 2-0, at Memorial Field on Monday, Sept. 9.

With the win Auburn improved to 2-0-1 overall and 2-0 in the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL). David Pouty, making its 2019 season debut after two games had to be rescheduled, is 0-1 overall and in the SWCL.

"We didn't play great today;

we played well enough to pull it out," Rockets' head coach Chris Bailey said. "The first 25-30 minutes we were very, very flat, and then we started moving the ball. We were going up over the top early; we weren't playing our possession game, our ball movement game. Once we started doing that we were fine."

Senior Mike Breen staked Auburn to a 1-0 lead in the ninth minute of the second half, scoring on a header off a right-to-left crossing pass from classmate Sam Almeida.

"Mike Breen is a tremendous athlete. He's a really good soccer player, but even more so he's just a tremendous athlete."

Bailey said. "He starts for us in the back and he doesn't score a lot of goals, but he comes up into the offensive end on corners and set plays and this was a set play."

Breen's goal seemed to stagger the Panthers.

"You could see our posture change when they scored," David Prouty head coach Jed Prouty said. "So, we're going to work on our mentality this week. I want to make sure my guys stay in the game when they get behind the eight ball."

While it's a no-brainer to say that scoring the first goal of a game is big, it seemed even bigger in this game because the upstart Panthers, a Division 4 school, were fighting the Division 3 Rockets tooth and nail into the 49th minute.

"Right before Mike scored one of my players came to the sideline and said, 'if we can just get one we can probably take the wind out of them,'" Bailey said. "That's exactly what happened."

Junior Drew Lemanski extended the Auburn lead to 2-0 four minutes later, scoring off an assist from classmate Fidel Castro.

"Drew's goal came after some good ball movement by us," Bailey said. "We had three or four touches in a row in the middle — our runs usually come in the middle — and Drew got a good shot because of that ball movement."

Senior Coleman Picard posted the shutout in net for the Rockets, making three saves. Picard has not allowed a goal to be scored on him — or the Rockets — this season.

David Prouty received excellent play in net, too, sophomore Dan Blazejewski making 15 saves, nine coming in the first half.

"Dan is a young keeper and he did an outstanding job," Prouty said. "We got a new keeper coach for him this year and I think that has made a big difference. Dan was real good last year and we expect great things from him in the future."

Coach Prouty was disappointed with the loss, but remained upbeat after the game.

"We knocked the rust off a little bit today," he said, referring to his team's first game of the season. "I thought some of our young guys played well. I like a lot of what I saw today. I'm not disappointed with the guys; they played hard."

"As far as I'm concerned we were in the game the whole way," Prouty continued. "A couple of stupid little mistakes cost us a couple of goals, but I was pretty happy with our overall performance."



Aidan McGrail of Auburn looks to make a move on a David Prouty defender.



Auburn's Nolan Kennedy gets his head on the ball while patrolling the middle of the field.



Mike Breen of Auburn soars through the air to get his foot on the ball.



Auburn keeper Coleman Picard makes the save before David Prouty's offensive players can swoop in for the score.



Nate Lewos of Auburn reacts to a potential injury.


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SPORTS

Balanced effort helps Bay Path blank Pirates, 3-0



Bay Path's Devin Hanlan gets the inside edge on an Oxford defender while dribbling toward the goal.



Colin Richardson of Bay Path shields Oxford's Vincent LaRonde-Navin with the ball incoming.



Colin Gagne of Bay Path extends his right leg in order to kick the ball away versus Oxford.



Bay Path's Andrew Makowiecki dribbles the ball past an Oxford defender.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD — Devin Hanlan scored one goal and assisted on another to help lead the Bay Path Regional boys' varsity soccer team to a 3-0 road win over Oxford High on Friday, Sept. 6.

Three different players scored for the Minutemen (2-0). Junior Matt Livsey and freshman John Guerin were also able to put the ball in the back of the net.

"We like to spread it around," Bay Path head coach Dave Martinson said. "That worked out nice."

