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United Way kicks off 2018 campaign



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Weayonnoh Nelson-Davies (Community Legal Aid), April Parzych (Campaign Chair), Jessica Brigham (UWSCC Board President), Kimberly Dupuis (Pathways for Change), Marcia Szymanski (New Hope) and Mary O'Coin (UWSCC Executive Director)

STURBRIDGE — The United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton (UWSCC) held its kickoff for its 2018 Community Campaign Oct. 4th at the Sturbridge Host Hotel and Conference Center. Campaign Chairman, April Parzych announced the local goal of \$300,000.

UWSCC provides grants to 17 non-profit partner agencies in Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton. As October is "Domestic Violence Prevention" month, three agencies spoke at the morning's event. Each spoke about the programs funded by the United Way and services they provide for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Martha Szymanski, executive director of New Hope stated "one in four women experience violence by a partner in some part of her life. Children exposed to violence are more likely to attempt suicide, experience eating disorders, abuse alcohol and drugs, run away from home, engage in teenage prostitution and commit sexual assault crimes and that 178 Southbridge victims received services from New Hope, as well as, 35 from Sturbridge and 39 from Charlton. Domestic violence and sexual assault does not discriminate. It doesn't matter who you are. "Kimberly Dupuis a youth counselor for Pathways for Change reviewed as part of

the Sexual Assault Youth Educator program that she goes out to local schools, such as Tantasqua and Shepherd Hill high schools and speaks teens about what a healthy relationship looks like and how to prevent sexual assault. Weayonnoh Nelson-Davies of Community Legal Aid addressed the legal aspect of domestic violence and the need for the survivors to have access to legal aid during a traumatic time of their lives and offering them a place to turn for counseling on many legal issues. Whether it deals with a restraining order, child support, custody, or housing assistance, Community Legal Aid is there for them.

"The agencies we fund are the ones that our community turns to on when they are in need of help. They are agencies that result in lasting change and a stronger community," said UWSCC President Jessica Brigham. "I think there's a misconception about whether United Way truly makes an impact, and we are hoping to continue to educate the public about just how many lives we help each year."

Local organizations reach out directly to the United Way each spring to ask for funding to support specific programs

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Charlton adds new some policies, tables others

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

CHARLTON – The Board of Selectmen considered three new policies on Tuesday, Oct. 2 concerning personnel and conduct of town employees, two of which have now been approved for implementation.

Town Administrator Robin Craver told selectmen the policies were reviewed by town counsel, the human resource director and her office and were designed to put specific regulations for town employees on the books. The two policies that were passed unanimously by the board were a confidentiality agreement policy as well as a workplace violence policy.

According to Craver, the confidentiality agreement is a simple policy that ensures any town employee respects the privacy of their fellow employees and that information is not made public about personnel without proper procedure.

"The purpose of the agreement shall mean information of or regarding any person, the town or its personnel which is not a public record as defined by the Massachusetts law whether the information may ultimately be disclosed to the public or not in the possession of or known by the employee as a consequence of the employees employment with the town," Craver said.

The workplace violence policy, officially called Safety Police Workplace Violence, Bullying, Discrimination and Sexual Harassment, is a little more complicated, as it focuses

on proper interpersonal conduct in the workplace and how such acts will or won't be reprimanded.

"It is the policy of Charlton to promote a professional and productive work place in which all employees are treated with dignity and respect. Employees are expected to act in a positive manner and contribute to a productive work environment that is free from harmful, harassing or disruptive activity," Craver read.

The policy stirred up conversation with Selectman Debra Noble noting that the language doesn't address cyber bullying, a form of harassment involving the use of social media. Craver noted a social media policy is already in place in the town of Charlton but that she will double check the language of that policy to make sure it's in line with this new regulation.

Craver also noted the policy does not include disciplinary action for self-defense.

The third policy discussed was the Professional Conduct Policy which selectmen decided to table after a brief debate. Craver said this policy was designed to set a standard for town employees to follow as well as elected officials.

"It states that all persons employed by the town of Charlton hold a position of public trust and as a result are expected to conduct themselves in a highly professional, ethical and appropriate manner conveyed through their behavior,"

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DCRSD puts focus on project-based learning

BY JASON BLEAU
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A new school year has begun and while students are continuing their education in the classroom the educators are continuing to learn outside of the classroom with professional development programs and other training exercises providing insight into new learning techniques and approaches on a yearly basis.

For this school year the focus

of many of these workshops will be on project-based learning. During a recent meeting of the Dudley-Charlton Regional School Committee, STEAM Director Karen Ares presented details on the 2018-19 professional development plan explaining a special team has been set up to help lead the charge to utilizing project-based learning in the classroom.

"I formed a project-based

learning implementation team which consists of about 35 teachers from each school. Basically, I'm training them and we're going through really what it means to focus on project-based learning and how to develop a unit," Ares told committee members. "The idea being that those teachers will take this message and do these same exercises with the

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Courtesy Photo from Chris Starczewski's Twitter Page Retweeted by STEAM Director Karen Ares

Members of the project-based learning implementation team met with local educators to discuss public-based learning strategies on Oct. 5

DA talks trauma with educators at Safe School Summit



Courtesy photos

Worcester County District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr. addressing the crowd at the Safe School Summit.

WORCESTER — Trauma experts presented to about 175 educators, law enforcement and social service agency officials from across Worcester County about childhood trauma at Worcester County District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s Safe School Summit on Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Early kicked off the Summit at Worcester Technical High School by announcing that his Community Outreach program has officially presented to more than 500,000 people during the 11 years he has been in office.

"We are at schools, senior centers and events almost every day, in all 60 cities and towns across Worcester County, making presentations on topics including bullying, internet safety, scams and fraud, drugs and alcohol, and texting and driving," Early said. "I'm proud to say our collective audience has reached 500,000. I'd like to thank my Community Outreach Team that works so hard every day and our partners that work with us on prevention efforts."

The Safe School Summit, which has

been held by Early's office annually for the last 11 years,

brings educators and others who work with children together to address a variety of safety topics. This year, the day-long summit focused on childhood trauma. Trauma can be any event or situation that overwhelms a child's ability to cope. It is estimated that one in four students have been exposed to a traumatic event. This trauma interferes with a child's ability to learn and affects behavior.

"Successfully dealing with children who have experienced trauma has the potential to improve lives and save our children from a life of misery," Early said. "Unfortunately, we can't prevent all childhood trauma, but we can identify when young people are suffering, and we can address the problem, right the ship and give them the best chance of success."

Presenters included Jessica L. Griffin and Genevieve Kane-Howse of UMass Medical School's Child Trauma Training

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Gobi October office hours

Tyler Wolanin, District Aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of October. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with Tyler to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Attendants should RSVP to Tyler at tyler.wolanin@masenate.gov, or by phone at 508-641-3502. Town attendance is not restricted to residents of those towns.

Tuesday, Oct. 9: Petersham Town Offices, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; Athol Senior Center, noon-1 PM; Phillipston Town Hall, 1:30-2:30 PM; Templeton Town Hall, 3-4 PM

Wednesday, Oct. 10: Hardwick Town Hall, 9:30-10:30 AM; Ware Senior Center, 11 AM-noon; Palmer Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM.

Monday, Oct. 15: Barre Town Offices, 12:30-1:30 PM; Hubbardston Town Offices, 2-3 PM; Ashburnham Town Hall, 3:30-4:30 PM; Winchendon Town

Hall, 5-6 PM
Tuesday, Oct. 16: Warren Senior Center, 9:30-11:30 AM; Brimfield Senior Center, 11 AM-noon; Wales Senior Center, 12:10-1:10 PM

Wednesday, Oct. 17: New Braintree Town Hall, 11 AM-noon; West Brookfield Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM; Brookfield Town Hall, 2-3 PM; Ashby Town Hall, 6-7 PM

Monday, Oct. 22: Sturbridge Senior Center, 11 AM-noon

Wednesday, Oct. 24: Charlton Senior Center, noon-1 PM

Monday, Oct. 29: Paxton Town Hall, 11 AM-noon; Spencer Howe Village, 12:30-1:30 PM; East Brookfield Municipal Building, 2-3 PM

Tuesday, Oct. 30: Oakham Senior Center, 9:30-10:30 AM; North Brookfield Senior Center, 11 AM-noon; Rutland Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM

Wednesday, Oct. 31: Holland Town Hall, 1:30-2:30 PM; Monson Town Hall, 3-4 PM

CHARLTON CAPSULES

RIDE FOR PONIES

Blessings Farm, Inc. is holding its annual "Ride for the Ponies" fundraising event on Oct. 13.

The "Ride for the Ponies" is a motorcycle ride that begins with a motorcycle ride that starts at Blessings Farm, 50 H Foote Road in Charlton and ends at the same address for the festivities that include: Entertainment by local Christian musicians, Cookout (including dessert) and Lots of Raffles.

The cost of tickets is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The first 50 tickets sold are eligible to take \$5 off a commemorative t-shirt. Motorcycle Ride Registration 9:30-10:15 am (kickstands up at 10:30 am) Festivities at the Farm begin at 12:30 pm and end at 3:00 pm

Blessings Farm, Inc. is a non-profit equine ministry for children. Open to the general public. Please come out to support this ministry.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Donna at blessingsfarm9278@gmail.com

Check out our website at www.blessingsfarm.org to learn more about the farm.

Annual job fair planned

The annual veterans' job fair held in partnership with the MassHire Worcester Career Center and the Southbridge Career Center; part of the American Job Center Network is scheduled Friday, Nov 16.

Wanting to be as centrally located as possible, this year the job fair will be held at the Auburn Webster Lodge of Elks #2118, 754 Southbridge St., Auburn from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Veterans will be admitted at 10 a.m., the general public will be admitted beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Already signed up are more than 40 companies including several in health care, transportation, warehouse and distribution, manufacturing, security, law enforcement, human services, telecommunication, banking, customer service, administrative, clerical, engineering, retail, sales and more.

Veterans' services representatives will also be on hand and may be contacted ahead of time: Bill Ryan at (508) 373-7620 or Mike Petrella at (508) 765-6430.

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attitude and demeanor," Craver said. "The town employees and elected officials are expected to act honestly, conscientiously, reasonably and in good faith at all times having regard for their responsibilities, the interests of the town and the welfare of its residents and their fellow employees."

Selectman Karen Spiewak provided input saying she feels that town elected officials should have a conduct policy all their own. It's not a foreign concept. Spiewak noted numerous town

separate elected positions from paid town employees when setting similar policies.

"(This policy) also includes elected officials. While I agree that they should abide by what's before us I did some homework and most cities and towns actually do something separate," Spiewak said. "I guess I'd like to see the two remain separate and we can certainly ask for legal advice regarding that."

Selectmen decided to hold off on taking action on the conduct policy sending the document by the human resources to be reexamined and brought forth again, possibly with officials and employees separated into their own policies.

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Center, who talked about identifying students who have suffered trauma. Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy Cruz and Edward Jacobs from his office presented as well about how law enforcement and educators can work with a trauma-informed approach to help children exposed to violence. Finally, Lisa Baron from the Center for Trauma Care in Schools presented strategies for educators to create a trauma-informed classroom.

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The Overlook opens respiratory therapy unit

CHARLTON — Masonic Health System of Massachusetts is proud to announce the opening of a new Respiratory Clinical Program on The Overlook Campus. The respiratory services are available to qualifying Overlook residents and the greater community. The program will service patients, discharged from chronic and acute care hospitals, typically with diagnosis of respiratory failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or congestive heart failure (CHF). The medical oversight for the pro-

gram is being provided by Dr. Plutarco E. Castellanos of Massachusetts Lung and Allergy, in conjunction with a respiratory therapist. Dr. Castellanos is a board certified Internist with a subspecialty board certification in pulmonary disease and critical care medicine. The entire Overlook clinical team has received extensive training on respiratory disease management and treatment protocols.

Robert Engell, nursing home administrator for The Overlook Health and Rehabilitation Center expressed enthu-

siasm for the new program.

"This uniquely specialized service meets a tremendous need in the community and enables The Overlook to further distinguish itself as a provider of choice to clinically complex patients," said Engell.

Those interested in more information may contact the admissions office of The Overlook at 508-434-2243. Current hospital patients with a respiratory diagnosis requiring rehabilitation — should be sure to ask the hospital provider for a referral to The Overlook.



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Harrington opens nominations for providers of the year

SOUTHBRIDGE — Nominations are now open for the community to vote for their favorite Harrington professional to win the 2018 Provider of the Year award.

A tradition since 2011, the award is given each fall to a physician who embodies several characteristics of a true and valued leader within the healthcare system.

New this year, Harrington will be offering two awards: one to an MD or DO, as well as one to a nurse practitioner or physician assistant.

Nominations can be submitted by visiting harringtonhospital.org/provideraward. Deadline is Oct. 31.

Nominees must embody the following characteristics: caring • collegial • quality • safety • leadership • cooperation • integrity • flexible • diversity • available • reliable

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- Number of nominations received;
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Providers, employees, community members, patients, business owners, volunteers and board members of Harrington HealthCare System are eligible to submit nominations (one nomination per person).

Winners will be selected by a committee made up of the chief medical officer and medical staff president, as well as previous years' winners.

The winner will be announced at Harrington's Provider Recognition event on Nov. 28.

Final Questions: end of life planning

Have you thought about what you want your last days to be like? Have you told anyone or taken any actions to make sure this happens? Join us for a time of resource-sharing, conversation and planning. Bring your friends and extended family.

On Saturday, Oct. 20 11:00 am-2:00 pm at the United Church of Christ, Federated, 4 Church St., Webster.

Our speakers will be: Nancy Noonan, RN, OCN, CHPN, director of hospice and palliative care at Central Massachusetts Hospice, a division of the VNA of Southern Worcester County; Roland Malboeuf, funeral home owner and director; Kersti Hopkins, social worker and VNA; and Rev. Ann Gibert, pastor of United Church of Christ, Federated.

Parking is available along Church Street and in the town hall lot. There is additional parking in a lot off Negus Street, around the corner from the church.

"End of Life is everyone's business — start the conversation"

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staff at their building, be engaged and brainstorm what units they can work on this year."

According to the Educators of America, project-based learning is a teaching method involving the use of real-world scenarios to allow students to gain knowledge and skills through critical thinking and teamwork as well as self-management. Opposed to many other teaching styles, project-based learning is more hands on and focuses on application and decision making as well as research and interpersonal communication which, in turn, teaches students more practical applications of problem-solving skills. Numerous education organizations have encouraged schools to utilize this teaching method as a way of encouraging long-term growth and application of education among students nationwide.

On Oct. 5 the project-based learning

team met with faculty and staff to pass down training they had received in the month of September and throughout the rest of the calendar year will continue to offer training opportunities for educators throughout the district. Ares said in January the focus will be put on creating building based teams to help guide each school in implementing project-based learning at different grade levels.

"They'll be homing in and kind of finalizing their lessons getting ready for potential implementation in the spring. I think there's going to be a lot of project-based learning going on. Everyone's going to be focused in on what exactly they want to do. That's the plan," Ares said. "We have lots of excited teachers who are really embracing this. I also did a little miniature session this summer we had about six teachers who took their first little jump into it with some professional development. It's very exciting. There's different realms of expertise in the group."



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David: Age 16
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Are Real Estate Agents Still Needed?



REALTOR'S REPORT

JAMES BLACK

I may be biased since it is my profession but I think the answer will always be yes. There has been a huge change over the years as to what the value of a Real Estate Agent is to the consumer. Before the internet the agents were the

only one with access to the inventory of homes and had a physical MLS book. Today we can search 100's of websites and pretty much find everything we need to know about a home with the photos, specs of the home and sometimes tours that make you feel like you have already physically toured the home. The challenge is not all this data is accurate so most consumers will get overwhelmed trying to figure out what the valid data sources are so it ends up being similar to where now the Real Estate agent can sort through the data

for the consumer to give them what is the valid and accurate data.

