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Friday, September 20, 2019

Big Y grant brings yoga program to DPHS



Kevin Flanders Photo

Grant funding from a local business has enabled David Prouty High School students to take part in yoga programs this year.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Thanks to the support of a local business, students at David Prouty High School are enjoying the many benefits of yoga.

The school received a \$5,000 grant from Big Y for the purchase of yoga mats, blocks, straps, and other training equipment. The gear was then arranged

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New Principal hopes to make a splash at NBHS

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – After spending nearly 20 years in city schools, newly hired North Brookfield Junior-Senior High School Principal Jason Hynek is looking forward to working in a small community.

Hynek spent the first 17 years of his career in Springfield schools,



Jason Hynek

beginning with eight years as a special education teacher. He made the leap to administration by serving as assistant principal – and eventually acting principal – at the High School of Commerce. After three years at that school, he was named principal of Chestnut Middle School

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David Prouty Class of '49 gathers for reunion



Kevin Flanders Photo

David Prouty High School Class of 1949 members attend a reunion.

EAST BROOKFIELD – It's been 70 years since the David Prouty High School Class of 1949 celebrated its graduation, but class members can still recall many events as if they happened yesterday.

At the 70-year reunion held on Sept. 11, class members gathered at 308 Lakeside to share favorite stories and treasured memories from their glory days. With each reunion over the years, members have grown even more appreciative of their opportunity to preserve longtime friendships.

"It is always fun to get together and catch up," said Elaine Fahey, who lives in East Brookfield.

The class meets for reunions every five years.

Community gearing up for Town-Wide Yard Sale

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – In an event that seems to expand every year, residents are looking forward to the fourth annual Town-Wide Yard Sale this month.

Set for Saturday, Sept. 28, the event will take place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration forms can be picked up at Town Hall or Richard Sugden Public

Library. You may also obtain a registration form by visiting the event's Facebook page.

Beginning at 7 a.m. on Sept. 28, maps will be available for a small fee at David Prouty High School. Each map will indicate the locations of individual yard sales taking place throughout the

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School officials work toward goals of district improvement plan

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – After creating a new district improvement plan over the summer, school officials are working hard to meet several goals.

The latest district improvement plan will remain in effect through 2024. Representatives from multiple sectors of the school district teamed up during the summer to craft the plan. Architects included Superintendent Richard Lind, members of the School Committee, building administrators, teachers, parents, and various subcommittee members.

For Superintendent Lind, it was important to generate an eclectic team capable of integrating several educational facets into the plan. These include curriculum goals, student engagement, leadership, social-emotional learning, professional development, and communications, among others.

“We developed a mission statement that represents our entire school dis-

trict, as well as a vision statement covering what we aspire to do,” Lind said.

After contributing to improvement plans in other districts throughout his career, Lind is facilitating his first such plan as North Brookfield’s school chief. The many topics included in the plan will help guide the district over the next five years.

One major feature of the current plan which didn’t appear in previous plans is the social-emotional learning component. This will ensure that students receive the support systems they need to help them be well-prepared to learn.

The social-emotional learning element includes tiered systems of support for students. This will help educators better identify areas of need for students, both academically and emotionally. Moreover, a kindness program has also been implemented to augment the social and learning environment.

One of the many wellness goals identified in the improvement plan involves stress reduction. The district will design

two “family focus weekends” per year in which students will have no homework, tests, or major projects to prepare for on the Monday and Tuesday following the weekend. Also, staff members will be offered stress reduction programs like yoga.

Additionally, school leaders are hoping to expand transitional support for sixth graders heading into the junior-senior high school. Officials are also launching a positive behavior reinforcement program at the elementary school that engages all students. This program will include a behavioral expectations tour at the beginning of the year and a consistent rewards system at all grade levels.

“This is a very exciting time to identify our goals and where we want to go from here,” Lind added. “This plan will serve as the umbrella covering everything happening in our district.”

Looking ahead, district leaders are accentuating the importance for each goal to be executed at both the elementary school and the junior-senior high

school. Several feedback systems are in place to evaluate how effectively measures are being implemented.

Alignment of curriculum goals at the two schools is particularly important, Lind said. This will ensure that students build on their skill sets from year to year in each subject area.

“Our plan gives us a roadmap for checking our progress on reaching each goal,” Lind said.

School leaders understand that parents will play an important role in the overall success of the plan. To that end, one of the district’s communication goals is to expand discussions between school staff members and parents. This will help improve academic performance and reduce discipline incidents, officials said.

Lind and his staff thank all contributors who helped craft and revise the improvement plan.

Second Chance 20th anniversary celebration will save lives

EAST BROOKFIELD — Second Chance Animal Services announced today that it has earmarked the proceeds from their upcoming anniversary celebration to rescue pets in overcrowded shelters. Second Chance is celebrating their 20th anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center with gala that will feature casino games, live music, auctions and raffles, delicious food and signature drinks by sponsor Tito’s Handmade Vodka.

Thanks to the generosity of the

event’s sponsors which also includes RE/MAX Realtor Wendy Johnson and Idexx Laboratories, Second Chance is able to pledge to save two pets for every event ticket sold. Development Director Lindsay Doray is grateful to all the sponsors who are supporting Second Chance’s mission.

“We wanted to do something really special to mark this milestone and we thought this was a meaningful way to launch our next 20 years of helping pets in need,” said Doray.

Second Chance was founded in 1999 as a small, volunteer shelter in East Brookfield with just \$400 and an idea by current CEO Sheryl Blancato. Today they are one of the largest animal welfare organizations in Massachusetts, helping more than 37,000 pets a year. They have revolutionized the animal welfare field with their approach of keeping pets in their homes instead of only adopting them out of the shelter, operating three full-service nonprofit hospitals to providing access to veterinary care for all.

The anniversary event will take place from 4 – 10 p.m., with live music and weather permitting, a fire on the patio. Tickets are \$60 and include starter casino money, and a bounty of food at various stations throughout the venue with appetizers, pasta, salad and carving stations, baked potato bar, cheesecake bar, make your own s’mores, and signature drinks brought to you by sponsor Tito’s Handmade Vodka. Tickets are available online at www.secondchanceanimals.org and at the Adoption Center, 111 Young Rd., East Brookfield.