The Minutemen jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the sixth minute of the game. Hanlan, who was surrounded by three Oxford defenders in the middle of the field about 10 yards in front of the goal, managed to slip the ball to his left to Livsey. Livsey gathered the ball in and drilled a shot, which zipped past Oxford goalie Calib Goyette.

Bay Path doubled its lead to 2-0 at the midway point of the first half, senior tri-captain Colin Richardson feeding Hanlan with a long breakout pass about 40 yards from the Pirates' goal. Hanlan did the rest after getting control of the ball, dribbling down to within 10 yards of the goal before faking to his right and shooting left, the ball easily nestling into the far corner of the goal.

Guérin scored the final goal of the game, with 10 minutes to play before halftime, off an assist from senior tri-captain Andrew Makowiecki.

"I thought it was a good win for us," Martinson said. "We worked hard on trying to keep control of the ball and keep them away from their attacking zone. By doing that we gave ourselves some opportunities and we capitalized on them. They were fast, though. They had a couple of good opportunities but [goalkeeper] Aiden [Sabatinelli] came up big for us, especially on their scoring chance right off the bat in the first half."

Sabatinelli finished with four saves.

"Paul [Oxford head coach Paul Frykberg] does a good job with his kids," Martinson said. "They've come a long way in the time he's been coaching them."

Less than a minute after Bay Path went ahead 1-0 Oxford had a chance to score the equalizer, but a shot off the foot of Tyler Constantine banged off the left post and bounced harmlessly away. Constantine had another solid scoring chance later in the first half, but Sabatinelli was able to save the hard-hit shot.

The Pirates also had a quality scoring opportunity in the opening minutes of the second half, but two Oxford attackers were unable to connect on a pass that seemed like it would have led to a good scoring chance.

"One of our keys to the game today was in the first five minutes of each half to come out flying, to come out strong," Frykberg said. "I think we did a pretty good job of that. In the future I just think we need

to do a better job of finishing those opportunities rather than kicking the ball over the bar or right at the opposing goalie."

Frykberg said Bay Path's harassing defense bothered his offensive players.

"Their defenders were a bit more physical than we were. They did a really good job of

bodying our guys off the ball and using their bodies to keep us out of the attacking zone," Frykberg said. "They used their physicality well. Once my guys adjust to the physicality they'll be able to use their speed to get to goal pretty easily. That's the game plan, anyway."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Sign up for annual Oxford Little League Steven J. Horgan Memorial Golf Tournament

The annual Oxford Little League Steven J. Horgan Memorial Golf Tournament, now in its eighth year, is set for Sunday, Sept. 22 at 11 a.m. at Pine Ridge Country Club. There will be a shotgun start, food, prizes, contests, sports collectibles and a silent auction. The sign up deadline is Sept. 14, and the cost is \$100 per player or \$25 for the dinner only. There are also tee and green sponsors for \$200. To register for sponsorship/golf/dinner, please email your foursome/dinner guests to horgangolftournament@gmail.com. All checks should be payable to the Oxford Little League and mailed to: Oxford Little League Steven J. Horgan Golf Tournament PO Box 671 North Oxford, MA 01537. Only the first 36 foursomes will be accepted, so please sign up early.

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Bay Path's Tyler Bohenko heaves a long throw-in back into play.

What’s hot at auction?

I’ve discussed items that are selling well and those that aren’t in several past columns. Our August auction showed that many of the antiques and collectibles that have sold well over the past decade continue to do so. I thought I’d share some of the results from that auction in this article.



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and sideboard by Bernhard Pedersen brought \$1,000.

Older artwork drew strong bidding at auction. A small painting by listed artist Edward Potthast sold for \$1,000 to a telephone bidder. An early 18th century folk art painting of a little girl went for \$3,000.

Better collectibles and ephemera drew plenty of bidder interest. A 1960’s “Great Gorloo” battery operated toy went for \$270. A Victorian era trade card album sold for \$275 and another from the same estate brought \$400. Older superhero comics continue to sell well. The Incredible Hulk comic book issues 3, 5, and 6 brought \$675, despite being well read and worn copies. A group of nine 1878-CC Morgan silver

dollars topped the coins being offered when they sold for \$3,100.