The other item of value that a Real Estate Professional brings to the table is the knowledge on the proper way to market the home to not only attract buyers but the ones that are right for the home. They know how to not make the house look nicer or even misleading to cause the wrong buyers to look at it but yet still market it to get the right buyers and the most money for the home. After you interview the agent that you plan on hiring you should feel

confident that they can do this or you should be interviewing more agents.

Lastly, Real Estate Agents are professional negotiators or at the least the good ones are. You should ask them when interviewing them about the training they do around negotiating and they should also be able to provide data showing they are selling homes quicker and for more money than the average agent which also shows their negotiation skills. There have been studies done showing that the top agents on average spend 40% of their

working days spending some part of that day in a training. If your agents is not doing this again I would suggest continuing to interview agents until you find one that does.

If an agent is not able to interpret the data for you, market your home and get you more money by hiring them, and if they are not a professional negotiator then you may possibly be better off just selling the home yourself and saving the money. However if the agent exhibits those qualities listed above then they will be worth more than you pay them.

Black Tavern hosts annual craft fair

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

DUDLEY – The Black Tavern on Center Road is one of the town's most cherished historical sites. The beloved landmark hosts educational programs every year and it maintained through donations and fundraisers organized by the Black Tavern Historical Society with the organization's biggest fundraiser being the annual craft fair.

Every fall the Black Tavern's lawn comes to life as the tavern plays host to one of the area's most popular and largest craft fairs in conjunctions with the Dudley Grange's Apple Festival held across the street on the town common. In 2018, the fair hit the six-year mark with more than 40 vendors on hand to offer up unique goods for those who stopped by for the experience. According to Linda Bazinet, the chair of the Black Tavern Historical Society,

this is more than double the number of vendors that helped kick off the first craft fair all those years ago and the event just keeps growing and growing.

"We hope to see this keep growing. People keep calling us to be a part of this and as a result we have a large assortment of crafts. We want to keep it growing and add new things every year," Bazinet said. "It's one of our major fundraisers. This and membership are our main ways to raise money for all the projects that we have and the programs that we offer."

The craft fair draws around \$1,000 for the Black Tavern every year with that money helping provide educational programs and maintain the historical tavern which also plays host to a series of other events and town meetings over the course of any given year.

It's not just a big event for the Black Tavern either. The crafters also see it as a great place to showcase their goods with a historic backdrop. Cecelia Bray who owns Hatchet Hill Farm Sugarhouse in Union, CT and makes maple-based good including syrup and candy has been a part of the event since its inception and calls it one of the most successful craft fairs she has been a part of during that time.

"We've been in this same spot since we started,

and we ask for this spot every year. I was amazed driving up the road today and seeing all the different vendors. Obviously, it's a very popular fair," Bray said. "We've seen this grow every year and we have a lot of repeat customers that come to see us year in and year out. We do maybe ten craft fairs a year but this one we've watched grow from day one and its amazing how many vendors are here today."

Wayne Yacino of Oxford crafts life-like wood carvings of animals and has also been a part of the Black Tavern Craft Fair for its entire run so far. He said he enjoys craft fairs in general because it's a great place to show his art, but the Black Tavern fair is always special.

"I love these kinds of shows and meeting people. You like the response that people get. Everyone loves to see the work people put into these things. I enjoy it and I love the Black Tavern," Yacino said.

Even six years in Bazinet said the Black Tavern Historical Society is amazed and grateful at how far the craft fair has come and it still continues to grow to offer something new every year. The fair shows no signs of slowing down and Bazinet said they hope the tradition will continue for another six years and beyond.

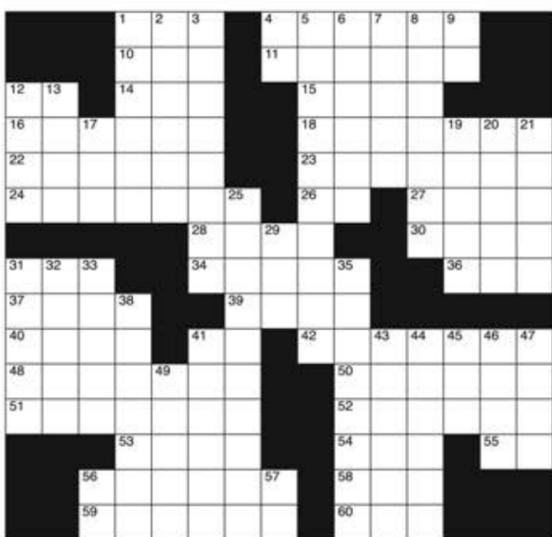
"We love to see this and every year we hope to make it bigger and bigger," said Bazinet. "We've grown from just the tavern property to now have vendors on the common and this year we have several crafters from Old Sturbridge Village showing their original crafts so we just continue to grow."



A crafter from Old Sturbridge Village shows his skills at the Black Tavern Craft Fair



Customers examine local hand made products inside the Black Tavern barn



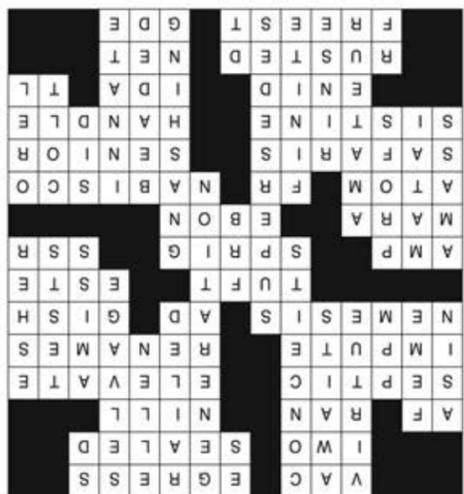
CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Type of cleaner (abbr.)
- 4. Going out
- 10. Jima, WWII battlefield
- 11. Closed
- 12. Air Force
- 14. Moved swiftly
- 15. Will not (obsolete)
- 16. Type of tank
- 18. Raise
- 22. Represent
- 23. Gives a new moniker
- 24. Adversary
- 26. Anno Domini
- 27. Lillian __, actress
- 28. Bunch of something
- 30. This (Spanish)
- 31. A guitarist uses one
- 34. Small stem bearing leaves
- 36. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 37. Actress Rooney
- 39. Dark brown or black
- 40. Matter
- 41. Atomic number 87 (abbr.)
- 42. Food company
- 48. Trips to see wildlife
- 50. Elderly
- 51. Famed chapel
- 52. Something to grab
- 53. City in Oklahoma
- 54. Muckraking journalist Tarbell
- 55. Thallium
- 56. Corroded
- 58. A Brooklyn NBAer
- 59. Most liberated
- 60. Google certification (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. High moral behavior
- 2. Expects
- 3. Fanciful notions
- 4. Spanish be
- 5. All the people of approximately the same age
- 6. Berated
- 7. Trailblazing comedienne
- 8. Fabric edge
- 9. South Dakota
- 12. Amazon ID number
- 13. A wife (law)
- 17. Printing speed measurement
- 19. Wrong
- 20. Exams
- 21. Outlying suburb of London
- 25. Replaces
- 29. Prints money
- 31. Accumulate
- 32. New Zealand conifer
- 33. College teachers
- 35. A way of grating
- 38. Novice
- 41. Having limits
- 43. Shining with jewels or sequins
- 44. Existing at birth but not hereditary
- 45. __ Caesar, comedian
- 46. A young male horse under the age of four
- 47. Russian industrial city
- 49. Wash off
- 56. Radio frequency
- 57. Delirium tremens

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Cecelia Bray, owner of Hatchet Hill Farm Sugarhouse, shows her products to customers at the Black Tavern Craft Fair

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From Central Massachusetts to London: the story of my summer abroad



MIND OF A
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I'm very familiar with loneliness, but I've never felt it like I did when I got off the plane at London Heathrow Airport on June 16, 2018.

I keep leaving my hometown of East Brookfield, Massachusetts to live in new places, so I think most people are confident that it doesn't affect me, but it does—that's exactly why I do it.

When I moved away to go to Harvard, I spent the first night in my Cambridge apartment in tears. Over two years later, I spent the first night in my dorm-like bedroom in a London flat crying even harder.

Right when I arrived in the UK, something felt painful. I felt like I did when I left my job at Raven Used Books that I loved so much. It was similar to the sick feeling in my stomach I got at the beginning of the summer when I woke up the morning after my boyfriend and I broke up.

It's not complete devastation, but complete uneasiness.

It was about a week after my plane landed when my mindset completely changed. I realized that I made the right decision to leave my job at the Raven, because if I had stayed, I wouldn't have spent my summer in total bliss—a rare state of happiness I found through growing, exploring, and writing in London. I became thankful that my boyfriend and I broke up, because I noticed that once we did, I felt like I could be completely and unapologetically myself again.

Time decides whether it heals things slowly or quickly, I just move with it.

I've never been one to stay in the same place in life. I am easily amazed, but quickly bored and just as easily unimpressed. I want to see as much as possible, know as much as possible, be as much as possible. As I move, as I grow, I feel a certain push to share my experience with being human, trying to spend each day living rather than just existing. This may be my story, but we all feel loneliness, insecurity, and fear. We all go through change and the internal tug-of-war between loving and hating it.

I always want to remember the excitement I felt when I boarded the plane at Logan Airport and the nervousness I felt during my layover in Copenhagen when I didn't speak the



native language. I want to hold onto the experience of working in another country and getting used to looking to the right side of the street first before crossing. I want to reminisce about the way the refrigerator door hit the light switch in my Clerkenwell flat and caused darkness for a split second every single time. I want to laugh about how I've started saying things like "brilliant" and "cheers" in my American accent.

I want to fall in love with this experience over and over again, from my very first impression of London to the last few hours I spent in the city. Memories are the only thing I really wanted to bring back home with me, and I have even more than I hoped for.

My first experience in London was nerve-racking—navigating the Underground with an overweight suitcase, a backpack full of books, and two heavy eyelids. I bought an Oyster Card right when I got out of customs and spent an hour traveling from Heathrow Airport to King's Cross St. Pancras, noticing how narrow the train was in comparison to Boston's T. Somehow, I felt like I was on a fancier mode of transportation because all the stops were announced in a British accent and the man sitting across from me carried a certain scent that I imagined Karl Marx would have probably associated with the bourgeoisie. I switched to a line that would take me to Farringdon and made my way off the train, pulling my suitcase up a steep hill to Briset Street, going by pure instinct because

obviously, my American phone data was nonworking, rendering the Maps app useless.

My flat was no penthouse, but rather humble, modern, and altogether lacking personality. I can't say I liked it, I just like the memories my flatmates and I made there. It almost felt like a prison, with all the "cells" stretched out in a row and labeled with letters. My room was all the way at the end of the hall, and at the beginning it felt like a solitary confinement sentence. The kitchen had a fruit fly problem no matter how much we cleaned and the shower was so small that shaving my legs resembled a Cirque de Soleil performance. The halls of the building never smelled good, the elevator was really slow, and the guy who works overnight security wasn't my biggest fan after the beginning of the second week, when I accidentally hit the "security call" button a few times while leaning against the building.

Still, quirks and all, it was my flat. Thoughts of it will forever remind me of rushed weekday mornings, running back and forth from the bathroom to the kitchen trying to do my hair and make avocado toast at the same time because I hit snooze five times. They will remind me of nights spent in my flatmates' rooms watching Netflix and laughing, or crying, or telling each other every detail of our days, or sitting in comfortable silence just knowing we were there for each other. They will remind me of how I spent the first night crying mascara-streaked



tears into my impeccably white pillow because everything was so new and strange and how I spent the last night crying just as hard because everything was so comfortable that going back to Massachusetts felt new and strange.

I went to London to write for PinkNews, and although I'm quite sure that my time spent writing for the publication was not the part of the journey that taught me the most, I was writing about important things and I did learn more about what it's like to work in a newsroom. It was usually a very quiet office, and sometimes there were days when I was surrounded by people but didn't speak to

anyone at all. I tried to write according to their style, covering topics that would make some of my ultra-conservative Catholic family members disapprove of me even more than they already do. Some days were great, like my second day when I excitedly published my first article that critiqued the Catholic Church's approach to discussing sexuality. Other days were either frustrating or boring, usually because the ideas running laps in my mind didn't always fit in with the LGBT-focus of the publication.

I suppose I started a real portfolio, which is exactly what I went there to do. It just wasn't the thing that made my fall in love with London.

My favorite moments this summer were spent listening to music—not just attending concerts, but hearing street musicians, spending a day alone in Liverpool at the Cavern Club, even just blasting my favorite songs in my room with a book in my hands and the window as wide open as possible. I loved that the windows in our flat had no screens. I kept my window open all summer regardless of the weather or an occasional bug roaming my room, and I'm sure the rest of the people in our building with open windows could hear "California Dreamin'" and "Day Tripper" blasting from

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In the midst of pumpkins...grapes!

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Held at the newly opened Brimfield Winery and Cidery at 35 Main St., the first annual Crush Run 5K raised money for the Brimfield Athletic Association. After taking part in the race, guests were able to participate in a unique grape stomping crush competition.

To learn more about Brimfield Winery and Cidery, visit www.brimfieldwinery.com.



Kristen Bruneau, of Brimfield, with her 10-year-old daughter Natalie.



The Moore family enjoys a fun day at the race.



Jeszi McGuire, left, and Makayla Savoie, both of Brimfield, get ready for the race.



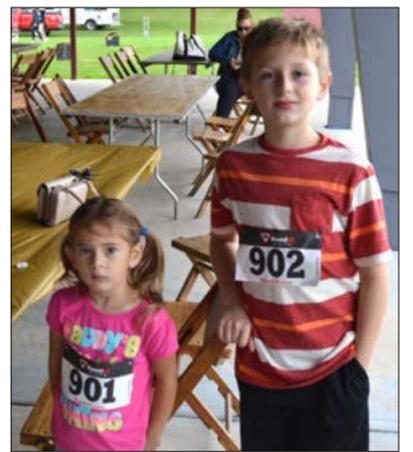
It's a father-son race for the Komssi family, of Brimfield. Pictured, Mike Komssi with his kids, Calvin (left) and Miles.



Hazleigh Susko, age 1, of Brimfield, is one of the race's youngest spectators. She's about to watch her parents, Rebecca and Nicholas Susko, take part in the event.



Grace Harper, age 7, left, and Katie O'Malley, age 9, both of Brimfield, share some love for a four-legged friend.



Nathan age 10, and Jasmine age 5, Sieger, of Warren, get ready to run.

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Longtime friends Kate Alexander, left, and Gwen Bultron represent Sturbridge at the event.

LEARNING

Moms Club continues to collect for Sparkle Bags

Courtesy photos

Moms Club of Charlton Area, collected items at the K Run for an ongoing event within the club to collect donations for Sparkle Bags.

They are gallon size zip lock bags filled with things like markers, note pads, coloring books, matchbox cars, play doh etc and given to local hospitals for children who need a little cheering up during their stay. With the donations from the K Run we were able to fill 60 bags!

I need a way to thank those who donated and I thought this might be a good way to do it since we did not ask for names at the time of the donation. We will be bringing these to UMass in Worcester and the next round of bags to Harrington Hospital. We already delivered 27 to Boston Children's Hospital in August.



Shepherd Hill students commended

William F. Chaplin Jr., principal of Shepherd Hill Regional High School, has announced that Emily R. Briggs, Cameron J. Cushing and Gina E. Yu, have been named Commended Students in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, was presented by the principal to these scholastically talented seniors.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although these students will not continue in the 2019 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, these Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2019 competition by taking the 2017 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."

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EDITORIAL

Coming up on the finish line...

There are less than three weeks left until the midterm elections. There will be several important decisions made, some will affect us at the state level and some nationally. Tipping scales from one side to the other, balancing scales or unbalancing them is the way the United States actually keeps an even keel.