Mosquito spraying to continue

LEICESTER – Residents are reminded that regional aerial spraying for mosquitoes is scheduled to continue on several evenings this month.

Efforts will take place in specific areas of southeast Worcester County that are at risk for the EEE virus. Spraying is focused on communities classified as high or critical risk. Leicester is currently classified at moderate risk, but some portions of the town will see overspray due to the design of the spray zone.

Southern portions of the town are most likely to be affected by this work. The schedule is dependent on weather and may change. For the latest information on how to protect yourself from mosquitoes, or to see which communities are affected, visit www.mass.gov/dph to view a map of the spray area.

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Officials search abandoned campsite



Courtesy Photo

Investigators comb through an abandoned campsite at Howe State Park last week. Several items were tested.

SPENCER — Police and fire officials searched an abandoned campsite for possible hazardous materials last week.

On Sept. 12, a Department of Conservation and Recreation employee reported a suspicious campsite deep in the woods at Howe State Park. Spencer Police and Spencer Fire officials began an investigation of the campsite, which appeared to have been abandoned for several months.

Two suspicious bottles were found taped together at the scene. With the potential that drugs and other hazardous materials could be present, responders immediately secured the site.

“These types of sites are commonly known to have hazardous and sometimes explosive chemicals present,” read a statement issued by the Spencer Police Department. “Using an overabundance of caution, the scene was secured and the Mass. Joint Hazardous Incident Response Team was activated.”

Members of Spencer Ambulance also arrived on scene as an additional layer of protection. The campsite and the two suspicious bottles taped together were all tested. The bottles contained a strong alcohol, and the rest of the campsite had no traces of additional hazards or chemicals.

MassDEP officials assisted with the cleanup of the campsite.



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Spencer's Steven Tyler named Associate of local engineering firm



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H.E.L.P.S. Committee to hold fundraiser for Christmas tree lights

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The town's tree has to be completely stripped of the existing lights and restrung, therefore, the committee

needs more funds in order to do this. Please donate & show your support at the following locations: School St./Main St. stop, Summer St./Main St. stop, intersection of Route 148 & Route 67 near Dollar General & the N. Brookfield Transfer Station. Anyone age 18 or older can help. Meet at town sign/town Christmas tree at 7:30 a.m. on to volunteer.

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Silent auction – foods, baked goods, and floral arrangements may be donated to the Harvest Fair for a silent auction to help defray costs of the fair.

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Wednesdays from 8:30 am—9:30 am. Drop-in and learn about mindfulness. We will practice mindfulness, and discuss using these tools to enhance our relationship with ourselves and others.

September 26
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Quaboag Writers Collaborative seeking new talent

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The inherently solitary nature of writing can often make it difficult for area wordsmiths to meet. But thanks to a quickly growing local group, writers are coming together for collaboration and feedback.

The Quaboag Writers Collaborative continues to seek local writers of fiction and non-fiction who are interested in becoming members. The group is comprised of writers of all

levels, from published authors to writers who are embarking on their first manuscripts. The only requirements for membership are an interest in writing and the ability to attend meetings.

During each session, members share samples of their work and assist each other in improving their pieces. Members receive work samples for review in the week preceding each meeting and come to the next session prepared to critique that work. Because it

can often be difficult and costly to find reliable editors, it means a lot for group members to have a place to take part in the workshop experience.

Writers also enjoy learning from those who have already been published like local authors Ed Londergan and Jack McClintock, who lead the group.

“The Quaboag Writers Collaborative is a group of writers of all levels who get together twice a month to critique each other’s work and to discuss various aspects of writing and publishing,” Londergan told the New Leader.

In addition to running workshop and writing exercises during each meeting, the group also discusses all things publishing. Topics include tradi-

tional publishing routes, which typically involve securing an agent and publisher. The myriad self-publishing options now available to authors are also discussed. Self-publishing involves a lot of hard work for authors, but many local writers have enjoyed success with that platform.

QWC writers also talk about area venues where they can introduce their work to readers.

“The members share information about upcoming events and items they’ve come across related to writing. Our goal is to become better writers,” Londergan added. “We are looking for a few more writers to join us who share our goal of becoming better writers.”

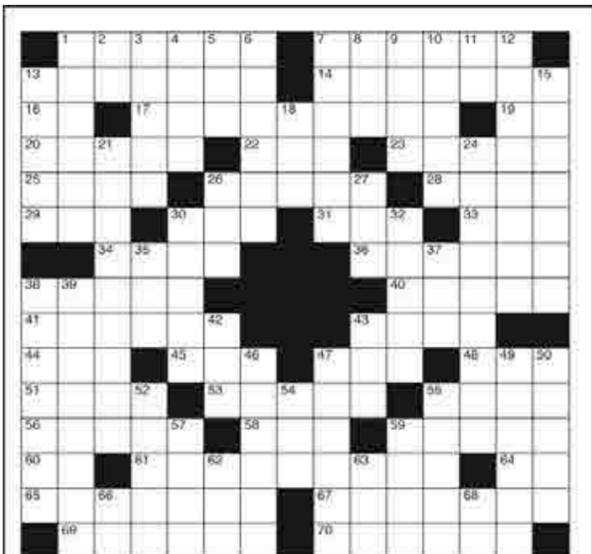
Group meetings are held

on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, from 6-7:30 p.m. in the records room of Haston Free Public Library. The building is located at 161 North Main St., in the center of town.

The Quaboag Writers Collaborative focuses on fiction and nonfiction works. The group does not handle works of poetry.

If you are interested in joining the group, send an email to Londergan at ed.londergan@gmail.com. You may also send an email to QWC co-leader Jack McClintock at jmcclim699@aol.com.

