



Man arrested for fentanyl and heroin trafficking in Auburn

AUBURN—On Wednesday, Dec. 26, a motor vehicle stop for speeding on the Turnpike in Auburn led to the arrest of a man for heroin and fentanyl trafficking.

At about 7:30 p.m., Trooper Mark Parr stopped a 2013 Nissan Altima on I-90 Eastbound in Auburn for traveling approximately 95MPH in a 65MHP zone. Trooper Parr determined that the operator, Nelson Gonzalez, 51, of Providence, R.I., did not have a valid driver's license.

During a motor vehicle inventory prior to towing, Trooper Parr located approximately 544 grams of a substance believed to be a mixture of heroin and fentanyl and approximately 35 grams of a

substance believed to be a mixture of fentanyl and lactose.

Gonzalez was placed under arrest and booked on the following charges: Trafficking in Fentanyl, Trafficking in Heroin, Possession with Intent to Distribute a Class A substance, Conspiracy to Violate Drug Law, Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle, Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and Speeding.

Gonzalez was also charged with Child Endangerment, as there was a child in the vehicle at the time of the stop.

Gonzalez was released on \$50,000 bail pending his arraignment in Worcester District Court.



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AUBURN SCOUTS CLIMBING HIGH

On Sunday, Dec 9, Boy Scouts from Auburn's Troop 101 went rock wall climbing at Carabiner's Rock Gym in New Bedford. They were accompanied by Second Year Webelos from Pack 101. All the boys climbed, as well as some of the leaders. This has been a yearly activity for the scouts, who were safely belayed by leaders and parents who learned or reviewed their belaying - rope handling skills - with instructors. If you have a child over age 11 who is interested in challenging outdoor (and indoor) activities, please feel free to come visit us during a Troop Meeting, held on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. at First Congregational Church in Auburn.

Residents hope to turn Leicester's Swan Tavern into a museum

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
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LEICESTER — With the future of the former Swan Tavern uncertain, residents are hopeful that the historic building can be turned into a museum.

Currently serving as the temporary home for Leicester Public Library, the 1 Paxton St. building was originally constructed in the 1700s. Located opposite the Town Common, the one-story, eight-room tavern was once a busy stop on

the historic Post Road connecting Boston and New York. Flash forward nearly three centuries, and residents are excited about the potential for the building's next chapter to focus on history.

The Leicester Historical

Society and the Leicester Historical Commission are proposing to join forces to operate the museum if it is approved. Selectmen will discuss the proposal further during meetings this month.

Many residents support turning the building into a museum to enable town artifacts to be preserved and displayed in one location.

"Leicester is one of the few

communities in the area not to have some sort of museum to house artifacts and documents," said Leicester Historical Society member Kenneth Peterson. "If the two history groups can devise a way to pay for basic maintenance and utilities, I think the town should keep Swan Tavern."

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Kevin Flanders Photos

Recently retired Leicester Police Chief James Hurley, right, shares stories with former town administrator Kevin Mizikar during a sendoff party.

Community bids fond farewell to retiring Leicester Police Chief

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
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LEICESTER — From his first day as police chief 13 years ago, James Hurley always made the extra effort to help his community. Residents returned the favor last month, celebrating Hurley's career with a surprise party at the Senior Center.

Having accepted a position with the New England State Police Information Network, Hurley's final day with the LPD was Dec. 30. Residents and town officials know he will be greatly missed, but few people realized exactly how many community members he impacted over the years.

At the Dec. 28 sendoff party, hundreds of guests stopped into the Senior Center to wish Hurley well in his next chapter. Residents, municipal leaders, state legislators, and even former town employees were on hand. Guests included selectmen, Senator Michael Moore, State Representative David LeBoeuf, former selectman Doug Belanger, former

state representative Kate Campanale, and former town administrator Kevin Mizikar.

Several guests shared stories from their time working with Hurley. It was often his unnoticed gestures of kindness that had the most lasting impacts, guests recalled.

"When I was offered the position in Leicester, he was the first person to reach out and welcome me to town," said Mizikar, who worked with Hurley for four years. "His professionalism and dedication to law enforcement in this community were evident every day."

Added Belanger, who served as a selectman for over two decades and supported Hurley's hiring, "He has built so many great relationships over the years with people from all departments in our community."

Hurley's last few weeks in town were bittersweet, as he is excited for the future but will also miss working with colleagues,

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Local first responders thanked for saving life



Photo Courtesy

Charlton first responders pose for a photo with resident Bill Water whose life was saved on Nov. 14

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON – The town of Charlton has honored numerous first responders for their quick action resulting in the resuscitation of a local citizen prior to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Charlton Fire Chief Ed Knopf appeared before the Board of Selectmen on Dec. 18 to recognize several members of his own department and the Charlton Police Department for their quick response that helped save the life of Charlton resident Bill Waters who was on hand for the ceremony as well. Knopf detailed to selectmen the series of events that played out nearly a month earlier.

"On Nov. 14 at approximately quarter of six in the evening, Mr. Waters returned home to

his house. His son was home at the time, and his son found him on the floor in the upstairs of his house not breathing. He'd called 911. The dispatchers did a great job initiating CPR with the individuals on scene. Our guys luckily were here in town. One was on the road and was able to respond almost immediately. We had in total five fire members there and we had four police officers who arrived on scenes," Knopf said.

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Selectmen postpone pipeline decision in light of Valley Green Grow developments

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON – Selectmen in Charlton have decided to put off making a decision on a proposed natural gas pipeline installation as they await the results of several meetings concerning the proposed Valley Green Grow project at Charlton Orchards.

The Charlton Board of Selectmen played host to a discussion with Liberty Utilities New England Natural gas Company Corporation on Dec. 18 where they were presented with details about the company and its proposed project before deciding to hold off on making any decisions while Valley Green Grow

continues to go through state and local application processes for their proposed marijuana cultivation facility.

The Valley Green Grow, or VGG, project has been one of the biggest stories in Charlton over the past year as the company seeks to erects an 860,000 square-foot greenhouse on the property of Charlton Orchards. The project has been the subject of numerous town meetings and even a petition that successfully led to a bylaw change in the fall. The project would include a 10,000 square-foot, 18-megawatt co-generation facility to be fueled through natural gas with Liberty Utilities being the middle-man of sorts helping organize a connection to the Tennessee Gas Pipeline.

R.J. Ritchie, the Senior General Council for Liberty Utilities, detailed the plans for the pipeline and how it would not only benefit Valley Green Grow, but also allow opportunities for other entities to utilize natural gas in Charlton in the future.

“This is a discrete and dedicated project that’s going to be designed to expedite service to Valley Green Grow at Old Worcester Road while at the same time being designed in such a way that it will be able to accommodate potential future expansion into the rest of Charlton,” Ritchie told selectmen. “This part of the projected is for the interconnection to a single contracted customer who will be responsible for all reasonable costs. The meter station and the pipe are conveniently located on private property and that should minimalize any safety or environmental issues.”

After a brief presentation, selectmen had their chance to chime in on the subject leading several members of the town’s highest board to suggest taking no action until future discussions on the VGG project are concluded. Selectman Joe Szafarowicz said he didn’t feel it was right to make any motion on a natural gas installation for a project that itself has yet to receive proper approvals.

“There’s a lot of unknowns right now with that particular project. I’m not sure how that affects this, but I’m also very hesitant to act on anything in regard to that,” Szafarowicz said.

Selectman Karen Spiewak agreed saying that Liberty Utilities may have

approach selectmen a bit too early for a concrete decision.

“There are a lot of moving parts as to what’s going on right now. VGG intends to purchase the land. They don’t have that. They don’t have any licenses or permits. So, it would appear it’s a bit premature to have (Liberty Utilities) here right now,” Spiewak said.

Mark Smith, President of Liberty Utilities of Massachusetts, said that the company was trying to be proactive by approaching selectmen when they did and took into consideration the lengthy process they will have to undergo in order to receive the approvals they need to begin their project of or when Valley Green Grow is ready to break ground.

“We had hoped for the approval now only because like any kind of filing it takes a while,” Smith said. “If we’re going to begin the process we’ve got to do designing and send out a proposal for the design and the engineering and what that looks like. There’s a lot of lead time in the process. That’s kind of why we were hoping to move along now.”

Selectmen decided nonetheless to hold off and await the summary judge hearing and the results of a planning board meeting on the Valley Green Grow project which were both scheduled for the first week of January. Officials from Liberty Utilities said they would be more than happy to appear again before selectmen in January or February after those decisions were made to further discuss their portion of the project.

Worcester Chamber Music Society to perform sold out show at city’s finest eatery

WORCESTER — Worcester Chamber Music Society (WCMS) will offer a night of fine dining over the graceful sounds of strings on Thursday, Jan. 10, starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and an intimate sold out concert at 7:45 p.m. at Nuovo Restaurant in Worcester.

