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Rotary Club gives gift to Friends of Joshua Hyde Library



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Donna Englander

STURBRIDGE — The Sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club recently donated \$5,000 to The Friends of Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary are supporting the sturbridge Rotary and Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the sturbridge Rotary at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary at the generosity at

Robert White of the Rotary Club presents the check to children's librarian Pat Lalli and Friends Presidnet

Club recently donated \$5,000 to The Friends of the Joshua Hyde Public Library in Sturbridge. These funds will be used to support children's and youth programs at the library.

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According to Donna Englander, president of the Friends, "We were absolutely stunned

at the generosity of the Sturbridge Rotary Club and so happy they are supporting the great programs we are able to help the library provide to our community. In this era of fiscal belt tightening, many of the programs the

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Amatul-Wadud takes aim at Neal



Tahirah Amatul-Wadud, 1st District Democratic challenge

BY GUS STEEVES STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

Tahirah Amatul-Wadud inot afraid of a challenge.

"I've done a lot in life people never said I could do," she said, pointing to being a single teen mother who graduated college and passed the bar on her first try. "Don't bet against me."

She'll need that kind of confidence – and a lot of votes – to get the target she's aiming for now: the 1st District Congressional seat. More specifically, Amatul-Wadud is hoping Democrats will do here what they just did in California: nominate a new person as their candidate

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It all started with an empathy for those in need, a desire for a selfless service project and a willingness to learn new skills with old and new friends working together.

About 20 women, from teenagers to seniors, who share a bond of membership in the North

Brookfield branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and who live in surrounding communities from Barre to Southbridge, the Brookfields, and from Leicester to Ware, gathered

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Courtesy photo

Armsful of quilts are delivered to the Sturbridge firehouse.

Neslusan announces candidacy

STURBRIDGE — Tanya Neslusan of Sturbridge declared her candidacy for the Massachusetts House of Representatives 1st Hampden District.

"I am pleased and honored to announce my candidacy for 1st Hampden District," said Neslusan, a lifelong resident of central Massachusetts. "For far too long in this District, we have been sidelined as other regions in the state prosper. Our District needs a voice to promote economic development and infrastructure, attract businesses and ensure our children will have opportunities to build a future, in this area."

"We need access to high speed rail and public transit options to encourage commuters to live in our communities and make our area desirable to businesses. Some of our communities are clamoring for better access to the Mass Pike; I intend to fight for these developments," she said.

Friday, March 23, 2018

Neslusan grew up in Wales and currently resides in Sturbridge with her wife, Rebecca, her teenage son, Nick, two dogs and two cats. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in political science from the University of Massachusetts and has spent the majority of her career working in health insurance information technology.

"The last two years have compelled me to look deeply into the issues facing us locally, and I've realized that

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Courtesy photos

Jacob Adams during the ceremonies for his Venture Scout Summit

Prestigious award earned by Brimfield Scout

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

BRIMFIELD — Involved in Scouting since the first grade, Jacob Adams is blazing new trails with his accomplishments and serving as a strong example for younger members.

The 21-year-old Venture Scout recently became the first person in western Massachusetts to receive the prestigious Summit award. The award is the Venture Scout equivalent to the Eagle badge in Boy Scouts, representing several years of hard work and completed projects.

Venturing is a branch of the Boy Scouts of America. Designed for the 14-21 age group, the coed program allows participants to get involved in advanced adventure programs and activities. As a member of Venture Crew 168 in Monson, Adams has taken part in several projects and created countless lasting memories along the way.

And over the years he has advanced through the ranks of Venture Scout, Discovery Scout, and Pathfinder Scout

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DOGGY DONATION

The Tractor Supply Co. store in Sturbridge is donating 20 bags of pet food to feed dogs and cats in need of adoption.

"More often than not, animal shelters and rescues depend greatly on food donations to support the pets they take in that await adoption," said Robyn Wass. manager of the Sturbridge Tractor Supply store. "Our goal at Tractor Supply is to do our part in helping adoption efforts in our community because we know that pets are more than just dogs and cats, they are family."

Tractor Supply presented the pet food donation to various shelters in the Sturbridge, Southbridge and Auburn

In addition to the pet food donation, the Sturbridge Tractor Supply hosts pet adoption events throughout the year. Visit TSCEventPartners.com or call the store at 508-347-3057 to learn more about working with Tractor Supply for pet adoption events.

For information and tips on adopting an animal and raising pets, visit TractorSupply.com/PetCare.

EASTER WEEK SCHEDULES

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nership with New Hope UCC, invites vou to hear the Epic Story of God vs. Evil this Holy Week:

Palm Sunday Drama, March 25, 10:00

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae, March 29, 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, March 30 Noon: Stations of the Cross at St.

Anne Shrine 7:00 p.m.: Drama of the Cross at Bethlehem

Easter Sunday, April 1 9:30 a.m. Festival Worship of the Resurrection of Our Lord

All are welcome to this week of services that proclaims the mystery of God's love; the saving events of Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection. Each worship service will have its own character and live out the drama of the-death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will open the communion table to all at each service, inviting you to become a part of the

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Old Sturbridge Village

Easter Sunrise Service at OSV

The annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the Meetinghouse in Old Sturbridge Village on Sunday, April 1st at 6:00 a.m. This beautiful setting and joyous service is a wonderful way to celebrate the Risen Christ on Easter morning! A free will offering will be taken to benefit those in need through St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Assistance, with locations in Southbridge and Sturbridge. The Easter Sunrise Service is an ecumenical effort sponsored by local churches from Charlton, Southbridge, Sturbridge. Please enter through the main gate and proceed to the rear of the parking lot near the security office, where we will gather and proceed in together. All are

For more information, call Chris McTigue at 508-248-4726.



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As inventory levels, market share and consumer demand change the rebates and incentives change. A strong economy and low inventory might mean fewer rebates. High inventory or the desire to gain market share might mean higher rebates. In any case what we know today is how a vehicle is priced. If a customer finds a vehicle that fits their needs and the numbers make sense then buy now. Waiting could cost you more. Our current economy appears to be at a turning point. If the rebates go down or stay the same and your trade has lost more value your cost to buy will have gone up. Let us here at Place Motor show you how to take advantage of the current incentives and get the most for your trade. Let us show you why we are the Right Place to buy a Ford since 1923.

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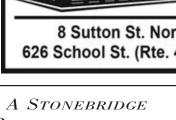
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OXFORD — Michael Hewitt, President and CEO of bank-Hometown, announced the bank has raised \$12,800 during their annual Giving Campaign benefiting three local chapters of the United Way.

Chapters of United Way are vital links between local non-profit organizations and the residents who live in those towns to ensure better lives for those less fortunate in our communities. These funds have been exclusively raised by bankHometown employees over the past year.

bankHometown employees, throughout their 13 branches and operations center, have been participating in this bank wide annual Giving Campaign for more than 30 years. In addition to their monetary support, employees volunteer at a variety of events with the United Way and their partner organizations, including a bank-wide "Day of Caring" held each

September.

The chapters that benefited from year's campaign are:

United Way Webster and Dudley, Massachusetts

Way United Southbridge, Sturbridge Charlton, and Massachusetts

United Way of North Central Massachusetts

Tina Puza, assistant vice president and branch manager at bankHometown's Auburn office, coordinated this year's successful campaign for the bank.

She said, "I am so thankful for all bankHometown employees that have either made donations or have volunteered their time for United Way this year. The resources and dedication that the United Way provides to our communities are invaluable and we thank them for all that they do on a daily basis. I



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Hitchcock **Happenings**

Hitchcock Academy Free Academy 2 Brookfield Road Brimfield (413) 245-9977 www.hitchcockacademy.org

Linda Day teaches Violin and Viola lessons at Hitchcock Academy on Mondays and Thursdays!

MONDAY, MARCH 26

FOUNDATIONS Playgroup: This free program for preschool aged children is sponsored by the Union 61 Family Foundation 5 Grant. Time: 9:00-11:00 AM Dates: Wednesdays when school is in session until May 2018. Pre-register your child by calling Karen Distefano at 508-867-2232 or emailing union61cfce@tantasqua.org.

VIOLIN/VIOLA WITH LINDA: Ongoing private violin or viola lessons offered by Linda Day. Linda enjoys teaching all ages and levels and offers a variety of musical styles to suit the interests of her students. Please note, children ages 5-7 must be accompanied by an adult and you must fill out a consent form for students under 18. (6 classes) Time: ½ hour lessons scheduled between 2 and 6 PM. Fee: \$148 Instructor: Linda Day. Contact Hitchcock to register.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: Traditional Weight Watchers meetings! Times: Weigh-in and Registrations: 5:30 p.m.,

Meeting: 6:00 p.m. Leader: Angela Kramer Visit www.weightwatchers. com to become a member or to learn more about Weight Watchers.

SEN-I JUDO CLUB: This course runs all year long and is well suited for all levels of practitioners including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez (413) 279-4330 for more information.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

ART GROUP: Participants enjoy time to socialize, draw and paint together informally without instruction. No pre-registration required. Bring your own supplies and enjoy! Free will Donations are welcome. Time: 9-11:30AM Contact Hitchcock for more information.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

FOUNDATIONS FAMILY Movement & Music: This free program for preschool aged children is

sponsored by the Union 61 Family Foundation Grant. Pre-register your child by calling Karen Distefano at (508) 867-2232 or emailing union61cfce@ tantasqua.org.

WATERCOLORS WITH BETH: Ongoing watercolor classes for all levels with a new painting every 3 weeks. You must register with Beth in advance to attend. Time: 9:30 AM-12 PM Fee: \$17 per week plus supplies. Instructor: Beth Parys. For information and to register, call Beth at (413) 245-3295.

MAKE IT WITH MARCIA: Pysanky: Explore the history of symbols and designs used in Ukrainian Easter Eggs and create one of your own using raw eggs, dye, wax and a stylus. Date: Wednesday, March 28, 6:30-9 PM Fee: \$24 supplies included. Instructor: Marcia Beal. Contact Hitchcock to register.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

GREAT GARDENING: Pruning Basics: Join a horticulturist and pruning specialist exploring the fundamentals of pruning woody plants. Topics will include pruning timeline, basic pruning methods and techniques, tool selection and a look at common shrubs that benefit from yearly pruning such as hydrangeas and roses. Dates: Thursdays A) March 29, 7:00-8:00 PM Fee: \$10 Instructor: Jessica Groleau, Horticulturalist. Contact Hitchcock to register.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 30

LET'S START A JAM BAND: Bring your own instruments or use a variety of djembes and hand drums and join local musician Tim Kane in learning covers and creating original songs as a group! Members will be invited to perform all of these selections at Make Music Day on June 21. Date: Fridays 6-7 March 30, April 6, 13, May 4, May 18, 25, June 1, 8 (no class 4/20 or 5/11) Fee: \$80 Instructor: Tim Kane, Kane School of Drums. Contact Hitchcock to register.

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247 Hamilton Street Musical Stations, 5:30pm at Notre Dame Church 446 Main St.

> This week will feature The Southbridge Clarinet Choir

Chamber to cut the official red ribbon at Red Door Realty



The Chamber of Central Mass South was very pleased to invite the public to a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception on Thursday. Owners of Red Door Realty Dawn Truax and Pam Mills as well as their agents were looking forward to introducing all to their new place of business at 71 Main St., Sturbridge. This new larger location will accommodate Red Door Realty's growing business and allow them to better serve their clients.