Sterling silver prices have been trending upward and flatware brought figures well above silver melt prices. A small ornate Stieff partial flatware set went for \$925. A larger International Silver Wedgwood pattern set reached \$2,700.

Also noteworthy in our August auction was a 1979 Datsun 280 ZX with a little over 64,000 miles. After telephone and in-house bidding, it reached \$6,500.

Jewelry was the top selling item in our auction last month. A 14-karat white gold estate jewelry pin shaped like a bee sold for \$275. A platinum and diamond ladies watch went for \$650. Quality loose diamonds and diamond rings led the way at auction. A ring with 3 diamonds

brought \$2,000, despite having been appraised as clarity enhanced. An approximately 2-carat pear shaped diamond had considerable wear but still sold for \$2,900. A brilliant cut .95 carat loose diamond reached \$3,000. A deep cut 1.46 carat diamond ring fetched \$4,000. A loose 2.3 carat diamond that we sold had a chip. The appraisal report recommended it be recut to a smaller size because of the chip. Despite the flaw, it sold for \$8,500 proving that diamonds continue to shine at auction.



I hope to meet some of you at my “Evaluating your Antiques” class at the Bay Path Evening School in Charlton on Sept. 17. I’ll be lecturing at the Auburn Public Library at 10 a.m. on Sept. 21 and I’ll be back again on Oct. 5 for appraisals. My next appraisal event takes place at 1 p.m. on Sept. 21 for the Finnish Heritage Society

Sovittaja in Rutland. I’ll be lecturing at the Worcester Senior Center on Oct. 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Another appraisal event takes place at the Shrewsbury Historical Society on Oct. 23. Please see www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other events.

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school fees, I said ‘How much is the fee?’ and he said ‘\$50,’” Brouillette recalled. “I said ‘\$50 a month?’ And he said ‘No, \$50 a year.’ I said ‘So if I give you a check for \$100, I’ll have two kids at school?’ And he said yes, and that’s how we started.”

Since then, the organization has exponentially grown from those two kids, to this year anticipating having about 750 kids in school. While this growth is tremendous, Brouillette says that there’s no slowing down for the organization.

“It’s not just about kids in school anymore,” she said. “It’s about healthy families and improving their lives. Making sure it’s not a struggle for daily survival.”

The nonprofit is currently partnering with Well Aware, an organization that provides successful clean water systems in East Africa, to fundraise for a solar powered pump well in Bibwa. After they get the funding and build the well, the organization wants to build a medical clinic in Bibwa that could service hundreds of people who are currently without access to medical care.

Brouillette says that she was overwhelmed by the poverty she saw during her last visit to Bibwa but sees a chance for positive change in the community if they could have access to clean water. Nearly 60 percent of wells installed in communities like Bibwa will fail in the first year due to poor planning or implementation. Much of the soil in these areas is fine, like sand, and requires a well that contains a steel

encased tube to keep the well from failing. While it is more expensive, the investment of a well like this could last anywhere from 20 to 25 years.

“If we can provide a clean water source, they’ll be able to cook, clean, grow crops and keep livestock. Kids will be able to finish school,” she said.

According to Brouillette, one of the main things keeping kids from completing their education is sickness.

“I have seen 80 kids begin the school year, and only 65 finish because [the rest] got sick,” she explained.

Most families are too poor to afford any medicine meaning kids can get sick in the beginning of the school year and may not return until the next academic year because their recovery time is so much longer.

The passion and motivation Brouillette and the community of people already involved in her organization is unmistakable. While looking through photos of the last time Brouillette was in Bibwa she speaks with determination to return and help as many people as she can.

“This last time when I went to Bibwa was life changing,” she said. “I have never been so appalled by the level of poverty there is in that community.”

Brouillette said, “They don’t let their poverty run their lives though. They don’t know how impoverished they are compared to other communities so they have the same hopes and dreams that kids here have. Their parents have big dreams for them like parents here.”

There is no solid deadline for this fundraiser, simply a goal

to help as many families for as long as they can. Brouillette plans to return to Bibwa next summer with a team of people that include religious order members, nurses and even a builder to help further develop their plans of building a medical clinic. It will take a great deal of help and donations can be made easily online.