The program will feature Castelnuovo-Tedesco Sonata for viola and cello and Tchaikovsky’s Serenade for Strings (chamber arrangement). Dinner will take place at Nuovo Restaurant, serving Italian cuisine with a Mediterranean flair and an extensive wine list. Musicians include: Krista Buckland Reisner, violin; Rohan Gregory, violin; Mark Berger, viola; and Joshua Gordon, cello, with special guest Tony D’Amico, double bass.

“We are so thrilled and appreciative to be hosting a sold-out performance at Nuovo, and are especially grateful to the restaurant for having us,” WCMS Executive Director Tracy Kraus said. “This will be our third performance from our Cafe Concert series and it certainly will not be our last. After all, nothing brings people closer together than good food and great music.”

To join WCMS’s waiting list and be notified if additional tickets become

available for the String Theory Cafe Concert, please contact Tracy Kraus at tracy@worcesterchambermusic.org.

WCMS has had a successful Season 13 so far with multiple sold out shows and raving reviews from the Worcester community. Worcester Chamber Music Society is funded in part by a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

For further information, contact Sara Seng at sara@heardstrategy.com.

About Worcester Chamber Music Society

Hailed as a group with imagination, style and chops, the Worcester Chamber Music Society took the Worcester scene by storm with its initial concert in 2006. It has become a recognized cultural presence within the Greater Worcester area by presenting sold-out concerts to captivated audiences, receiving consistent critical acclaim, building new young audiences, and training rising musicians through both its Neighborhood Strings and Summer ChamberFest programs. WCMS brings world-class chamber music to intimate, beautiful, and uniquely New England venues. WCMS nurtures the community through a unique combination of affordable concerts, education and community engagement.

Running down a dream

STURBRIDGE NATIVE TRAINS FOR LONDON MARATHON

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE – Having traveled the country and the world to run in marathons, Mary Galonek-Langevin is excited to raise money and awareness at her next stop in London.

A lifelong Sturbridge resident, Galonek-Langevin has logged countless miles in airplanes and on marathon courses around the globe. She is currently training and fundraising for her next event, the London Marathon, in April of 2019.

A member of Team Endure to Cure, Galonek-Langevin and her teammates are each hoping to raise \$8,500 for children and families battling pediatric cancer. The training process for any marathon is an arduous experience, but she is determined to continue assisting families in need.

“It’s not very fun running in frigid temperatures or snow and ice, but it’s an easy price to pay when you know it’s for a really important cause,” Galonek-Langevin said. “In order to be a successful marathon runner, you have to be dedicated and disciplined.”

Galonek-Langevin understands exactly what it takes to succeed in marathons. After participating in the Boston Marathon, the New York City Marathon, the Chicago Marathon, and the Berlin Marathon in Germany, the Sturbridge mother of two has perfected her training routine. She also

knows that the fundraising component of a marathon can be just as demanding as the physical training.

After Galonek-Langevin takes part in the London Marathon, she will have participated in five of the six major world marathons. In the process, she has helped raise thousands of dollars for several teams and organizations.

“Since my early 20s, running a marathon was on my bucket list. Being native to Massachusetts, I had attended the Boston Marathon as a spectator and was always so impressed by the runners that I told myself that would one day be me,” said Galonek-Langevin, a Tantasqua Regional High School graduate.

Of all her marathons, Galonek-Langevin posted her fastest time in Boston (3:59), while raising \$10,000 for her team. She then moved on to Chicago and Berlin before setting her sights on London, although the approval process for that event is extremely strict.

“Similar to Boston, the London Marathon is very competitive and difficult to get into. I had applied to the lottery three years in a row and was never chosen,” Galonek-Langevin recalled. “This year, I was determined to run the race and pursue other charities and causes that were important to me.”

The Endure to Cure organization provides financial support for families with children battling cancer. Funds raised by the organization help cover the costs of treatments, travel expenses, and gifts for kids to enjoy during their procedures.

Like all of her previous marathons, Galonek-Langevin will once again rely on the support of friends, family and the community for fundraising. Working full-time as a clinical social worker while taking care of her two children, there isn’t much free time available

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Traffic stop leads to seizure of drugs and illegal firearm

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON — A pre-Christmas motor vehicle stop resulted in quite a find by state police in Charlton, who arrested to individuals on several charges.

The Massachusetts State Police released details of the incident in a press release after officers stopped a vehicle on Route 90 on Sunday, Dec. 23 at around 11:30 p.m. The suspects were seen traveling westbound near the Charlton Service Plaza in a white Lexus when Trooper William Doogan from the State Police Charlton Barracks recorded several motor vehicle violations and pursued the vehicle.

Trooper Doogan proceeded to identify the driver as 40-year-old Springfield resident Omar Brown and noticed him moving his hands across his body seemingly attempting to conceal something from the officer. Brown was asked to exit his vehicle and during a pat own search attempted to kick Trooper Doogan in the leg an elbow him in the chest. Doogan was uninjured and proceeded to pursue Brown



Courtesy Photo

A traffic stop on Dec. 23 resulted in two arrests and the seizure of 132 grams of marijuana, a fully-loaded Taurus .38 Special snub nose revolver with 5 rounds in the cylinder, \$570 in US currency and 30 grams of cocaine.

as the suspect fled on foot. The chase took Brown and Trooper Doogan toward the Charlton Service Plaza, down two ravines, through two water culverts and over a jersey barrier. Brown refused to stop on Trooper Doogan's command. Brown eventually ran along the exit ramp from the service plaza before being apprehended by Trooper Doogan.

A search of the vehicle resulted in the location of 132 grams of marijuana, a fully-loaded Taurus .38 Special snub nose revolver with five rounds in the cylinder and \$570 in US currency. State Police K9 Trooper

John Doherty and his canine partner also tracked Brown's escape route and found a small black pouch containing 30 grams of cocaine. Trooper Doogan was further assisted on scene by Sergeant Matthew Simpson and Troopers Jonathon Bray, Kevin Delgado, Patrick Bosworth, Nicholas Allen, and Aaron Boyden.

Brown was charged with numerous offenses including trafficking cocaine, possession with intent to distribute class D substance, possession of a firearm, carrying a loaded firearm, possession of ammunition without an FID Card, possession of a firearm

in the commission of a felony, a firearm violation with three prior violent or drug convictions, assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and a marked lanes violation.

A second arrest was also reported. The passenger of the vehicle, identified as 40-year-old Springfield resident David brown, was also arrested for trafficking cocaine, possession with intent to distribute Class D substance and conspiracy to violate drug laws. Both suspects were arraigned in Dudley District Court on Christmas Eve day.

Karl Storz recognized by state officials and ENB for English classes in the workplace



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From left to right: Claudia Green, Executive Director of English for New Bostonians; Nam Pham, Assistant Secretary of Business Development and International Trade at Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development; Christine McNally, Business Services Specialist at Quinsigamond Community College; Myle Nguyen, Associate at Karl Storz Endovision; Jessica Barnes, Human Resources Manager at Karl Storz Endovision; and, Mary Huong, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Office for Refugees and Immigrants.

CHARLTON — Karl Storz Endovision, Inc., a medical technology provider in Charlton, was recently awarded the English Works Campaign Certificate of Recognition for their civic leadership in support of English language classes for their immigrant employees. The award was presented as part of the English for New Bostonians' Raising Our Voices breakfast at Northeastern University, an event that highlights the private sector involvement and investment in the English language skills of the immigrant workforce

in the Commonwealth. Karl Storz Endovision began a pilot basic ESOL class with 10 students in partnership with Quinsigamond Community College in September 2016. The company-funded program now enrolls 24 participants and offers both beginner and intermediate levels. The program curriculum is customized to the organization so that participants can use their new proficiency consistently, which can translate into increased opportunity to advance within the organization.

Other businesses also recognized at the ENB Raising Our Voices breakfast for their support to the English language acquisition by the state immigrant workforce were: All Saints Development, LLC (Boston), Bon Me Foods, Inc. (Boston), Distron Corporation (North Attleborough), International Shoppes (Boston), Distron Corporation (North Attleborough), MIT's Division of Comparative Medicine (Cambridge), Turning Point, Inc. (Newburyport), and Unifirst Corporation (Boston and Springfield).

English for New Bostonians works closely with employers to help them apply for funding available through the Workforce Training Fund and to identify partners that can conduct English classes that are customized to the needs of the business.

"With a tight labor market and over half a million Massachusetts residents who have limited English skills, there's a strong case for businesses to invest in the English skills of their workforce. The results are better workplace communication, increased retention and greater ability to promote from within," said Claudia Green, ENB's Executive Director. "There is also a strong moral imperative, particularly given today's climate: English classes pave the way to hope and opportunity for immigrant families."

Businesses interested in learning more about organizing an English class in the workplace should contact Franklin Peralta at fperalta@englishfornewbostonians.org or 617-982-6863.

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after her training sessions. To help promote her cause, she has relied heavily on social media and other local opportunities.

"I need all the help I can get. I am also looking for companies that would be willing to participate in corporate matching of donations," Galonek-Langevin said. "Knowing that the money raised will help children and their families at their most stressful and difficult times makes me feel I can make an impact. If I can chase my dreams and make a difference at the same time, that's priceless to me."