"We are so excited to be in our new location which will help us support our growing business and better serve our current and future clients" said co-owner Dawn Truax. Red Door Realty specializes in residential, commercial and land purchases/sales in central and

western Massachusetts. Red Door works very closely with a great team of local mortgage professionals and attorneys who assist in every aspect of the transaction. At Red Door Realty, the team prides itself on the service and personal attention they give to every client.

"We are thrilled to celebrate this occasion with the team at Red Door Realty and our community," said Chamber Executive Alexandra McNitt. "Our real estate market is red hot right now, and professionals like these at Red Door Realty are essential to achieving home buying and selling success."

The Chamber's golden shears have been busy this year. This is the fourth official ribbon cutting the Chamber of Central Mass South will present so far in 2018. It is gratifying and exciting to see new businesses opening and existing businesses expanding throughout our service area. If it is time for you to grow your business and join a dedicated and passionate business community, visit the Chamber of Central Mass South online at cmschamber.



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Meet the Red Door Team: (I-r) Kristen Bruneau, Dawn Truax, Dawn Dyer, Pamela Mills and Christine Truax.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Punctuation mark 6. Married woman
- 9. Nocturnal rodent
- Suffix
- 14. A way to disappoint
- 15. Saddle horse West African country
- Philippine island
- 18. "Girls" creator Dunham
- 19. A type of twin
- 21. Groans 22. Infections
- 23. What a beaver makes
- 24. Thou 25. Make a mistake
- 28. Receive 29. Dresses
- 31. Burn the surface of
- 33. Where coaches observe 36. Ceremonial offices
- 38. Paddle

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Loose-fitting undergarment 2. Western Romanian city
- 3. Unit of length 4. Type of electricity
- 5. Article 6. Mothers
- 7. Monetary unit
- 8. Single Lens Reflex Tan-colored horses
- 10. Region
- 11. Cautious in spending money
- Belittle 14. Sarcastic
- 17. Fathers 20. Clothes
- 21. Opera's Callas 23. Lentil dish
- 25. Energy-saving module
- 26. Make sense of a language 27. Hurries through
- 29. Songs to one's lover

30. Name given to plant group 32. Improves

65. Ancient Greek war dance

68. Crash a motorcycle (Brit. slang)

39. The body's main artery

41. Altered the original state

46. Northern Thai province

48. Albanian monetary unit

Astronomical period

54. A single unit

56. Presides over

60. Spoiled tot

62. Fertility god

64. Signs a contract

61. Hillsides

63. Assuage

66. Allows

67. Lunar crater

49. Who the Wolverines play for

45. Short-billed rails

44. Alleges

Oath

- 34. Patriotic women
- 35. Inflamed swelling on the eyelid
- 37. Instrument in Indian music
- Request
- 42. Make into leather without using tannin
- 43. Defies
- 47. Neither
- Flower cluster Phonological unit
- Leaves in water Cavalry-sword
- Famed American cartoonist Messenger ribonucleic acid
- 57. Scarlett's home
- 58. Make
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Should we be concerned about home appraisals?



REALTOR'S REPORT

> **JAMES BLACK**

With an appreciating market we should be worrying most about appraisal issues. However most of the time when we put our home up for sale, we tend to worry most about marketing the home properly to get a buyer and then making sure we get through the home inspection process without having to make any large repairs or having a sale fall apart due to the needed repairs scaring off the buyer. You can take care of the marketing piece by hiring an agent with a proven track record of selling homes in your area. You can also get a pre-inspection on your home with a licensed home inspector and make all the necessary repairs that came up as to not have surprises later on. The only thing I would caution on a pre-inspection is that there is a good chance the next inspector will find something the first inspector missed. So be prepared to possibly still be making other

repairs. If you made all the necessary repairs and staged your home properly, a buyer in our current market with extremely low inventory will be willing to pay a premium to get a near perfect house. However, the bank appraiser needs to typically show homes that bracket your home as in one home is priced higher because it is superior and one is priced lower because it is inferior. When you are

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in an appreciating market and you have the best home in your area then you are most likely selling for a price higher than any other recent sales. You will want to ensure that you or your agent supply the appraiser with a list of all the big improvements you have made recently that will impact value, this way the appraiser can make adjustments to justify the higher market price. You will also want to arm yourself with information about all the comparable homes in the neighborhood so you can share information about condition and the setup of those homes which may not be readily available to the appraiser and what makes them inferior to your home so it makes the appraisers job easier coming up with the proper value for your home. Keep in mind you are not persuading the appraiser to come up with an inflated value for your home, but providing information that will help them come up with market value which may or may not be the price you are hoping for. This appraisal is performed based on the opinion of this appraiser of the market value of the home and whether they consider the market to be stable or appreciating. I find some appraisers agree we are in an appreciating market while others think we are in a stable market. This will

affect whether they make time adjustments for comparable homes that sold 6 months ago while the market was lower or assume no appreciation in price.

The appraisal is a huge piece of the sale process and the importance of it cannot be discounted. The other thing to keep in mind is that depending on the type of appraisal being

Should you itemize

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expenses, certain taxes and charitable contributions makes sense (in most cases) when the total of allowable deductions exceeds the standard deduction. For 2017 returns, the

standard deduction is \$12,700 if you're married and filing a joint

your deductions?

done they will also possibly look at the condition of the home. There are standards in condition these appraisers are looking at but the interpretation can be different from one appraiser to the next. I have had appraisals take 10 minutes or an hour depending on the appraiser and type of loan the buyer is getting. Some loans require there is no peeling paint, and any other safety concerns are required to be addressed. Most loans require flooring in all rooms and the appraiser to give an opinion on age of roof and if it has some life left before it needs to be replaced. Some banks and loans require all utilities to be activated and working while others don't so this will be important to know before the appraiser visits the home. These are all items that are there to protect the banks investment in the home because if the buyer is putting down 5% of the purchase price then the bank is giving 95% and wants to protect their investment. If you know there are safety issues already it may make sense to proactively make those repairs. Many times the Realtor you hire can give you suggestions on repairs to make proactively that could possibly come up an appraisal as to not cause any issues down the road.

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Spring brings out the stocking trucks...and dreams of new pups

Ask to see the parents

of the new pup that you

Remember a litter of pup-

pies are real cute, and can

steal you heart if you are

a dog lover, but you need

to think it over before

making a decision. If the

breeder is selling show

Trout stocking trucks rolling throughthe central district. Wallum Lake in Douglas received an allotment of trout last week along with Comet, Quinsigamond, & Webster. For a daily list of trout stockings go to mass.gov/trout web

page. A reminder that Wallum Lake does not open to any fishing until Saturday April 14!!!!! Every year some angler fails to abide by the regulations, and they end up with a hefty fine.

This is the time of year to purchase a new hunting partner for the fall hunting season. Purchasing a new hunting partner and family pet needs a lot of thought before making the decision to place a deposit on a possible 15 year commitment. Finding a reputable breeder of the dog you are interested in is the first thing that needs to be addressed. The purchase price is not cheap for a pedigree dog. Be sure to look at the pedigree papers and ask for references. Never pay up front for the dog. A deposit and receipt are very important. If you are looking to purchase a Labrador retriever, you will need to get references as hip dysplasia is common in the breed. The disease usually does not show up until the dog becomes about 6 months old. This crippling disease can be very costly to correct and often leaves the dog with a life time of health problems. With the cost of veterinary bills today it can drain the bank, and leave you without a hunting partner.

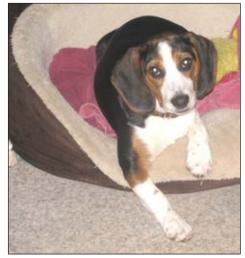
Another thing to remember is that Labrador retrievers are very destructive in your home if left unattended. Crate training your pup early is essential in restoring law and order in your home while you are away. Be sure that your new pet is veterinarian approved, has had all necessary shots, and is healthy when you bring it home.

THE GREAT are about to purchase. **OUTDOORS RALPH** TRUE

> dogs and you are looking for a hunting dog, you should look elsewhere. Be sure to stay away from pet shops that often buy their pups from puppy mills. Some top quality hunting bird dogs that are extremely popular in the area include the pointing class like English pointers, German shorthair pointers, and Brittany spaniels. Brittany spaniels are a very versatile dog that will hunt upland birds, and are a great water dog for retrieving ducks and geese. They are also a lot smaller dog than the other bird dogs mentioned.

> If you have the time to train and take your new dog out for daily walks and a run in fields daily, you should go ahead and purchase a new dog, but if you have little time to spend with your new dog, it is best to wait until you have more time. It is not fair to the dog when you leave them in your home or kennel all day, which can lead to constant barking. Leaving a dog in an outside kennel barking all day is also not fair to your neighbors. It is a great way to spoil a good neighbor relationship!!This week's pictures show a German short haired pointer pup, and my wife's beagle Molly. Unfortunately, Molly has not found a rabbit to chase, but has taken up pheasant hunting, and chasing geese.

> With all of the electronics available to train your dog, Tri-Tronics seems to be the best product for your money. Tri-Tronics recently joined the Garmin Company, which was a leader in all other types of electronics of navigation, that included marine, car, map updates,



Ralph's own little rabbit hunter Molly, a beagle, hasn't had much luck finding rabbits, so has taken to baying at geese and other fowl

watches, and more. A Tri-Tronics dog training unit in the hands of a professional or novice dog trainer can prove to be a valuable piece of equipment, and will have your dog ready for the fall bird hunting season. It is extremely important to read the directions for using your new dog collar when you receive it, and if it is used properly, will be a safe and humane way to train your new pup. Tri-Tronics is the official eCollar of the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association. For more information go to the website of the NAVHDA.

April 24 the Wallum Lake Rod & Gun Club will hold a fun shoot & pasta event at the club grounds in Rhode Island. The public is invited to attend and enjoy some great shooting on first class ranges. The event starts at 10:00 a.m. For more information go to the web site at www.wallumlakerodgunclub. Dick Hewett is chairman of the event.

Massachusetts Fish & Wildlife & turkey project leader Dave Scarpetti, are



This little German shorthaired pointer is ready to start learning his job.

working on some new regulations that would expand turkey hunting opportunities. Extending the hunting seasons, hours, and bag limits are being considered. With the high population of wild turkeys in Massachusetts, it should be a sensible move.

The Mass Fish & Wildlife Board will hold their annual meeting for the 2018-19 waterfowl season on April 7 at 7:00 pm. at the MFW headquarters in Westborough. It is the same time that the board will also discuss the extended season for archery deer hunting in zones 10-14. The waterfowl meeting to set new regulations was normally done in August. If waterfowl hunters want to have input into the 2018-19 regulations you should attend the April 7, meeting. Check out the Board of Fish & Wildlife agenda on the website for more information

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Senate passes pair of bills aimed at protecting animals

BOSTON — Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) has announced the Massachusetts Senate passed a pair of bills designed to protect the health, safety and well-being of animals while also addressing the sale and treatment of dogs and cats. The first piece of legislation, S.1155, An Act relative to protecting puppies and kittens, ensures that puppies and kittens are bred and sold in safe and healthy environments and strengthens the Massachusetts "Puppy Lemon Law" to give pet owners more options if they unknowingly purchase a sick pet. The second bill, S.2332, An Act to Protect Animal Welfare and Safety in Cities and Towns (PAWS II), expands on the existing law and enhances humane treatment of animals, increases the role of mandated reporters, and punishes those who engage in animal cruelty.