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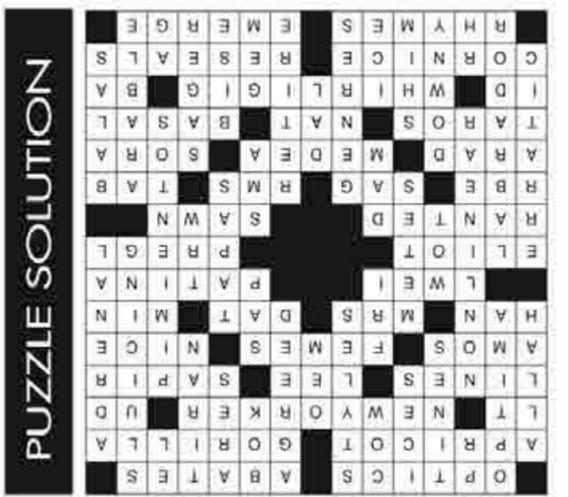


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- 30. Married woman
- 31. A digital tape recording of sound
- 33. Chinese dialect
- 34. Angolan monetary unit
- 36. A type of sheen
- 38. “Ash Wednesday” poet
- 40. Nobel Prize-winning chemist
- 41. Spoke angrily
- 43. Separated with a tool
- 44. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 45. Actors’ group
- 47. A type of ship (abbr.)
- 48. Bar bill
- 51. Romanian city
- 53. Greek sorceress
- 55. Small water bird
- 56. Tropical Asian plants
- 58. “Unforgettable” singer
- 59. Belonging to a bottom layer
- 60. Potato state
- 61. A toy that spins
- 64. “A-Team” character
- 65. Ornamental molding
- 67. Covers again
- 69. Poets write them
- 70. Appear

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Popular mid-size Kia
- 2. Image management (abbr.)
- 3. Prongs
- 4. Cools
- 5. It produces milk
- 6. Trends
- 7. Concurred
- 8. Chinese cabbage ___ choy
- 9. Greek war god
- 10. Straits along the Red Sea
- 11. Railway
- 12. Washing with water
- 13. Supreme being
- 15. Ductless gland
- 18. Parts producer (abbr.)
- 21. Not arranged in a straight line
- 24. Red sweet peppers
- 26. Famed protest yacht
- 27. Drain
- 30. Distributes
- 32. Small, savory dishes
- 35. Web of Things (abbr.)
- 37. Defunct aerospace company
- 38. Lacking consistency
- 39. Type of retriever
- 42. Barrier
- 43. Senior officer
- 46. Categories
- 47. Call it a career
- 49. Suitable for growing crops
- 50. High jumping legend Iolanda
- 52. Hairy
- 54. Dish made with lentils
- 55. TNT broadcaster Craig
- 57. Used to align parts
- 59. Cold, dry Swiss wind
- 62. Water in the solid state
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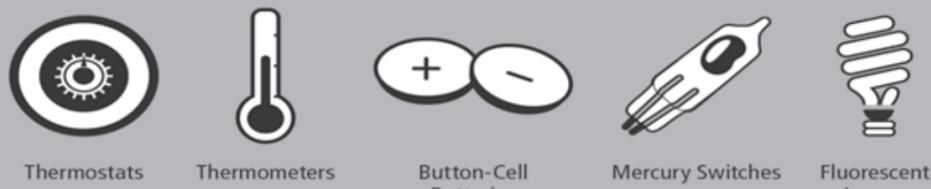
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in a classroom that was transformed into a yoga studio over the summer.

“This equipment will help the students gain body positivity and greater spatial awareness when it comes to body awareness,” said DPHS teacher Nancy Gingras, who is running the yoga program at the school. “This new equipment will make yoga and wellness more accessible to more students.”

By training both the body and mind,

students who take part in Prouty’s yoga class are enjoying many benefits. Not only does it increase focus and relaxation, but it also decreases stress that accumulates throughout the day.

Students have preferred the structured yet relaxed atmosphere of Gingras’s yoga class. Each session combines elements of background information, physical technique, and mental focus. A heavy emphasis is placed on breathing and concentration.

“On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, we are in the yoga room doing an asana practice. Tuesdays and Thursdays, we

are in the classroom working on mindfulness and social-emotional learning activities,” Gingras said.

The class is yet another example of the rise of social-emotional learning throughout the region. School officials in several districts have found that taking the time to focus on stress reduction activities can yield greater concentration and production for students.

At Prouty, each yoga class runs for ten weeks, but there are several other yoga-based programs for students to take advantage of.

“Last year we created Yogi Buddies, where the high school students go to the elementary school and work with

the younger students,” Gingras told the New Leader.

Yogi Buddies will eventually become part of the school’s early childhood education pathway. Moreover, Prouty’s Yoga 2 program will take place during the second half of the year. Plans are underway to finalize that program.

“Going forward, we have plans to get training to be yoga warriors,” Gingras said. “Yoga warriors was created for veterans who have PTSD but has been used for first responders, which we hope to incorporate into our criminal justice pathway.”

YARD SALE

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town. Whether you’re hunting for fascinating trinkets or specific collections, there is something for everyone at the event.

For town officials, it has been exciting to see interest in the event continue to grow. The yard sale not only brings Spencer residents out for a fun day, but it also draws guests from surrounding com-

munities into town. Modeled after similar events in other towns, the yard sale continues to improve and grow thanks to participants’ feedback each year.

“The Town-Wide Yard Sale has proven to be a great way to bring folks to Spencer, and a unique opportunity for residents to clean out their attics and garages and make a few bucks at the same time,” said Selectman Ralph Hicks.

All proceeds from participant registrations and map sales will benefit the Spencer Parks and Recreation Department to fund various improvements. These include maintaining town-owned parks and recreation facilities, as well as developing an array of programs.

All registered yard sale hosts will receive an official sign to post in their yards. Spaces are also available for nonprofit organizations and other

groups interested in taking part in the event. There is no registration cost for nonprofit organizations; please call for information on availability.

The yard sale also coincides with several other events happening throughout Spencer on the final weekend of September. In the past, David Prouty High School has held its open house on the same day as the yard sale. Residents from all area towns are invited

to drop in and check out a busy day of shopping opportunities throughout town.

The yard sale will be held rain or shine. For more information about the event, call 774-272-2465 or visit www.SpencerYardSale.org. You can also send an email to SpencerYardSale@gmail.com.

Additional information on the yard sale is also posted on the town Web site, as well as a copy of the registration form.

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Another election cycle is upon us

I'm writing to you this morning during a beautiful Labor Day weekend. So many are lamenting the end of summer, but I love the beauty and crispness of Fall. It is my favorite of the four seasons. The leaves on some trees are already turning and I love it all.

For those of you who are dreading winter, allowing yourself to harbor bad feelings about what is to come will change nothing. It will not prevent the seasons from changing but only steals your enjoyment and peace. Instead, try to embrace and enjoy the change. Look around ... the colors, the aromas ... enjoy it all. To do otherwise changes nothing but will syphon your happiness. Please join me in welcoming and enjoying the coming change of seasons!