If your business would like to donate gift certificates, game tickets, gift baskets, electronics, and other items as raffle prizes, please contact Galonek-Langevin. She thanks all of the people who supported her in the past, and she is eager to see the community rally around her once more.

"I can't meet my fundraising goals without the kindness and generosity of those who have been willing to support me and the causes that I run for," Galonek-Langevin said. "It is so easy to see the bad in this world. This process reminds me of the opposite — it has helped me see the goodness in people."

After receiving her Bachelor's degree in art therapy at Anna Maria College, Galonek-Langevin obtained a master's degree from Boston College in clinical social work. She has been employed by the Department of Youth Services as a clinical social worker for 12 years, working daily with young people involved in the juvenile justice system.

And after long days at work, while most people head home to relax

with family, Galonek-Langevin spends time training and fundraising.

"Training for a marathon is a huge time commitment. It's four months of your life that you have to commit to a strict running plan," she said. "I work 40 hours a week, and I have two school-aged sons and a family that also need me. We all make sacrifices for my training."

Galonek-Langevin regularly sets her alarm clock for 5 a.m. to make room for training, and she'll often squeeze in sessions long after putting her sons to bed. But the end result of helping families is always well worth the challenges along the way.

"Running has changed my life in the best of ways. It has taught me I am capable of so much more than I ever thought, and, mostly importantly, has set a great example for my sons."

Endure to Cure is dedicated to assisting the 15,000 kids who learn they have cancer each year, in addition to 30,000 more children who are already being treated. To learn more about the organization, visit www.EndureToCure.org.

If you would like to assist Galonek-Langevin's fundraising quest and help children as they fight cancer, visit www.EndureToCure.org/Mary. You can also send an email to MGL.EndureToCure@hotmail.com for more information.



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Sturbridge's Mary Galonek-Langevin is excited to run in the London Marathon in April.

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Charlton selectmen put EDC Director hiring on hold

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON – It appears Charlton’s search for an interim Economic Development Director has come to a standstill after selectmen debated how to fill the position throughout several meetings in December.

Following a meeting on Dec. 4 where Charlton resident and perpetual public servant Richard Vaughn made his interest in filling the vacancy known the Board of Selectmen has decided to leave the EDC Director position in the hands of the Economic Development Committee instead of making an appointment themselves.

During the early December meeting, the discussion about hiring an interim EDC Director resulted in some heated debate among selectmen, and Vaughn stepping up to defend his qualifications for the job. Selectman David Singer had noted there were two other volunteers who had approached him about filling the position without financial compensation and selectmen decided to open the position up for applications. Since that meeting, they had

received no news of anyone other than Vaughn interested in the job, and on Dec. 18, the board readdressed how they planned to move forward.

Selectman Singer said despite no applications being submitted for the position he still believes the two volunteers that approached him, which remained unnamed, are interested in the job.

“I did speak to both of the people in question. One of them is currently an EDC member and that person told me they would happily voluntarily at no charge take on additional roles and responsibilities and do a lot more on behalf of the EDC while we are without a director. Their only concern was by themselves they would have to do a lot more for free, but we’re just concerned about how much more,” Singer explained. “I also heard from another person who said they also couldn’t do it as a full time but would also happily volunteer to cover for the first person. So, between the two of them on a voluntary basis at no cost to the town they felt they could do a lot of the extra work on behalf of the EDC without having to hire anyone.”

Singer said the two volunteers were not identified and did not step up because of the controversy that had risen concerning the position. The volunteers informed Singer they wanted to await news on how the selectmen wanted to proceed before making themselves known and adding to the debate.

While selectmen did show appreciation for volunteers being willing to step forward not everyone was on board with taking that route. Selectman Joe Szafarowicz showed continued interest in hiring someone like Vaughn to do the job, which is in line with his statements from the Dec. 4 meeting.

“I appreciate (the volunteers) reaching out especially at no cost to the town. There’s one thing that does concern me. I’m sure they would do a fantastic job, but it seems like they’re both not committed to doing it full time and instead piecemealing it together. I think at this time we’d benefit the best from having a point person, a single champion to work on it and really help us develop the goals and be that cheerleader that we need to get us started,” Szafarowicz said.

Board of Selectmen Chairman John McGrath took the middle road between both arguments and requested that the town “go back to the beginning” and reset the process to where it was before Vaughn stepped up to fill the post. This would essentially put the decision on where the town goes from here in the hands of the Planning Board and the Economic Development Committee rather than selectmen.

“Let’s wait until we get the town planner in here. Let the Planning Board hire the town planner, let’s see what their skill set is and how fast they can pick up on their side of it and then we try to find a person that matches up against their skill set for what I consider the ‘sales’ portion of the job,” McGrath said. “My view of this is that the town planner and EDC would be the technical nuts and bolts type person and then the other person would assist the EDC and be the sales champion. They’d be the person going out and representing the community to talk to future businesses that may move to town.”

After some further debate

Town Administrator Robin Craver finally suggested that the selectmen not hire someone to fill the interim EDC Director position and instead turn over those responsibilities to the Economic Development Commission. She said this will allow the Planning Board to hire a new planner, a position that has remained without a permanent hire for over a year, while the volunteers interested in the interim EDC position could make themselves known before the people primarily in charge of managing economic development in the community.

Selectmen made the decision to send Richard Vaughn a “thank you” note and inform him that the town will be heading in a different direction. It was further moved that the Economic Development Commission be the go-to board for volunteers interested in filling the director position in the interim. The Planning Board is expected to conduct interviews in early 2019 with the town planning to heavily advertise the career opportunity during a conference in March.

Southbridge PD provides free tips app

USE MAY DETERMINE CONTINUATION

BY SARAH CHAMPAGNE
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — During

Southbridge’s Red Ribbon Week this past October, the Town Manager’s Substance Abuse Advisory Committee introduced a variety of resources for substance abuse prevention. Banners that were introduced during the campaign still hang throughout town. The cheery yellow background and the message “Life is your journey. Travel drug free” are hard to miss at the rotary and other locations.

One resource introduced during Red Ribbon Week this year was a new Smartphone app that allows Southbridge Police to receive information from the public in the form of tips, concerns or even information about one’s own safety that could be intimidating or dangerous to report over the phone. The technology comes in three forms: a smartphone app, a text line and a tip form on the Southbridge Police Web site. Each format is guaranteed to be anonymous

and could allow people to feel safer sharing information. Police officers responding to a tip may text back to ask follow up questions but the anonymous nature of the system is assured.

Southbridge Police have already begun to receive tips and community information through the app, so plenty of people have started to make use of the service. However, the best time to download the app could be before something happens or before the need arises to use the service. In fact, a higher volume of downloads of the app could mean a higher likelihood that the tips app will continue to be available after this initial year of service.

The current year of service was purchased from the budget of the Town Manager’s Substance Abuse Advisory Committee. In the future, the service will be paid from the police department budget and the volume of users could justify its continuation. The current pilot program makes use of the most important features, but crime maps and community crime alerts could be used more in the future if the service is shown to be useful, and used, by residents and it is included in future budgets.

The app can be used for a variety of purposes other than what one might imagine as a traditional crime “tip” to the police. The anonymous direct link to local police could help in situations of domestic abuse, for example. Information provided by the company that created Tip 411 says that it is “a tool for family members of all ages to reach out for help like drug use, domestic abuse and more as it offers a safer way to reach police without identification or having to call and be heard.”

Southbridge Police Chief Shane Woodson and Deputy Police Chief Jose Dinguì assure that all tips and commu-

nication through the app is completely untraceable to the person who provided the tip, unless they identify themselves voluntarily.

“We don’t know who you are. Your neighbors won’t know if you have reached out, and we don’t even know it’s you,” Woodson says.

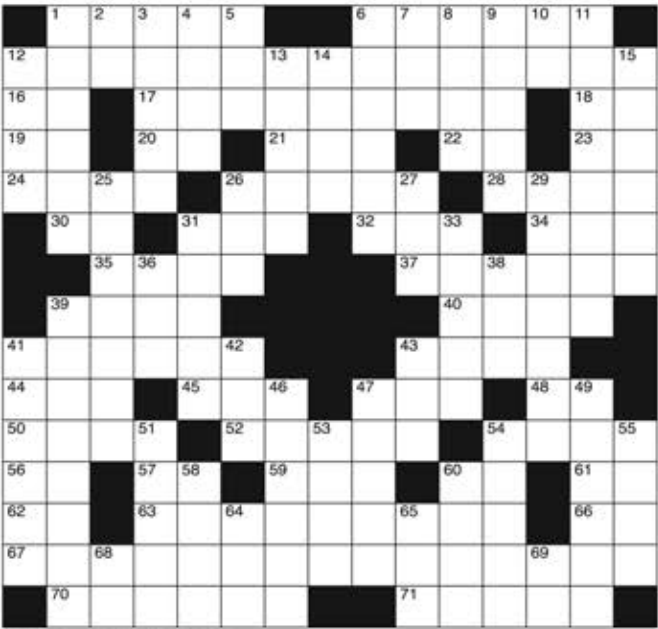
Dinguì says that tips that come through the app help the police and residents work together for a safer community, especially where police knowledge of a situation and something a resident might share on a “hunch” come together to solve or reduce crimes. A tip from a resident might help the police to corroborate an ongoing investigation of an issue.