"Pets are important family members and making sure there are laws in place that protect people from unscrupulous sellers and to also make sure that any abusers are dealt with properly are important measures to take," said Senator Gobi.

"Pet owners deserve protection when they unknowingly purchase a sick animal that requires expensive veterinary care," said Senate President Harriette L. Chandler (D-Worcester). "Animals depend on their owners, and we must repay that trust by ensuring that animals are treated with respect and compassion. This legislation updates our animal protection laws by setting reasonable standards for breeding, and provides more options to protect animals and consumers.'

The first bill, S.1155, applies safety and breeding standards to protect pets and pet owners and outlines a process for a veterinarian to declare an animal suffering from a significant adverse health condition "unfit for sale." To protect pet owners who unknowingly purchase a sick pet, the bill details remedies available to buyers of animals declared unfit for sale, including exchange of the animal or a refund and reimbursement for reasonable veterinary fees. In addition, this legislation regulates commercial breeders and pet shops to further protect the health and safety of animals, prohibiting pet shops from selling dogs or cats originating at or purchased from breeders that are not properly licensed or have committed certain violations of the Animal Welfare Act and requiring pet shops to maintain certain compliance records and conspicuously post identifying information for the animal and the breeder.

The second bill, S.2332, encompasses several key components recommended by the Animal Cruelty and Protection Task Force which was constituted under the original PAWS act, with task force members including the Massachusetts District Attorneys' Association, State Police, Attorney General's office, the Animal Rescue League of Boston, veterinarians, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and others. Their provisions will help ensure that animals are treated humanely and that those who engage in animal cruelty are adequately punished. The bill also includes legislation originally filed by Senator Gobi outlawing breed discrimination by homeowners insurance providers.

Both bills will now go to the House of Representatives for consideration.

Massachusetts Senate passes social media privacy protections

BOSTON - The Massachusetts Senate unanimously passed S.2320, An Act relative to social media privacy protection. Supported by Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer), the bill aims to protect the personal social media accounts of students and employees across the Commonwealth

Specifically, the legislation prevents employers and schools from requesting and requiring access to the personal social media accounts of applicants, employees, and students as a condition of acceptance, employment, or participation in school

"Social media has become both a blessing and a curse," said Senator Gobi, "It is important that the laws evolve to reflect growing areas of online presence."

'As social media users reveal more and more about themselves, it is important that we enact privacy protections," said Senate President Harriette L. Chandler (D-Worcester). "While users must remain aware of how much information they divulge, it is also imperative that privacy protections be implemented and enforced to ensure that information contained on a social media account is not abused."

More than 25 states have already enacted legislation addressing this issue, and bills on this topic are pending in many other jurisdictions. This is the third session in which the Senate has voted favorably on this bill.

The legislation now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration.



BREAKFAST WITH THE CHIEFS

(Left to right) State Rep. Peter Durant (R-Charlton), State Rep. Kevin Kuros (R-Uxbridge), Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association President and Dudley Chief Steven Wojnar, State Sen. Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton), State Rep. Joseph McKenna (R-Webster), and State Sen. Dean Tran (R-Fitchburg) met at the Central Massachusetts Police Chief's annual legislative breakfast in Sutton.



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Learning budgeting basics at Bay Path

CHARLTON — Bay Path RVTHS students participated in a hands-on financial management and personal budgeting experience during a Financial Reality Fair held recently. Coordinated with Southbridge Credit Union, the free financial education event was held at the gym and attended by Bay Path high school students, Practical Nursing Academy students and alumna volunteers.

"This was the third Financial Reality Fair that Southbridge Credit Union has coordinated at Bay Path, and not the first time we had practical nursing student volunteers. I'm pleased to announce the enthusiastic reception this fair has been given by students and faculty," said Chris Faucher, assistant vocational director. "We have made changes since our last fairs," said Jessica Joseph, training

supervisor at Southbridge Credit Union. "There have been a few changes that we have been wanting to do since our past fairs. This year we added credit scores randomly on the students' Ledger. A few tables that require credit are set up with multiple packages (1 for each tier). Also, on the students' pay stub if they need to visit our NEW- COLLEGE OR CAREER Training Table it was listed on there. NOT ALL careers will need to do this. We are added a Cell Phone/Wi-Fi table as well."

Marilyn Burlingame, LPN, alumna found the Reality Fair at Bay Path to be an excellent and dedicated show of efforts to provide high quality, useful financial education and skill building to students.

The Reality Fair is another example of Bay Path's continued collaboration and support with the community."

With the help of volunteers from Bay Path faculty, staff, and alumni, the Financial Reality Fair was designed to be a highly interactive experience for student participants. Students received a budgeting worksheet with salary information based on intended career and level of education. Students then visited booths to learn about and make choices pertaining to living expenses, from entertainment to insurance. The goal is to end the activity with a balanced budget. In doing so, students were encouraged to revisit each booth as many times as needed. Ongoing financial education for people of all ages helps impart the knowledge students need

New certification classes offered at Bay Path

RLTON — Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy and Intravenous Edu are teaming up in 2018 to offer training that will give licensed practical nurses better job opportunities.

Taiyuan, China; Xiangyu Shi, Shanghai,

Courtesy of Intravenous Edu, according to Jan Stephanos RN, CRNI, Bay Path PN Academy will offer the intravenous therapy certification course. PN students will be able to take the 8-hour theory and practical course through Intravenous Edu.

The course is based on the curriculum set forth by Intravenous Edu and will lead to initial IV certification.

The course will be held at Bay Path Simulation Lab on April 13 and May 9.

"We are excited with this relationship with Intravenous and Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. We relish this opportunity to provide training and to enhance these career pathways in our community," said Gretheline Bolandrina, Practical Academy director

This course will be for initial certification which includes the most recent intravenous policies and procedures

as determined by Infusion Nurses Society and the Board of Registration in Nursing. The course includes anatomy and physiology of Intravenous therapy, care and maintenance of peripheral and central lines including ports and intra osseous devices. Hands on experience is provided along with all equipment, and booklets. Participants perform peripheral IV access, port-a-cath access, blood draw, and central line dressing change. Once the course is completed, the IV certification offers participants a competitive advantage for employment opportunities

The LPN needing continuing education hours for recertification can contact Jan Stephanos, RN, CRNI at (508) 494-5002 or email IntravenousEdu@hotmail.com.

For more information on the IV Therapy Certification Course, please visit the Academy's Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ BayPathPracticalNursing2015/ or contact Kelly at 508-248-5971 or KMeredith@ baypath.net.

Master gardeners to share secrets of saving seeds

STURBRIDGE — Have you ever wondered how to save your own seeds from the plants you grow year after year? At the annual Old Sturbridge Village Garden Symposium on April 7, participants will discover the joys, benefits, and techniques of seed saving. Expert gardeners will explain which plants are best adapted for this practice, and uncover the secrets - and value - of preserving heirloom varieties.

The keynote address will be delivered by Hannah Traggis, senior horticulturist at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's Elm Bank. In her talk "Seeds: The Powerhouse of Civilization," she will describe the case for and cultural importance of saving open pollinated seeds.

Gretel Anspach, a retired Raytheon engineer and master gardener, will present "Seed Saving 101," a primer for beginning and experienced gardeners with tips and techniques for collecting and preserving seeds from a wide variety of vegetables, flowers, and herbs.

Other workshops during the day-long symposium will cover topics such as "19th-century Seed Saving" and "Collecting and Saving Seeds from Fruits."

The Symposium begins at 9:00 am on Saturday, April 7, and costs \$50 for the day, or \$40 for OSV members. An optional boxed lunch may be purchased for an additional \$15. To register, visit www.osv.org/saveseeds or call 508-347-0290.

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library offers simply would not exist without the funding provided by the Friends.

Some of these programs the Friends help make possible include a Museum Pass program, adult book discussion groups, Origami Sunday, Stewing over Mysteries, movie events, speakers, author visits and other special events. Some of the many children and youth programs offered include story times, ELF (Early Literacy & Fun), crafts and supplies, school vacation week programs and the Summer Reading Program. The Friends also recently started a Summer Young Adult program that includes reading, technology programs and other fun activities.

"Sturbridge Rotary's donation to sup-

port children's and youth programs at the library fits in with one of our focus areas, that being educational programs for local youth. We award scholarships each year to local senior students pursuing a college degree, as well as leadership training for several high school sophomores. We're looking forward to hearing about the success of the children's and youth programs here at the library," said Rotary Club member Robert White as he presented the check.

The Sturbridge Rotary Club meets on Mondays at 6:00 PM at the Publick House Historic Inn near the Sturbridge Common. For additional information on the Club, please visit www.sturbridgerotary.org. Click the "Contact Us" tab in our website if you wish to attend an upcoming meeting. Also check out the Club's Facebook page and "Like" us at www.facebook.com/sturbridgerotary.

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Latest antique and auction news

It has been several weeks since my last update on antique related news and there is much to report. There have been some great finds as well as interesting auction

Those of you who read this column regularly know that I'm always interested in learning how auction houses and antique shops create more interest in antiques WAYNE TUISKULA fit the Children Action with people in their 20s and 30s. Some

New York auction houses have found creative ways to promote their sales. Freeman's Auction house hosts special evening events according to a recent Architectural Digest article. They hold "collector's auctions" where items typically sell for under \$1,000. Even some of the largest auction houses are offering pieces with \$5,000 or less estimates, trying to encourage younger buyers to begin collecting or to purchase items to decorate their homes. The convenience of online bidding appeals to millennials. Evening auctions and a cash bar have also proven to be popular.

In other auction news, there



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soon be auctioned, according to Esquire Magazine. It was created in 1970 and nicknamed the Unicorn. The owner swore that he would never sell it, but has since relented. All of the money raised by the sale will benefoundation,

Daytona

are some extremely

valuable items heading

to the auction block.

A Rolex Cosmograph

6265, in white gold will

reference

works with children around the world on areas like healthcare access and suicide prevention.

In a previous column, I reported on seven baseball cards that were found in a Myrtle Beach, South Carolina area estate. They were discovered in a crumpled, brown paper bag and estimated to be worth over \$1 million. The heirs recently discovered an eighth card according to the San Jose Mercury News. The rare Ty Cobb tobacco premium card was produced between 1909 and 1911. It has been appraised at \$250,000.

Celebrity related auctions are also making the news. The South African Times Live



reports that some of Russell Crowe's personal property will be sold at his "Art of Divorce" auction. As his divorce from Danielle Spencer is nearly final, they have decided to part with many of their belongings. Items include artwork. luxury watches, vehicles and film memorabilia. Some of the more interesting and bizarre items being offered are full size model horses and a functional Roman chariot from the movie set of Gladiator.