Speaking of changing seasons, the election season is now upon us. Yesterday, Arlene and I travelled to a nearby lake and enjoyed a beautiful lunch at an outside table on the water. It was a gorgeous day, watching boats with brightly colored sails maneuver silently and gracefully across the blue water. As we sat in peace, enjoying the moment, a wedding party was assembling for pictures not far from our table. The party

seemed celebratory and joyful, then it began.

"Did you hear what that rotten 'bleep' had to say last night? Election day can't come fast enough. There's a guy at work who supports him, so I unfriended him on Facebook and I do everything in my power to make his life at work miserable."

I wasn't shocked by the conversation, but was saddened. Because of a difference in political choice, one person is working to make another's life on the job miserable. You are not surprised. We hear it from both sides all the time. There are calls for boycotts against companies who advertise on television and radio programs because we disagree with their point of view. Politicians are harassed in public in front of their families. When and where does it stop? We live in a country that claims to celebrate diversity — unless it's diversity of political thought. In the case of a difference of political opinion, all acts of tolerance and civility are tossed out the window. It is not just un-American ... it is uncivilized and shameful.

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

By GARY W. MOORE

Let's call for a different kind of boycott. Let's boycott the intense anger at those who disagree. Instead, let's all pull together this election season, regardless of where you lean and not allow the anger and vitriol to pull us under. Embrace those with a different opinion and you may learn something! As I have shared before, half of my friends lean left, and I love them too. I'm going to encourage you once again to love your friends and neighbors regardless of political leanings. Do not get into ideological arguments on social media, but if you do, please don't unfriend your friend! Just ignore them until the dust clears. Remember, they are a friend for a reason ... keep them as a friend after the election. Life is too short and true friends are too precious to do otherwise.

Don't let an election cycle define you as a person.

Work hard for your candidate. Donate money if you wish. Root for them as the night unfolds but when a winner is declared, accept the results of the will of your fellow citizens. The intelligence

of our electorate has chosen candidates that have built the most successful nation in the history of mankind. Trust the will of the people. If a mistake is made, we'll vote them out next time. Don't allow an election to determine your happiness.

As I keep sharing with you ... regardless of who wins in 2020, the sun will rise the next morning. These United States of America will remain a beacon of democracy in a world looking to us for leadership. Rejoice in the fact we live in a country that allows "We the People," the common citizen, to choose. I love my life in the greatest nation in the history of mankind. Please rejoice with me in the realization that no matter who wins or loses, the USA will continue to thrive.

May God help us through another election and continue to bless The United States of America.

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North. At the time of Hynek's hiring at both Springfield schools, where he served as an administrator, the schools were designated as underperforming by the state. After leading both schools to successful turnarounds, Hynek was excited about the opening in North Brookfield.

"When I saw the posting for NBHS, I was excited to move to a small district. I always incorporate the concept of family into my schools, and within a small district that con-

cept is amplified," Hynek told the New Leader. "I want everyone to feel supported and encouraged to try new things. True learning occurs when you feel safe to step out of your comfort zone and are supported when you make mistakes."

North Brookfield has already exceeded Hynek's expectations of a close-knit family environment. Staff members, students, and parents have been very welcoming, and he looks forward to meeting more members of the community.

"This small community has unlimited potential,

and the students have the will to be the best," said Hynek, who earned a Master's degree in education administration from American International College. "I love teaching and learning and sitting with students to listen to their ideas. I also love coaching teachers to be their best as well."

Unlike many new principals who aim to slowly transition into their schools, Hynek is determined to make an immediate splash. Along with Superintendent Richard Lind and new NBES Principal Sarah Priestley, Hynek shares the vision of increasing

North Brookfield's competitiveness with other districts at all levels.

To achieve their goal, the Superintendent and building administrators are demanding high-level education in every classroom from K-12.

"Our main goal is to grow our students at the same level or higher than the surrounding schools," Hynek said. "I want all students when they leave eighth grade to be ready for the challenges of high school, and I want each twelfth grader to graduate and be ready to be successful in college, the military, or the

workforce. This can only be accomplished if we are providing our students with the best possible education in each class they attend."

During meetings with staff members held over the summer, Hynek communicated the need to not only provide a quality education for each student but also to surpass the offerings of area schools. He has been encouraged by the motivation of teachers to continue improving.

"The staff have been amazing. Each member has the will to see every student succeed

and the patience to help them when they are not," Hynek said. "This summer I met with and listened to the staff about what they liked and did not like about NBHS. I listened to students and parents as well. The one thing I have found that is consistent is that everyone wants NBHS to be the best school in the area. We want students to want to come to NBHS because we will be the most supportive and have the highest expectations."

Outside of school, Hynek enjoys spending time with his children, ages three and five.

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I always said that if I did not have a dog to hunt with, I would give up bird hunting. It is all about the dog! Only a bird hunter can enjoy the real feeling of a day in the field with his dog. Unfortunately, the bird hunting season does not last that long in Massachusetts. There are a couple of hunting preserves that are open to bird hunters in the valley, & they provide some great bird hunting activities throughout the year. Check them out. Addieville East in Rhode Island and Ladywoods hunting preserve with



offices in Uxbridge, can provide some great bird hunting experiences. They also provide pheasant and chukar partridge hunts for small groups that are guided using their dogs, or you can use your own dogs.

Belonging to a Rod & Gun Club that has a Preserve permit to hunt year around, is the best of both worlds. Clubs that possess a preserve permit can stock hundreds of Pheasant a year for their members to hunt on a daily basis. There are only two clubs in the valley that are fortunate enough to have a large number of pheasant

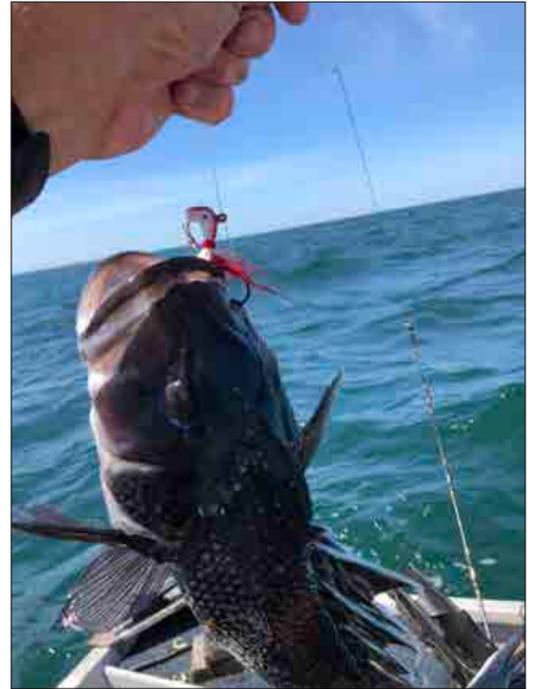
hunters, and hold a preserve license. Holding numerous functions a year to raise money for their bird hunting activities will provide there members with many great days in the field.