“Citizens might think we already know something, but it is your neighborhood and you’re the one who sees things up close on a daily basis,” Woodson says.

All users of the app, texting system or Web site tips form should keep in mind that calling 911 is still the way to communicate with police in an emergency situation.

“This is not a 911 system. It’s a tips system for those other areas, maybe things you may be scared to share or are not quite sure of,” Woodson says.

The app is available for both iPhones and Android phones by searching for “Southbridge PD.” The anonymous tip texting is available outside the app. To text a tip to Southbridge police, send a text to 847411 by typing the keyword “SOUTHBRIDGEPD,” a space and then then the information you would like to share. When you press send, the police receive the tip. They may ask you for more information through the system but they won’t receive your contact information even if you reply.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Class

6. Husband or wife

12. All the same

16. Exclamation of surprise

17. Lived in

18. Hawaiian entertainer

19. Of I

20. Belonging to me

21. One thousandth of an inch

22. Midway between south and east

23. Article

24. Pitchers have them

26. Steps

28. Mars crater

30. __ route: on the way

31. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo

32. A baglike structure in a plant or animal

34. These three follow A

35. Frail

37. Platforms
39. Level

40. Computers

41. Where spiders live

43. An enemy to Batman

44. Mineral

45. Body part

47. Give

48. Atomic #21 (abbr.)

50. European tax

52. Bleated

54. Capital of Norway

56. Pa’s partner

57. Stephen King’s clown tale

59. Atomic #50

60. Military policeman

61. One quintillion bytes

62. Where impulses manifest

63. Offers as a candidate

66. Spielberg film

67. Great job!

70. Live in

71. Cares for

CLUES DOWN

1. Form a whole

2. Indicates position

3. Moves in water

4. Diminutive

5. Old English letter

6. “Save the Last Dance” actress

7. Dab

8. Digits

9. Female cattle’s mammary gland

10. Yes

11. Improves

12. We all have one

13. Book of Esther antagonist

14. Invests in little enterprises

15. Organs that produce gametes

25. Mediterranean city

26. Peter’s last name

27. Unhappy

29. Swollen area within tissue

31. “No __!”
33. Soap

36. Chop or cut

38. “Atonement” author McEwan

39. Bullfighter

41. Of the universe

42. Founder of Babism

43. Not good

46. Large, flightless bird

47. Punitive

49. Makes less messy

51. Belts out a tune

53. Aboriginal people of Japan

54. An eye protein

55. Broad sashes

58. Actress Spelling

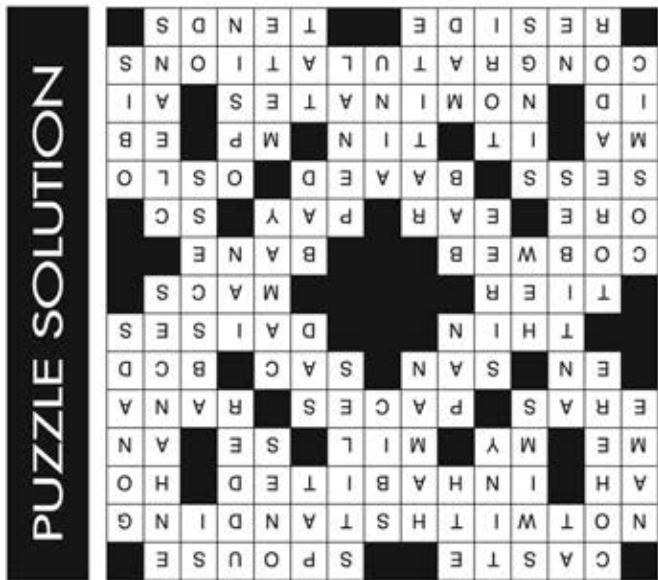
60. Distribute

64. Unpleased

65. Body art

68. Midway between north and east

69. Overdose



Last official visit from a “Worthy of a Man”

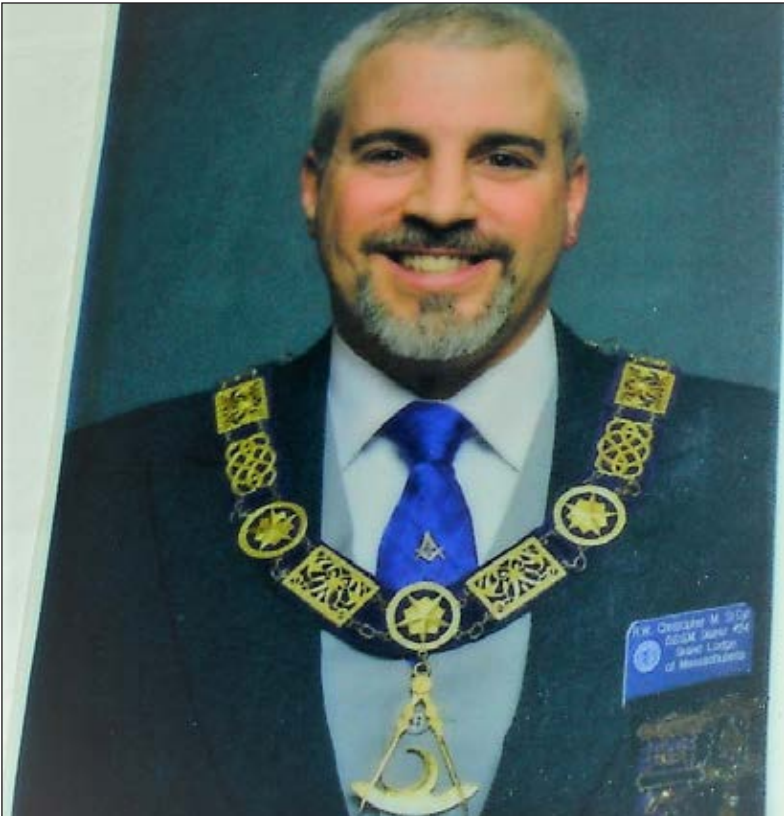
BY BRO. VINCENZO JIMMY FALZONE
QUINEBAUG MASONIC LODGE

SOUTHBRIDGE — On this blistering cold night on Dec. 3, a local man who is also the 24th District Deputy Grand Master and a member of the Quinebaug Masonic Lodge in Southbridge, made his last official visit to the lodge with over 100 Master Mason in attendance from all over Massachusetts to say thank you. Right Worshipful Chris St. Cyr served three years as our 24th District Grand Lodge representative.

Simply put, we Master Masons witnessed the rise of a “Worthy of A Man,” Worshipful George Makara was quoted as saying.

As Master Masons, we had the opportunity to witness and experience, first hand the results of “cause and effect” or simply put the ripple theory. As we go about our day to day life, we sometimes forget the small and large gestures we experience with others. The very simplest of things could mean the world to someone especially during this time of year. As Master Masons, we always strive, to make that “ripple” extend far beyond our pond.

District Deputy Grand Master Right Worshipful Chris St. Cyr had exemplified this ripple theory. The light of masonry shined bright in him as he traveled to other masonic lodges thru-out the state, with the simplest of a



Photo

Chris St. Cyr

handshake, well wishes, determination and participation in all the lodge endeavors. Everything from gathering food and clothing for those in need, to just being an attentive ear when needed.

This Master Mason went on to be our representative to the

Grand Lodge in Boston. When asked to serve a third year he didn’t hesitate. Members of Quinebaug Lodge and the 24th Masonic District are honored to have witness this “Worthy of A Man’s” last official visit as our grand lodge representative.