If you'd like something a little faster than a char-

iot, a 1967 Lamborghini that belonged to Paul McCartney will soon be going to auction. The UK Sunday Times reports that the former Beatle's 1967 Lamborghini 400GT 2+2 Coupé will be sold at the same time as cars that belonged to Rod Stewart and Nick Mason, the former Pink Floyd drummer. Only 247 of the 1967 Lamborghini 400GT 2+2 Coupés were built. The auction estimate is £400,000-500,000 (approximately \$557,000 to nearly \$700,000 U.S.) When McCartney wrote "Drive My

Car" in 1965, I'm sure he didn't expect it to might sell for over half a million in 2018.

Details of some online auctions will be coming shortly. www.centralmassauctions.com for details on this and other events.

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

Reduced services could raise havoc for commuters

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

Proposed cuts in bus services across the Route 9 corridor are causing unease for residents who rely on public transportation to get to work.

The Worcester Regional Transit Authority has proposed reduced services for several of its bus routes, while others have been slated for elimination to save money. Among the proposals is an option to cut all bus services west of East Brookfield District Court. The proposal would also reduce services along WRTA Route 33 to one bus every

For several residents in Brookfield and West Brookfield, an elimination of bus services would prevent them from getting to work. Others rely on the service to visit family and friends, while many residents use the WRTA to reach colleges, hospitals, courts, and events in Worcester.

"I know one person who commutes

on the WRTA bus from Brookfield to a Worcester college, and this person would potentially need to move," said Brookfield Selectman Clarence Snyder. "The Route 9 corridor needs more transportation alternatives, not

As the Senate Chair of the Regional Transportation Authority Caucus, Senator Anne Gobi is advocating along with other caucus members for full funding for bus services. This request is in accordance with a 2014 transportation finance law which established a funding schedule for the regional transportation authorities.

Governor Charlie Baker allocated \$80,400,000 this year for regional transportation authorities, which represents level funding. The Senate request for \$88,000,000 supported by Gobi and her colleagues would restore what the House and Senate implemented in the 2014 transportation reform act.

"I am aware of the difficulties all 15

regional transit authorities across the state are facing, especially the areas served by the WRTA," Gobi said. "The lack of reliable public transportation adds to the isolation of people and deprives them of access to basic needs such as healthcare and employment opportunities.'

The proposed cuts in bus services would not only impact individuals who rely on public transportation, officials said, but they would also hurt municipal economies. Selectmen in Brookfield and West Brookfield are concerned that if bus routes west of the courthouse in East Brookfield are eliminated, several employees and visitors to their towns would have no means of reaching them.

As part of its proposed cuts, the WRTA is also considering an elimination of weekend bus services, which would prevent many residents from getting to church and recreation activities. Meanwhile, the potential elimination of WRTA Route 40, also known as the Hub Loop, is causing additional concerns. Several other bus routes, though preserved by the proposals, would see dramatically reduced daily service.

'Any curtailment of WRTA service on the Route 9 corridor will have an impact on the regional economy," Snyder said.

Åll proposals must be voted on by the WRTA advisory board and wouldn't take effect until the summer. Prior to the vote, residents will have an opportunity to weigh in on the proposals during a series of public hearings. A meeting will be held on April 3 at 6 p.m. at Spencer Town Hall, while Brookfield residents will have a chance to share their concerns on April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Brookfield Congregational Church.

Several local and regional officials were also planning to attend a rally in Worcester on March 20 to demonstrate their opposition to any cuts in service.

To learn more about the proposed cuts in WRTA services, call 508-791-9782

Special program planned in April

Though this story ran in a previous issue, some corrections have been made; please review and plan to attend this most informative event.

For some individuals. tragedy becomes a catalyst for action and a way to deal with grief. For Mags Riordan, a former guidance counselor from Ireland, the drowning death of her son Billy in Lake Malawi in the village of Cape MacClear led to the creation of a much-needed medical clinic.

The Harrington Auxiliary invites members and the general public to attend a special presentation/book signing event on Tuesday, April 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Harrington Hospital Conference Rooms 1 and 2, featuring Mags Riordan, founder of the Billy Riordan Memorial Clinic, and Suzanne Strempek Shea, a Western Massachusetts writer, writer-in-residence and director of the creative writing program at Bay Path College who wrote This is Paradise: An Irish Mother's Grief, an African Village's Plight and the Medical Clinic that Brought Fresh Hope to Both. The two women will present this heart-warming story to the audience. Books will be available for purchase.

In February 2000, one year after Billy's death, Mags traveled to Cape MacClear to place a memorial stone by the Lake to commemorate his life. During the three months she spent there, Mags witnessed famine, a cholera outbreak, rampant malaria and a high rate of HIV/ AIDs. These conditions, in combination with lack of access to medical care, prompted her to open a medical clinic and provide other important services to the community.

Since its inception in 2004, the notfor-profit clinic has become a 24/7 operation, employs and trains more than 32 local people, and serves between 80 and 120 patients on a daily basis. In this presentation, Mags will describe her efforts to launch this clinic, to offer educational opportunities for local students and to initiate a supplementary feeding program, school health program and family planning services.

The event is free, although donations to benefit the clinic are welcome. The presentation is open to the public and includes light refreshments. Handcrafted jewelry and other items made by the men and women of Malawi will be available for purchase. Make your reservations today by stopping at the Volunteer Office at Harrington Hospital or by calling the office at 508-765-6473. The event is also posted on the Harrington Auxiliary Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/ HarringtonHospitalAuxiliary/).



Jacob Adams

SCOUT

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before finally reaching the coveted Summit. The award also requires Scouts to excel in leadership and community service.

"To earn the Summit Award, one must complete all of the previous awards along with a few other requirements, such as managing a service project and completing a board of review where they evaluate your venturing career," said Adams, who has been a member of Venture Crew 168 for about four years.

A Brimfield resident, Adams was able to make the short commute west to Monson to take part in crew activities. He is one of the few Scouts in the state to earn both the Eagle rank and the Summit award, which each require multiple years of dedication. Only about four percent of all Boy Scouts earn all 21 merit badges needed for the Eagle Scout honor, and it takes the

same level of commitment to earn the

Summit award. Adams's Summit award community service project involved building raised garden beds at First Congregational Church of Brimfield, which the church uses to grow vegetables.

"Some of my accomplishments that I am proud of are earning my Eagle Scout award, as well as my Summit award,' Adams told the New Leader. "My Eagle project taught me a lot about planning and coordinating with others, which helped me when it came time to put

together my Summit project." Looking ahead, Adams is hoping to eventually have a career working in the outdoors as a guide or instructor, and his many years in Scouting will give him plenty of good experience to rely on.

Adams was recently honored for his accomplishments during a ceremony in town. His Scouting leaders and family are proud of his achievements, which have inspired younger Scouts to work hard toward reaching their goals as

NESLUSAN

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voters are hungry for a common-sense and compassionate choice to represent them, we need someone who will focus on ensuring that the citizens of this district are prioritized, that we have strong schools and healthcare and a voice who will speak out to spread the prosperity of the Boston area into the central Massachusetts region." Neslusan said.

Neslusan interned for Congressman Richard Neal as an undergraduate student, an experience which inspired her to remain engaged in her commu-

nity throughout the years. She currently serves as the president of the Sturbridge Regional Huddle, secretary of the Sturbridge Town Democratic Committee and is on the Planning Committee for the Worcester Chapter of Showing Up for Racial Justice.

"I will fight for the residents of the district with new ideas and a diverse voice," Neslusan said. "Together, let's make a difference with a common-sense approach and fresh solutions to strengthen our communities and our

A campaign kickoff celebration is scheduled for April 21. For more details, visit www.tanyaforstaterep.org



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EDITORIAL

We'll try to explain...

A few weeks ago, we printed a story about the Board of Assessors reviewing an adopted statute that would give National Guard veterans an exemption for certain taxes.

The exemption was for National Guard who had been called into active duty to serve overseas during the desert wars.

As it happens, though this possible exemption has been available for several years now, as it was first adopted by the town in 2014 and was retroactive to 2001; only two veterans had taken advantage of it.

This was not a program that would necessarily affect a large number of local veterans, only our newer, active duty men and women more recently back from service.

But there hadn't been much activity for this particular program, and the assessors discussed whether to renew the exemption.

This would not mean it couldn't be renewed at a later time, if there was interest shown by people it would have affected, however.

But no decision was reached at the meeting at which this was discussed.

It was a discussion only.

And again, it in no way affected any other veteran exemptions.

We explain this because there was a lot of misunderstanding about the story that did appear. It was unclear, inaccurate and confusing.

We hope we have explained it better. And we have taken steps to be sure our news will be more on task in the future.

We can only apologize, and say we hope that if there have been other errors in the past few weeks they are brought to our attention so we have a chance to correct them in our pages.

And as a final note, should someone who is interested in the town and its people and its activities want to try their hand at reporting for us, we would love to talk to you!

Please feel free to contact us at ruth@ stonebridgepress.news.

OPINION

Views and commentary from Sturbridge, Brimfield, Holland and Wales

The Presidency

Because we live in such tumultuous political times, it's easy to believe today's intense public focus on the Trump presidency is something new — an obsession

idency is something new — an obsession like none we've ever seen before. Yet to one degree or another, the president has always been at the center of the public's attention.

This is because he or she is the central actor in American government. The sheer complexity of our system, with its three branches, separation of powers and competing centers of power, demands someone who can make it work.

So we have high expectations for the president in this country. We want him or her to run the government efficiently and effectively, to work hard to resolve our problems, lead the world, inspire the nation, console us in times of disaster, serve as an example for young people, represent the national interest, and in a sense, carry our hopes and desires for the country on his or her shoulders.

Which is why, no matter who's president, there is enormous public curiosity about every detail of his life and actions. When I was in Congress, the subject would come up whenever I was back home in the district, at formal public meetings and in casual conversations. People wanted to know about his family, his personal characteristics, his strengths and failings, and what he was doing to make the country work.

This fascination is exacerbated by the news media, which focuses attention on the president and much less on Congress, a body that by its nature is diffuse and complicated.

Presidents are both ordinary and extraordinary. They have all the strengths, vulnera-



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bilities and limitations of the rest of us. They may be perceptive, politically astute, even wise, but they all make mistakes — the interning of Japanese-Americans under Franklin Roosevelt, Ronald Reagan's dereliction of duty in Iran-Contra, the handling of the Vietnam War under LBJ.

Yet there's also something out of the ordinary about the people who become president. You have to be driven by ambition to seek the office in the first place, as well as highly competitive and disciplined in both thought and speech. The most effective presidents are unusually persuasive. The greatest among them have a real connection to the American people, a sense of high moral purpose and the ability to summon Americans to reach toward that pur-

Because as unremittingly difficult as the job is, in many ways the toughest part is persuasion: trying to build support for one's goals. We talk about the president as being the most powerful person in the world, but over the decades I've been struck by how often presidents talk about the limitations on their power. Looking out from the White House, what they see are opposition and constraints.

which may be why every president seeks to expand the power of the office, usually with some degree of success. This is not all bad — presidents do need power to get things done. But this trend has diminished

the role of Congress and, fundamentally, of representative government. President Nixon had some 300 people on his staff; presidents these days may have as many as 2000.

This has allowed the president to insulate himself. Presidents are hard to reach today. They don't want to be scrutinized on policy, and far too often, Congress has played along. The presidential press conference has also faded in importance. Presidents rarely have to answer questions in a free-wheeling give and take session with journalists or other politicians.