Just as the ocean starts to calm down, another storm was heading our way. Although the storm is well off of our coastline, it continues to send large swells, making fishing a bit uncomfortable for larger vessel and at the same time keeping smaller craft off of the water. Anglers are hopeful that the fall migration of stripers will give them one more shot at landing a few more lunker

fish before mother nature sends in the freezing temperatures.

Tautog fishing is also starting to provide some nice fish for anglers in Mass. & Rhode Island. Rhode Island limit as of Aug. 1 is three fish daily. The limit starting Oct. 15 is five fish daily. Seabass can be caught in the same waters as tautog using the same bait. Green crabs are the number one bait at this time of year. Tautog are a great eating fish.

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field Day this Saturday at there club grounds in Douglas,



off of White Court. This could be your last opportunity to enjoy some great food like Lobster and Clams in an outdoor environment. Meeting old friends and enjoying some great country music, and other entertainment is sure to make a great day for the family. Numerous games and prizes will also held throughout the day. There is no charge for admittance to the club activities, and they are open to the public.

This week's pic-

ture shows a German Shorthair Pointer doing what they do best! The dog is owned by Bob Brooks of Uxbridge.

The other picture shows a large seabass taken in the waters around Point Judith lighthouse in Rhode Island using a RoadRunner Jig.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Autumn Edibles Go from Décor to Table

Plump round pumpkins and tri colored Indian corn are sure signs autumn is here. While these harvest favorites are familiar sights at entry ways and front stoops, they are also edible! Speckled Indian Corn and seasonal pumpkins, from large Jack-O-Lanterns to squat pumpkins, are favorite fare for the harvest table. Read on for suggestions to take them from décor to the dining table!



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too many strings and seeds to be practical for pie making, but the seeds are ideal for toasting.

Pumpkins' Past: Pumpkins boast a long history at the harvest table. Native Americans revered the pumpkin as a valuable source of food to carry them through the long, cold winters, teaching early English settlers how to grow and prepare pumpkins, which became an important seasonal mainstay of the pioneer diet. The pilgrims utilized every part of the pumpkin, roasting the flesh, drying the seeds, making flour from dried pumpkin, and even weaving floor mats out of pumpkin skins, a method learned from the Native Americans. In New England, colonists made the first

crustless pumpkin pies by cutting the top of the pumpkin, removing the seeds and filling it with apples, milk, sugar and spices and baking it whole.

Fresh Pumpkin Bisque: After your (still intact) sugar pumpkin has served its time as an autumn prop, why not serve it up on the dinner table? Here's an easy recipe for a rich pumpkin soup.

For a vegetarian version, just switch vegetable broth for the chicken broth.

Ingredients: 1 medium onion, chopped; 2 stalks celery, chopped; 3 cloves garlic, chopped; 4 cups chicken (or vegetable) broth; 2 tomatoes, chopped; 2 bay leaves; ½ teaspoons nutmeg; 2 cups pumpkin purée (one medium

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Pumpkins with Purpose: Jack-O-Lanterns are a Halloween tradition. Whether illuminated by old fashioned candles or flickering flameless lights, the carved pumpkins attract trick or treaters near and far to neighborhood doorsteps. Dark orange sugar pumpkins handily go from fall centerpiece to the dinner table. The solid, sweet orbs hold up nicely for displays both indoors and out, and in true frugal fashion, after they have served their time they can be enjoyed as dessert pies, creamy soups and holiday breads. It's no wonder harvest pumpkins have long remained an autumn wonder, prized for both their culinary and decorative virtues!

Perfect Picks: Keep in mind when initially choosing pumpkins that the variety you select should fit your need. For example, if you desire a pumpkin for pie, a medium sugar pumpkin, which is typically small and sweet with a dark orange color, is the best choice. For carving, look for well rounded pumpkins that have good color with stem intact. Pumpkins earmarked as Jack-O-Lanterns are usually larger and contain

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Why do we like being scared?

“IT: Chapter Two” was released on September 6 around the country. Anyone familiar with Stephen King’s horror novel, “IT,” published in 1986, knows all about Pennywise and red balloons. In Lancaster, the Rialto Theatre had some fun on the eve of the release by placing red balloons on gutters throughout town. The balloons are what Pennywise the clown uses to lure in his victims — and to frighten those who would dare to oppose him.

When our Editor was in high school, an attempt to read the original novel — which clocks in at a daunting 1,100 pages, give or take, depending on the edition in question — did not go so well. Being far too scared by the time we reached the third chapter, the book was closed and has been collecting dust since. As an avid reader of Dean Koontz, the thought of reading “IT” didn’t seem so scary at first. Suffice it to say, lesson very humbly learned.

When the film now known as “IT Chapter One” was released in 2016, our Editor took another stab (pun very much intended) at the story, this time via motion picture. Perhaps due to the 20-plus years of maturity between the attempt to read the novel and seeing the film, we must say, we did not find it nearly as scary. Disturbing, yes, but not scary.

A decision to forego seeing “IT Chapter Two” was made, for fear of being scared again; however, a recent trip to Bangor, Maine changed that.

It was coverage of a local fighter competing in an MMA brawl that led us to the hometown of Stephen King. The trip from New Hampshire to Maine was vast, with winding roads and was fairly vacant. Small towns were passed and if you blinked, you would miss them. Farm stands and old farm houses lined the roads and we could see why it would be the perfect place for an author to relax their minds, and get creative.