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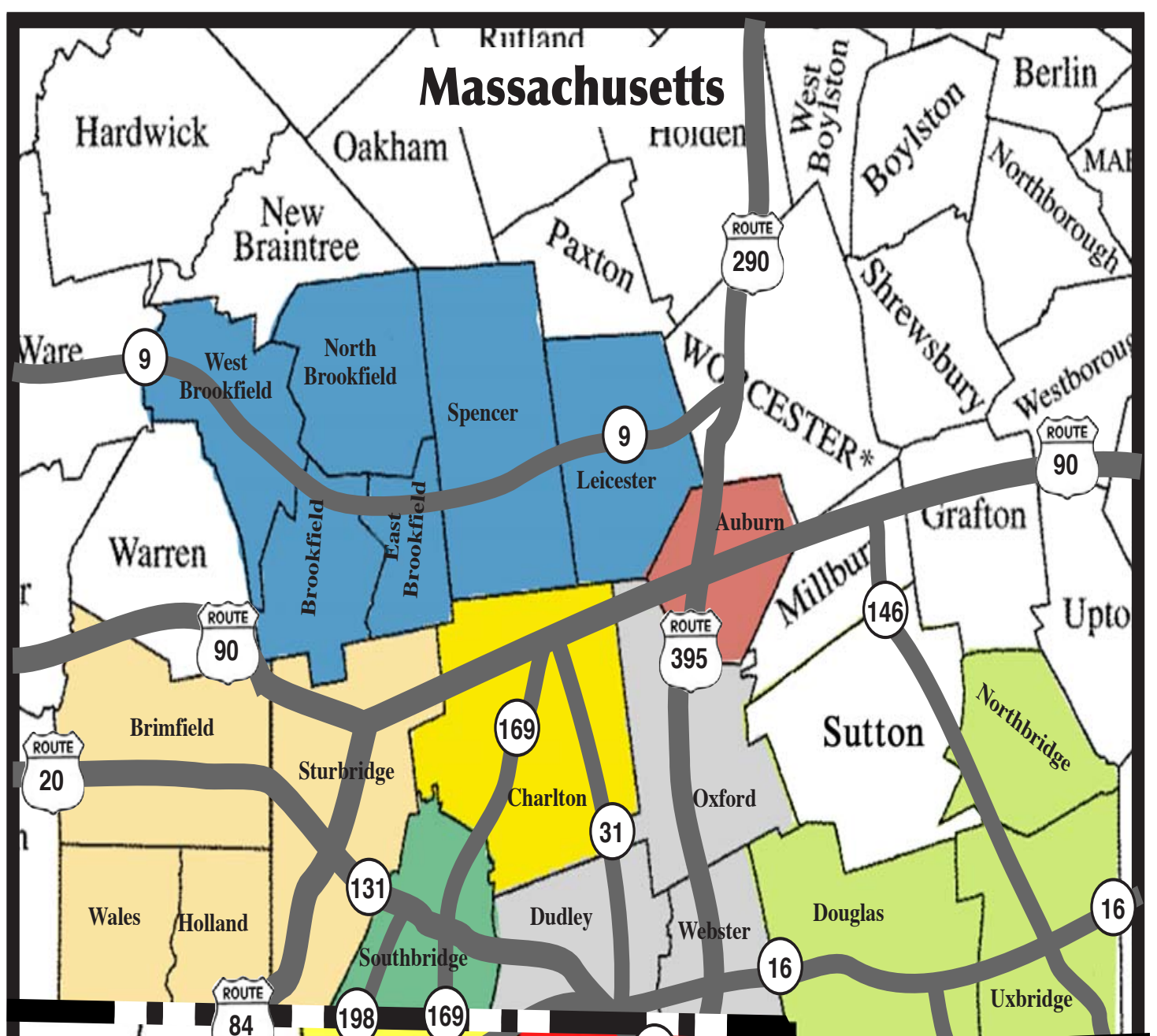
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The truth behind some lunar legends

Is there any truth to the old legends inspired by the sight of the full moon? Does our closest celestial neighbor actually exert enough influence on the human body to turn people into lunatics? We're not so sure, but science has much to offer on the topic. With the latest full moon coinciding with Christmas — for the first time since 1977 — our curiosity on the subject was piqued, so we set out to investigate some of these. Some people claim that they become inexplicably moody for a few days whenever the moon enters its full phase, or have trouble sleeping. Some say they experience breakouts on their skin or other aches and pains that affect the joints. Typically, when people are observed acting slightly less than normal, you will hear the phrase “it must be the full moon.”

Logic would seem to dictate that since the tides are higher during the full moon phase due to the pull of gravity, our bodies, which are made up of 80 percent water, would experience similar effects. Such does not appear to be the case, however. According to experts, the gravitational influence exerted on the human body by the cup of morning coffee you hold in your hand at this very moment is thousands of times stronger than any such force exerted on us by the moon. So much for that.

Some myths claim that the full moon can incite epileptic seizures in people; however, a study in 2004 showed no such connection.

As far as the age-old tales of psychotic outbursts coinciding with periods of the full moon, one study in 2014 showed an increase of emergency room visits within 24 hours of the full moon; however, a study in 1996 showed no significant difference. The term ‘lunatic’ is derived from the word ‘Luna,’ the name of the ancient Roman goddess. Aristotle and Hippocrates once implied they thought the moon was at fault for abnormal behavior. Alas, that also does not appear to be the case if the scientific evidence gathered on the topic is to be believed.

Worthy of note is a study that took place in Colorado, where researchers found that the risk for pet injuries increased by 23 percent during the full moon phase. We have proof that animals behave differently during the full moon, in that the increased nocturnal light affects their hunting habits.

As for sleep deprivation, we all know that before modern times, the moon provided light during the nighttime hours. During the full moon, the increased amount of light was said to have wreaked havoc on those with bipolar or seizure disorders. Many people say they have trouble sleeping during a full moon; however, no studies have indicated a scientific correlation as of yet.

As far as myths go, the claim that a full moon increases fertility and births is as old as time. The truth, however, is that fertility methods based on moon phases have proven as inconclusive as the evidence for gravitational pull influencing human behavior.

February is the only month that may not experience a full moon because each full moon appears every 29.5 days. A super-moon takes place when a full moon coincides with the moon's closest approach to earth. The last time we witnessed a super-moon was in 2015. The next one will occur in 2033. Some say that the full moon is an unlucky sign if it happens on a Sunday. Interesting to note is that the word ‘Monday’ is derived from the Old English word ‘Monandæg,’ which means ‘moon day.’ Another fun fact is that on March 28, the Royal Air force used the light from a full moon to attack Lubeck in Germany during WWII.

When there are two full moons in one month, the second one is called a ‘blue moon.’ This occurrence takes place every three years. A red moon happens when the full moon phase occurs during the same time as a lunar eclipse.

The man on the moon that we often see during a full moon is nothing more than a trick of the light playing across dark areas called basaltic plains, which contrast with the lighter colored highlands of the moon's surface. Interesting is that between 1765 and 1813, the Lunar Society of Birmingham, England met during the full moon because the extra light made the walk home safer.

June is said to be the best month to get married because it falls between the planting and harvesting of crops. The term ‘honeymoon’ is named after the first full moon in June for this reason.

Lastly, of course, we can't wrap up this discussion of full moon mythology and not mention werewolves. European folklore claimed for centuries that if you slept outside under a full moon on a Wednesday or a Friday, you risked being turned into a ravening werewolf. Once again, however, this myth appears to be just as fanciful as the notion of Lon Chaney, Jr. — star of Universal's original “Wolf Man” film in 1941 — being the long-lost son and heir of a British aristocrat.

The werewolf myth has, however, made for some entertaining fare at multiplexes over the decades, from Chaney's original “Wolf Man” to the astonishing transformation sequence in “An American Werewolf in London” to Michael J. Fox's comedic take on the legend in “Teen Wolf.” Rather than venture out into the nighttime in search of real werewolves during the next full moon, we recommend putting on one of these classics and settling in for the night with a heaping bowl of popcorn.

But remember to keep some silver close at hand...just in case.

Deer season comes to an end

2018 was a great year for sportsmen in the valley, and many hunting and fishing activities were reported by this writer in my weekly column.

Unfortunately, the politicians and Mass. Division of Fish & Wildlife failed to get a crossbow and Sunday hunting bill passed, but the sportsmen will try again this year.

Ice fishing the past couple of weeks was spotty, and when the rain came it stopped all ice fishing activities locally.

Ice fishing champ Dan Southwick managed to get in a few days of ice fishing at one of his hot spots as shown in this weeks picture.

The pike weighed in at 21 pounds, 14 ounces. Dan releases all of his fish to be caught another day. A few local club ponds had safe ice for a few days which allowed my brother Ken and others to catch a few trout before the ice disappeared. Anglers are hoping for a good freeze soon so that they can do some ice fishing, but the latest report of warm weather in the near future is not good. In the past few years ice fishing on some of the Cape ponds was also minimal.

The last segment of the Mass. deer season ended on Monday, Dec. 31, in Massachusetts.

There did not seem to be much participation by local deer hunters during the black powder season, but I am sure some impressive deer were harvested. Very little information by Mass. Fish & Wildlife on the deer harvest was released, and local sportsmen are waiting for the final numbers to be released to the press. The new registration system of harvested deer is great, but it does stop writers from releasing the harvest numbers until the new year when they become available.

Many reports of deer eating back yard plantings like strawberries and ornamental bushes is a daily conversation among residents at local coffee shops. You have not seen nothing yet! With very little food for deer in the woods, they will be feeding in local back yards all winter long.

Coyotes and beavers have become a daily nuisance, and reports by local resident about there encounters will continue for many years. Coyotes are here to stay, and have killed numerous family



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
RALPH TRUE

pets this year. Beaver continue to devastate local rivers and streams, flooding out private property. The destruction of trees along the river banks needs to be stopped. As I stated in previous columns, trapping needs to be brought back to Massachusetts.

The little bit of trapping allowed by local towns annually will never solve the problem. Even the few beaver that are trapped, are killed, as relocation of the buck teeth tree choppers are not possible.