See, we don't as a rule do well as a nation with only one party in charge. We need to be able to weigh two sides, to be able to have pro and con, to be able to have a choice.

Americans have a need to argue, or perhaps at least to be argumentative. They have a tendency to feel very strongly about their own opinions and views.

Most recently...rabbidly so. In an era when politics have made not strange bedfellows but bitter enemies, the days of compromise are no longer in existence.

Which is why we need pro and con even more. We need people who can represent themselves clearly on their topic. But not bitterly.

Who can speak their minds, say what they mean, and do it without pulling their punches but also without intentionally making enemies.

Hard to do when people are itching for fights.

With that in mind, we are going to use the next three weeks this way. We will accept letters to the editor that endorse candidates for an office. We will accept letters about thanks and gratitude, about events, and about specific topics related to town topics.

We will not be discussing more broad based issues in letters at least until after the election. We suspect there will be an increase in the other types of letters, and there is limited space as it is.

Letters policies are tough. There is a balance to it. We have some problems with it, we admit. There are people who take advantage; people who want to use it for personal revenge or their own platforms; people who get caught up in it and make it about something else entirely than its intent.

We try to remember that the newspaper belongs to the people who read it; the town that supports it; the ones who want it to succeed. They do have as much right to space in the pages as anyone.

But occasionally things get a bit out of hand and it becomes time to rein in the more boisterous and bellicose. Heads need to cool; and ideas need to take precedence over feelings.

The need to have the letters be pointedly endorsements or discussions of ballot questions at this time will also please include a caveat that they be no longer than 600 words. Again, this is to allow as many people as possible space for their opinions.

In the future, we will continue to adhere to this 600 word limit as closely as possible. We have had several writers at a few publications becoming very wordy and while we can appreciate their need to get their ideas out on paper, we need them to re-write and edit themselves down a bit to our acceptable length. We will no longer print letters that go over our accepted length. We have to draw the line somewhere.

We seem to have to write this editorial every few months. And in one way that is a good thing. It means our readers are engaged and want to be part of the process.

In another way it means readers sometime become rebellious, and don't feel rules apply to them.

And we will continue to write our editorials to remind people; we will continue to interact with our readers and we will continue to encourage writers to write.

Mencken's Garden

In the early '70s I wandered into the oddest saloon in Baltimore not even knowing that it was a saloon. The Peabody Bookstore had a non-descript entrance, and opening the cellar door with its old-fashioned door jingle enveloped me in the smell of old books. That musty odor heightened my book lust; perhaps the bookstore held printed treasures at a bargain price: illustrations from the likes of Arthur Rackham or N C Wyeth or artful bookmaking that embraced classics in embossed leather! As I wandered through the tight aisles, two young women entered and moved with purpose to the end of the store. They disappeared through a doorway hidden behind the click and sway of ceiling to floor beads. I heard faint laughter, and followed my curiosity.



IN THAT GREAT TIME
 PATRICK MOON

A narrow hall suddenly opened into a room that was dark enough for atmosphere, but lit so that small tables and chairs appeared like islands...in front of a bar! My eyes adjusted to the near empty space. Each dimly lit wall was covered with photographs, posters, animal heads, and cartoon caricatures.

I walked to a huge rectangular photo and stared at the visage of H. L. Mencken. He was drinking at the bar, beer mug in hand, and convulsed in laughter. Mencken was a reporter and journalist for the Baltimore Sun papers most of his life, proudest of being called a newspaperman, in addition to being an author, scholar, magazine editor and a social critic read throughout the nation. Most journalists could tell you the day they met Mencken through an essay or a book. He was that impressive.

The wall was covered in Mencken memorabilia. He was a close friend of a Who's Who of artists, writers and musicians of the '20s through the '40s. Their faces in the many photos on the wall were sometimes unfamiliar, but not the names: Sinclair Lewis, Ben Hecht, Eddie Cantor, Clarence Darrow, Theodore Dreiser, James T. Farrell, Ayn Rand, T.S. Eliot, Dashiell Hammett, F. Scott Fitzgerald. Some of these artists insisted that anyone who spent time with Mencken knew something not readily apparent in his invective-laden writing: he was one of the smartest, friendliest, and most interesting conversationalists that they had ever met. Despite his devotion to uncensored self-expression, there was a generous, polite and often sentimental Mencken.

He offended everyone at some time or another, proudly, as he felt obligated to spotlight graft and hypocrisy wherever he found it. He was a humorist at heart, starting from the day, as a precocious young reader, he fell under the spell of Huckleberry Finn. On any one page of his essays or articles you could be laughing uproariously one minute as he skewered hypocritical politicians, and a paragraph later horrified as his rapier wit cut one of your heroes to shreds. You could feel the joy of his engagement with a subject and his command of language. Many still regard him as one of the greatest writers of journalistic prose in the 20th Century.

At this point, most writers would pull a few of his quotable bon mots and give you a taste of his charm and vitriol. This is always a failure. You must read him. But give him an opening into your life and he will surprise you. Alistair Cooke's The Vintage Mencken is a generous sampling of pieces chosen by one journalist who came under his tutelage.

For my money, William Manchester's On H. L. Mencken, Disturber of the Peace is more insightful than the many biographies published on Mencken over the years. You meet him prodding, debunking, and charming... and his joy at being alive is contagious.

At about the same time that I discovered the Peabody Bookstore, I joined a handful of "searchers" for a weekend encounter group sponsored by the University of Maryland School of Social Work. Mencken had written into his will that certain groups could use his home at 1524 Hollis St. for meetings. He had lived at this family address for most of his life. We students would spend two days in Mencken's living room learning to trust each other and encounter our own reluctance to "see ourselves as others see us." Mencken would have enjoyed the spectacle of personal confrontation...and strangers struggling to put tenderness under honesty? That was the veneer of civility stripped from the predatory ape! Intrigue of the highest order! The irony of social work in his living room was not lost on me.

With his brother, August, Mencken invested time and energy in the backyard garden. I wandered out there during a break and admired the hand-built brick wall embedded with tiles. He gardened into the last year of his life. Now think of this: he had a stroke in 1948 and he was never able to read or write again up to his death in 1956. He could not make sense of written words! How did this wordsmith survive? Words and language were central to his being. He had lived to write and converse and now the letters on a page were as hieroglyphics!

Part of the answer was friends. William Manchester resigned his Sun paper job and spent the last year of Mencken's life reading to him. Manchester read him the newspaper, the works of Conrad and Twain, whatever Mencken wanted. This was the kind of loyalty he inspired. And there in the center of the backyard brick wall, Mencken had cemented the iconic death mask of Ludwig von Beethoven. Mencken loved music all of his life, played the piano with gusto, and Alfred Knopf, the publisher, had given him the gift a record player. When words failed, music still spoke. He particularly loved the musicals of Gilbert and Sullivan, both the music and the wordplay. Manchester wrote that they would often end the day listening to music. Two decades after Mencken's death, the Voyager spacecraft would rocket into the cosmos with a gold plated recording of sounds. Etched onto the surface were the words: "To the makers of music - all worlds, all times." The grace of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony would serve in part as Earth's introduction to intelligent beings elsewhere. Mencken would have understood.

OK, OK...I can't resist. One quote. From the Baltimore Evening Sun, July 26, 1920:

"As democracy is perfected, the office of the President represents, more and more closely, the inner soul of the people. On some great and glorious day, the plain folks of the land will reach their heart's desire at last, and the White House will be occupied by a downright fool and complete narcissistic moron."

I forgot to mention that he was prescient too.

Can you count on a bountiful investment 'Harvest'?



FINANCIAL FOCUS
 JEFF BURDICK

We're officially in autumn - the season when we bring in what we planted in the spring. But the concept of

planting and gathering isn't confined to agriculture. In fact, it can be used in many walks of life, including investing. So what can you do to help work toward a successful investment "harvest"?

Here is (not quite) a bushel of ideas: Plant the right "seeds." When farmers plant specific crops, they know about what to expect - how long it will take for them to grow, how much yield they'll produce, and so on. When you invest, you too need to plant "seeds" by choosing investments that are designed to help meet your goals. For example, to accumulate enough money for a comfortable retirement, you will probably need to own a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks - you generally can't expect the type of growth you need by investing solely in fixed-income investments, such as bonds and certificates of deposit.

Nurture your "crops." Agricultural workers are diligent about cultivating their crops through proper irrigation, fertilization and weed control. And if you want to keep your investment portfolio healthy, you also must find ways to nurture it. First of all, you will need to keep adding new dollars regularly, because the larger your overall investment base, the more you can expand its growth potential. But you might also need to do some "weeding" of your own, because over the years, you may have purchased some investments that, for one reason or another, are now no longer suitable for your needs. If that's the case, you might be better off by selling these investments and using the proceeds for new ones that could fill gaps in your portfolio.

Diversify. Farmers may plant a mix of crops: corn, soybeans, flax, legumes, fruits, and so on. Consequently, if one crop fails, it won't sink the farmer's entire business. As an investor, you, too, need to diversify, because if you only own one type of asset class, and a financial downturn hits that asset, your portfolio can take a big hit. But spreading your dollars among stocks, bonds, cash and other investments can help reduce the impact of market volatility on your holdings. (However, diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

Thus far, we've looked at ideas on how you can create a healthy investment crop. But once it's time to actually start harvesting your portfolio - that is, once you begin liquidating parts of it to support yourself during your retirement years - you also need to act carefully. Specifically, you need to establish a withdrawal rate that's appropriate for your situation, based on your age, lifestyle, income sources and other factors. You could be retired for two or three decades, so it's essential you don't withdraw so much during your early years of retirement that you risk outliving your money. A financial professional can help you determine the rate that's right for you.

The agricultural harvest season only lasts a few weeks. But doing a good job of growing and managing your investment crop can help you reap the rewards far into the future.

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Tea Tips

The daily English ritual of Tea Time may be more than a social break - in fact evidence suggests it may be just what the doctor ordered! The simple habit of sipping a cup of hot, steaming tea is being reexamined and is hailed as a cure all for many common ailments in addition to its role as a warm, comforting refreshment. The following information highlights the many ways tasty tea truly is terrific!



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Homegrown Herbal Tea Making tea from freshly harvested herbs not only retains the integrity of the brew, but offers the satisfaction of "home grown" goodness. Whether you're picking plants from a backyard plot or plucking leaves from a windowsill pot, fresh herbs are an easy and affordable way to create your own signature teas. Some favorite herb tea choices include peppermint, lemon balm, chamomile, and lavender.

If you're using fresh herbs, be sure to rub leaves to "bruise" them before brew-

ing to release the flavors. For each cup of tea use about two heaping teaspoons of fresh leaves or flowers. Add six ounces of boiling water for each serving. Allow to steep for at least five minutes, strain and serve. Or, if you are purchasing dried herbs, simply use one tablespoon of dried herbs per cup of tea. Strain and enjoy.

** Sip Up!: Tea is Good for What Ails You

It's no secret sipping tea offers an array of terrific health benefits. From easing arthritis pain, tea has been shown to possess impressive healing properties.

*A study funded by the Arthritis Foundation suggests drinking green tea may help ease rheumatoid arthritis. The tea's benefits are attributed to a class of compounds called polyphenols, which are abundant in tea made with



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Baseball memorabilia

It's October, and that means it's time for the Major League Baseball playoffs and the World Series. Local fans have been treated to a Red Sox record breaking season with 108 wins. Closer to home, Worcester has been celebrating the Red Sox AAA affiliate's plans to move to the city. We are fortunate to live in an area rich with history of all kinds. Baseball is no exception.

Worcester had a professional baseball team from 1880 to 1882. Although they've been referred to as the Ruby Legs or the Brown Stockings, there are no contemporary sources from the time with the team using those names. It appears they were just called the Worcesters. Lee Richmond was finishing his studies at Brown University while pitching for the Worcesters. On June 12, 1880, he pitched the first perfect game in baseball at the Worcester Agricultural Fairgrounds. In 1883, the National League replaced the Worcesters with the Philadelphia Quakers.

What Baseball Almanac considers to be the most important baseball poem of all times is said to have been written in Worcester by Ernest Thayer. "Casey at the Bat" first appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle on June 3, 1888. Around the same time, The Worcester Grays were also playing baseball in the Atlantic League.

The Worcester Busters played at Boulevard Park in Worcester. They were affiliated with the New England League from 1906 to 1915, according to baseball-reference.com. They became part of the Eastern League during



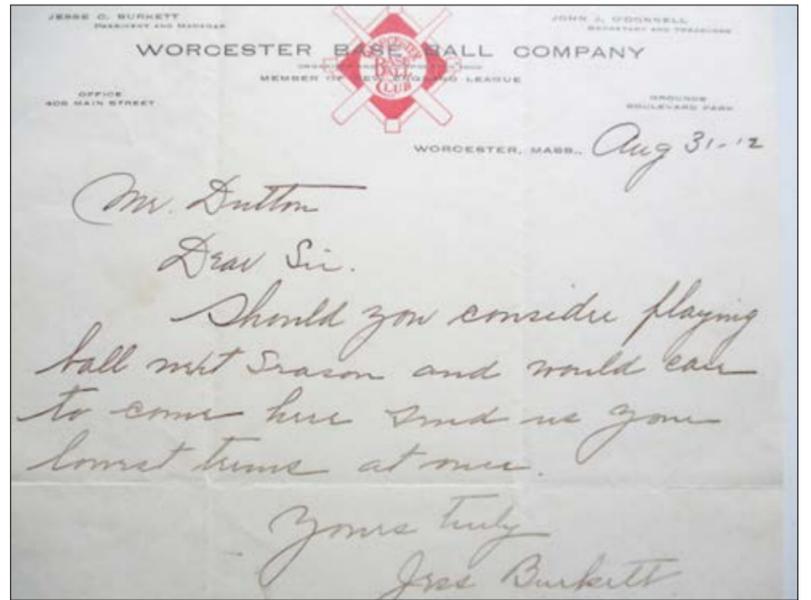
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1916 and 1917. Two Hall of Famers managed the team. Jesse Burkett was in charge while they were in the New England League. "Sliding Billy Hamilton" coached during 1916. Hamilton is credited with having stolen 937 bases.

Another Hall of Famer also managed a Worcester team. The Boston Globe reported that Casey Stengel was the player manager for the Worcester Panthers, a farm team of the Boston Braves, in 1925.

Ted Williams is believed to have hit his first major league home run during an exhibition game at Holy Cross College in 1939. Jack Barry, who became a part of Connie Mack's famous \$100,000 infield in 1908, played at Holy Cross and returned to manage the team after his playing days.

With our rich history, it's no surprise that important pieces of baseball memorabilia turn up in local estates and homes regularly. Most people first think of baseball cards and some can be very valuable. The player on the card is the primary factor in the value. The other is the condition. A "common" (not a star) player's card from the 1952 set may be worth a couple dollars in fair condition. In contrast, a Mickey Mantle rookie card that graded 9 out of 10 sold for \$2.8 million this year. We've had a collection of lesser condition 1950s and '60s baseball cards sell for over \$25,000 at one of our auctions. If you have unopened old packs, it may be best to leave them unopened. Collectors will pay a premium for them.



Worcester once had a professional baseball team.

There are many other types of valuable antique and vintage baseball memorabilia including bats, uniforms, photographs, programs, posters and ephemera. We'll go into extra innings in my next column, which will be about more local baseball history and different types of valuable baseball memorabilia.

We'll be running an estate sale in Auburn on Oct. 13 and 14. My "Evaluating your antiques" on Oct. 15 is now full. Our important live multi-es-

tate antique and collectibles auction will be held on October 25. I'll be at the Winchendon History and Cultural Center's antique appraisal event on Oct. 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events.

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Musicians celebrate the songs of early America



Ginger Hildebrand plays the hammered dulcimer



David and Ginger Hildebrand

Annie Sandoli photos

BY ANNIE SANDOLI
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — Colonial music experts David and Ginger Hildebrand serenaded a full house with eighteenth-century songs at the Fuller Conference Center at Old Sturbridge Village on Thursday, Oct. 4, bringing their talent and historical knowledge to a very receptive and participatory audience.