Brouillette encourages everyone to visit their facebook page to view the photos from the last trip she took to Bibwa and see the people whose lives you can help make a difference in as well as stay connected for information on future fundraising events. Their Web site, to donate or sponsor a child’s education for only \$10 a month, is <http://kidsinthecongo.org/>.

Lastly, Brouillette and the organization can be reached by phone at (413) 209-6526.

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Is your oil tank or oil supply line older than “Woodstock?”

BY DANA GEORGE REED

If the answer is yes, or “close enough,” now is a good time to give some professional attention to that often overlooked fuel-supply section of a regular heating equipment cleaning and tune-up. With another early morning 50F reading on the outdoor thermometer at our home, it was a pleasant and gentle reminder that August was waning and the fall not far away. Americans, in particular, also recently marked the 50th anniversary of the historic Woodstock Music Festival, the three-plus day event of a generation on August 15-18, 1969 in Bethel, N.Y. America had a new and 37th President, Richard M. Nixon, and we had just put the first man on the moon nearly a month earlier, fulfilling the late President John F. Kennedy’s vision. I was seven years of age then, no awareness or interest yet in the political, social or cultural upheavals of that turbulent decade. However, I do remember watching the historic moon landing on our Black and White tube-type TV set with a 30-foot-high roof-mounted antenna and electric antenna rotator. No “Cable TV” back in the day! Fast forward to 2013 and later. My challenging experiences with our older oil-fired heating system, a Burnham warm-air furnace (Model BOL-96) and the oil tank/supply line—when it all reached that half-century or more of age, prompted me to share my findings and offer some professional advice to other owners of aging residential and commercial oil-fired equipment. For background, I became interested in the many different types and manufacturers of oil burners and associated heating systems as a young teenager in the 1970s, those installed at our home and those of relatives and friends. Nonetheless, my undergraduate education and career took a different path. More recently, I took classes and studied for—and passed—the Massachusetts Oil Burner Technician License exam, to take an avocational interest “next level” to professional.

Cleanliness, safety, reliability and efficiency of heating oil: Whether it’s newer heating equipment with advancements in efficiency, oil-burner and primary-control/safety technology, or most of the older equipment still remaining in service—regularly cleaned and tuned for its best efficiency while maintaining a smoke-free flame, burning oil is typically a clean, safe, comfortable, reliable and efficient experience for oil heat customers. The emissions from residential oil burners properly maintained and tuned are so clean they are not even regulated by the U.S. Government! Contrast and compare to vehicle engines powered by gasoline or diesel, or U.S. power plants. One gallon of No. 2 heating oil contains approximately 139,000 British Thermal Units (commonly expressed as either BTU or Btus). For reference, 1 BTU is the amount of heat required to raise 1 pound of water 1-degree F. Some brief comparisons: Kerosene yields nearly 132,000 Btus per gallon; Propane 91,330 Btus per gallon; Natural Gas averages 1,027 Btus per cubic foot and about 135 cubic feet equals one gallon of oil; One full cord of Wood has the heat value of between 95 and 140 gallons of oil (this wide range is likely due to the many different kinds of wood that is burned and significant combustion-efficiency differences in a variety of wood-burning appliances); Anthracite Coal yields 12,000 Btus per pound, and about 12 pounds of coal equals the heat content of one gallon of No. 2 oil, and lastly, Electricity yields 3,412 Btus per kilowatt hour (kWh), so 40.6 kWh equals one gallon of No. 2 oil. (NORA Oilheat Technicians Manual, 2008 Edition/Silver, at Glossary VIII). Oil heat has a remarkable reliability record despite wars, embargoes, political unrest and natural disasters; oil heat keeps its customers warm. (ibid. at 2-3). This reli-



ability is partly due to the variety of places where crude oil is found, the resourcefulness of everyone from the refiners to the local oil dealer, the flexibility of the delivery system, and the stability and safety inherent in heating oil. (ibid.). Heating oil has a fairly low “flash point” (ASTM specified for No. 1 and No. 2 oil is 100 degrees F minimum) where hydrogen flashes off but the fuel will not continue to burn, and a much higher ignition point—over 500 degrees F for No. 2 oil making it relatively safe and stable (ibid. at 2-4, 2-5), as compared to gasoline and propane and their vapors, or natural gas.