Residents need to make a decision to allow beavers to endanger the lives of humans or take action to preserve our natural forest and rivers and streams. Beavers also carry a disease that is transmitted to family pets and humans themselves.

Diseases that can be transmitted to humans include the plague, leptospirosis, to mention a couple and can cause sever complications like swollen glands, rash, and flu like symptoms. Very few physicians are aware of the diseases, and often fail to administer the proper medications. Lyme disease is finally being recognized by physicians, which for many years was overlooked and properly diagnosed for patients. Common sense and control of all wildlife is needed to ensure the public's safety.

This past week, a segment of the “60 Minutes” program was addressing the plastics problem in our country, as well as global warming. We need our politicians to wake up and address the problem soon. Our ocean is so polluted with plastics that reversing the problem will take many years. Fish and wildlife are dying from ingesting plastic. Global warming is real even though our President does not believe it. Tornados, hurricanes, massive fires, and many other major weather related problems are not normal. Melting of glaciers and weather changes are real. Our children and future generations are being left with major problems, that will impact there lives with disease and suffering! We can do a lot better!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!
Happy holidays to all!

Creative Multipurpose Tips Save Money

Saving money is tops on many New Year Resolutions lists, and one of the easiest ways to pinch pennies is to get the most use out of the products you buy. Thanks to some creative repurposing, many ordinary items can do double duty all around the house. Read on for some unusual uses for everyday things.

And remember, readers, send in your best tips and you'll be in the running to win a three course Dinner for Two at the Publick House!

Bamboo Skewers: Not just for shish kabob or fruit arrangements, a package of inexpensive wooden skewers come in handy! Use them to test the doneness of cakes; to easily turn doughnuts and other foods when deep frying; and insert into cake layers to invisibly stabilize a crooked confection.

Wooden skewers are also useful in the workshop. To camouflage a narrow nail hole, dip the end of a skewer in white glue, push it into the wall, break it off and paint over.

The most creative use of all? I once caught my niece using one of the wooden sticks as a hands-free Oreo dipper. She just stabbed the middle cream and dunked the whole cookie into milk!

Aluminum Foil: Hate to iron? Place a sheet of tinfoil under the ironing board cover (above the foam but below the cloth) to boost the heat of the iron and get the job done more efficiently and quickly!

Run out of steel wool pads? Crumple up a ball of tinfoil and use to clean pans (not non-stick).

And sharpening dull scissors is as simple as making several cuts through a double layer of aluminum foil!

Vodka: Is your potpourri losing its scent? Toss in a capful of vodka and mix it up to renew fragrance in the dried flower mix. Want your fresh flowers to last a bit longer? Simply add a few drops of vodka along with a teaspoon of sugar to the water in the vase. The vodka kills bacteria, extending the life of the blooms.

And you can whip up an effective air freshener with vodka.



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

To do: In a spray bottle, mix together six ounces water (distilled if possible), one ounce of vodka, and your choice of essential oil (about 20-30 drops). Shake up and spray!

Dental Floss: Hanging a picture and don't have any wire? Doubled up dental floss is strong enough to substitute on lightweight pictures; Are photos stuck together? Instead of pulling apart, lessen the risk of damage by gently shimmying the floss between the photos to pry them off. Swaging holiday greenery? Green mint dental floss serves as a strong (and invisible) tie to wind around garlands to hang down stairways or along a mantle. And unflavored dental floss can also be used to truss a turkey.

Dental floss even works as a quick fix to restringing beaded jewelry. And if you happen to snap your fishing line, a length of dental floss can serve as a temporary substitute.

Here are some additional multipurpose ideas:

• Have extra roof shingles? Stow a few in your trunk during winter weather. If you get stuck, wedge the shingle under the tire for traction.

• For a quick and inexpensive car air freshener, simply place a few drops of essential oil on a cotton ball and put in your car's open console niche (or ashtray) to discreetly refresh the whole car.

• Save plastic newspaper sleeves. The long bags are the ideal size and shape to protect shoes from other clothing when packing a suitcase.

• Wet boots from winter weather? Take a tip from the past: Stuff newspaper inside your shoes and they'll dry out faster.

• Newspaper also works to prevent odors in thermos bottles between uses. Just pack crumpled newspaper into the bottle before closing to store.

• Stuff Styrofoam packing peanuts into a bean bag chair to puff it back up

Taking aim at poaching

BY SEN. MICHAEL O. MOORE
MILLBURY

As the current legislative session draws to a close, there are a number of important bills sitting just short of the goal line. Among those items includes a bill that would enhance wildlife protections and strengthen penalties against poaching in the Commonwealth. The bill passed the Senate unanimously earlier this year but has yet to receive full approval from the bicameral legislative body.

Many folks would be surprised to learn that poaching, or the illegal killing of wildlife, is taking place here in our local communities. As a former Environmental Police Officer, I have witnessed, firsthand, incidents of poaching that involve some of the most cherished animal populations. You may have seen recent news coverage about an attack on a protected juvenile red-tailed hawk which was found shot in the right wing in the Town Auburn. The beautiful, rare bird had to be euthanized as a result of its severe injuries.

Simply put, many of our illegal hunting penalties are outdated by about a century, and the minimal fines amount to little more than a slap on the wrist that do little to deter poaching. In addition to protecting animals and preserving our environment, this bill also upholds the rights of sportspeople who abide by Massachusetts laws and practice fair chase principles. It's high time we take action to target illegal hunting practices in our Commonwealth.

In an effort to adequately deter these acts, the legislation elevates existing penalties for individuals convicted of illegally harming or killing wildlife. The legislation also requires the Commonwealth to enter into a nationwide law enforcement network known as the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact. You may be surprised to learn that Massachusetts remains one of only two non-member states—the other being Hawaii. The Compact allows for reciprocity with other states for the purpose of license suspensions to prevent wildlife violators who have lost their hunting, trapping or fishing privileges from circumventing license revocations.

In the six years this bill has been pending before the Legislature, there has been no recorded opposition to the bill. None. This begs the question, why aren't we doing more to help protect some of the Commonwealth's most vulnerable animal populations?

Joining the compact would give our Commonwealth's agencies access to a database of wildlife violators, allowing us to choose to enforce a reciprocal license suspension or revocation, if we have a similar law and penalty. As the only non-member in the continental United States, Massachusetts is a safe-haven for those whose hunting, trapping, or fishing licenses have been suspended or revoked in one or more of the 48 member states.

Join me, the Humane Society of the United States and many other advocates in supporting the passage of this legislation, S.2248, during the current legislative session.

Sen. Michael O. Moore, D-Millbury, represents the Second Worcester District. Senator Moore is the primary sponsor of legislation to enhance wildlife protections and strengthen penalties against poaching in the Commonwealth.

OBITUARIES

Matthew David Cote, 30



SPENCER/BARRE- Matthew David Cote, 30 passed away suddenly on December 20, 2018 after his longtime battle with PTSD. Matthew was born on February 29, 1988, in Manchester New Hampshire. He grew up in Spencer Massachusetts where he attended David Prouty High School and enlisted into the Marine Corps after graduation in 2006. Matthew served proudly as an Infantryman and deployed twice to fight in the War on Terror, once to Iraq, and once to Afghanistan. Matthew was a proud Veteran, an avid Motorcyclist, loved fishing & loved his dog Lyla. He was a very loyal friend and was the type of person to give anyone the shirt off of his back. He always had a smile, a joke, and a hug readily available to share.

Matthew is survived by his father, Jeffrey Cote Sr. of Auburn; mother, Nancy (Piltzecker) Cote of Barre; a brother, Jeffrey Cote Jr of Rochdale; a sister, Chelsea (Cote) Quinonez of Spencer; nieces Angelina, Aliviah and Nataliah, a nephew Jeffrey III; 2 grandmothers, Marion Piltzecker of Charlton and Lucile Kasputis of Auburn; many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who who will miss him dearly.

Calling hours were held on Sunday, December 30, 2018 from 1-4pm in Pillsbury Funeral Home 96 S.Barre Rd. Barre,MA.. The funeral was held on Monday at 11AM in the funeral home. For an online tribute and guestbook please visit: Pillsburyfuneralhome.com



Joseph L. “Joe” Gagnon, 87



UXBRIDGE- Joseph L. “Joe” Gagnon, 87, of Cedar St. Uxbridge, a longtime Waltham resident died Wed Dec 26, 2018 at Milford Hospital after an illness.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years Joan E. (Pineau) Gagnon; 12 children Deborah LeBlanc of Dubios, PA, Gary Gagnon and his wife Loan of Bellingham, Joseph R. “Jody” Gagnon and his wife Maria of Peabody, Mark Gagnon of Waltham, David Gagnon and his wife Suzanne of Douglas, Denise Brosnahan and her husband Pat of Uxbridge, Mary Ann Scott and her husband Kevin of Dennis, MA, John Gagnon and his wife Celia of Holliston, William Gagnon and his partner Thomas of Auburn, Mechelle Linehan and her husband Steve of Uxbridge, Matthew Gagnon and Timmy Gagnon both of Woonsocket; 28 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; 7 great-great-grandchildren; a sister Annette Fenton of Newton; a brother Robert Gagnon of Marshfield; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a granddaughter Emilee Dawn Gagnon, daughter in law Ann Marie Gagnon son in law Henry LeBlanc and was brother of the late Nathalie Catino and Jean Catino. Born at home in Newton, MA on Nov 24, 1931, he was the son of Leo and Blanche (Frechette) Gagnon and lived in Uxbridge 13 years, previously living in Waltham.