The Hildebrands met at Dickinson College, initially starting their musical careers by playing songs by artists like James Taylor and eventually becoming invested in the music of early America by performing in bars near the country's capital, where they received many inquiries about colonial music from listeners. They now play concerts and present educational programs all over the country and have provided materials and

consultations for PBS broadcasts Liberty!—The American Revolution and Jefferson: A View from the Mountain, the C-Span American Presidents series, and historical museums such as Mount Vernon.

David performed at Old Sturbridge Village in 2013, receiving excellent reviews from the staff and audience. This year, Ginger decided to join him for her first experience with playing at the village.

"It is an honor to be here," said Ginger. "We have big time connections with a man named Art Schrader, who pretty much started the music department at Old Sturbridge Village back in the 1960s and 1970s. We own most of his music library, and it's great to be here because we can feel his presence in this place and we will sing some of the ballads that he uncovered and published."

Using period appropriate instruments, the Hildebrands demonstrated the popular songs of the era and spoke to the audience about the significance of and history behind music of the American Revolution and the War of 1812. "We are playing all 18th century instruments," said Ginger. "These are all reproduction instruments, but they are exactly the way they were. At this performance, we are using a spinet harpsichord, a violin, a hammered dulcimer, an African djembe drum, an English flute, and a Baroque guitar, which is a copy of the Spanish guitar."

The couple not only demonstrated various early American songs, including Morgan Megan by Turlough O'Carolan (1670-1738), The White Cockade by Johannes

T. Schley (c.1779), and "Don't Be Weary, Traveler", a U.S. slave song from 1867, but also involved the audience within the first few minutes of their performance by inviting everyone to sing along to the chorus of "The Mother Country", a late 18th-century song about the mixed feelings of the colonists towards England.

Between each song, they gave a brief history of the lyrics, tune, time period, or instrument being used, adding historical relevance and a connection to Old Sturbridge Village. They discussed everything from backlash against Thomas Jefferson's trade embargo with the song "The Embargo" to political propaganda against President James Madison with the song "James Madison My Jo". The audience laughed hysterically as they

told the story of the lyrics to the song "Irishman's Epistle to the Officers and Troops at Boston", which humorously describes shooting the British soldiers from behind as they run away.

"We hope the people here tonight will get a new perspective on history," said Ginger. "Music can be a great window into the past and a way to connect to and understand the people who came centuries before us."

The fall Speaker Series at Old Sturbridge Village will conclude on Oct. 25 with a talk from historical novelist James Glickman. The event will begin with a reception at 6 pm followed by the speaker at 7pm. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to <https://www.osv.org/events-experiences/fall-speakers>.

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'Tis the season for catching the big ones

This is a magical time of year, filled with all kinds of hunting and fishing opportunities for the sportsmen. The fall trout stocking program is in full gear with more than 60,000 rainbow trout and 4,000 brown trout being stocked in state waters. Very few trout are stocked in local rivers if any, but they are stocked in rivers in the western part of the state. Fall trout fishing can be a real challenge as the waters temperatures change daily and their feeding habits are a lot different from the cold waters in the spring. Most trout stocked locally are in the 12+ inch size, but fishing Cape ponds that have a lot of large holdover trout are caught annually, as seen in last week's column.



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fishermen, but that seems as though it was the wrong thing to do. MF&W has no positive data about the huge success that anglers had with past stocking at Manchaug. Hopefully Mass Division of Fish & Wildlife will take another look at the two bodies of water, and will do a small stocking in the near future!

The upland bird hunting season will open on Oct. 13, this year with more than 40,000 pheasant being stocked throughout Mass! Pheasant are now the number one game bird in Massachusetts for bird hunters. Local clubs also raise and stock pheasant in open covers annually in cooperation with MF&W.

The second segment of the Massachusetts goose season opened on Oct. 9, this year along with duck season. More geese have been spotted this past week than in previous weeks locally, giving waterfowl hunters a bit more hope of having a good day in the field, even though only two Canada geese are allowed daily. The first few days of the duck season in Massachusetts normally have gunners harvesting a few birds daily, with most of the bag limit made up of wood ducks and mallards.

The Salmon River in upstate New York has exploded with action, and reports of the huge migration of salmon are ready to show up any day. Catching a few of these hard fighting fish is fairly easy, but with so many salmon in the river most are fowl hooked, and must be released. Only salmon hooked in the mouth are legal game. But it is still a lot of fun to have a 20 or 30 pound salmon on your rod. The fish are also not the best table fare and warnings of eating



Courtesy photo

An example of the huge king salmon being caught in upstate New York.

salmon from New York is defined in their annual copy of fish & game regulations. This week's picture shows a huge king salmon caught in upstate New York.

Archery deer season is scheduled to open on Oct. 15, which is this coming Monday. With the heavy foliage this year many hunters have their tree stands set up at the edge of a field providing them with a clear shot. One local deer hunter showed me some big rubs and scrapes in Rhode Island that he had captured on his camera. Impressive!!!! It is a bit early for the rut to start

in Massachusetts, but most archers already have the days marked on their calendar. Stay tuned. Shotgun season opens Nov. 26, in Massachusetts!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold a porketta dinner on Saturday Oct. 20 and it is open to the public. The club is well known for their first class cooks, and should serve a great meal on Saturday. For tickets go to the club on weekends or call them by phone to reserve your tickets at (508) 278-7204!

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UNITED WAY

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that complement the UWSCC's mission to fight for the health, education and financial stability of everyone in the community. The UWSCC Community Investment Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations for funding the upcoming campaign year.

Last year, the UWSCC raised \$288,668 locally and was able to support 25 programs.

2018 UWSCC Campaign Chair April Parzych said the need for support across Southbridge,



Martha Szymanski of New Hope

Sturbridge and Charlton is staggering, and affects all ages and ethnicities.

"Every dollar counts and can help provide basic individual needs for the homeless, help give a child the opportunity to attend summer camp or teach someone to read, just to mention a few possibilities," Parzych said. "In Southbridge alone, 24 percent of the population lives below the poverty level. With just a small gift, we can all have a tremendous impact on the lives of so many in our community."

The UWSCC accepts corporate, individual and community gifts, including recurring donations.

Parzych noted nearly 70 percent of the United Way's funding comes from workplace and corporate giving, but noted community and residential giving has seen an increase over the years.

"Setting up monthly installments of just \$25 per month will add up to nearly \$1,000 over three years. That's really significant when you stop to think about it," she said.

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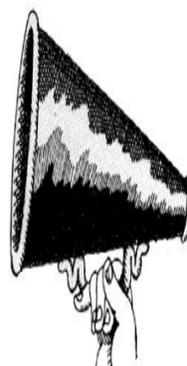
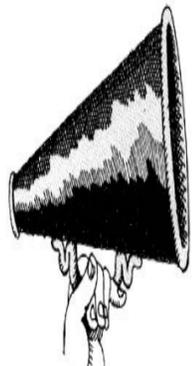


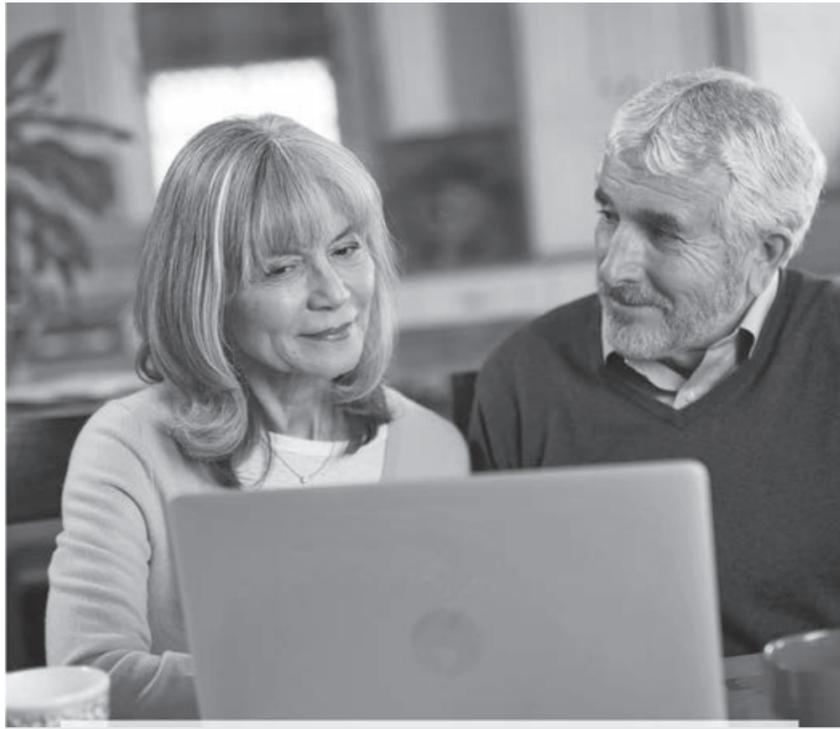
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SPORTS

Effort is evident in Rams' loss to Groton-Dunstable



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Shepherd Hill's Nick Diamond runs up to the ball to hit his free kick.



Alexander Laws of Shepherd Hill approaches a loose ball to get it out of his team's defensive zone.



Deep Patel of Shepherd Hill heads the ball away from a Groton-Dunstable attacking player.



Shepherd Hill's Andre Houston, right, challenges for the ball with an opponent from Groton-Dunstable.



Shepherd Hill's Will Carney, right, fights for the ball against Groton-Dunstable.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Despite playing in a driving rain that had soaked all his players to their core, Shepherd Hill Regional boys' varsity soccer head coach Tim Cormier wished halftime had never happened in the Rams' game with Groton-Dunstable Regional on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at Richard Carmignani Memorial Field.

Shepherd Hill (0-8), which hasn't led in a game all season, was locked in a 2-2 tie with the Crusaders when intermission hit. The Rams were playing aggressively despite the conditions and carried the play for much of the half, prompting a member of the Groton-Dunstable coaching staff to point out that Shepherd Hill was playing as if they wanted the game more than his own players.

Cormier knew his players were playing like they knew a victory was within their grasp.

"The guys were definitely feeling it," the first-year coach said. "They were excited. The bench was excited, the reserves were excited. I almost wished halftime didn't exist and we could have kept going because there is, obviously, a definite lull where you stop and then have to ramp it up again when the second half starts. At halftime, I didn't have to make a lot of changes. I told them to just keep doing what they were doing."

Unfortunately for Cormier and the Rams, halftime happened, after which Groton-Dunstable scored four unanswered goals to notch a 6-2 victory.

"Once [Groton-Dunstable] scored in the second half...well, with the season we're having, it's hard not to be like, 'oh, here we go again,'" Cormier said. "Sooner or later it's going to happen; we're going to battle back, we're going to get a lead, we're going to hang onto it and we're going to win, because we're not rolling over. It's a mindset. We're building a mindset with these players. I want to win for them."

Five minutes after the 2-2-3 Crusaders had jumped in front 1-0 on a goal by David Alvarez — in just the third minute — Shepherd Hill tied the game, 1-1,

on a free kick by sophomore midfielder Matvey Zhuk. Zhuk's free kick came from 20 yards out and got past Groton-Dunstable goalkeeper Alex Newman.

"It was a curving ball, going away from [Newman]," Cormier said. "It had some pepper on it."

The Crusaders went back ahead, 2-1, in the 17th minute, Jeremy Keast scoring off an assist from Alvarez, who carried the ball in deep and then slid it over to Keast, who tucked it past Rams' goalie Jake Fortin.

Again Shepherd Hill rallied back to tie the game, 2-2, in the 26th minute, its second goal of the game coming on a penalty kick by sophomore captain Matt Nguyen. Nguyen was awarded the PK after teammate Andre Houston was dragged down from behind in the penalty box by a Crusaders' defender as he was making a push to the Groton-Dunstable goal.

"I was pleased that this week we scored a goal against Doherty and then two more against [Groton-Dunstable]," Cormier said. "Granted the goals against Groton weren't from the run of play, but both the PK and the free kick were earned by being aggressive and getting forward."

"The PK was set up by Andre on a good, good aggressive play," Cormier continued. "He forced the defender to make contact with him or let him go by. Sometimes you have to will it to happen. You have to decide that you're going to get in position and go. When you're scared to make the decision, that's when you pull up and you try to find something else. A lot of times you've just got to put your head down and make yourself get there. We did that twice and we were rewarded."

The Rams received another fine effort in net from Fortin, a junior, who made eight saves in the game, one with his face on a point-blank shot from six yards out.

"The numbers don't suggest it, but Jake's a rock," Cormier said. "It's unfortunate his average isn't indicative of his effort. Nobody on the team faults Jake for where we stand; nobody at all."



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The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale launches pumpkin patch fundraiser



Annie Sandoli photos

Joshua Hyde Library is working with the Federated Church during the Pumpkin Patch Sale.

STURBRIDGE — The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale Pumpkin Patch Sale began Sept. 30, and is open for business seven days a week throughout the month of October.

The sale not only benefits the church by fundraising for the many ministries it provides and local and regional charities it supports, but also directly helps a Native American community by sharing the proceeds with the Navajo Indian Reservation in New Mexico, where the regional unemployment rate is 45 percent and the median family income is only \$20,000; and temporarily employs many of the people who live on the reservation for the growing of the pumpkins and tending of the fields.

"This is our first year doing the Pumpkin Patch sale, but we know of several churches that have been doing a pumpkin sale for 10 or 15 years," said Chris Knight, a member of the church since the 1960s and a Pumpkin Patch Sale volunteer. "It's tried and true, and it's a wonderful opportunity for the church and the community."

The church began the sale with more than 800 pumpkins that were grown on the Navajo Indian Reservation, where the climate is capable of producing pumpkins with a harder shell and longer shelf life, and unloaded them from a truck onto the front lawn of the church on Saturday, Sept. 29.

"We had wonderful help unloading the truck, including from our fire department,

EMTs, neighbors, church members, and friends," said Knight.

The church's half of the proceeds help fund ministries such as Sunday School, Youth Group, Vacation Bible School, and Adult Choir, charities including Nick Perry's Memorial Foundation, St. Luke's Guest House, Southbridge Food Share, and Solar Lights for Puerto Rico, retreats and groups for men and women like Crossroad's Men's Group and Koinonia Women's Group, outreach programs such as Community Garden, Meeting Space for Scouts, AA, and Al-Anon, Thanksgiving Baskets, and Operation Christmas Child.

"This event is important for the church for two reasons," said Chris Castendyk, who has been a member of the church for 30 years and is in charge of publicity and advertisement for the Pumpkin Patch Sale. "We want to have a fundraiser and raise money for our outreach programs, but we are also really proud of our church and want to let people know what we do as well as socialize with the rest of the community. It's part of our mission statement. We flourish through the community, we flourish through doing things for the community, and we want to reach out in different ways like this."

The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale is also partnering with the Joshua Hyde Library to sponsor children's events throughout the month of October, including Story Time with Live Kittens that took place on Oct. 7 and a Haunted

Halloween Magic Show with Tommy James on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11-11:45 am.

The Pumpkin Patch Sale volunteers said that it was a very successful first week of the fundraiser, and they hope to bring this event back next year.

"I can see us doing this again," said Castendyk. "The energy is really incredible and it's an ideal place because people go to the library next door and children are here often to look at the pump-



There is a large variety of pumpkins to choose from.

kins."

The Pumpkin Patch Sale is open from 11 am to 7 pm on weekdays, 9 am to 6 pm on Saturdays, and noon to 6 pm on Sundays, with pumpkin

and decorative gourd prices ranging from \$1 to \$30. For more information, go to <http://www.sturfed.org> or contact the church office at 508-347-3915.



The Pumpkin Patch Sale is now ongoing.