And so it's harder to understand why the president does what he does now, why he makes the choices he does. Presidents need oversight and scrutiny, they need a Congress that will press them and insist on consultation. They get very little of that pressure today. Don't get me wrong: I favor a strong president, but I also favor a strong Congress. And these days, we have a Congress marked by passivity and inability to exercise its constitutional responsibilities.

I'm equally impressed by the responsibility we have as citizens in choosing our leaders. We get what and whom we choose. Presidents really do make a difference in our lives. No choice as a citizen is more important.

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Time for financial 'spring cleaning'



FINANCIA FOCUS JEFF The days are longer and the temperatures are warmer – so it must be spring. For many of us, that means

it's time for some spring cleaning. But why stop with sprucing up your living space? This year, consider extending the "spring cleaning" concept to your financial environment, too.

How can you tidy your finances? Here are some suggestions:

"De-clutter" your portfolio. As you go through your home during your spring cleaning rounds, you may notice that you've acquired a lot of duplicate objects - do you really need five mops? – or at least some things you can no longer use, like a computer that hasn't worked since 2010. You can create some valuable space by getting rid of these items. And the same principle can apply to your investment portfolio, because over the years you may well have acquired duplicate investments that aren't really helping you move toward your goals. You may also own some investments, which, while initially fitting in to your overall strategy, no longer do so. You could be better off by selling your "redundant" investments and using the proceeds to purchase new ones that will provide more value.

Get organized. During your spring cleaning, one of your key goals may be to get organized. So you might want to rearrange the tools in your garage or establish a new filing system in your home office. Proper organization is also important to investors - and it goes beyond having your brokerage and 401(k) statements in nice neat piles. For example, you may have established IRAs with different financial services companies. By moving them to one provider, you may save some fees and reduce your paperwork, but, more important, you may find that such a move actually helps you better manage your investments. You'll know exactly where your money is going, and it could be easier to follow a single investment strategy. Also, with all your IRAs in one place, it will be much easier for you to manage the required minimum distributions you must start taking when you turn 70-1/2. (These distributions are not required for Roth IRAs.)

Protect your family's financial future. When cleaning up this spring, you may notice areas of concern around protecting your home - perhaps there's a crack in your window, or your fence is damaged or part of your chimney is crumbling. Your financial independence – and that of your family – also needs protection. Is your life insurance sufficient to pay for your mortgage, college for your kids and perhaps some retirement funds for your spouse? Do you have disability insurance that can provide you with some income if you become ill or injured and can't work for a while? Have you considered the high costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay? A financial professional can help you determine if your insurance coverage is adequate for all these needs.

Consider putting these spring cleaning suggestions to work. They may help you keep your financial house in good shape for all the seasons yet to arrive.

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SOUND OFF! To build, or not

To the Editor:

To build, or not to build, the wall. Many people are upset, because we all come from somewhere. True, Lagree.

because we all come from somewhere. True. I agree.

But, we did not come here for a free handout. Our ancestors worked.

Do the newbies know what that means?

Welfare is not a job, or a way of life. They are coming from every where.

We now have all of South America, Asians, Europeans, et

al. There is no stopping them.

Remember, "Hi, I'm Jimmy Carter and I want to be your

President?"
Good God.

The floodgates opened up. Step onto shore and were given 30.

Some people say, "what's \$90?"

Some people say, "what's \$90?" Did you get \$90? No? But you paid for all this with your tax

Free housing, food, medical care, all out of your pocket. Go to the unemployment office, welfare office, doctor's

office, grocery store. Out come the free cards paid for by you. No one should become a citizen because a woman stepped over the line to give birth, then go some office for help, and become a citizen.

Some length of time should come into play. Permanent address, work ethic, status of paying your own way.

You are all screaming because the president is rounding

up all the illegals to send them back.

Now you scream because they're getting everything free

What is it you want?

what is it you want? Citizens? Or illegals who pay nothing?

People who hire these illegals should be fined or shut down. If we don't stop this, they'll keep coming because no one checks. Government looks the other way until something bad happens, and people start screaming again, so Uncle Sam cracks down and sends a few illegals back to show the government is doing its job.

Give them permits to come and work. Once season is over, send them home.

I think Reagan or Bush had a similar plan. Should be, 'no work, no money.' No tickee, no laundry.

Why do you think your health care insurance is so expensive? You get higher rates with another lie. They tell you healthcare has gone up. Should we pay more so illegal get it for free? And, they get better care than you.

When are you people going to take off the blinders to see what is right in front of your face? Evrey time your taxes go up means something has to be paid for.

I think you seniors, and pre-seniors should have figured all this out. Free for them, pay through the nose for you. Take the blinders off people.

Oh, one more thing. Remember, all politicians get a raise, even if you don't

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The terriers were tearing up the catwalk

STURBRIDGE — St. Patrick's Day revelers weren't the only ones enjoying themselves last weekend, as dog owners and their four-legged friends came together for an annual event.

Hosted by the Minuteman Boston Terrier Club, the two-day event took place on March 17-18 at Sturbridge Host Hotel. Dogs of all ages were judged in several categories, and the event drew participants from beyond New England.

"We love the Sturbridge Host Hotel. It is a beautiful facility with wonderful accommodations and staff," said show director Donna Nardi. "We get people from across the northeast, and we had several members of the public come in to relax and watch the dogs."

For many participants, the event provides a great opportunity to meet fellow dog owners. Many of them also take part in other shows throughout the

"It's great to meet different people and see all of their dogs," said Cynthia Musselman, who traveled from Quakertown, Pennsylvania, to attend the event.

About 150 members of the public stopped in at the hotel to see the dogs, as admission is free each year. Show organizers are already looking forward to the 2019 event, which will take place at the same venue.

For more information about the Minuteman Boston Terrier Club, visit www.minuteman-bt.org.



Say hello to Matt, a 7-year-old dog owned by Adrienne Hullender, of Virginia.



Adrienne Hullender, of Virginia, gets ready for the judges with her dog Chacha.



Kevin Flanders photos

Wendy Wotkyns, of Hope Valley, RI, with her 1-year-old dog Bodie.



3-year-old Angel is eager for a snack from her owner, Cynthia Musselman, of Quakertown, Pennsylvania.



Chris Procaccini, of Franklin, with her 2-year-old dog Boss.



From left, show director Donna Nardi, Jeanne Steward, and Lis Wagner.



Dogs show off their skills in several categories.



The Belanger and Karpowicz families stopped in from Worcester to see the dogs in action.



Dogs attempt to impress the judges during the Sunday leg of the show.

AMATUL-WADUD

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to replace a long-entrenched incumbent. There, it was Sen. Dianne Feinstein; here, it's Rep. Richard Neal.

'We all need to be concerned there's such economic disparity throughout the district,' which she observes is the state's While high-wage people are "saddled" with unfair taxes, poor people "struggle hand-tomouth," and many areas lack high-speed internet, access to good jobs and healthy food, and other issues that "present a barrier to strong growth and development for our children." Part of her solution to that is universal preschool.

Another, even broader solution, is "a single-payer health care option." Amatul-Wadud said she's seen that directly in her job as a divorce and family lawyer, where, all too often, one member of the couple (usually the wife) ends up without insurance at all. Similarly, she sees the criminal justice system as using "a disproportion amount of punitive measures" against the poor and minorities, in large part due to "institutional racism."

That's most clearly represented by drug policy, which she'd like to see take up "a clinical and compassionate philosophy that strays away from a punitive approach," solves the problem "comprehensively," and provides treatment for addictions "across the board." But right now, there's "radio silence on heroin, crack and cocaine" from the White House and largely from Congress, and Amatul-Wadud argues the public should "criticize officials that are funded by the big drug companies."

The Democratic challenger is no stranger to being seen as different. All her life, she's been Muslim, and routinely dresses fairly conservatively in the hijab, the religion's traditional head scarf.

beliefs have "Religious always motivated me toward civic engagement, to see that things need to be fair and people need to be protected," she said. But, when she became a lawyer in Springfield 11 years ago, she "swore an oath to uphold the constitution and federal and state law. I will always lead from a secular point of view.'

Asked about Sharia, Muslim religious law, Amatul-Wadud said "it applies to Muslims and their family," not other people. She notes that's just like other sacred rule systems, including Catholic canon law and Jewish Halakhah, and points to John F. Kennedy as a model. When he ran for president, JFK faced a lot of criticism and paranoia for being Catholic, with some detractors claiming he was an agent of the Pope, but he wasn't.

One thing JFK became noted for is also something Amatul-Wadud sees as important – foreign policy. To her, America should "lead from a place of peace" and avoid "vitriol toward our global neighbors." She's willing to admit that the policy of our current president is "irresponsible and frightening," particularly because of the way Trump and North Korea's Kim Jong Un "go at it in such a public way, without decorum.

"People I talk to wake up afraid a nuclear war could take place while they slept," she said. "There's a level of terrorism happening to our community because of how our president is handling international issues.'

While Amatul-Wadud feels we need to "make sure our country is protected and has a strong and capable military,' she believes the money now used for nuclear weapons is better spent on serving military families, training, and emphasizing peace with good ambassadors. Likewise, she feels we need to evaluate all of the places we now have troops and withdraw them if we can keep a country stable and support their democracy.

"We cannot afford to remain there indefinitely," she notes. "It doesn't serve our interests or theirs to stay in places we're not wanted."

Closer to home, the candidate wants to see election reform that promotes greater turnout, more community-based problem-solving, and less corporate influence. People, she notes, "feel unheard," and there's a widespread need to "talk about what we can do for each other." To serve that need, she's forming task forces around the district and plans to "put on a ton

of miles" visiting the far-flung

"I am the personification of the type of candidate who is most harmed by the funding of our elections by big corporations," she stated. "We need some form of publicly-funded elections. I don't want money from a company who presents a direct conflict of interest to the needs of my constituents."

Among other things, she sees 'pockets of voter suppression' because of the way this year's primary falls after a holiday and, worse, expects problems with the 2020 Census. Because it'll be reliant on the Internet and many rural people lack it, she worries it will undercount the 1st District.

"When I look at our district and how it was redistricted in 2012, it was done in a way that doesn't allow for commonality or serve our constituents,' Amatul-Wadud said, noting that while it's one entity on a map, it has many localized issues. Yet, "when we hear what each other is saying, we hear we all have the same problems. They just look a little different."

QUILTS

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on Saturdays and evenings, sometimes in the church building and many times in the home of the project's designer, Pat Young of Sturbridge, to develop their knowledge of sewing and quilting skills and to use those skills to benefit others by making the comfort quilts.

Now, six months later, more than 170 brightly colored, cuddly, three-by-four feet, hand- crafted comfort quilts have been donated to local fire departments, emergency medical squads, and police departments for distribution to victims of car crashes, house fires and other traumatizing, life-changing events. The soft and cheerful fabrics are intended to provide a bit of warmth and solace as the victims face difficult times.

Making quilts is a task involving the joining together of things that are separate and disparate. Two layers of fabric,

unalike but each benefiting from the color, pattern and tones of the other, form the top and bottom of the quilt. Batting (a soft layer of inner strength, added between the top and bottom) provides warmth and cushioning hidden from view.