Mr. Gagnon was an entrepre-

neur. For 45 years he owned and operated Gagnon News Service, a newspaper distributorship. He started Joe Gagnon & Sons Construction and later opened JJ’s Sub Shop all in Waltham. He later worked 30 years for the Federal Emergency Management Agency with his wife. Together they supervised many US disasters for FEMA, including 9/11. He retired in 2011 when he was 80 years old.

In Waltham Joe, was a member and past president of the Kwanis Club, the Knights of Columbus where he was past Grand Knight, and The Moose Lodge. He also served on the Boards of the Salvation Army and the Waltham Board of Public Health. He was also involved with the Boy’s Club and every year he would play Santa in the Waltham Parade.

A hard worker, Joe loved his FEMA job. Over the years he enjoyed playing music with his family band, spending summers in Scituate, and wintering in Hollywood, FL with his wife. He will be remembered as an accomplished, loving man and will be deeply missed.

His Funeral Service was held Sat. Dec. 29 at 11 am in Tancrell Jackman Funeral Home, 35 Snowling Rd. Uxbridge. Calling hours at the funeral home were Fri. Dec. 28 from 4 to 8 pm. Memorial donations may be made to the Emilee Dawn Gagnon Memorial Scholarship, Westfield State Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 1630, Westfield, MA 01086-1630. To leave a condolence message for the family please visit www.jackmanfuneralhomes.com

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, January 31

The Quality of Life, 6 p.m., Chuck’s Steakhouse, Route 20 (10 Prospect St.), Auburn. Hosted by the Auburn branch office of Edward Jones. Who will change my light bulbs? How will I get an ice cream cone? Who will I have lunch with? What do these questions have to do with retirement planning? A lot more than you think. Find out how the answers to these questions can actually predict how rich and satisfying your retirement years will be with guest speaker Tim Hampson, Regional Vice President and Advisor Consultant for Hartford Funds. Registration begins at 5:45 p.m., with the seminar kicking off at 6 p.m. Although the seminar is free, reservations are required. Guests are welcome. Please call Karen Rieser at 832-5385 or e-mail Karen.rieser@edwardjones.com by Jan. 28 to register. Refreshments will be served.

ONGOING EVENTS

12 STEP PROGRAM: Christian 12 Step Program for Men and Women 7-8:15 p.m. every Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church, 22 Faith Ave, Auburn. Do you feel your life/relationships/habits are

spinning out of control? A Christian 12 Step Program is the key to Christ and life providing abundance, blessing and grace. Come as you are or contact (508) 832-5044 x 155 for information.

SUICIDE PREVENTION: Attempted Suicide Prevention Group. Held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St Bernard’s Church, 236 Lincoln St., Worcester Gym Entrance Side, second floor meeting room. Parking & T services. Weekly facilitator, inspirational speaker, founder Dan Pelly, two time attempted suicide survivor. Your life matters, never give up. No charge. More info at (617) 592-5081.

STORY TIME: Have a little one in the house? Looking to get out and do something? The Auburn Public Library may have just the thing for you. Mother Goose Story time is for children ages 6-15 months. It’s a great place for children and their grownups to listen to stories, share nursery rhymes and have time to connect with others during musical free play. Mother Goose Story Time is held Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please stop by and join us. For information, you call the library at (508) 832-7790.

MUSEUM HOURS: The Auburn Historical Museum, 41 South St. is open

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

NEW GROUP FORMING: If you’re separated or divorced, you don’t have to go through it alone. DivorceCare meets weekly, you’ll receive practical support and find healing and hope for the future in a friendly, confidential setting. We meet Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., beginning Feb. 1 at Faith Church, 22 Faith Ave., Auburn. Call (508) 832-5044 or email divorcecare@faithauburn.org for more information.

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. About half of our members also like to eat. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just

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

STORY TIME: Open Story Time will be held 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Auburn Public Library. No registration required. Please drop in. Open to all ages. For information, call (508) 832-7790.

BOYS’ GROUP: Chuck wants boys in the 6th through 10th grades to join The Man Cave. The Man Cave is a boys’ group that meets from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Thursdays at the AYFS, 21 Pheasant Court, Auburn. This is where members will learn that peers their own age share similar concerns. Group members will be able to discuss ways to cope with their concerns as well as receive positive feedback. Each week will center around a particular topic for discussion. No cost to join. For information, call Brandon Pare (508) 832-5707 x 16 or Dan Secor (508) 832-5707 x 14. Free food available.

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Town officials have expressed concerns over the possibility of converting the building into a museum. There are no municipal funds available in the Fiscal Year 2019 budget to operate or maintain the building.

Town Administrator David Genereux believes the town’s best option is to sell the building with a preservation restriction in place. The goal would be to find a buyer willing to repurpose the building while maintaining its historic character.

“The Swan Tavern is a beautiful structure, but it will erode if monies cannot be found to keep it in good order and make improvements as necessary,” Genereux said. “Towns are traditionally poor stewards of historic buildings,

so we would hope to find someone with the vision and funding to preserve it.”

Heating costs, maintenance costs, and ADA compliance issues have all been brought up as concerns from residents and officials.

In 1781, Reuben Swan became the owner of the building and expanded it while retaining many of the features from the original structure. The building has since been owned by Leicester Junior College and Becker College, which used it to house administration offices. It then became a private residence for many years and was eventually purchased by the town to temporarily house the library.

Once renovations are complete at the main library building on Route 9 this year, the Swan Tavern building will once again be empty. Because of its central location, several residents feel it is the best available candidate to house a

museum.

“Memories must be passed down to the younger generations, but they often are forgotten. Artifacts provide the framework for remembering that history,” said Leicester Historical Society member Diane Calvano. “The best way to preserve the items and their stories is to collect them in one place so that future generations can see them.”

Added fellow Historical Society member Ann Lane, “I would love to see not just a momentary spotlight, but a permanent place for the town and those who visit to enjoy and learn about Leicester’s rich history.”

Society members have also discussed the opportunity for a museum to serve in aneducationalcapacityforstudentsseeking to learn about their town’s history.

At recent meetings, members of historical societies in surrounding com-

munities visited Leicester to discuss how they operate their museums. Some towns have seen rapidly increasing interest in museums and local history in recent years.

“In the past year, we have had more inquiries from people searching for relatives and their stories,” said Grafton Historical Society President Nancy Therrien. “It is so important to tell these stories of community, and it is a blessing to have precious artifacts to enrich the stories of our past.”

Selectmen may decide on the future of the building as early as this month.

TRAINOR

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without spending a dime!

Rejuvenate a grungy sponge with ordinary salt! Just soak sponges (and mop heads) in a solution of one quarter cup salt to one quart of water.

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

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



Guests wrote messages of thanks for outgoing Police Chief James Hurley.

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residents and town officials.

“I am fortunate to have been selected to serve the residents and business community of Leicester for the past thirteen years as police chief,” Hurley told Stonebridge Press. “I am grateful for the support that they have provided to the Leicester Police Department and myself over those many years. I will miss the opportunity to interact with the residents and business community on a daily basis, and I appreciate their being an integral part in shaping where their police department is today.”

Under Hurley’s leadership, the department developed several accomplished officers and continued to strengthen its relationships with community leaders. For Hurley, it meant a lot to lead a department that exemplifies dedication and professionalism. Over the past five years, the department significantly enhanced its community policing efforts through outreach programs and a bolstered social media presence.

SPORTS

Fourth quarter rally fuels Rockets past Uxbridge



Liv Mathews of Auburn reaches down to collect a rebound versus Uxbridge.

Jason Mckay photos



Molly Cutting of Auburn follows through upon the release of her shot from the corner.



Auburn's Semran Sahota slices through a pair of Uxbridge defenders en route to a layup.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

UXBRIDGE — The Auburn High girls' varsity basketball team, which trailed by 11 points at halftime, 10 in the third quarter and nine to begin the fourth period, rallied to defeat Uxbridge High, 46-42, back on Thursday, Dec. 27.

With the win the Rockets improved to 3-3 overall and are now 2-1 in the Southern Worcester County League (SWCL). Uxbridge fell to 4-2 overall and 2-1 in the SWCL with the loss. Both of the Spartans' defeats this season have come against Auburn — one counting toward the league standings, the other one not.

The Rockets' victory over the Spartans on Dec. 27 was the kind of win a team sometimes looks back on and considers a turning point or season-defining win.