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The best money I spent all summer undoubtedly was on concerts — £15 to see a Woodstock cover band, £10 to see another cover band play the entirety of Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, and £10 to sit on the floor in a room that Debussy and Strauss composed in and listen to some of London's underground musicians.

Then there were buskers. Some were amateurs with untuned instruments, others could have played a successful show at Carnegie Hall. I loved them all, but especially the ones who were somewhere in the middle — the look on their faces, the level of concentration, the covers and original songs, the mix of pride and insecurity, it all drew me in.

London felt a little different when my two cousins visited halfway through the summer. It was a reminder of home, with their familiar ways and how they sometimes know me better than I know myself. Every morning, we went to Clerkenwell Grind and two of us drank coffee while watching the other put at least three spoonfuls of sugar in her tea. We flew to Paris together and spent our few days there visiting the Louvre, taking pictures in front of the Eiffel tower, eating crepes, and drinking rosé in bed, all while remaining overdressed the entire time.

Sometimes our personalities clash, but it never seems to matter much. We



love hard and forgive easily.

The night before my flight back to Boston was one of the most beautiful and difficult evenings of my life. After two glasses of wine and a little pre-departure crying, my flatmates and I made our way to the Tower Bridge and looked at the city lights, admiring the place we spent our summer exploring and living in. I could point out the place where I took a touristy photo with a telephone booth during my first week. I could see the top of the Shard, where I



had admired a sunset over the city with my flatmates the week before. I could see the place where my two cousins and I spent the first day of their 12-day visit.

And I cried a little more. This summer, I wrote. I also lived in a new country, looked up at a construction-daunted Big Ben, skipped across Abbey Road, spent at least four days on buses to see new places, got excited by the occasional rainstorm, made friends, unashamedly sang out loud to the music at the Cavern Club, tried

new foods, almost got hit by a double-decker bus multiple times, stared up at the sparkling Eiffel Tower, got through moments of pain and insecurity, climbed up to Arthur's Seat to look out over Edinburgh, danced at concerts, and lived in the moment, breathing in every sight, sound, and experience as if I needed each and every one to survive.

I guess I just know myself better now. I boarded the plane back to Massachusetts with no regrets, fewer fears, and a deep love for a new city.

OBITUARIES

Paul Nicholous Derany, Jr., 53



WEBSTER- Paul Nicholous Derany, Jr., 53, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester.

He leaves his wife of 35 years, Pamela C. (Schena) Derany, a son, Paul N. Derany, III and his wife Brandi of Charlton, 5 grandchildren; Madison and Hailey McNamara, Kaydence, Nicholous and Brayden Derany and 2 nieces; Kayla and Jennifer Tarabay.

Paul was born in Cambridge, son of the late Paul N. and Alexandra (Hattem) Derany, Sr. and was also predeceased by a sister, Helen M. Zoghaib who died in 2004.

He worked as a precision injection

molder.

Paul enjoyed golfing and doing projects around the house, but his real joy was being with his family, especially his grandchildren, who will truly miss him.

Calling hours were Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 10 am-12 noon in the ROBERT J. MILLER FUNERAL HOME and LAKE CHAPEL, 366 School St., Webster followed by a Funeral Service at 12(Noon) in the funeral home. Burial was in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions in Paul's name may be made to: Brain Injury Association of MA., 30 Lyman St., Suite#10, Westborough, MA. 01581.

To leave a message of condolence, or share a memory of Paul, please visit: RJ-Millerfunerals.net

Timothy P. Noonan, 57



WORCESTER- Timothy P. Noonan, 57, went home to The Lord peacefully on October 1, 2018, surrounded by his loving family.

He will be deeply missed by his 2 children; Jameson Noonan of Worcester, MA, and Regan Noonan of Holden, MA, 10 siblings: James Noonan and his wife Jane of Westerly, RI, Catherine Durgin and her husband Daniel of Wells, ME, Karen White and her husband Patrick of Worcester, Michael Noonan and his wife Marybeth of Boston, Thomas Noonan and his wife Debra of Leominster, Robert Noonan and his wife Wendy of Chicago, IL, Julia Gaudette and her husband Philip of Worcester, Sean Noonan and his wife Lisa of Sturbridge, Joseph "Jay"

Noonan and his husband Adam of Providence, RI, and Mary Provost and her husband Jon of Charlton, and many nieces and nephews.

Tim was born in Pittsfield, MA, the son of the late James M. Noonan and Helen (Lyons) Noonan. He graduated from David Prouty High School in Spencer and went on to earn a BA from Assumption College, Master of Biology from Boston College, and PhD from UMass Medical School. Tim was a research scientist at Recipharma based out of Stockholm, Sweden with a US location in the Research Triangle, North Carolina concentrating on a cure for cystic fibrosis. Tim enjoyed golfing, reading, and fishing, but most treasured the time he spent with his children. Private family services will be held. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit www.morinfuneralhomes.com



Karl "Mitch" E. Mitchell, 85

OXFORD - Karl "Mitch" E. Mitchell, 85, died Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. He was predeceased by his former wife and mother of his children, Janet T. Mitchell; his second

wife, Dolores Mitchell; and his third wife, Joyce Mitchell. He is survived by seven children, Donna M. LaLiberty and her husband Barry of Leominster, Charlene A. Bryant and her husband Ron of Worcester, Kevin P. Mitchell and his wife Jane of Greene, ME, Pamela J. Jansson and her husband Joel of Dudley, Sharon L. Boyda and her husband Jack of Oxford, Jo-Ann L. Murphy and her husband Robert of Dudley, and Joseph L. Mitchell and his wife Gina of Worcester; a brother, Dwight Mitchell of Dudley; six sisters, Katherine King of Charlton, Ruth DeFoe of Webster, Rosalyn Beaudette of Oxford, Marlene Butler of Charlton, Claudia Blauvelt of Charlton, and Ella Polinski of Leicester; 19 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by a brother, John Mitchell; a sister, Annabelle King; and two grandchildren. Mitch was born in Worcester, son of the late Archibald L. and Alma (Konkol) Mitchell, was raised in Auburn and lived most of his life in Oxford. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Korean War.

Karl (with a "K") worked for the Department of Public Works in Oxford for 24 years, retiring as foreman in 1998. Previously, he worked for R.H. White in Auburn for many years. He was a member of the Oxford Fire Department retiring as Captain of Station 2, and worked on the ambulance and rescue squad. He was an auxiliary member of the Oxford Police Department and a member of the Civil Defense in Oxford. He was a member of the American Legion Post 58 in Oxford and a longtime member of the Oxford Memorial Honor Guard. He enjoyed candlepin bowling, working in his yard, and belonged to several bowling and pitch leagues in the area.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Military burial followed at North Cemetery in Oxford, with the Oxford Memorial Honor Guard participating. Calling hours were Tuesday, October 9, 2018, from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Oxford Memorial Honor Guard, c/o Terry Cummings, 9 Locust St., Oxford, MA 01540. paradisfuneralhome.com

Barbara J. Lataille, 85

SOUTHBRIDGE- Barbara J. (Poirier) Lataille, 85, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 2nd, in the Overlook Masonic Healthcare Center, Charlton, after an illness.

Her husband, Roger Lataille, died in 1987. She leaves her son, Mark A. Ciccotelli of Southbridge; her daughter, Lisa A. Robertson and her husband Dale of Charlton; and her two grandchildren, Marissa Robertson and Matthew Robertson, both of Charlton. She was predeceased by her two brothers, Robert Poirier and William Poirier. She was born in Southbridge the daughter of Alphee and Eva (Duchamp) Poirier.

Barbara worked at WESO Radio in Southbridge for 10 years, retiring many years ago. She previously worked at the

American Optical Co. in Southbridge for many years. She was a former member of Notre Dame Parish in Southbridge. Barbara enjoyed going to the ocean, playing pitch with her friends, refinishing furniture and was an avid reader. Most of all she loved her grandchildren and enjoyed spending time with them.

Barbara's funeral service and burial in New Notre Dame Cemetery, Southbridge, will be private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA 02452.

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

CALENDAR

Friday October 12

CENTER OF HOPE EVENT: On Friday Oct. 12 Center of Hope Foundation hosts a wine tasting and live auction at Point Breeze Restaurant, 114 Point Breeze Road, Webster beginning at 6 p.m. with the tasting and the auction at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person at the door; \$85 per couple if purchased by Oct. 8. Contact Pauline Davis (508) 764-4085 for tickets or information.

Saturday October 13

ROAST PORK DINNER: Saturday Oct. 13, Charlton City United Methodist Church roast pork dinner. Dinner is served 5:30-7 pm, continuous serving and take-out available. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$6, children 5 and younger, free. Family maximum: \$40. Tickets may be purchased at the door although reservations are appreciated. Call the church office at (508) 248-7379 for information and reservations. The building is handicap accessible.

Saturday October 27

HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Road, Spencer a Halloween event to benefit Second Chance is planned. Indoor and outdoor event activities including costume contest and trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle, Walk 'N Wag pledge raising trail walk with scavenger hunt, doggie games and contests, music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown, guest appearance by the Pike's Adam Webster, CGC certification by 4 Paws Academy and agility "Try Its". FREE ADMISSION! Families and pets are welcome!
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Steppers dance on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 8:00-10:30 pm (early Rounds at 7:30). The caller will be Matt McGovern and the cuer will be Birgit Maguire. Admission is \$9 per person. The club is located at 232 Podunk Road in Sturbridge. For more information please contact: Moe Bracken (508) 344-3430, brackenmaurice@gmail.com or Deanna Randall (413)436-7849, drandall444@comcast.net
Month of October

PUMPKINS! The Pumpkins are Coming! The Pumpkins are Coming! Spread the word that the best place to get your fall decorations is at the Sturbridge Federated Church where the best pumpkins and gourds will be for the month of October. Proceeds will benefit many local and regional charities as well as support the daily operation of the church.

Saturday November 3

"Harvest Ball" Hay Loft Steppers dance on Saturday, Nov. 3 from 8:00-10:30 pm (early Rounds at 7:30). The caller will be Bob Butler and the cuer will be Harriett Clarke. Admission is \$9 per person. For more information please contact: Moe Bracken (508) 344-3430, brackenmaurice@gmail.com or Deanna Randall (413)436-7849, drandall444@comcast.net

Saturday November 10

TANTASQUA CRAFT FAIR: 7th annual Craft Fair at Tantasqua Regional Sr. High School on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tantasqua's Cornerstone Cafe will be open for an early bird breakfast buffet at 9 a.m. Craft Fair offers over 100 crafters with an array of merchandise for all of your holiday shopping, and refreshments. Free parking and shuttle service. Free admission.

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Keith Doucette of Charlton: Assault & Battery
Justin White of Worcester: Assault & Battery; Threatening to commit a crime (to wit vandalism)
James Faford of Cloy, GA: OUI-Alcohol
Jonathan Cunningham of Worcester: Operating an uninsured motor vehicle

"Advanced Level" Hayloft Steppers dance on Sunday, Nov. 18 from 2:00-4:30 pm (No Rounds). The caller will be Kevin Bersing. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information please contact: Moe Bracken (508) 344-3430, brackenmaurice@gmail.com or Deanna Randall (413)436-7849, drandall444@comcast.net

Saturday November 24

"Pie Night" Hayloft Steppers dance on Saturday, Nov. 24 from 8:00-10:30 pm (early Rounds at 7:30). The caller will be Darrell Sprague and the cuer will be Roy Williams. Admission is \$9 per person. For more information please contact: Moe Bracken (508) 344-3430.

Sunday November 25

"Special Fund Raiser" Hayloft Steppers Mainstream/Plus dance on Sunday, Nov. 25 from 2:30-5:00 pm. (early rounds at 2:00) Various callers from OCCA and the cuer will be Roy Williams. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information please contact: Moe Bracken (508) 344-3430, brackenmaurice@gmail.com or Deanna Randall (413)436-7849, drandall444@comcast.net.

ONGOING

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP: third Wednesday each month, 6-7 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508) 434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.
NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new

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Free Playgroup at the Hitchcock Academy; sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation Five Grant. It includes: Music & Movement on Wednesday 9-9:45 a.m. and Playgroup on Monday & Thursday 9-11 a.m. For more information about these and a variety of other classes visit us at www.hitchcockacademy.org or call 413-245-9977

Grief Support Group: at Overlook Hospice, Charlton: Have you recently experienced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

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

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

POLICE LOGS

Charlton Police Department

Arrests/Summons: September 23-29

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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fresh or green leaves.

* Here's good news for allergy sufferers. A recent study reveals a compound in green tea may help inhibit aspects of the immune system response that produces symptoms of common allergens such as grass, pet dander, grass or mold!

*Did you know a sore throat can be relieved by using a strong, hot tea as a gargle? Simply brew the tea of choice, allow it to cool, and gargle once or twice a day during the cold and flu season. As a bonus, the natural, herbal gargle tastes great.

* Medical studies reveal green and black teas take center stage when it comes to boosting the immune system. Test-tube studies also suggest that the flavonoids in tea may have more antioxidant activity than certain better-known antioxidants like vitamins C and E.

*According to researchers at the University of Geneva in Switzerland, green tea is packed with caffeine and catechin polyphenols, substances proven to speed up the body's calorie-burning ability. A study they performed showed drinking three cups of the ancient Japanese cure per day can rev

up your metabolism as much as an average man walking 17 minutes!

*Studies reveal green and black tea contain fluoride and polyphenols that prevent plaque from sticking to your teeth? Studies show tea decreases the activity of the oral enzyme amylase, which is responsible for breaking down starch into sugar in the mouth. In addition, the tea plant naturally contains fluoride in its leaves which makes tooth enamel stronger and more resistant to acids. Tea also inhibits bacteria growth in the mouth.

*Sipping both black and green teas has been associated with a lower risk of heart disease. It's been speculated that the antioxidant activity of chemicals in tea called flavonoids are at least partly responsible. Black and green teas each contain different flavonoids that appear to be beneficial to health.

Topical Tea Treatments

Drinking tea isn't the only way to reap the benefits of the healing herbs. Here are some ways natural teas can take the place of commercial health and beauty aids.

Stress Reliever

Make up this green tea and oatmeal bath recipe from a New York City Day Spa, and you'll be soaking in the lap of luxury for mere pennies! The popular

treatment is a great stress buster for both men and women as the green tea tones your skin and helps you unwind after a stressful day, while the oatmeal serves as a soother for sensitive skin.

To make: Combine one half cup of loose green tea leaves (available at health stores) and one half cup rolled or instant oatmeal. Place the mixture in a muslin or cheesecloth bag to make a sachet. Then hang the bag from your bathtub spout with string or ribbon and let the warm water rush over it while filling the tub. Once steeped, remove the bag and enjoy a relaxing soak for 15 minutes or so.

Treat Tired Eyes

If late nights and little sleep are making your eyes puffy, this quick and easy treatment will erase the telltale signs as well as a costly cream. Brew loose tea (try a calming herb, such as chamomile) and chill in the freezer until very cold but not frozen. Dip a cotton pad in the tea to saturate, wring out, and place on puffy areas. Lay back and keep pads on for at least 10 minutes.

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Tea Note: Here is a rundown of how the caffeine in an average cup of tea compares to coffee: Espresso (2 oz) 60-90 mg; Drip coffee 60-180 mg; Black tea 25-110 mg; Oolong tea 12-55 mg; Decaf coffee 22-45 mg; Green tea 8-16 mg; Decaf

tea 4-6 mg.