They don’t make them like they used to: That oil furnace mentioned above that came with our home was installed around 1963 under a previous owner. I oversaw its necessary removal and replacement in May of 2016. An increasing hole or breach was discovered in the heat exchanger from an unpleasant but temporary “diesel” odor at oil-burner startup. This is a potentially dangerous operating condition. The furnace lasted an amazing 53 years in service, but probably had a smaller breach of the heat exchanger that wasn’t obvious several years earlier. It could have been replaced a little sooner based on age alone, but being proficient with tune ups and routine cleanings over the decades, I squeezed a few extra years from it. Typical heating season oil consumption, with some minor amount of wood burning in the outer great room, was typically two to two and a half tanks of heating oil. Not bad for a Kennedy-era heating system and over 1,400 square feet of living area to heat. The Burnham furnace fired up to 0.85 gal/hour at 96,000 BTU output, a little more than necessary for the home, but they oversized them typically in the old days. It still had the original lower-speed Crane Oil Burner (Burnham Model 55J) with a cast-iron head. The new furnace fires up to 0.75 gal/hour at 85,000 BTU output, still more than enough for this home. It came with a newer high-speed flame-retention-head oil burner, the ubiquitous Beckett AFG that more efficiently burns the oil in the combustion chamber at a higher flame temperature. While this replacement scenario/equipment upgrade is very common over time with furnaces (warm air output), water heaters and boilers (boilers produce primarily either hot water to circulate for heat, or steam), what often receives less attention on an annual basis is the fuel tank and supply line, oil condition and good filtration for oil purity. For purposes of this article, I am focusing primarily on these oil-supply components and the importance of maintaining a clean and leak-free supply of oil to the burner for efficient smoke-free operation and reliable performance on especially those cold winter days and nights. This applies whether you are using older or newer oil-fired equipment. With our newer furnace and flame-re-

tention oil burner, we now use between 1.75 and 2 tank loads of oil per heating season, a fuel savings of approximately 17 to 20 percent annually.

Keeping an older-but-tight oil tank: Our indoor 275-gallon oil tank is very old, but still working with no leaks. Nameplate indicates “Wachusett Tank and Welding Corp., Leominster, Mass.” How old is it? The fuel gauge atop has the manufacturer’s address listed as “Rochester 10, NY.” That’s right, it pre-dated zip codes, so I place its age at least the same as the old failing furnace now replaced, and it may be even older! The important thing to remember is that older oil tanks, especially those installed outside and more exposed to the elements including wider temperature variations, will typically develop some amount of internal sludge and other corrosion/deposits (rust, sediments) depending on the environment they are subjected to. Water and condensation—even becoming ice in outside tanks and lines, quality of the particular fuel delivered over time and age of the fuel can contribute to a less-than-optimal internal tank environment and fuel quality that can cause problems, and often at an inconvenient time (e.g., bitterly cold weather). In extreme cases, heavy deposits in older tanks can cause the outlet, fuel piping or copper fuel line to become partially or completely blocked requiring service. Fuel oil also degrades over long periods of time if used infrequently due to an empty residence or building, or chiefly using other home heating sources such as wood, coal, or pellet stoves, solar, etc. A brief discussion about heating-oil additives: Some oil companies pre-treat their fuel with additives to provide a premium quality fuel product. Alternately, a homeowner can directly treat their oil supply using one of several high-quality fuel additives available today. It is nonetheless important to follow the instructions for adding same, and pay particular attention to not over-treat the fuel volume. Use only the dosage recommended for the particular volume of gallons you will be treating. More additive is usually not better! Many additives are concentrated fuel-system cleaners and using too much can loosen and liquefy objectionable amounts of tank sludge that may now residually pass through the filter(s), fuel pump and get to the smallest orifice in the system—the oil-burner nozzle—where it can begin to solidify, clog and distort the proper oil-spray pattern required for good combustion. This undesirable process can escalate rapidly at the combustion chamber environment due to the widely-varying temperatures the small oil-metering nozzle is often subjected to. Another and often better way to aggressively treat fuel oil from an older on-site storage tank, either in addition to using a fuel additive, or in lieu of same, is to have an independent licensed oil burner technician, or your oil company