Unity of purpose, commitment to the task, and a love for others are among the elements essential to successfully stitch together the small quilts. The symbolism of the relationship of the elements involved in making the quilts, to the elements needed to restore a person or family who is feeling fractured by a life trauma is not lost on the whose hands make the quilts.

The project's leader, Pat, when asked what particular joy she found from her involvement, replied, "I have always been a volunteer since I was in Girl Scouts in the 6th grade through high school, and then as an adult scout leader for 17 years. It always makes me feel good when I am able to do for others, and this project was definitely a labor of love. Thinking of people who have experienced accidents or fire, losing everything, and then having someone put a quilt around their shoulders to bring them comfort is what spurred me and the others onward."

Being engaged in doing service for others, particularly in circumstances where those served are unlikely to even know where the gift of service came from, is a special experience. It gives a perspective to life and an increased sense of being able to make a difference in this world. Plus, for this group of new and old quilters, there was a lot of fun and camaraderie in the process.

Among the agencies and departments receiving the comfort quilts to be distributed as needed are: Sturbridge Police and Fire Department, Charlton EMS, Southbridge Fire Department, Holland Police Department, Brimfield Fire

Department, Spencer Fire Department, North Brookfield Fire Department. Brookfield Fire Department, West Brookfield Fire Department, East Brookfield Fire Department, Barre Fire and Police Departments, Warren Police and Fire Departments. Bourne Police Department, Quaboag on the Common Nursing Home, Shriner's Hospital for Children, Springfield.

When asked if she had a concise way to express the feeling of accomplishing an important purpose, Pat quoted a favorite scriptural passage, "I tell you these things that ye may learn wisdom; that yea may learn that when you are in the service of your fellow being ye are only in the service of your God.

After a brief hiatus over the holidays and the coldest weather, the project will start anew in a few weeks. If you are interested in being part of it, feel free to contact Pat at patyoung1@charter.net for more information.

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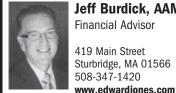
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SPORTS

Shepherd Hill falls to Taconic in Division 2 state semifinals



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Shepherd Hill's David Bilis (hands on head) and the Rams' bench react to their 58-55 loss to Taconic in the Division 2 state semifinals.

BY KEN POWERS

WORCESTER — The Shepherd Hill Regional boys' varsity basketball team's bid to advance to

the Division 2 state final came up just short, the Rams losing their state semifinal against Taconic High of Pittsfield, 58-55,



Kenny Flynn of Shepherd Hill finishes off a dunk in front of Taconic's defense.



Jason O'Regan of Shepherd Hill stares out at the court as his stellar career comes to a close following the Rams' 58-55 setback in the Division 2 state semifinals to Taconic.

14 at Worcester State University.

The key to the Braves' victory was their ability to out-rebound and out-quick Shepherd Hill — two of the Rams' strengths all season.

"They killed us with their rebounding, especially their offensive rebounding. We gave them too many chances," Shepherd Hill head coach Mike Byrnes said. "I'd love to get a look at the stat sheet and see how many field goals they attempted versus how many we attempted. They got so many more shots than we did.'

Byrnes said Taconic's quickness negated the Rams' height advantage.

'Their quickness definitely hurt our transition game. We usually score a lot in transition, but their quickness took that away," Byrnes said. "They were great; they played good defense and they slowed us down. I've been saying all year, when we get slowed down it takes the air out of the ball for us."

Shepherd Hill (19-7) led only three times in the game: at 3-0 just 44 seconds in on a 3-pointer by junior Cody Adams (11 points), 6-3 on a second straight 3-pointer by Adams with 5:14 left in the period, and 31-28 with 3:46 left in the first half.

The Rams trailed, 28-27, with 4:30 left in the second quarter but surged ahead of the Braves on a thunderous dunk by senior Jason O'Regan (a team-high 16 points) and a slashing drive through the lane by junior David

Taconic (17-7), however, closed the first half by outscoring the Rams, 7-1, to take a 35-32 lead into the third quarter.

Shepherd Hill got to within one point of tying the game three times in the second half, the last being 53-52 with 3:49 to of the game, this one com- player while grabbing the ball. ing out of the left corner.

With 1:53 to play Shepherd Hill had a chance to take the lead, 54-53, but a dunk attempt by senior Kenny Flynn (14 points) was partially blocked by Taconic's Mohammed Sanogo. The Rams and their fans called for a goaltending call on the play, but to no avail.

Taconic extended its lead to 56-52 with 49.6 seconds to play on three free throws by Robert McCown. O'Regan answered with a lay-in with 32.9 seconds to go to pull the Rams to within two, 56-54, but McCown scored a layup off an inbound play with 21.6 seconds left to push the Braves' lead back to four, 58-54.

Shepherd Hill senior Danny Cavic scored the Rams' final point of the season with three-tenths of a second to play on a free throw. Cavic (11 points) was fouled while



play on Adams' third trey Shepherd Hill's Danny Cavic appears to get fouled by a Taconic

attempting a 3-pointer.

Despite the bitter disappointment of not being able to play its way into the state final, Byrnes and O'Regan looked back on the season that had just concluded.

"At the beginning of the season I knew we were going to be good, but I didn't know we were going to be this good," O'Regan said. "I think as time went on the team jelled together. We spent more time together off the court, taking care of each other off the court as well as on the court. We just glued together. The chemistry came together

and offensively and defensively we played better."

Byrnes called it a "great season."

"It was a

heck of a year. If you told me before the year that we were going to win the Clark Tournament and win districts and lose in the state semifinal, I'd have told you that you were crazy," Byrnes said.
"Right now we're not happy because we wanted to move on and play for the state title, but it was definitely a great season.'

Taconic then lost to Tech Boston three days later in the Division state championship game.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Sturbridge American Legion holding baseball signups

Baseball players interested in playing Sturbridge American Legion Baseball that are born on Jan. 1, 1999 or later are eligible to play. Signup dates will be held April 14 and 21 between 10 a.m. and noon on both days at the Champeau-Vilandre Sturbridge

Post, Main Street in Fiskdale. Players should bring a photocopy of their birth certificate when they register at signups to insure their eligibility. All players that live in Sturbridge and/or attend Tantasqua Regional High School are eligible for the Sturbridge team, also players from other surrounding towns may also be eligible to play. Team will conduct tryouts May 19, 20 and 26, times will be 10 a.m. to noon on all three tryout dates at Tantasqua Regional High School. For more information contact team manager Jim Rosseel (774) 230-1784 email jimrosseel@hotmail.com or Coach Ray Sullivan (508) 736-7770 email raysull_2 @yahoo.

Dudley/Charlton women's basketball looking for available players

There will be women's pickup basketball happening at the Heritage School gym from 7-9 p.m. We play Monday evenings based on school schedule until June. There are no set teams and no fees, so no weekly commitment. Come when you can for some friendly competition and exercise. Must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact Deb at (508) 248-3600 or mzd531@charter. net for more information.

Sturbridge Girls' Softball League tryouts a hit



Jewels Normandin takes her turn in the batting cage during tryouts

for the Sturbridge Girls' Softball League.

girls jammed into the Southbridge Community Center to show off their softball skills during tryouts for the 2018 Sturbridge Girls' Softball League season. The league is fielding teams in Instructional, 8U, two 10U teams, and 12U. The tryouts featured three separate hitting stations and three sepa-

More than three dozen rate fielding stations.

With snow still piled up on the fields, the league will start practices indoors until the fields are playable. The teams will play a full schedule of 10 to 15 games against neighboring communities such as Auburn, Webster, Leicester, Charlton and Brimfield.

The Sturbridge Girls



Paige Rosen was one of more than 30 girls who tried out for the upcoming Sturbridge Girls' Softball League season.

Softball League is dedicated to teaching girls lifelong skills through softball. While the focus of the league is teaching the fundamentals of softball, athletics also instills traits that will be beneficial to the girls throughout their lives such as healthy living, confidence, dedication and teamwork. Team sponsors for 2018 include Incom,

Sturbridge Orthodontics, Table 3 Restaurant Group, Arland Tool and the Publick

Slots are still available for players in all levels. Please register at http://sturbridgegirlssoftball.activesports. com/Register or email sturbridgegirlssoftball@gmail. com.

CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

EVERYONE IS IRISH: March 23 St. Patrick's Day Tavern Party, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Come celebrate like the Irish with a Traditional Irish Tavern Dinner. Throw on a bit of green, listen to Irish music and have a rolickin' good time. Your menu is: Eva's Irish tavern shepherd's pie; potato & corn chowder served with hearty Irish potato bread with butter and Irish themed cake with mint ice cream for dessert. March Birthdays will be celebrated. There is a \$5 suggested donation for this party. The Brimfield Senior Center is located in the 1st Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield. 413-245-7253

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

FREE MOVIE NIGHT! On Saturday, March 24 come to the United Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale, 8 Maple St. (alongside the library) for a free showing of Sight & Sound Theatre's production of Noah. Time is 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments will be served.

GIANT MEAT RAFFLE: St. Joseph's Church of Charlton, 10 H Putnam Road Extension, is holding a giant meat raffle Saturday, March 24, 6-9 p.m. Six meat, one ham and one lobster table. Early birds arriving prior to 6 p.m. receive three free tickets to be used on the MEAT table of their choice. Selected "HOMEMADE" food purchases will be available for dinner as well as homemade baked goods for dessert. Beverages include beer, wine, soda, water, coffee, tea etc.

STEPPIN' OUT: The Hayloft Steppers Square Dance Club is holding a Casino Night dance on Saturday, March 24 from 8:00 pm to 10:30 pm (early rounds at 7:30). The caller will be Jim Schell and the cuer will be Birgit Maguire. Admission is \$8 per person. For more information on our Beginner Classes, please call Moe at (508)344-3430 or Sue at (860)576-5328 or visit our website at www.hayloftsteppers.org. The club is located at 232 Podunk Road in Sturbridge.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25
Unity Brunch and Fundraiser:
The Sturbridge Democratic Town Committee (SDTC) is pleased to invite the general public to our 2018 Democratic Unity Brunch and Fundraiser. It will be held on Sunday March 25 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Publick House in Sturbridge. This event is hosted by the SDTC to promote and support Democratic candidates and elected officials and to raise funds for our annual scholarship award. This event features speakers, brunch, raffles, cash bar and election news. This year's brunch is expected to be particularly popular. Tickets may be purchased at: https://secure.actblue. com/donate/SDTCbrunch, from any SDTC member, at the door at the event, or you can contact Dave Mitchell at: Waterfront2828@gmail.com

THURSDAY, MARCH 29
APPALACHIAN ADVENTURE: On Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Dexter Hall at the Charlton Library, Sam Ducharme will describe his 2,180 hike up the Appalachian Trail; a feat attempted many, accomplished by many fewer. No registration necessary, free event sponsored by the Friends of Charlton Library.