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

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DUDLEY - 5 Corbin Road! Welcome Home! Beautiful Tri Level Home Set on 4.5 Acres! 9 Finished Rooms, 3-4 Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths! Huge Oak Cabinet Packed Kitchen w/Gorgeous Granite & Pella Slider to Enormous Trex Deck & In-ground, Heated Pool! Dining Room w/Bay Window, Hardwoods, Wainscot & Crown Molding w/French Doors Leading to the Sunroom which has Heat & AC where You Can Enjoy Your Morning Coffee Watching the Wildlife Around Your Pond or Take a Walk Across the Bridge to Check on Your Blueberry Bushes! Fireplace Living Room w/Large Front Window, Custom Built-ins & Hardwoods! 3 Large Bdrms w/Lots of Closet Space! Office Could Be Easily Made into 4th Bdrm! Master has Private Balcony Over Looking the Pool! Master Bath has W/D Hookups, Double Vanity & Walk-in Closet! Finished Walk-Out Lower Level Would Make a Great Game Room! 2 Car Garage which Leads to Rest of Basement which Houses the Utilities, another W/D Hook-up and Storage Garage! Too Many Updates to List Here! A Must See House! **\$459,900.00**

NEW PRICE

DUDLEY - 34 West Main St! 10 Rm, 3222' Antique Colonial! 87 Acre! Grand Entry Foyer! Fp'd Formal Liv Rm & Fp'd Library! Fam Rm w/Hr'ds! Formal Din Rm w/Hr'ds & Tall Bay Window! Appliance Eat-in Kit w/Isle & Walk-in Pantry! 1st Flr Laundry Rm! 1 1/2 Bath w/Dressing Rm! Grand Stairway to 2nd Flr! Spacious Fp'd Master Bdrm w/Hr'ds, Walk-in Closet & Full Bath! 2 Additional Bdrms w/Built-ins & Hr'ds! Flrs, 1 Bdrm w/Access to Additional Full Bath! "Maids Quarters" w/Spacious Bdrm w/Hr'dw! Flr, Full Bath & Separate Stairway Access! 4 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths, 4 Fp'ds! Lower Level Finished Fam Rm w/Fp'd & Abundant Shelving & Storage! 2 Car Detached Garage w/Full Loft! Fenced Yard w/Circular Driveway! Commercial Zoned! **\$695,000.00**

NEW PRICE

OXFORD - 247 Main St! 10 Rm BUSINESS ZONED 2 Family! 4/6 Rm! Well Maintained! 4 Rms on First w/2 Half Baths! Perfect Office Location! 2nd Flr 3 Bdrm Apartment w/ Eat-in Kit, Dining Area, Liv Rm w/Hr'ds & Sun Rm! Full Bath! Oil Heat, New Furnace! Full Basement! Ample Parking! Handicap Ramp! 2 Car Detached Garage! **\$349,900.00**

4 BEDROOMS

WEBSTER - 24 Oakwood Dr! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Spacious Center 1st Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabets! SS Appliances! Slider to Trex Deck! Din Rm w/Hr'ds! Den! Fp'd Liv Rm! 1/2 Bath! 2nd Level Master w/Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Walk-in Shower! 4 Bdrms Total! 2nd Full Tile Bath! C/Air! 32 Heat! Loft Office! **\$419,900.00**

SOLD

OXFORD - 19 Wheelock St! 6 Rm Cape! Well Maintained! Level Loft! Knotty Pine Sunroom w/Slider to Stone Patio! Appliance Eat-in Kit! Liv Rm w/Hr'dw! Flr! 2 Spacious 1st Flr Bdrms w/Hr'ds! Full Bath! 2nd Flr 3rd Bdrm w/Attached Carpets! Full Basement w/Laundry! New Garage Workshop! **\$229,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - 24 Emerald Ave! 2 Family! 5/5 Rms! 2,800 sq/ft! Each w/In-line Kit w/Pantry, Fam Rm, Liv Rm, 2/3 Bdrms! Washer/Dryer Hookups! Hard Flrs! 2 Car Detached Garage! Insulated Windows! New Furnaces! Incredible Flat Yard! Lead Certificates! Well Maintained! **\$239,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

THOMPSON - Quaddick Lake! 52 Beautiful Landings! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! Huge Level Lot/Lawn to the Water - .88 Acres! Open Floor Plan! 4/5 Rm! Ranch! 2 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Appliances & Furnished! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Round! LP Gas Heat & HW! Generator! **\$229,900.00**

NEW LISTING

DOUGLAS - 36 Cedar St! Badluck Pond (110Acre) aka Cedar Lake aka Laurel Lake! 2.74 Acres! 633' Waterfront! 471' Road Frontage! Beautiful Private Setting! 2,836', 2,688' Custom Cedar Ranch w/Hardwoods! Spectacular, Open, Fireplaced, Cedar Cathedral Ceiling, Sky Lighted Great Room Highlights this Home! Custom Island Kit! Lake Facing Master! 2.5 Baths! All Closets are Cedar! 96' Screened Porch! Plus 3672' 2 Story Heated Boat House/Garage w/5 Rm Caretaker/In-Law Apartment w/2 Bathrooms! 5 Full + 2 Half Baths Total! Year Round Country Waterfront Retreat! **\$599,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

AUBURN - 9 Lorna Dr! 2680' Split Entry! Appliance Oak Eat-in Isl Kit w/Corian Counters! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hr'ds! Sun Rm Cathedral to Trex Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hr'ds! Fp'd Fam Rm! 2 Full Baths! 4th Bdrm/Office! Laundry! C/Air & Vac! Professionally Landscaped. 46 Acre Lot! 2 Car Garage! **\$389,900.00**

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER - 32 Camille Rd! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Flr Plan! Appliance Kit! Din Rm! Liv Rm/Den! 1/2 Fp'd Cathedral Liv Rm! Den or Din Rm! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Master Bath! 2 Add Bdrms! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! LL Fam Rm! Garages! Irrigation! Shed! **\$349,900.00**

SOLD

DUDLEY - 13 Pinesview Rd! 7 Rm Colonial! Tiled Foyer! Kit w/Din Area & Slider to Composite Deck! Din Rm! Liv Rm/Den! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/Carpets & Bdrms & Full Hall Bath! Master Walk-in Closet & Bath! Finished Lower Level w/Gas Fp'd! Patio! Fire Pit! Roof 10/17! Attached 2 Car Garage! Town Services! **\$359,900.00**

SOLD

DUDLEY - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated 6 Rm, 3 Bdrms, 2.5 Bath! 1 Acre! Lot! Cul-de-sac! Hr'dws Throughout! Open Liv Rm, Kit & Din Area! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Isle! Slider to Composite Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Master Bath! 2nd Flr w/2 Large Bdrms & Full Bath! Garage Under! **\$309,900.00**

NEW LISTING

SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! Expandable 9 Rm 2,150' Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Driv! New Granite Kit! Din, Liv & Fp'd Fam Rms w/Hr'ds! Yr Rdr Sunroom w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! 24' Master w/Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 12x24 3 Season Porch! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage! A/C! **\$464,900.00**

NEW LISTING

THOMPSON - 854 Thompson Rd! 9 Rm Split! Beautiful, 63 Acre Lot! Appliance Granite Kit! Dining & Fp'd Liv Rm w/Hr'ds! 17x18 Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/Tile Flr! 3/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Hr'ds! Fp'd Fam Rm! 1.5 Baths! 2 Car Garage! Recent Furnace! C/Air! Deck! Shed! **\$269,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 54 West Pt Rd! North Pond - Killdeer Isl - West Expo - Beautiful Lake Views & Sunsets! 2002 Built 6+ Rm Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Rnd! Living! Appliance Kit w/Center Isl! Lake Facing Din Rm w/Panoramic Water Views & Recent Wood Flr! Lake Facing Liv Rm w/LP Gas Fp'd, Recent Wood Flr & French Door to Deck! 1st Flr Laundry & Half Bath! 2nd Flr w/3 Spacious Bdrms! Lake Facing Master Suite w/Fantastic Lake Views, Fp'd, French Dr to its Deck, Dressing/Office Area & Full Bath w/Whirlpool Tub! 2nd Full Bath off the Hall! Huge Lake Facing Walk-out Lower Level w/Gas Stove & Slider to Stone Patio is Ready for "Finishing"! Additional Lakeside Deck! Dock! **\$559,900.00**

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER LAKE Access! 2-A Lakeview Rd! View of the Lake & Your Dock! Short Walk to the Shore! Young, "2009", Spacious 7 Room Split Entry Cape with ELEVATOR! Ideal for Handicapped, Wheelchair Bound or Not Wanting to do Stairs! From Ground Level to the 1st Flr & On to the 2nd Flr! 500 lbs. Capacity! 1st Flr Open Flr Plan! Appliance Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Din Area & Liv Rm All w/Gleaming Wood Laminate Flrs! 2 1st Flr Possible Bdrms/Master w/Ceiling Fans & Huge Dble Closets! Full Tile Bath w/8" Vanity, Laundry & Linen Closets! 2nd Flr w/2 Spacious Bdrms w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets, Office & Full Bath! Lower Level w/Front & Back Opposite Side 12' Garage Doors! C/Air! Super Detached 30'x40' 2 Story Garage! 12x10 Drs! 12' 1st Flr Ceilings, 8' 2nd Flr Ceiling Height! 3 Car Lifts are Negotiable! Has It All! **\$399,900.00**

NEW PRICE

SHREWSBURY - 747 Grafton St! 8 Rm Cape! 5 Acres off Route 20! Great Business Location! Home Needs Total Rehab! 1st Flr Consists of Eat-in Kit w/Built-in Hutch! Large Liv Rm! Master Bdrm w/Closet! Office! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Has 4 Bdrms w/Closets! Vinyl Windows! **\$198,500.00**

NEW PRICE

DUDLEY - 9 Progress Ave! 6 Rm Cape! Move In Ready! Appliance Eat-in Kit! Din & Liv Rms w/Hr'ds! 1st Flr Master w/Hr'ds & 2 Dble Closets & Ceiling Fan! 3 Season Porch! 1 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/2 Bdrms w/Hr'ds & a Full Bath! Roofs 2013! Town Services! Quick Close Possible! **\$249,900.00**

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd! Waterfront Lot! Middle Pond! Panoramic Views! Conservation Approval! Biorum Dream! 100+ of Shoreline! 53.94' Road Frontage! Land Area 8,147! Town Services Available! 2 Docks! Lots on Webster Lake a Rarity, Don't let this Slip by without Your Consideration! **\$199,900.00**

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 812 Beacon Park! WATERVIEW 1280' 5 Rm Townhouse! Lake Facing! Recently Appliance! Galley Kit! Fp'd Liv Rm w/4" Smart TV & Hr'ds! Master Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Bidet! 3 Baths! Fp'd Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows! Doors! 2013! 2013! Town Services! Quick Close Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$284,900.00**

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hr'ds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Fp'd Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hr'dws! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Fp'd Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$729,900.00**

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE - 209 Beacon Park! 1280' Townhouse! 5 Rooms! Spectacular Sandy Beach! Fantastic Lakeside Pool! Appliance Kitchen! Carpeted Dining Rm & Fireplace Living Rooms! 2 Spacious Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Updated Tile Baths! Central Air! Garage! **\$239,000.00**

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 130 Killdeer Island - North Pond! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm 3 Season Home! Add Heat & Use Yr Round! Great Potential! 4 Bdrms w/Hr'ds, 2 Lake Facing! Fp'd Liv Rm w/Lake Views! Spacious Kit & Dining Area! 2 Baths! 55' of Sandy Beach! **\$475,000.00**

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,000' Level Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemporary Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Island, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Fp'd, Surrounded by Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling Fan! Dining Area w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile Shower! Laundry Rm! "Wood Look" The Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hr'dws, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bdrm Access! Lake Facing Bdrm w/Hr'dws, Dble Closet & Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hr'dws & Dble Closet! Full Bath! Full Bath w/Dble Vanity & Tile Flr! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2x6/2 Story Detached Garage! Deck! Get Packing! **\$785,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 5,698' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,254' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/Tile Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Fp'd, Surround Sound & Gaming Hr'dws! Granite Kit w/Isle, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hr'dws & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hr'dw! Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 10' Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Fp'd, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Tile Flr! Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! Nice Decks! Get Packing! **\$724,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 810 Beacon Park! 5 Rms, 1,100' Garden Unit! Fantastic Lake Views! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths! Brand New Heat & AC Unit! Appliances! Din Rm w/Bay Window! Large Covered Patio & Manicured Courtyard! Garage! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! Best Seat for July 4th Fireworks! **\$259,900.00**

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 104 Treasure Island! 1,874' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Dia Rm! Fp'd Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$324,900.00**

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 602 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rm! 1,874' Hr'dw! Floors! Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Dia Rm! Fp'd Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$334,900.00**

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WEBSTER LAKE - BEACON PARK #802

WEBSTER LAKE at BEACON PARK! TOWNHOUSE overlooking the COURTYARD. 1230 SF +/-, Open Concept Living/Dining/Fireplace & PRIVATE DECK. Freshly painted rooms, updated appliances stainless range & refridge. Upper level has 2 SPACIOUS BRs including a MASTER SUITE w/SKY-LIGHTED, PRIVATE BATH, 2nd BR w/lg walk-in closet, 2nd full bath! Whether you're looking for a vacation destination, or a full time living arrangement, you'll fully enjoy the amenities and convenient location of this 10 acre / 90 unit waterfront complex ENJOY LAKE LIVING on the most desired lake in Central MA at an AFFORDABLE PRICE! **\$259,900.**

WEBSTER - 20 NORTH MAIN ST

2 Family - Spacious 3 bedrooms each apartment. Hardwoods, pocket doors, 10ft ceilings, New gas furnaces! Partially finished 3rd floor, 1st floor handicapped accessible, 2 car garage. All town services **\$199,000**

WEBSTER - 7 HICKORY LN

New Listing Warm and Inviting. This Lovely Ranch Sits On A Beautifully Landscaped Yard Nestled in A Very Quiet, Wanting Neighborhood. This 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath Home Has So Much To Offer!! Fully Appliance Eat in Kitchen, Newly Carpeted Living Room and Three Cozy and Comfortable Bedrooms All On One Floor. Walk Down To The Lower Level To The Open And Spacious Family Room With Pellet Stove! **\$259,000**

DUDLEY - 32 DUDLEY HILL RD

Expanded Cape! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath located in beautiful Dudley! Town Water & Sewer! A little TLC will go far to making this your forever home. Extra large perennial packed park like yard is sure to help soothe and relax you **NEW PRICE \$199,900**

THOMPSON, CT - 653 QUINEBAUG RD

Fantastic Ranch - One Floor Living with 3 Bedrooms / Hardwoods, 2 Full Tile Baths! Eat-In Kitchen with Built-Ins. Appliances Included. Fireplaced Family Room with Hardwoods. Lots of Natural Light. Ceiling Fans, French Doors, First Floor Laundry, Screened in Porch - walks right out to your own private patio. New Roof in 2014. Spacious Flat Level Lot with Circular Driveway. Two separate 1 Car Garages. **\$279,900**

THOMPSON, CT - 359 E. THOMPSON RD

Very Interesting property, to a home owner or developer. 47 +/- Acres! Home is a 1900 sq ft ranch with a barn. The home consist of 3 bedrooms, and 1-1/2 bath, basement, farmers porch and 1 car garage. Much of the land is cleared. This property has 300 +/- of road frontage on East Thompson Rd. and road frontage on the entire length of pavement on Roy Rd. Rectangular in shape greater than 1300' wide X over 1600' deep. Needs TLC! **\$300,000**

WOODSTOCK, CT - 606 PROSPECT ST

FIRST TIME OFFERED!! Pristine Colonial on 2.54 Acres! Picturesque Setting! Magazine Quality Decor! Arched Openings, Balcony, Bonus Room above Garage! 9 rooms, 3 Bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, Teen Suite - Media Room - Game Room - Craft Room! Brick Patio with Attached Fire Pit! *2011 Updates: Roof, Furnace & Re-pointed Chimney! All This and More is Waiting for YOU **NEW PRICE \$399,000**

THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE

New Price! Roomy 1300 sq.ft., Hip roof Ranch Attached 2 car garage! PLUS 32x32 Detached Garage! Eat in Kitchen, Fireplaced living room with bow window! 3 bedrooms, enclosed heated sun room, central air, Koi Pond, on .87 +/- acre! **\$265,000**