serviceman, install a high-efficiency oil filter. It is very cost effective compared to replacing the oil tank, although the latter has its benefits and is often the right decision, especially if the tank is leaking! Regardless, you may also benefit from upsizing an older, small cartridge filter design to a larger model and using the newest (tighter) filter-element media technology available for it, and/or you can have one or more high-efficiency spin-on fuel oil filters installed inline to further assist in removing the smaller particles and “fines” of sludge and other impurities as small as 10 microns in size. In extreme cases of transitional sludge and repeated oil burner nozzle fouling, using 2-3 high-efficiency oil filters in series between the tank and oil-burner fuel unit (oil pump) is not too many if replacing an aging tank is not desired, or in your budget. This is known as multi-stage filtering and the result is a very clean and impurity-free fuel oil to the burner. The only normal downside is the cost of replacing more than one filter element every year, or whenever they are deemed ready to be replaced. An increasing vacuum reading across a filter during burner operation, over time, indicates increasing flow restriction and the element should be replaced. Finally, although some such services and equipment are available, I don’t generally recommend attempting to have a very old oil tank manually cleaned of sludge and deposits, for reuse of original purpose. Leaks have been reported following such cleanings. That type of direct cleaning of an older age-weakened steel tank can actually expose smaller pin holes, especially at the bottom of the tank where the water/condensation will end up and corrosion will often manifest (water is heavier than oil—it goes to the bottom of the tank).

Benefits of replacing the tank: It must be emphasized if an oil tank (indoor or outdoor) of any age is leaking, it should be professionally inspected and remedied immediately, or replaced if necessary. Installing a new oil tank with fresh heating oil rather than transferring any unused oil that may remain in your older tank is the better and more complete way to eliminate a sludge problem—by avoiding re-introducing any contaminated oil. Use it all up first from the older tank, if you can. Also, outdoor above-ground oil tanks can often leak undetected by their owners due to the leak fumes directly vented to the outdoors. Even smaller oil leaks are generally more noticeable from indoor or basement oil tank installations due to their enclosure within a contained space/room. Although new oil tanks come in several different styles and can feature other material besides steel, the ob-round steel configuration used for decades is still the most common tank. You can spot newer oil tanks as they have the outlet port at the very bottom of the tank, not on the side of the tank. Oil

is drawn from the bottom of the tank to reduce the amount of condensation (water) and sludge build-up in the tank. Again, water is a contaminant that can form rust in the steel tank and fuel system, bacteria and increase sludge. If large amounts of water are found in an oil tank, or evidenced elsewhere in an oil burner fuel system, the likely source must be identified and the situation corrected as soon as possible to prevent any further tank and fuel-system damage.