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OBITUARIES

Maria "Nonna" Marcucci, 91



SOUTHBRIDGE-"Nonna" Sebastiani) Marcucci, 91, was called home by her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ surrounded by her loving family on Friday, March 16, 2018. Maria was born

in Bolognano, Italy on September 23, 1926, daughter of Camillo Sebastiani and Elisabetta (Salce) Sebastiani. She married her husband Santino Marcucci on November 29, 1945, also in Bolognano, Italy. He predeceased her on October 1, 2006, after 61 years of marriage. Her husband Santino traveled from Italy to the United States in 1948, so they could have a better life. He found work in Southbridge at the United Lens Company, and in 1949, sent for his wife Maria and daughter Elisabetta. Santino and Maria had 8 children together, a daughter Giovina predeceased her in Italy.

She leaves 5 sons Santino "Gabe" Marcucci and his wife Jeanne of Thompson, CT, John Marcucci and his wife Susan of Holland, James Marcucci and his wife Kimberlee of Southbridge, Mario Marcucci and his wife Darlene of Southbridge, Richard "Rick" Marcucci and his wife Kim of Southbridge, and 2 daughters Elisabetta "Lisa" Anderson and her husband Edward of Southbridge, and her daughter and full time caregiver Marisa Stevens with whom she lived. She leaves an adopted daughter Miria DeSantis of Bolognano,

Maria leaves 36 grandchildren and their partners Martin and Tina Anderson, William and Lynn Anderson, Karen Anderson Jinessa Anderson, Kristopher Anderson, Angela and Shawn Hetherman, Erica and Michael Lunden, Melissa and Erich Wenc, Nathan and Alyssa Marcucci, Stephen and Jessica Marcucci, Adina and Tommy Laprade, Cara Marcucci of Southbridge, Santino Marcucci, Brooke Ford, Courtney Ford, Sadie Ford, Channing and Jade Ford, Sergio and Jessy Marcucci, Carisa and Scott Bachand, Guida and Salvatore Boscarino, Joshua and Ashley Stevens, Kristi Marcucci, and Hannah Marcucci. Maria also leaves 39 great-grandchildren, Juliana, Benjamin, Ian, Liam, Lauren, Logan, Raymond, Luna, Alex, Emily, Sophia, Gavin, Logan, Johnathan, Ava, Anthony, Lauren, Ryan, Zachary, Darren, Vincent, Gabriel, Kaden, Gianno, Nikko, Autumn, Summer, Dayton, Landon, Stella, Roco, Vera, Lena, Mya, Noah, Angel, Aliyah Ajalyce, and Marcus. She also leaves 3 sisters in Ottawa, Canada, Maria (late Alberto) Breda, Lucia and Guiseppe DiFederico, Rosa and Ettore Latanzio, her sister-in-law

Paulette Becker and her husband Jack. She also leaves her Godchildren, and relatives in Italy, nephews and nieces and their children in Ottawa, a nephew Robert Sebastiani of Florida and a niece Michelle Sebastiani of Charlton. She was predeceased by her brother

Pasquale Sebastiani.

Maria had an adopted family that she loved and was very close with and spent many good times with the DiDonato Family. Maria worked at the American Optical Co. in Southbridge, and Old Sturbridge Village for a combined total of 45 years. She enjoyed cooking, and was a fabulous cook, and loved serving her homemade food to all the family, relatives, friends and the community. She could make a five course meal in 15 minutes, leaving you so full and satisfied, but yet waiting for her next homemade meal. She also was an avid New England Patriots fan, and Red Sox fan, never missing a televised game.

Maria was a humble servant of God with a heart after Him, always serving and taking care of people. There wasn't anything she would not do for anyone. Whether you asked her or not, she

would do it anyway. She loved Rev. Robert Grattaroti's masses at Saint Joseph's Church in Charlton. She also loved having visits from her daughter's Pastors Esteban and Rebekah Carrasco, Pastor Lisa Morales, and their families of the House of Destiny Church in Southbridge, and her cousins Pastor Michael and Barbara Rondeau and family of Viewpoint Church in Southbridge. She loved her doctors, Dr. Paul D. Harrington and his wife Kathy of Charlton Family Practice in Charlton, and Dr. John Tumolo of Southbridge. The entire family would like to thank Harrington Hospital, the entire staff of The Overlook Hospice Nurses and caregivers, her PCA Kathleen Bond, and the Southbridge Fire Department for all their help and dedication.

Our entire family of about 90 people loved her with all our hearts, and will miss her till we meet her again!

Calling hours were held in Saint Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Road Ext., Charlton, MA 01507 from 3:30-5:30PM on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. The funeral Mass followed at 6PM in the church. Burial will be private.

The family request that FLOWERS BE OMITTED. Please honor their requests, and consider a donation to Overlook Hospice, 88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton, MA 01507, or to the Center of Hope, P. O. Box 66, Southbridge, MA 01550.

Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 is directing the arrangements. http://www.san-

She is survived by three sons, Wayne

D. Couture of Whitinsville, Paul H.

and his wife Katy Couture of Grafton

and Kenneth R. and his wife Debra

Couture of Whitinsville; 6 grandchil-

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wife Erin of Bellingham and Jennifer

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Henrietta A. Couture, 90

WHITINSVILLE -

Couture,

Henrietta A. (Provost)

90, of Whitinsville

died Sat. morning March 17, 2018 in the

Christopher House in

Worcester. She was

the wife of the late Damase A. "Cooch"

"Henri"

Along with her late husband, Henri owned and operated Sparetime

Recreation in Whitinsville. She also

worked as a Secretary for the College of

She was Born Nov. 26, 1927 in North Grosvenordale, CT, the daugh-

ter of the late Henry A. and Alice E.

(Aubin) Provost. She was a graduate of

many Worcester County Tournaments.

Along with her son, Paul, they won the

mother/son Massachusetts State golf

championship. She was a member of

the Worcester County Women's Golf

Association, Whitinsville Golf Club and Pleasant Valley Country Club. She

was also an accomplished candlepin

bowler, enjoyed her Saturday after-noon pitch league with friends and a

Henri was an avid golfer and won

Couture who died in 2003.

the Holy Cross in Worcester.

Northbridge High School.

passionate Patriots fan.

Adelard A. "DEL" Mongeon, III



C H A R L T O N - Adelard A. "DEL" Mongeon, III, died Friday, March 9, 2018, after being stricken by a vehicle while crossing Route 20 in Charlton. He is survived by

his mother Anita Mongeon of Holland, 7 brothers James and his wife Valerie Mongeon of New York, Louis and his wife Cathy Mongeon of Webster, Brian and his wife Nicky Mongeon of Southbridge, Paul Mongeon of Charlton, Roy and his wife Melody Mongeon of Burrillville, RI, Robert and his wife Buffy of Southbridge, David Mongeon of Sturbridge, and 7 sisters Anne Mongeon of Phoenix, Arizona, Diane and her husband Mark Coran of N. Brookfield, Lydia O'Keefe of Warren, MA, Anita Brousseau and her

husband Andrew of Holland, Dolores Mongeon and husband Mark Espy of Worcester, Paula and her husband Mark Krukowski of Charlton, and Donna Mongeon of Wareham, many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother Michael Mongeon, and a sister Doris Mongeon.

Del was born in Southbridge, October 5, 1967, son of the late Adelard Mongeon, Jr. who died in 1995. He was a graduate of Bay Path Regional Vocational High School, and worked for many years as an assistant manager for the Worthington Box Factory in Charlton. He enjoyed carpentry, and was talented in making numerous woodworking projects.

Calling hours were Sunday, March 18, 2018, from 3-5PM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial will be private. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Roger F. LaFlamme

SOUTHBRIDGE-Roger F. LaFlamme,

88, passed away on Sunday, March 11th, in the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, after an illness.

He leaves wife of 62 years, Rose J. (Zachara) LaFlamme; his son, James R. LaFlamme

of Southbridge; his two daughters, Brenda LaFlamme of Brimfield and Cathy LaFlamme of Southbridge; his brother, Fred Morin and his wife Jeannine of Southbridge; his brother-in-law, William Zachara and his wife Marie Lamica of Southbridge; his five grandchildren, Brandy Trinque of Dudley, Nathan Gould of Boston, Joshua Gould and his wife Abby of New Jersey, Nicholas LaFlamme and his fiancée Chelsea of Worcester and Nolan LaFlamme of Auburn; his four great grandchildren, Brent Pearl, Lizzy Pearl, Lucas Pearl and Nicholas LaFlamme, Jr.; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his step father, T.P. Morin and two brothers, George LaFlamme and Ralph LaFlamme. He was born in Worcester the son of Henry L. LaFlamme and Elaine (Duquette) LaFlamme Morin. Roger was a US Army Veteran of the Korean War era.

Roger worked at the American Optical Co. in Southbridge for 40 years, retiring many years ago. He also worked part time delivering newspapers for the Southbridge Evening News for 25 years. He received two major rewards from the American Optical Co. for suggestions that helped to save the company. He was a member of St. John Paul II Parish in Southbridge. He was



an avid outdoorsman enjoying hunting and fishing and was a lifelong member and past president of the Hamilton Rod & Gun Club in Sturbridge. He was an avid golfer and in his younger years was one of the best Candlepin bowlers in the area. He also at one time took Kung-Fu lessons. Roger was a lifelong Red Sox fan and also an avid Patriots fan. He was also a member of the Quinebaug Valley Campers.

The family would like to thank the staff at Southbridge Rehab, Western & Central Mass Hospice and Fr. Juan Herrera for all of the care and compas-

sion they gave to Roger.

His funeral will be held on Friday, March 16th, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass at 11:00am in Notre Dame Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 446 Main St., Southbridge. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family. A calling hour in the funeral home will be held on Friday, March 16th, from 9:30 to 10:30am, prior to the Mass.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. John Paul II Parish, 279 Hamilton St., Southbridge, MA 01550. www.morrillfuneralhome.com

Carl Alfred Bergmann, 91

Carl Alfred Bergmann, 91 of White Bear Township. Services to be held on May 5, 2018 in White Bear Lake. Complete notice to follow.

Doris M. (Desmarais) Braney 87

SOUTHBRIDGE-Doris M. (Desmarais) Braney 87, formerly of Mechanic Street died March 9 at Quaboag on the Common after an ill-

Doris was born in Canada the daughter of Phillip and Loretta (Fontaine) Desmarais) and lived in the area most

of her life.

She graduated from Mary E. Wells

High School and went on the be a Police Officer in Southbridge for many years. Doris was the mother of Paul Dame of Holland and the sister of June Williams of California.

She enjoyed playing Bingo and creating ceramic art.

At her request all services will be private. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge.

Belanger-Bullard funeral Home.51 Marcy St. Southbridge is directing arrangements

An online guestbook is available at

www.BelangerFuneralHome.com

Matthew L. Gordon, 29



SPENCER-Matthew L. Gordon 29, of Spencer, died suddenly, March 18 in Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge.

He leaves his parents John J. Gordon, Jr. of Sturbridge and

his mother Terry L. (Caola) Stelmokas of W.Brookfield, his sister Grace H. Gordon of W.Brookfield, his paternal grandparents John J. Gordon, Sr. and his wife Elinor (Robator) of Spencer with whom he lived, his maternal grandfather John Caola of Wellington, Fl., several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was born in Worcester and attended Spencer schools. Matt was a plasterer for several area contractors.

He was a member of the Spencer Fish & Game Club, and the So. Barre Rod & Gun Club. He enjoyed riding motorcycles and dirt bikes.