PUTNAM, CT - 10 KNOLLWOOD LN

Spacious Townhouse! 2 Large Bedrooms w/plenty of closet space, 1-1/2 Baths, Open Floor Plan, Appliances, Packed Kitchen with Breakfast Bar & Pantry Closet, Living Room with Sliders to Private Deck, 1 Car Garage Under, Basement for Laundry/storage. Convenient Location, near Interstate 395! Fabulous area amenities like restaurants, shopping, walking trails along the river, community events, and recreation! **NEW PRICE \$129,900**

LAND!
WEBSTER/DOUGLAS BUILDABLE LOTS
Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abuts Douglas State Forest **\$132,900**
Webster Lake - 16 Black Point Rd. Waterfront, Boat Access, Buildable w/Town Water & Sewer. **\$59,400**
SORRY SOLD
Webster Lake - 22 South Point Rd. Waterfront, Southern exposure! Town Water & Sewer **\$250,000**
Thompson - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway 23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! **\$99,900**

PUTNAM, CT - 310 WALNUT ST

NEW PRICE! Simply Move In & Enjoy! Spacious 1,868 SF 3-4 BR Ranch Home! Finished Lower Level & 2 Car Garage Under. Park-like 3 Acres +/- parcel w/250' of road frontage! Quality built & meticulously maintained home! Central air conditioning, updated appliances, ceramic tiled floors, and Center Island w/custom lighting and a ceiling pot rack. Formal Living room, bow window! Fireplace w/gas insert. Fully heated 4 season sun room! Entertain your guests in the private 20x16 3 season room! Finished lower level cozy family room w/retreat! Central air conditioning, wiring for a generator. 2 outbuildings! **\$269,900**

WOODSTOCK, CT - QUASSET LAKE

158 W. Quasset Rd. - Extraordinary Waterfront Retreat on Quasset Lake! Unique, Tranquil, Quiet, Secluded & Private! Long circular driveway! 5.5 acres of land! Paved, covered patios & balconies, stone base 3 car detached garage w/hotbed studio, Cape Cod shower, winding gravel path to 265 +/- of shoreline! 5,000 sq ft hip roof 3 story Colonial! 2 story foyer! Externally impressive kitchen w/capable everything! Open formal dining & living rooms, 2 family rooms, 2nd floor private office suite, laundry/mudroom, exercise studio, LL kitchenette, sauna, 2 fireplaces & more! Master BRs w/ private full baths **\$1,259,000**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD

Excellent Opportunity to Finally Own Your Own Webster Lake Waterfront Property! Prime Location, 5,674 +/- SF Lot, 50' Rd. & Water Frontage at a Great Price! Contemporary Ranch offers 5864 +/- SF of living area w/2 BRs & full bath. Plus, convenient, indoor access to Walkout Lower Level w/renewable potential for additional living area. Main level features Open Flr Plan w/sliders to full front deck! Spectacular Western-style views across Middle Pond! Additional land & shore frontage available. **\$345,000**

WEBSTER LAKE - 54 KILLDEER RD

KILLDEER ISLAND! A RARE OPPORTUNITY ON WEBSTER LAKE! ABSOLUTELY THE WATERFRONT PROPERTY YOU'VE BEEN WAITING/LOOKING FOR! 2.45 +/- Acres! 345 +/- road front, 336/384 +/- depth, 275 +/- Lakefront! Mature landscape provides unparalleled privacy, & a friendly level lot at water's edge - like very few waterfront properties! The possibilities for this property are only limited by your imagination. The 3700 SF +/- Mid-Century Modern Home is unique w/massive modern windows that invite your eyes to venture outside to spectacular 180 panoramic views across the lake to stunning Western sunsets and beautiful natural shoreline beyond Red & Entertain in the tiled, stone fireplaced family rm, wet bar w/sliders to an enormous outdoor patio! The house features a 36 +/- open concept combination living/dining area with a stone fireplace, an open stairway & interior 2nd flr garage w/summer kitchen, 1/2 bath & huge fireplaced patio! Family owned gem for 60+years! **\$1,495,000**

WEBSTER LAKE - 93 BIRCH ISLAND RD

Sorry, Sold!

New listing! 2 Family on webster lake middle pond waterfront! Rare Opportunity! Great for the investor or home owner looking for additional income. Views with a sandy shoreline! First floor has one bedroom - second floor is 2 bedrooms. Each unit has its own washer/dryer hook ups. Quick access to I-95! Walkout basement & storage area. Paver patio! Taxes \$4,624 yr. **\$412,900**

WEBSTER LAKE - 22 LAURELWOOD DR

1st Time Offered in Peili Smith Cove, Spectacular 3700 +/- SF, 13 Rm/4.5 Bath Lake Home, Uniquely Designed for Lake-Style Living! Private Setting, Ideal Location, 68 Acres, 92' of Natural Shoreline, Front Landscaping, Multiple Decks, Lakeside Cabana, 3 Master BR Suites w/Elegant 1st Flr Mstr - all w/Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living & Billiard Rms & Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information **\$1,150,000**



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MASQUERADE BALL
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST
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 Adults \$8; seniors and children \$5; Under 5 free
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PAINT NIGHT
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AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 2:00 p.m.
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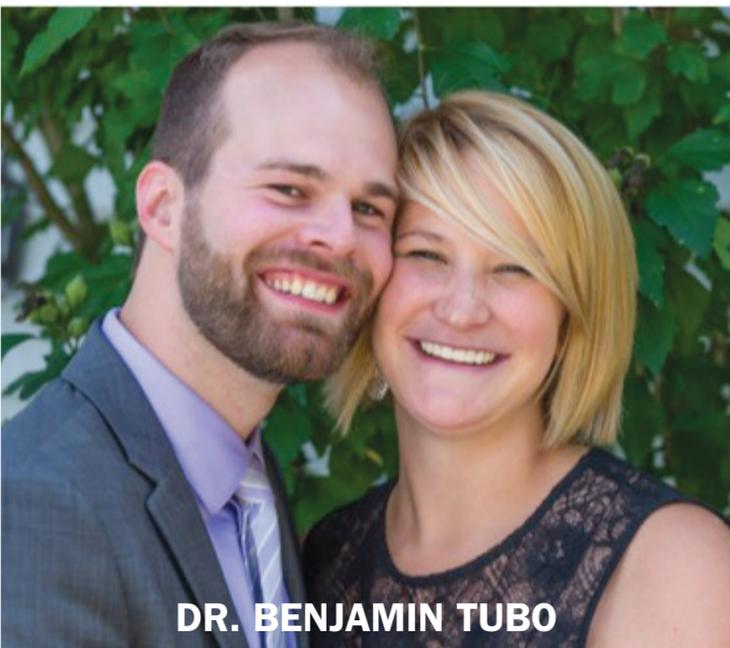
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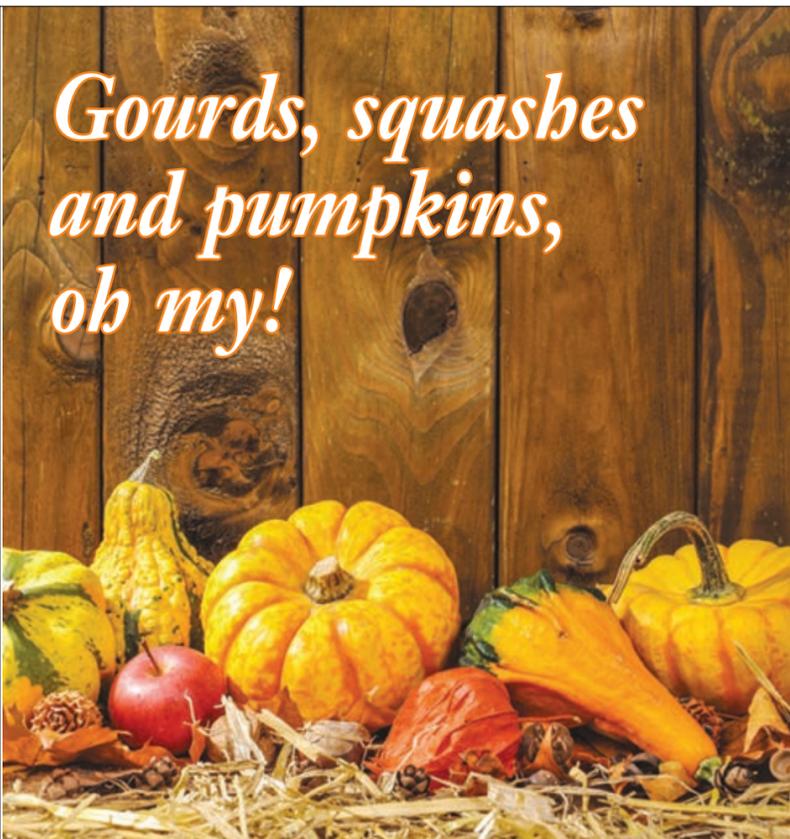
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Halloween takes place during a time of year characterized by earthen-colored chrysanthemums, leaf-lined walkways and crisp autumn air. As colorful as the costumes children wear for trick-or-treating this time of year, and the scores of pumpkins, gourds and squashes on display only add to that colorful melange. The Cucurbitaceae family may be best known for pumpkins, squash and gourds, but there actually are 800 species that belong to this family. While they share many of the same properties, these fruits each have their own unique attributes. The main differences between squashes, gourds and pumpkins is their intended purposes — whether they're ornamental or edible.

SQUASH

Squashes come in summer and winter varieties. Winter ones do not actually grow in the winter; in fact, they're harvested in late summer and early fall, but the name references the hard shell casing that protects the tender pulp inside. Zucchini are summer squash because their outer flesh is tender, while butternut, acorn, spaghetti, and hubbard

squashes are winter squashes because they feature a tough skin. Even though it takes some effort to crack that shell, the dense, nutrient-rich flesh inside is well worth the workout.

GOURDS

Gourds are essentially ornamental squashes; they aren't cultivated for eating. Instead they are bred to look beautiful and unique in autumn centerpieces. Types of gourds include autumn wing gourd, warted gourds, turban gourds, and bottle gourds. Each gourd is unique in its shape and color.

PUMPKINS

Pumpkins come in ornamental and edible varieties. Even though all pumpkins can be consumed, some taste better than others. Small pumpkins tend to be decorative because, according to Nutritious Life, they do not have enough meat inside to make them worthy of cooking. However, sugar pumpkins are best for baking and cooking favorite recipes, states the resource Pumpkin Nook.

The festive hues and flavors of squashes, gourds and pumpkins are one more thing that makes Halloween and autumn special.

AUTUMN

Simple ways to stay fit all year long

Many people find it easier to maintain their beach bodies during summer than they do throughout the rest of the year. Summer weather encourages people to get off the couch and enjoy the great outdoors, and many people prefer to eat lighter meals during the summer to combat the heat and humidity.

But once the dog days of summer give way to autumn, the motivation to stay in beach shape tends to wane. Couple that dwindling motivation with the tendency to eat larger, heartier meals as the weather gets colder, and it's easy to see why so many people gain weight over the last several months of the year and into the new year. But maintaining a healthy weight year-round promotes long-term health and reduces a person's risk for various ailments and diseases, including heart disease and diabetes. The following are a handful of strategies men and women can employ as they try to turn their beach bodies into the bodies they see in the mirror all year long.

- **Keep setting goals.** As winter heads toward spring, many people set short-term goals to motivate them to get back into beach shape. That's a highly effective strategy that need not be exclusive to late winter. Setting short-term fit-



Joining an exercise group is one way men and women can stay motivated and maintain healthy weights year-round.

ness and dietary goals throughout the year can keep you from falling back into bad habits. Tie your goals into the season to increase your chances for success. For example, resolve to run outdoors or cycle a certain number of miles each week in autumn, when the weather is still conducive to physical

activity and the scenery is idyllic. When winter arrives and exercising outdoors is no longer viable, commit to attending a few fitness classes per week at your gym.

- **Switch up your workout routine** every few weeks. Boredom also can affect people's ability to maintain healthy weights year-round. Adhering to

the same exercise routine for months on end can grow tedious. The body can even grow accustomed to the same workout routine, meaning you won't be getting as much out of your exercise sessions as you might if you switch things up. If you find your daily workouts taking a turn toward the mundane, switch up

your routine by changing exercises or signing up for classes that interest you.

- **Find healthy seasonal foods.** Many people prefer to buy locally sourced and/or in-season foods, recognizing the positive impact that such dietary habits can have on the environment. That com-

mitment to buying healthy, locally grown foods can be tested as the seasons change and the offerings at your local market change along with them. Educate yourself about which foods are in-season in your area throughout the year, opting for the most nutritious foods you can find. Buying in-season foods saves you money, and you will also feel good about staying on a nutritious, eco-friendly track.

- **Join an exercise group or sports league.** The buddy system is an effective way to stay committed to a fitness regimen, but if you cannot find a friend or family member to brave cold winter treks to the gym with you, then consider joining an exercise group or competitive sports league. As summer turns to autumn, join a road runner's club to motivate you to run. When harsh weather makes running outdoors too difficult, sign up for a winter sports league. Such groups or leagues get you off the couch and provide great opportunities to meet like-minded men and women who have made their own commitments to staying fit.

Staying fit all year long is a challenge for many people. But maintaining that beach body even after summer has come and gone need not be so difficult.

Factors to consider when choosing and applying mulch



Homeowners may associate mulch with springtime lawn and garden care, but mulching in fall can benefit a lawn as well. According to the Morton Arboretum in Illinois, mulch protects roots against extreme temperatures, and not just those associated with summer heat waves.

Mulch is often connected with its ability to help soil retain moisture during especially warm times of the year, when mulch promotes strong roots that can help lawns and plants survive periods of extreme heat. But when applied in the fall, mulch also inhibits freezing and thawing in winter, reducing the likelihood that plants will be injured.

While applying mulch in fall can be beneficial to lawns, homeowners should first consider a few factors.

- **Timing:** The Morton Arboretum notes that mulch being applied as winter protection should not be applied too early in the fall, as doing so may delay the soil freezing process. Homeowners should wait until after a hard frost in the fall to apply winter mulch. In many places, hard frost will not appear until late fall.

- **Texture:** The Morton Arboretum recommends medium-textured mulch. Fine particles may pack down and retain moisture that will evaporate before it reaches the plant roots. Materials that are too coarse may be incapable of holding sufficient amounts of water to benefit the soil.

- **Nutrients:** Humus is an organic component of soil that forms when leaves and other plant materials decompose. Organic mulches provide humus and decompose over time, adding nutrients into the soil. The Morton Arboretum recommends that homeowners use organic mulch that was composted or treated prior to application so any weeds, insects or microorganisms are killed.

- **Application:** Correct application of the mulch is essential. Applying too much mulch can adversely affect lawns, plants and soil. In addition, excessive application can cause decay and make lawns and plants more vulnerable to disease. Homeowners uncertain about when and how to apply mulch in the fall can consult with a lawn care professional to devise a plan that ensures their lawns and gardens hold up against winter weather.

Mulch may be widely associated with spring lawn care, but applying mulch in the fall can benefit lawns and gardens as well.