A Reminder—Oil Lines and Massachusetts legal requirement to upgrade: By Sept. 30, 2011 and as a result of a then-new law to address oil leaks from home heating systems, Massachusetts homeowners of 1- to 4-unit residences who heat their homes with oil were (are still) required to upgrade the oil supply line by either the installation of an oil safety valve (OSV) or an oil supply line with a protective sleeve, on systems that do not currently have these devices. I have observed some Bay State residences in non-compliance well after the date above using older, un-sleeved copper line on or beneath a basement concrete floor. This law’s other major provision requires insurance companies that write homeowner policies to offer coverage for leaks from heating systems that use oil. Either device must be installed by a licensed oil burner technician. It is important to note that heating oil systems installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990 most likely are already in compliance as state fire codes implemented these requirements on new installations at that time. Exemptions apply if 1. The oil burner is located above the oil storage tank and the entire oil supply line is connected to and above the top of the tank, OR 2. An OSV or oil supply line with protective sleeve was installed on or after Jan. 1, 1990, AND 3. Those changes comply with the oil burning equipment regulations; a copy of the oil burner permit from the local fire department may be used to demonstrate compliance. Beyond the legal requirement, homeowners who take these preventative measures can avoid the disruption and expense that can be caused by heating oil leaks. A leak may result in exposure to petroleum vapors in your home. If the leak reaches the soil or groundwater beneath your house, then a cleanup must be performed to restore your property to state environmental standards. Further, leaks that affect another property or impact drinking water supply wells can complicate the cleanup and increase the expense dramatically. The cleanup cost for a “simple” leak can be as much as \$15,000. In cases where the leak affects groundwater or is more extensive, the cleanup costs can reach \$250,000 or more. Finally, the typical and relatively small cost of installing either an OSV or oil supply line with a protective sleeve ranges from \$150-\$350, including labor, parts and local permit fees. (Homeowner Oil Heating System Upgrade and Insurance Law fact sheet, February 2011, Mass. Department of Fire Services/MA DEP).

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OBITUARIES

Bernice A. (Johnson) White Garry, 83



AUBURN – Bernice A. (Johnson) White Garry, 83, of Deerfield Circle, died Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at Webster Manor Nursing Home in Webster, after a long illness. She was predeceased by her first husband of 33 years, Bernard J. White of Oxford who died in 1987. She is survived by her husband of 23 years, Raymond H. Garry of Auburn; two

sons, Bruce A. White and his wife Susan of North Oxford, and Brian M. White and his wife Sandra of Oxford; three stepchildren, Paulette R. Beaudin and her husband Robert of Spencer, Sandra J. Abdella and her husband Paul of North Oxford, and Wayne R. Garry and his wife Diane of Florida; her brother, Wayne Johnson and his wife Donna of North Oxford; 13 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. She was predeceased by two brothers, Robert and Walter Johnson. She was born in

Worcester, daughter of the late Walter G. and Hellen R. (Cook) Johnson, and lived in Charlton and Oxford before moving to Auburn 23 years ago. She enjoyed spending winters in Florida for 16 years. She attended Charlton High School.

Mrs. Garry was a manager at the Fair in Worcester for many years prior to retirement. She enjoyed playing cards, reading, and going to the beach. Her greatest joy in life was her family.

A funeral was held on Saturday, September 14, 2019, from Paradis-

Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, followed by a Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 194 Oxford St. North, Auburn. Burial followed at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours were Friday, September 13, 2019, from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Church, 194 Oxford St. North, Auburn, MA 01501. paradisfuneralhome.com

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday, September 16

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT: 6 p.m., selectmen's meeting room, Town Hall. The Auburn Board of Selectmen cordially invite past and present board members to the second annual Volunteer Appreciation Night. For the purposes of ordering refreshments, please RSVP by phone at (508) 832-7720 or by e-mail at AuburnBOS@town.auburn.ma.us. Please include "Volunteer Recognition" in the subject line. Any questions may be directed to Selectman Tristan Laliberte at 721-9974 or Selectman Dan Carpenter at 832-2919.

Saturday, September 21

ROAST BEEF SUPPER: 5 p.m., First Congregational Church, 128 Central St., Auburn. Tickets are \$10 for adults and children 10 and under are free. No reservations are needed. Additional parking is available at the Town Hall.

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MUSEUM HOURS: The Auburn Historical Museum, 41 South St. is open Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon, and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Admission is free to see a variety of artifacts and memorabilia concerning Auburn as far back as when it was known as the town of Ward. All are welcome to come. For more information contact Sari Bitticks at sarilb@verizon.net.

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ing, which allows us time to socialize too. We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St. in Oxford. It is the building directly behind the Oxford Town Hall building. For more information, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or lisirichard15@yahoo.com.