"My assistant coach [Samantha Kozik] said it best after the game," Auburn head coach Nicole LePrevost said. "She said, 'this win showed our growth as a team; being behind the entire game and still being confident and still being poised in the fourth quarter to be able to pull this game out.' I'm very proud of the girls for the way they played, especially in the fourth quarter."

Auburn trailed, 35-26, after three quarters but scored the first five points of the fourth — in 59 seconds — on a 3-pointer by Molly Cutting and a basket in the paint by Liv Mathews (13 points). After the teams exchanged some points the Rockets, trailing 39-33 with just three minutes to play, made

their game-winning push.

Mathews started it at the three-minute mark with a drive to the hoop to pull Auburn to within 39-35. After a defensive stop Jackie Landry (5 points, all in the fourth quarter) cut the Rockets' deficit to one, 39-38, on a right-side 3-pointer with 2:08 remaining.

Landry was dogged in her determination to make the 3-pointer; she attempted the same shot from the same spot a few times earlier in the game without success.

"That was a huge shot for us; it really keyed the comeback," LePrevost said. "That shows Jackie's confidence as a player. She knows sooner or later she's going to hit it, so when she's open she's got to take that shot."

Mathews put Auburn ahead for good, 40-39, with 1:45 to play when she raced to the basket to score a layup off an Uxbridge turnover.

Landry extended the Rockets' lead to three, 42-39, with a pair of free throws with 1:14 to play and Semran Sahota (14 points) gave Auburn even more breathing room when she made it 44-39 with 23 seconds to play with her own pair of free throws.

Uxbridge sliced the Rockets' lead down to two, 44-42, with 15 seconds remaining on a 3-pointer from the top of the arc by Olivia Hicks, who scored a game-high 24 points and connected on seven treys.

Mathews sealed the win for Auburn, however, with a pair of free throws with 3.8 seconds to play. The Rockets' comeback was helped out by the fact they hit on eight of their 10 fourth-quarter foul



Auburn's Isabella Therrien floats a layup toward the basket.



Jackie Landry of Auburn shoots up and over an Uxbridge defender.



Auburn's Victoria Murphy gets ahead of an Uxbridge defender before shooting her shot.

shots.

Auburn held Uxbridge to just seven points in each of the third and fourth quarters, while finishing with a flourish — a 20-point final frame.

"At halftime and again before the fourth quarter we talked about how we were going to guard particular players and I think we did a better job at that," said LePrevost, whose team held Hicks to just eight second-half points after allowing her to score 16 in the first two quarters. "I think our help defense in response to that also stepped up."

Nine of the 12 players on the Uxbridge roster are underclassmen. Spartans' head coach Tracy Larkin thought youth might have contributed to her team's undoing against Auburn.

"We have a very young team; our

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Utilizing CPR and other first response tactics the firefighters and police officers were able to successfully resuscitate Mr. Waters in a life or death situation that few tend to survive. Mr. Waters acknowledged how lucky he was when he took the time to speak and thank local responders for saving his life joking that he had "won the lottery."

"I've got to thank the people of this town who saved my life, especially my son who did the beginning. I put my head through the wall on the way down and then my son heard and came downstairs he didn't really panic, I guess. He

only seniors are our captains — Olivia Hicks, Maggie Streichert and Erin Jones," Larkin said. "I think our body language, especially among our younger players, took us out of the game today."

"We're learning and we're working on things and one of the things we're working on is the power of a positive team," Larkin continued. "We've got to keep their heads up; we've got to believe we can't be defeated. We played well and we played hard, but at the end of the game we kind of petered out a little bit. The bright side of having such a young team is that there is lots of room for growth and that's a beautiful thing."

called 911 and they talked him through the first few minutes and then the fire department came and did their thing. I'm hearing it was a four percent survival so that's pretty cool," Mr. Water said.

Chief Knopf concluded the ceremony acknowledging each individual who responded to the scene to help with certificates and a round of applause and a showing of gratitude from those present and the Board of Selectmen. Among those acknowledged were Capt. Dean Babineau, Capt. Mike Bjorn, Capt. Brian Ouellette, FF Ben Locke and FF Justin Mui. Charlton Police officers Gary Wood and Derek Gaylord were also recognized during the ceremony.

SPORTS

Auburn drops two in Rocket Classic Tournament

AUBURN — The annual Rocket Classic boys' basketball tournament that Auburn High hosts didn't go the way the Rockets had hoped. First, Auburn lost a 91-59 decision to Hudson High on Thursday, Dec. 27 — where the accompanying photos took place — before losing to King Philip Regional in the consolation game a day later, 70-53. The Rockets took their 1-7 record into the New Year, where they will next play at Bartlett High on Friday, Jan. 4 at 6:30 p.m.



Photos courtesy Mark Seliger, www.SeligerPhotography.com

Auburn's Coleman Picard jumps along the baseline to retrieve the ball and keep it from bouncing out of bounds.

Minutemen defeat Pathfinder, march to 5-0 start to season

CHARLTON — The Bay Path Regional girls' varsity basketball team, in slow and steady fashion, defeated Pathfinder Regional, 50-22, back on Tuesday, Dec. 18, to start the year 5-0. Pathfinder scored the first basket of the game but, after a Nekelle Waskiewicz 3-pointer and six straight points from Madison Paulhus, the Minutemen grabbed a 9-2 lead and never looked back from there. Bay Path led at all the stops: 13-2 after the first quarter, 30-9 at the half and 45-18 through three before winning by 28 points. In all, eight Minutemen scored and 10 grabbed at least one rebound. Leading the charge were Kiara Coates (14 points, 12 rebounds), Waskiewicz (14 points) and Paulhus (8 points, 6 rebounds). Bay Path completed the sweep with Pathfinder, having won a 30-14 decision in the season opener.



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path's Emily Wong Kam eyes the basket while driving the ball into the paint.



Madison Paulhus of Bay Path looks up to complete a layup versus Pathfinder.



Bay Path's Nekelle Waskiewicz finishes off an uncontested layup.



Cam Bolduc of Auburn slices through a pair of Hudson defenders en route to the basket.



Joe Clougherty of Auburn has enough room from the corner to release a deep jump shot.



Auburn's Jacob Benoit leans away from a Hudson defender to create enough separation to hoist up a shot.

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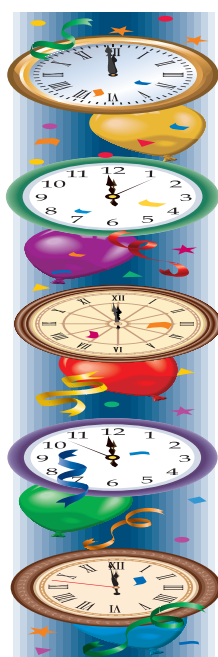
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WEBSTER – 26 Spring St! 5 Rm Ranch on Quiet Side Street! Walk into the 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Flr, Ceiling Fan & Slider to Deck! Cabinet Packed Eat-In Kit! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrds! 3 Bdrms! Finished Lower Level w/Tile Flr, 10' Bar w/Drop Lights! Vinyl Siding! Replacement Windows! **\$249,900.00**



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WEBSTER – 7 Oak St! 2 Family! 55 Rms! 22 Bdrms! Both Flrs w/Eat-in Kitchens! Liv Rms w/Wall to Wall! Bdrms w/Wall to Wall! 3 Season Porches! Gas Heat w/Recent Buderus on 1st! Electric Heat on 2nd! Recent Roof, Siding & Windows! Off Street Parking! Owner Occupied or Investment! **\$169,900.00**



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SOLD

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SOLD

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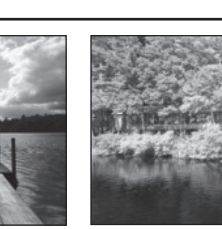


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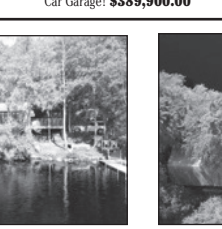
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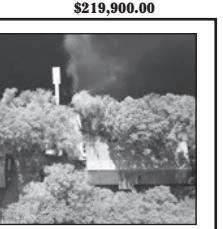
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WEBSTER LAKE – 209 Beacon Park! 1280' Townhouse! 5 Rooms! Spectacular Sandy Beach! Fantastic Lakeside Pool! Applianced Kitchen! Carpeted Dining Rm & Fireplaced Living Rooms! 2 Spacious Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Updated Tile Baths! Central Air! Garage!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



SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE – 139 Killdeer Island - North Pond! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm 3 Season Home! Add Heat & Use Yr Round! Great Potential! 4 Bdrms w/Hrds, 2 Lake Facing! Frplc Liv Rm w/Lake Views! Spacious Kit & Dining Area! 2 Baths! 55' of Sandy Beach! **\$475,000.00**



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SOLD

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



SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE – 905 Treasure Isl! WATERFRONT! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874' Hrds! SS Applianced Quartz Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Dble Vanity! 2.5 Baths! Frplc Fam Rm! Newer C/Air & Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! **\$449,000.00**



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