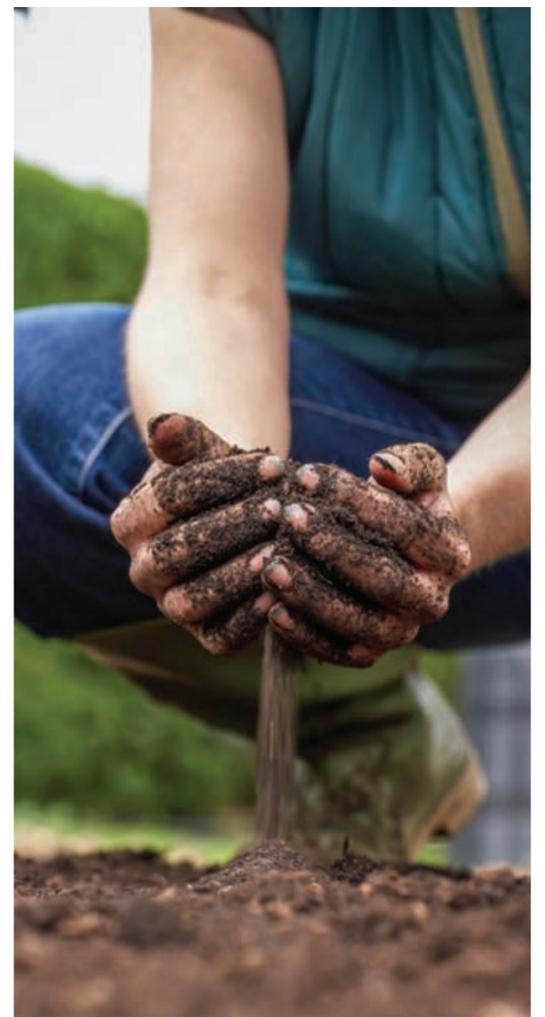
Fall lawn care tips

Spring and summer may be the seasons most often associated with landscaping and lawn care, but tending to lawns and gardens is a year-round job. If lawn and garden responsibilities dip considerably in winter, then fall is the last significant chance before the new year that homeowners will have to address the landscaping around their homes.

Fall lawn care differs from spring and summer lawn care, even if the warm temperatures of summer linger into autumn. Homeowners who want their lawns to thrive year-round can take advantage of the welcoming weather of fall to address any existing or potential issues.

- **Keep mowing,** but adjust how you mow. It's important that homeowners continue to mow their lawns so long as grass is growing. But as fall transitions into winter, lower the blades so the grass is cut shorter while remaining mindful that no blade of grass should ever be trimmed by more than one-third. Lowering the blades will allow more sunlight to reach the grass in the months ahead.

- **Remove leaves** as they fall. Much like apple-picking and foliage, raking leaves is synonymous with fall. Some homeowners may wait to pick up a rake until all of the trees on their properties are bare. However, allowing fallen leaves to sit on the ground for extended periods of time can have an adverse effect on grass. Leaves left to sit on the lawn may ultimately suffocate the grass by forming an impenetrable wall that deprives the lawn of sunlight and oxygen. The result is dead grass and possibly even fungal disease. Leaves may not need to be raked every day, but homeowners should periodically rake and remove leaves from their grass, even if there are plenty left to fall still



hanging on the trees.

- **Repair bald spots.** Summer exacts a toll on lawns in various ways, and even homeowners with green thumbs may end up with a lawn filled with bald spots come September. Autumn is a great time to repair these bald spots. Lawn repair mixes like Scotts® PatchMaster contain mulch, seed and fertilizer to repair bald spots, which can begin to recover in as little as seven days. Before applying such products, remove dead grass and loosen the top few inches of soil. Follow any additional manufacturer instructions as well.

- **Aerate the turf.** Aerating reduces soil compacting, facilitating

the delivery of fertilizer and water to a lawn's roots. While many homeowners, and particularly those who take pride in tending to their own lawns, can successfully aerate their own turf, it's best to first have soil tested so you know which amendments to add after the ground has been aerated. Gardening centers and home improvement stores sell soil testing kits that measure the pH of soil, but homeowners who want to test for nutrients or heavy metals in their soil may need to send their samples to a lab for further testing.

Fall lawn care provides a great reason to spend some time in the yard before the arrival of winter.

AUTUMN

12 fun facts about autumn

The cool, crisp days of autumn have arrived. As fall foliage creates a colorful display and kids frolic in leaf piles on the lawn, you may want to pay some mind to a few lesser known facts about this beloved time of year. Autumn may call to mind Halloween and the return of school, but there are other factors that make this season unique.

1. The first day of autumn is known as the autumnal equinox. On this day, the number of hours of daylight and darkness are equal. This is because the sun is aligned with the center of the Earth between the north and south of the planet. The other equinox occurs in the spring, which arrives in the third week of March in the Northern hemisphere.

2. In Greek mythology, autumn was a time when Persephone, the daughter of Demeter, was abducted by Hades, the god-king of the underworld. During this time, Demeter, the goddess of the harvest, was distraught and the ground grew sparse and cold. When Persephone returned in the springtime, plants and life bloomed anew because of Demeter's happiness.

3. Those who live closest to the equator, which is the center of the planet, never experience the season of autumn. Around the equator, the temperature remains consistently warm.

4. Yellow, orange and variations thereof always reside in the pigmentation of tree leaves, but



they are just overpowered by the abundance of green from the chlorophyll in the leaves. Come autumn, however, when the sun weakens and days grow shorter, the amount of chlorophyll in leaves diminishes, allowing the other pigments in the leaves to show through.

5. Red and purple leaves are actually caused by the presence of sugars from sap that is trapped inside of the leaves.

6. Fall is a peak migration time for many species of birds. During

autumn, birds will fly to other areas as they seek more hospitable climates. The Arctic tern journeys about 11,000 miles each way for its annual migration. That is like going all the way across the United States about three and a half times.

7. Contrary to popular belief, squirrels who have spent the entire autumn collecting acorns and other foods do not hibernate for the winter. Rather, they spend the majority of their time in nests they built to shelter

them from harsh weather. When squirrels do come out in winter, they are usually tunneling under the snow to find the food they buried during the fall.

8. Several cultures have ancient traditions that coincide with autumn. For example, the Chinese celebrate the Moon Festival to give thanks for a successful summer harvest.

9. Halloween is a large part of autumn. The concept of wearing masks and costumes hails from

ancient Celtic tradition. The Celts believed ghosts roamed on Halloween, and people wore disguises to hide from the spirits.

10. You're bound to see pumpkins as part of autumn decor. The pumpkin was first named by the Greeks. They called this edible orange item "pepon," which means "large melon."

11. Evergreen trees will not lose their leaves like deciduous trees. Their leaves, also called needles, are covered with

a thick wax. This wax protects the inner components of the needles, preventing them from freezing.

12. Autumn also signals another colorful spectacle apart from the tree leaves. The aurora borealis, also known as the Northern Lights, tends to be visible this time of year. This is because geomagnetic storms are about twice as likely to occur during the fall thanks to cool evening weather.

The importance of clean gutters



Every autumn, trees and shrubs take on their brilliant display of reds, oranges, purples, and yellows that mark the end of the growing season. Fall foliage may make for ideal photo backdrops and scenic days in the countryside, but closer to home leaves may be more of a hindrance than an aesthetic pleasure.

The hundreds of leaves that adorn the maples, oaks and other trees near homes will eventually fall as autumn turns into winter. Some will float down to lawns, while others will get lodged in gutters and downspouts, posing problems that can cause substantial and potentially costly problems for homeowners.

Homeowners know that gutter cleaning is an important part of fall home maintenance, but they may not completely understand why. Gutter cleaning can be a messy and time-consuming proj-

ect, making it a project many homeowners are apt to put off. Waiting to clean gutters can lead to considerable problems, so it's best to tackle the job well in advance of the winter.

Gutters guide rainwater and runoff from the roof so it drains properly away from homes. When gutters are clogged with leaves, a number of problems can occur.

- **Leaks:** Water will take the path of least resistance. When clogged gutters do not allow the water to drain away properly, water will find other ways to the ground. It may work itself right into the walls and ceilings of the home. In addition to damaging walls and ceilings, moisture inside the home can promote mold growth. It also makes interior spaces more appealing to pests.

- **Excess weight:** Gutters are meant to hold the weight of travel-

ing water and not much more. Gutters filled with leaves and other debris can quickly become heavy. This stresses the entire gutter system and can cause the gutters to fall off of the home entirely.

- **Nesting areas:** Clogged gutters can serve as nesting areas for insects and birds. Mosquitoes and other insects lay eggs in pooling water. Gutters can quickly become breeding spots for harmful pests. Furthermore, birds may nest in gutters, creating unsightly messes and more damage. Seeds that sprout in clogged gutters can grow unchecked.

- **Ice-damming:** Left untreated, pooled water and leaves in gutters can freeze over. Blocked water can back up and push against the roof, lifting shingles and destroying the roof in the process.

- **Foundation trouble:** Clogged gutters also may contribute to flooded basements and cracked foundations. Leaking water will pool around the foundation, expanding when frozen and causing cracks in basement and crawlspace walls. It also can cause driveways and other cement areas around the home to sag and crack.

Gutter cleaning should be scheduled in the spring and fall of each year. Homeowners can hire gutter-cleaning services to handle the job or do the job themselves. Rinse the gutters with water from the hose afterward to ensure good runoff. Take the time to seal any leaks as well. This routine maintenance can save homeowners many headaches and prevent some very expensive repairs.

Various ways you can put pumpkins to use

Few items signal the fall harvest season more than the bright, orange pumpkins that dot fields and liven up displays outside of homes and businesses. Come fall, many pumpkins are turned into grinning jack-o-lanterns just in time for Halloween. But there are many other uses for pumpkins as well.

Pumpkins are believed to have originated in North America. Early Native Americans relied on pumpkins as a source of food that helped them survive long winters. Pumpkins could be roasted, baked, boiled, and dried, and they were eaten and used as medicine. Pumpkin blossoms were added to stews. The shells of the pumpkins could be dried and used as eating and storage vessels.

While pumpkins may now be symbolic of Halloween, the following are a handful of additional ways this versatile fruit can be put to use.

BEAUTY REGIMEN

Pumpkins contain a number of essential vitamins and minerals that can help replenish the skin. Pumpkin purée can be mixed with honey, aloe vera gel, olive oil, and a bit of cornmeal to create an exfoliating mask for the face or body. Pumpkin also can be used to rejuvenate dry or tired skin from cold weather.

Honey, pumpkin and yogurt can be mixed together and used to condition hair. Let the mixture sit for 15 to 20 minutes, and then wash it out and shampoo.

FOODS AND BEVERAGES

Pumpkin purée is the basis for many tasty, pumpkin-infused treats. Purée can be used in pies, cakes, muffins, breads, and many additional foods. Pumpkin purée also may be found in certain beverages, such as smoothies and shakes. A bit of spiced purée may appear as flavoring in teas and coffees.

Roasted pumpkin seeds make a healthy treat. Foodies suggest using the seeds from "sugar pumpkins" or the ones best for making pies. Boil the seeds for a few minutes before draining. Spray a baking sheet with non-stick spray and put the seeds in a single layer. Bake at 400 F for 20 minutes. Allow to cool and serve.

Pumpkin wines and beers are popular as well. There are many recipes for developing sweet, fermented beverages, which tend to be especially popular in the fall.



Pumpkins can be used as more than just tasty pie fillings.

The "guts" of the pumpkin can be simmered along with aromatics and other vegetables to create a vegetable stock perfect for soups and broths.

DECORATIONS

Pumpkins can also add to one's home décor during the fall. Pumpkins can be carved for Halloween displays, hollowed-out to hold tealights or simply left on tables and used as centerpieces. Larger pumpkins may be used as natural flower pots for mums or other seasonal floral displays. As the Native Americans once did, pumpkins can be hollowed-out and used as bowls to serve favorite soups and dips.

Use a hollowed, small pumpkin as a natural aromatic candle holder. Cut holes in the sides to vent the exhaust. Rub aromatic spices, such as cloves, nutmeg, allspice, cinnamon, and vanilla bean, on the inside of the pumpkin. Insert a beeswax candle in the bottom of the pumpkin and let it send inviting aromas into the air.

Pumpkins are a versatile fruit that can serve many purposes beyond just jack-o-lanterns and pies.

AUTUMN

HALLOWEEN BOASTS A RICH HISTORY



Costume-clad kids, bags of candy and jack-o'-lanterns are some indelible images associated with Halloween. Those images may forever be linked to this beloved, fun-filled holiday, which boasts a rich history that varies depending on where in the world you might be.

Celebrations around the world may

not mirror those in the United States, where trick-or-treating youngsters travel from house to house in search of candy. But true Halloween enthusiasts may be interested to learn the history of the holiday and how it has changed over the centuries.

El Dia de los Muertos

In parts of Mexico and Latin America, El Dia de los Muertos (The Day of the Dead) is celebrated each year in early November. The day is designed to honor the dead, who Day of the Dead celebrants believe return to their earthly homes each Halloween. Families may burn candles and incense in an effort to help their deceased relatives and ancestors find their way home.

Guy Fawkes Day

For many years, England had reason to celebrate around October 31, but those celebrations did not mirror the Halloween festivities familiar to those across the pond. While recent years have witnessed more and more Brits adopting the Americanized celebration of Halloween, for many the true holiday this time of year will always be Guy Fawkes Day. Celebrated on November 5, Guy Fawkes Day is a commemoration of the foiled Gunpowder Plot. Smithsonian notes that this was a failed attempt by disgruntled Catholics to blow up the British Parliament building while King James I was inside. Fireworks, parades

and bonfires marked Guy Fawkes Day celebrations, which in recent years have gradually begun to transform into something that more closely resembles American Halloween.

Samhain

History.com notes that Halloween can trace its origins to Ireland. But those origins did not involve giggling youngsters carrying plastic pumpkins around in search of candy. Halloween's origins can be traced to the Celtic festival of Samhain. Samhain was considered the Celtic New Year and was sacred to the ancient Irish. The festival was celebrated as the days became shorter, and offerings were left for the dead, who celebrants believed could cross over into the land of the living at this time. However, they also believed demonic spirits could follow such a path during Samhain, giving the festival the taste of the macabre that many still enjoy imparting on their Halloween celebrations today.

Halloween has a rich and interesting history that gals and ghouls from all walks of life might find interesting.

5 popular German foods to try this Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest is a popular celebration of German culture. While beer might garner the bulk of the attention during Oktoberfest, celebrants would be wise to sample German cuisine when hoisting their steins during this year's festivities.

The world's largest beer festival, Oktoberfest takes place in Munich, Germany, every year, typically beginning in late-September and extending into the first weekend in October. Oktoberfest celebrations in Germany have been held for more than 200 years, but those who cannot make it to Munich this year can still sample many of these delicious foods at their local Oktoberfest celebrations, or even find recipes and prepare them at home.

1. Spätzle: This dish is a combination of eggs, flour and salt and is often served as a side dish. Spätzle is similar to pasta

and typically accompanies meat dishes. Spätzle is popular outside of Germany as well, and some people may refer to it as a noodle while others call it a dumpling. Either way, it's delicious.

2. Maultaschen: This dish traces its origins to Swabia, a one-time duchy of medieval Germany located in the southwest region of the country. Maultaschen is reminiscent of ravioli because it consists of an outer layer of dough that may be filled with various foods, including minced meat, sauerkraut or spinach. Herbs and spices, including pepper and nutmeg, add to the flavor.

3. Fischbrötchen: Seafood might not be the first thing people expect to see on the menus at their favorite German restaurants, but this popular northern German dish popular is very flavorful. Essentially

a fish sandwich, fischbrötchen is often served with Bismarck herring or soured herring, but is sometimes served with other fish, including salmon. Onions, pickles, remoulade, and/or horseradish sauce are often added, making this a great selection for those planning to hoist a stein or two this Oktoberfest.

4. Schweinsbraten: Munich is located in the federal state of Bavaria, and this is a traditional Bavarian dish of roasted pork. In the days before refrigeration, Bavarians heavily salted or pickled this dish to preserve it, and it is still served this way. Another hearty selection, schweinsbraten is a good choice for those who plan to indulge in their favorite German beers this Oktoberfest.

5. Rouladen: Rouladen is a meat dish that typically consists of bacon, onions, mustard,



and pickles. These ingredients are wrapped together in beef or veal that is thinly sliced and then cooked together. Rouladen also might be served with venison or pork, but beef rouladen is the version most likely to be

found at Oktoberfest celebrations.

German cuisine is unique and flavorful and should be a part of anyone's Oktoberfest celebrations.

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