The morning following the fight, we embarked on a trip into downtown Bangor (which, incidentally, provided the inspiration for Derry, the fictional Maine town that serves as the backdrop for the events of “IT”). The interest to go and see Stephen King’s home wasn’t planned, it was more of a, ‘since we’re here’ type of situation. The downtown area was quaint, and had less people than one would think on a Sunday, sunny morning. King’s home was located just about a mile from the downtown area.

Anyone with any knowledge of the famous author could pick his house out right away. Red balloons celebrating the release of the new movie were seen swinging and bobbing from the tall black gates, with iron cobwebs and a bat at the top. Our first guess was that the balloons were placed by enthusiastic fans; however, a closer look and one will notice a red balloon inside the home, peeking from a window. Thank you, Stephen (or the home’s caretakers), for playing along.

A conversation with the Editor in Chief for Salmon Press provided us with the knowledge that King was working as an Associate Professor of English at the University of Maine, barely making ends meet, when his wife rescued the manuscript for his first published novel, “Carrie,” from the trash and sent it to Viking, his original publisher. The book became a phenomenon, and the rest, as the old saying goes, is history.

This left us pondering the question, Why do people like being scared? Human beings have been telling ghost stories around the campfire, jumping from cliffs for “the thrill of it,” or daring one another to explore the decrepit house at the end of Main Street that’s

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

And the President blames light bulbs

To the Editor:
While the top 10 Democrats were assembling their circular firing squad last week, Trump was giving a rambling and disjointed 68-minute long masterpiece of a speech while speaking at a Republican Congressional retreat.

Intended as counterprogramming to the 10 Democratic candidates debating in Houston, the president’s speech hit virtually every one of his usual political lines as he careened between prepared remarks, ad-libbed attacks and boasts about his record.

While not terribly shocking, Trump took aim at a variety of topics, including the push to eliminate environmentally damaging straws and energy efficient light bulbs. He made fun of his political opponents’ names with the maturity of a 10-year old; referenced a rumor about Hillary Clinton’s aversion to stairs; the Green New Deal; open borders; Hillary Clinton’s aversion to stairs; his 2016 victories in Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania; guns; ethanol; NAFTA; the deaths of birds because of wind turbines; paid family leave; “sanctuary cities”; his love of cowboy hats; and homelessness in San Francisco.

In his extended riff about wind turbines, Mr. Trump complained that “they make noise, they kill all the birds, the energy is intermittent.” Then, in a nod to the Democratic presidential primary debate, he suggested what might happen if a family were watching the Democrats on TV in a house supplied by energy from a wind farm. “You happen to be watching the Democratic debate and the wind isn’t blowing,” he said. “You’re not going to see the debate. ‘Charlie, what the hell happened to this debate?’ He says, ‘Darling, the wind isn’t blowing.’ The [expletive removed] windmill stopped.”

Mr. Trump delivered his remarks in Baltimore, his first visit as President to the city he once called a “disgusting, rat and rodent infested mess.” There were no rats evident on the streets from inside the president’s motorcade as he made his way from a landing zone about 10 minutes from the Republican event at the swanky Marriott hotel in Baltimore’s Inner Harbor. There was, however, a large, inflated rodent made to look like Mr. Trump. Protesters flew the balloon near the hotel as other critics of the president waved signs, made obscene gestures and yelled at the motorcade.

Straws: While plastic straws are nice, they are a petrochemical product that does not biodegrade. They are terrible for the environment and they kill sea turtles because the turtles mistake them for food. Paper straws biodegrade easily and do not have these issues. Metal straws are reusable. Better yet, why exactly do we need straws? While many people don’t have a strong opinion on the matter, when pressed most people support the environment. How can the

Cohen’s attempt to paint Trump as anti-Semitic falls flat

To the Editor:

Ms. Cohen, I think you’re confused in your attempt to attack President Trump. ‘Philo’ means loving, liking, predisposed to. Philo-Semitic means friendship towards or support of Jews. If there is in fact a coin, one side would be his love for his Jewish family members and his loyalty toward his Jewish associates. The other side would be his friendship of the Israeli people and the country of Israel.

‘Anti’ means against, opposite of, while Anti-Semitic means feeling or showing hostility toward or discrimination against Jews as a cultural, racial, or ethnic group. As hard as you may wish to label him Anti-Semitic, you fail miserably. By the way, the Jewish expression “next

To deny that we all feel prejudice is foolish

To the Editor:

I’m prejudiced; if it looks like a duck and walks like a duck, I think it’s probably a duck. I believe that makes me prejudiced — not racist or a bigot, just prejudiced.

To the people who deny such realities in order to be politically correct, I think you’re foolish. Then it doesn’t bother me a bit when you condemn me for being prejudiced; after all, you’re foolish. All of us are initially perceived based on the way we look, act, and the associated reputations of the groups to which we belong. I don’t think there’s anything wrong with

president, a political movement, create a brand around defiantly destroying the environment? While most political campaigns sell tacky t-shirts that nobody wants, the Trump campaign sells “Trump straws”, plastic straws with TRUMP written on the side. Trump was objectively a terrible businessman but for once he has a hit on his hands. The 1st batch of 140,000 sold out. A giant middle finger to sea turtles.

Lightbulbs: From the brain of Trump...“The light bulb. People said, ‘What’s with the light bulb?’ I said, ‘Here’s the story.’ And I looked at it, the bulb that we’re being forced to use, number one to me, most importantly, the light’s no good. I always look orange. And so do you. The light is the worst,” Trump said.

Trump is rolling back restrictions on incandescent light bulbs. Incandescent light bulbs are grossly inefficient, only 10 percent of the energy goes to light whereas the rest is wasted. Incandescent light bulbs also have a short life — about 1,000 hours of use. People like incandescent bulbs because they are “cheap”, at about \$1 each.

LED light bulbs are about 50 percent efficient, last about 25,000 hours, and cost about \$5. While an ignoramus shopping at Walmart might think a \$1 bulb is cheaper than a \$5 bulb... The \$5 bulb lasts 25 times longer and uses 80 percent less energy (which the consumer pays for). Just looking at bulb costs and electricity costs in Massachusetts, buying one LED lightbulb will save \$291 over the life of the bulb, compared to replacing an incandescent bulb 25 times and paying for all the energy. The payback is 10 months due to just the energy alone. Over the life of this bulb, 1200 lbs less of CO2 is put into our atmosphere compared to incandescents. This is like avoiding the use of 63 gallons of gas over one light bulb.