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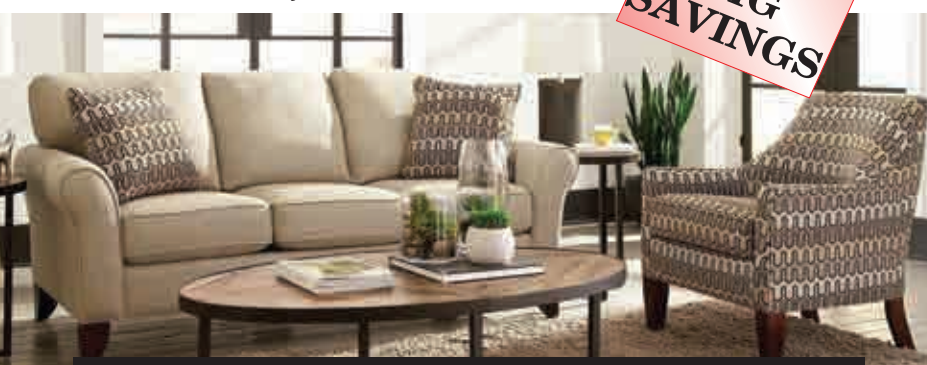
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SPENCER

24 Bay Path Rd	S	12:30 -2pm	\$259,900	Re/Max professional Associates/ Patrick Sweeney 774-452-3578
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

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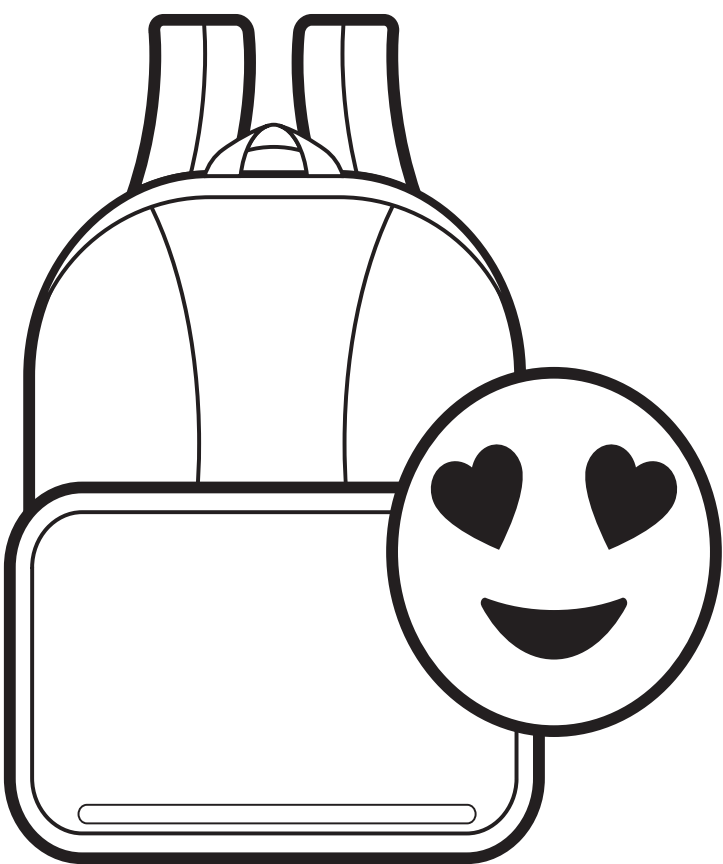
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- **1956:** ELVIS PRESLEY APPEARS ON THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW.



TRUE OR FALSE?
BACKPACKS SHOULD WEIGH
NO MORE THAN 5 TO 10 PERCENT
OF A CHILD'S WEIGHT.

ANSWER: TRUE



POSTURE

body position when
sitting or standing

How they
say that in...

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SPANISH: Alumno

ITALIAN: Studente

FRENCH: Élève

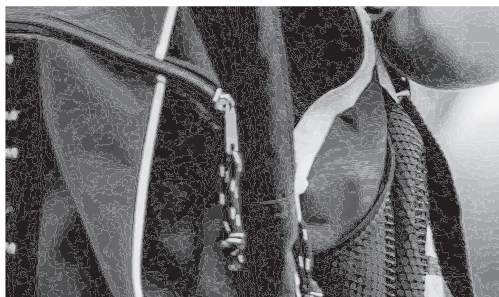
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