Memorial calling hours will be held on Friday, March 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. A Memorial Service will be held at the conclusion of calling hours at 7 p.m. in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Spencer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 147, Spencer, MA 01562.

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Shirley A. Forcier, 75



SOUTHBRIDGE-Shirley A. (Goudreau) Forcier, 75, a lifelong resident of Southbridge, died Saturday, March 17, 2018, at Harrington Memorial Hospital, after a long illness.

Her husband of 54 years, was the late W. Paul Forcier who

died in 2014.

She is survived by 5 sons Michael Forcier of Fall River, MA, James "Jim" Forcier of Brimfield, Gary Forcier and his wife Jessica of Woodstock, CT, Russell Forcier and his wife Sylvia of Brooksville, FL, and Jeffrey "Jeff" Forcier and his wife Trish of Quinebaug, CT. She also leaves 10 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and cousins. She was predeceased by a sister Claire (Goudreau) DiFederico in 1988.

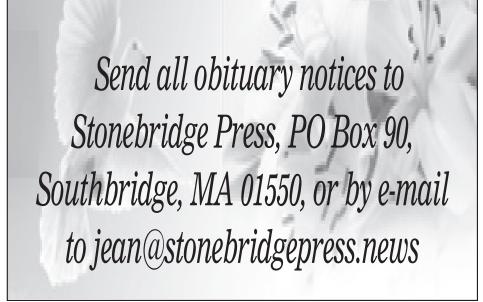
Shirley was born in Southbridge, June 23, 1942, daughter of the late Onesime and Cecile (Menard)

Goudreau, and lived here all her life. She was a member of Notre Dame Church (St. John Paul II Parish), and was a retired employee of Harrington Memorial Hospital, where she worked in the transport department for many

She was a devout Catholic, who attended daily mass, and many church novenas. She enjoyed crocheting, Bingo, but most of all loved spending time with her family, and taking care of her grandchildren.

Services: Calling hours were Wednesday, March 21, 2018, from 5-8PM, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. The funeral Mass will be Thursday, March 22, 2018, at 10AM at Notre Dame Church (St. John Paul II Parish) 446 Main Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial will follow at Saint Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge, MA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. John Paul II Parish, 279 Hamilton Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. www.sansoucyfuneral.com



The many virtues of trees

Spring has officially sprung and trees, both big and small, are coming alive with long anticipated buds of color. But the promise of lush, green foliage is just one benefit of planting trees. Hot on the heels of Earth Day and Arbor Day, this column will celebrate the many virtues of trees — from showy shrubs to towering timbers!

Hedge against fuel costs: The Center for Urban Forest Research proclaimed planting a tree can have a significant impact on lowering energy use. It claims: "If you plant a tree today on the west side of your home, in five years your energy bills should be 3% less. In 15 years, the savings will be nearly

Plant and pocket savings: Want trees to trim more of your fuel fees? According to expert landscapers, just three trees, properly placed around a house, can save between \$100 and \$250 annually in cooling and heating costs! That's because shading that blocks summertime sun on the east, south and west sides of a house, but not cool breezes, is an effective way to keep your house cooler. For quickest results, opt for fast growing varieties.

Proper placement: If you use an air conditioner, plant trees or shrubs specifically to shade air conditioning units, but be sure not to block the airflow. It's ing unit operating in the shade uses less electricity than one in the sun.

Chill out: Need more

convincing? Consider this fact: Daytime air temperatures can be three to nine degrees cooler in tree-shaded neighborhoods. In fact, the U.S.

Department of Agriculture estimates the net cooling effect of a young, healthy tree is equivalent to 10 room-size air conditioners operating 20 hours a day!

Tree Timing: Did you know trees can be used to time crop planting? The American Indians passed this reliable tip on to European colonists, and many farmers still rely on it today: Tender crops should not be planted until the leaves on an oak tree are as big as a squirrel's ear (about an inch or so long).

Hike house value: "In one eye opening study from the Arbor National Mortgage & American Forests, 83% of realtors believe that mature trees have a "strong or moderate impact" on the salability of homes listed for under \$150,000; on homes over \$250,000, this perception increases to 98%!

Tree Rx: Did you know just looking at trees can reap health benefits? According to medical studies, recovTAKE THE HINT

KAREN TRAINOR pared to patients with non-landscaped views. Breathe easier: Trees absorb harmful pollut-

are often quicker when

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landscaped area com-

ants and small particles from the air which could irritate sensitive lungs. Plus, trees give off oxygen. A

mature leafy tree can produce as much oxygen in one season as 10 people inhale in a year!

Tree planting tip: It can be difficult to successfully take cuttings from trees or shrubs to root and plant. Here is an option that ups your chances the cutting will take: Take a small potato, make a small hole, and place your shrub cutting inside. Immediately plant, potato and all, either in the ground or in a pot.

Planting pointers: Waiting until the fall to plant encourages good root development. Nurseries often slash prices on perennials and shrubs at the end of the summer, so planting then will reward you with healthy plants on the cheap!

Forest Facts:

*One mighty oak tree may have up to 400 species of plants and animals living

* Trees provide us with thousands of

paper: Items derived from trees include: toothpaste, chewing gum, suntan lotion, paint, film, crayons, perfumes, soap, paper, shatterproof glass, cork, dyes, drugs, syrup, and more.

*It takes approximately 17 to 24 trees to make one ton of paper.

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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 The Southbridge Evening News? 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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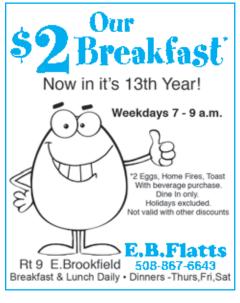
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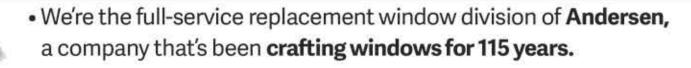
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Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! Lower Level Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Sauna & Full Bath! 3 Car

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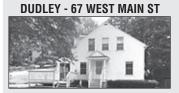




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NEW LISTING

WESSTER LAKE – 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets!

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Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w17' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Silders to Trex Deck, Stone
Gas Firpc, Surround Sound & Gleaning Hrdwids! Grante Rit Wirds, ISS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets,
Hrdwids & Recessed Lights! 1st Fir Master w7file Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dube Sink & Linen

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Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Grand Rm w/Lake Views! Hrdwd Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr



Time Offered! Beautiful one owner well kept Ranch! 3 generous size bedrooms! Large living room with Bow Window, eat in kitchen. Oversized carport! Level fenced yard! Forced hot water by oil! Large shed! \$192,500



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Featured New Listing!



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Oxford - 4 Leicester St., 8.47 acres, mostly cleared **Thompson** - East Thompson Rd. White's Highway

23 acres! Abuts Mass. Line Beautiful view! \$99,900.

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WEBSTER LAKE - 7 CEDAR DR SORRY, SOLD!

English Tudor Style Colonial! Cathedral ceiling Dining & Fireplaced Living Room! 1600+ sq ft of living area! 3 Good size bedrooms. Master bedroom with Master Bath! 1 bedroom on the main living level. 2-1/2 Total Baths! 7 rooms total! Finished basement with Hearth! Forced hot air by oil! Central Air Conditioning! 14' X 42' car port! 3 car garage! Comes with Non-Seperable Waterfront Lot, on Pond! Enjoy Webster lake without the High Taxes!







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WEBSTER LAKE: PANORAMIC VIEWS OF WEBSTER LAKE! Great South Fac-ing Location, 62' prime lakefront, large deep lot 10.489sf, flagstone & concrete patios, full concrete wallway at water's edge, dock, retaining walls & stonework, privacy fance, storage shed, recently paved drive, plenty offstreet parking in drive-way & area at roadside, spacious, Year-round, 2 story Cape home, 4 Brs (1 on 1st ftr), 2 full BAs, Harvey replacement windows, 6 year4-young rod. NEW PRICE \$419,900

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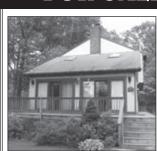
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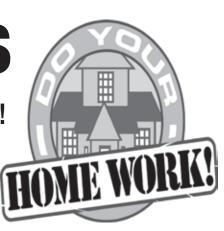
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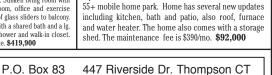
THOMPSON-This Ranch style home is sitting on almost 5 acres with a 4 stall horse/pony barn and a fenced in pasture ready to go. The home features 4/5 bedrooms with 1 room being used as a laundry room and 1 full bathroom. The kitchen opens to a dining room/eating space and the living room has a nice entertaining center. The bedrooms are all good sized. There is a full basement under 1/2 of the home which has newer electrical named and a new oil tank. Home features a paved driveway with plenty of parking, a newer roof, and a good sized shed for the tractor & garden tools. \$189,900

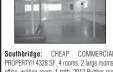


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LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION TO BID TOWN OF CHARLTON HIGHWAY MATERIALS & SERVICES

Sealed bids, appropriately marked will be publicly opened and read in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Municipal Office Building, 37 Main Street, Charlton MA 01507 on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. for the following highway materials which will be used on approximately 10,000 linear feet of road surface.

1. Bituminous concrete, Type I, in place (*Must be pre-qualified*)

2. Full Depth Pavement Reclamation (Calcium Chloride) (Must be pre-qualified) all grading included. 3. Stone Seal, Double Stone Seal & 10% Asphalt Rubber Surface

Treatment (Must be pre-qualified). This is a state funded project that exceeds \$50,000.00, therefore, all contractors intending to bid on Item 1 - Bituminous concrete, Type I, in place and Item 2 - Scarifying and pulverizing in place asphalt pavement, all grading included and Item 3 -

Stone Seal, Double Stone Seal & 10% Asphalt Rubber Surface Treatment, must be pre-qualified by the Contract Engineer, Room 7373, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116. With submission of the properly executed "Approval for Proposal Form" to the office of the Town Administrator, Municipal Office Building, 37 Main Street, Charlton MA 01507, the prospective bidder will be entitled to a non-transferable proposal package.

Prospective bidders must obtain and utilize the bid package. The Town Administrator in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Municipal Office Building, 37 Main Street, Charlton MA 01507, must receive sealed bids, no later than Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Each item shall be clearly marked in a separate envelope as to which category the bidder has chosen, i.e. "Item 1 - Bituminous concrete, Type I, in place". Any deviations from Massachusetts General Laws. Massachusetts Highway Department requirements and proposal stipulations will result in an automatic disqualification from the bidding process.

This bid is advertised under Chapter 30; Section 39M, Chapter 149, Section 26 - 27F of the M.G.L., in reference to the prevailing wage rates. All road material work and materials shall conform to the requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department Standard Specifications for Highways, Bridges and Waterways.

All bids must be submitted under Chapter 30, Section 39M, which requires a bid deposit in the form of a bid bond. The amount of such bid deposit shall be five per cent of the value of the bid.

Within ten days of the notification of award, the contractor is required to provide a security bond under section twenty-nine of Chapter One Hundred and Forty Nine, for 50% of the contract

award All bids are effective April 10, 2018 and expire December 31, 2018.

Any questions should be directed to Gerry Foskett, Highway Superintendent at 508-248-2212.

The Town Administrator reserves the

right to waive any minor informality in the bids and reject any or all bids and to make awards in a manner deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

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