Incandescent light bulbs are being phased out around the world because they help nobody and yes they need to be banned because dumb people kept buying them. They cost the consumer more (in the end), they are terrible for the environment, and impact energy independence and national security. They are banned in the EU, Australia, most of South America, China, Canada, Mexico, Malaysia, South Korea, and the U.S. Countries across Africa and Asia have banned the import and are phasing them out.

But alas, the orange president thinks they make him look orange. He is unbanning incandescents. Perhaps he wants to create demand for coal by spiking electricity use in the United States. Perhaps he specifically wants to damage the environment because that is exactly what his supporters want.

OMAR HAR-YAROK
EAST BROOKFIELD

year in Jerusalem” does imply a certain loyalty to Israel as a religious homeland.

A stereotype is a generalization, usually exaggerated or oversimplified and often offensive, that is used to describe or distinguish a group. Our President uses many stereotypes, and most are exaggerated, and some people may find them offensive. However, any Jew that is offended by President Trump only shows their ownership of the irrational, “Trump Hater” stereotype.

I sincerely hope that you are a real person, because of the “Five”; you offer the most comic relief.

JIM REID
SPENCER

Can “AI” help you become a better investor?



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For the past several years, artificial intelligence — or AI — has increasingly found a place in many walks of life.

Almost certainly, you use some form of AI, whether it’s your time on social media, your use of mobile banking, the navigation system you rely on for directions, or any of the many other AI-driven applications relevant to your daily life. But AI has also become a significant part of the financial services industry. So, you might wonder if AI can help you become a better investor.

To begin with, what is AI? Essentially, it’s the ability of a computer program or machine to think or learn. Using complex algorithms (a set of rules, or steps), computers and machines can mimic many of the thought processes of human beings.

But how can you use AI to invest? And should you?

In the financial services world, many companies use AI to select investments for specific funds. On an individual level, you can work with an AI-powered “robo-advisor” to build an investment portfolio. These robo-advisors are typically quite affordable, and they generally follow proven investment principles, such as diversification, in making recommendations.

Yet, you are more than just the sum of your answers to a robo-advisor’s online questionnaire. Investing is a highly personal matter, which means that, in the following areas, you may well benefit from some human intelligence — and empathy:

Understanding of your risk tolerance — A robo-advisor will ask you to identify your tolerance for risk — low, medium, high — and will plug in your answers when constructing a portfolio. But only a human financial advisor — someone who truly knows you, your personality, your family situation and your hopes for the future — can know how your sensitivity to risk might cause you to react to events such as sudden market declines. Armed with this knowledge, a financial advisor can talk through your options to help keep you on the road toward your goals.

Answers to qualitative questions — A robo-advisor can provide you with many key data points — rates of return, projections of future accumulations, etc. But so can a personal financial advisor, who can also go beyond the numbers to help you answer qualitative, subjective questions: How can I save for college for my children and my own retirement at the same time? If I change jobs, should I leave my 401(k) in my former employer’s plan, move it to my new employer’s plan or roll it over to an IRA? What’s the best way to guard my financial independence if I ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home?

Guidance for the “big picture” — Your investments are important, but they’re also connected to other areas of your life, including your taxes and your estate plans. And while a financial advisor might not provide you with tax or legal advice, he or she may be able to connect you to other, appropriate professionals, and work with them to help you put together your “big picture.” That’s not something a typical robo-advisor is equipped to do.

Artificial intelligence will support many of your activities throughout your life. But when it comes to investing, a personal touch may never become obsolete.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In response to Mr. Har-Yarok

To the Editor:

In reply to Omar Har-Yarok's letter published Friday, Sept. 13, or commonly referred as Friday the 13th... let me begin with, thank you for your response and thank you for inviting me to re-read your letter of Aug. 9. I feel I understood your words completely and have no reason to re-read what you wrote. I understand exactly what you were inferring when you choose the word "Zombies," or robot, sheep, flunky or sycophant. No need for you to explain the obvious.

I will continue to dispute the false claim that the "Left is about treating everybody with dignity and respect." I applaud your inclusion of the caveat, and I quote "however, of course, within limits." I suppose you and others of like thinking get to choose who deserves dignity and respect?

I suppose those who are excluded by "within limits" means Republicans, Right to Lifers, Second Amendment folks and of course those nasty Christians and anyone else who happen to disagree with the Leftist viewpoint. So much for tolerance.

I never mentioned religion in my letter. I never attempted to impose any religion upon anyone. Shame on anyone who desires to do so.

Religion is a choice, some are better than others (my opinion). However most of Western Civilization was built on the religious beliefs of the founders and leaders of specific geographical areas which are commonly called Countries or Nation States. I don't want to bore you or the readers so I move on.

This Nation was founded by people fleeing the tyranny of the State controlled Religion of England. They wanted freedom to pursue their own Spiritual journey, and not to be compelled to attend a State run Church. This I think you understand by your writings. Many years later in the City of Brotherly Love, known today as Philadelphia, a group of men (albeit white men, declared "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life,

Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

The extension and meaning of these profound words are still being debated today. However even while in the midst of debate, men and of course woman have benefitted, been inspired and have been blessed by the courage, wisdom and foresight (although limited) of these fallible and less than perfect men.

You have lamented about the United States being the only "Faith" based government in the first world, while all other faith based governments/countries are regulated to the third world. I say so what, it's a good position to be in. Have you seen the turmoil in Europe? If our current system is so bad, as inferred by your writings, then why do millions what to come here. Why are hundreds of thousand's overrunning our borders? I believe the evidence shows beyond a reasonable doubt that the United States is different from the rest of the world. And as stated before its a good thing! We were different during the 1900's, when crowned heads ruled Europe and most of the world. So I think it's safe to be different in this age also.

You don't like our President and continue to try to tie him to Nazism. Your choice not to like him. Labeling Trump and all his supporters as Nazis is a bit of a stretch. Don't you think? You fear nationalism, as you probably have been taught to. Nationalism signifies the existence of a Nation. Correct me if I err, the Left despises the idea of sovereign nations and desires to do away with individual Nations, replacing them with their vision via globalism. I submit as proof, the Open Borders movement et al.

As for the existence of God, it will have to wait another day (God is patient), as I am heading for Europe to glean whatever bites of wisdom I can from these thoroughly secular first world Countries, from which the fore founders fled.

RICK BELTON
SPENCER

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rumored to harbor restless spirits since the dawn of time, but why? There are some people who abhor being scared, and there are those who love nothing more. Horror has become fun and a major pillar of the entertainment world.

Experts say we get a rush from the fight or flight response. This happens when a person feels threatened. That natural high can leave some people feeling great. The Excitation-Transfer Theory could play a role as well. This is when a group experiences extreme emotions together, which can build stronger relationships. The oxytocin released tends to make those moments more prevalent in our brains. There

is also the Reward Pathway Theory, in which the brain thinks you're in danger while watching a scary movie or reading a horror novel. When the story is over, your brain 'likes' not being scared, and therefore provides a reward.

For King's own analysis of what scares us, and why we seem to so love the sensation of being frightened out of our wits, we highly recommend "Danse Macabre," his nonfiction survey of horror on screen and in print.

The trek to see "IT Chapter Two" will likely happen for us some time in the very near future, with the hopes that it will not cause us to sleep with the lights on. Or to see any red balloons peeking out of our windows when we get home.

Trumpian temper tantrums

To the Editor:

Trump's penchant for "clean coal," "drill baby drill," his love for plastic straws which pollute our water, rolling back aspects of both the clean water act and clean air act are all a window into Trumpism. He wants to increase coal mining as even China is moving away from it, he wants to strip mine our mountains, and rape the land. Yet, his people cheer.

The Amazon is burning and Jair Bolsonaro seems ambivalent, at best. He views the Amazon rain forest not as important for the planet, but as an impediment to Brazilian business interests. If it were to burn down, then we may as well turn it into cattle grazing land or transform it into other agricultural uses.

What we are witnessing is a temper tantrum against the mere suggestion that there is a limit to what we can consume, extract from nature, or the garbage we can dump back into it. It makes sense that this is strongest in places like America and Brazil because of why we were founded. Europe was running up against nature's limits. They'd over-fished the rivers, cut down the forests, and hunted their big game into extinction. When Europeans stumbled on the "new world" they thought they hit the jackpot. They viewed Americas as a supersized Europe which would never run out of resources. Here were whole spare countries: New England, New France, New Spain, etc.

The very promise, the official story of our country is a story of our country, the very promise, is a story of endless nature, wilderness to be devoured without limits. The indigent people who stood in the way or had a very different idea of land and nature had to be removed at all costs.

We should not forget that the former president whom Trump admires most is Andrew Jackson, also known for the trail of tears, dispossessing indigenous peoples of the country of their land, moving them to the open air prisons of reservations without U.S. Citizenship, or even killing them.

Now that an actual ecological crisis is on our hands, the temper tantrum ensues. We filled our oceans with plastic, our skies with heat trapping gasses, and we actually have to live within limits. It's not just hard for the people most invested in these stories - it's seen as an existential attack. The mere suggestion that we need to live within limits boils over with the paper straw, it is seen as an attack on their entire way of life.

It's easy to dismiss all of this as the infantile worldview of Trump supporters who just can't wrap their heads around the climate crisis, but the truth is that a lot of liberals are trapped in a pretty similar ideology - one that can imagine anything except limits to growth of consumption. This is what drives liberals to focus on things like plastic straws and taking out their frustrations on culpable Trump supporters when the larger threats are our unending thirst for fossil fuels, and the sheer volume of consumption which is seen in automobiles and electricity generation.

Restricting plastic straws is great, but let's be honest, it isn't our greatest threat. It is however the tip of the iceberg, assuming we still have some of those left and the reference isn't lost on generation Z.

DAVID ROSENBERG
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sugar pumpkin, about four pounds, yield about 1 ½ cup purée; salt and pepper to taste; 1 cup heavy cream. Instructions: Sauté onions, celery, and garlic in butter. Add broth, tomatoes, bay leaves and nutmeg. Cook until vegetables are very soft. Strain and reserve liquid. Purée vegetables with some liquid and strain through a sieve. Combine liquid, puréed vegetables, and pumpkin; heat. Add cream and season with salt and pepper. ***

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Note: Keep in mind if you plan to eat Indian Corn it is of utmost importance that the corn is a strain safe to eat and that it has not been treated. Some farm stands and markets are now offering authentic Indian Corn cobs dried and ready for popping. ***

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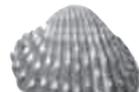
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SPORTS

Potent offense delivers for Wolverines in win over Bay Path



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Jack O'Neill of Leicester pulls down a deep pass in front of a Bay Path defender.



Leicester's Stephen Olsen sheds a would-be Leicester tackler while rushing the ball down the field.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — In its season-opening game with Bay Path Regional, the Leicester High varsity football team's offense was in midseason form. That was the story of the Wolverines' 44-13 victory over the Minutemen on Saturday, Sept. 14 at George L. Fowler Memorial Field.

Leicester scored on all five of its first-half possessions and the defense chipped in with a safety to give the Wolverines a 37-7 halftime lead.

Senior Bryce Gosselin led the high-octane attack, rushing for 161 yards, which included touchdown runs of four and seven yards, on 15 carries.

Junior Stephen Olsen added 64 yards on nine carries and he scored a pair of touchdowns, on runs of eight and 12 yards.

The Wolverines got it done through the air, too, as senior quarterback Dan Mero completed 5-of-7 passes for 121 yards, four of his completions ending up in the hands of senior Jack O'Neill, who finished with 101 receiving yards, including a 31-yard scoring strike from Mero in the second quarter.

"We return everybody and we have legit good skill kids who pretty much knew everything coming into the preseason," Leicester head coach Tim Griffiths said. "So, we didn't have to spend a lot of time

teaching and coaching kids on formations and responsibilities and where to be on what play. We were able to focus on repetition and fine tuning."

After Bay Path went three-and-out on the opening possession of the game, the Wolverines put together a seven-play, 60-yard drive that Gosselin capped with a seven-yard scamper over the left side. Senior Nolan Power then tacked on the first of his six extra points, giving Leicester a 7-0 lead with 7:36 left in the first quarter.

Bay Path needed just one play from scrimmage to tie the game, 7-7, as Tyler Gillespie galloped 70 yards through a gaping hole on the left side of the Minutemen's offensive line and Zach Whittemore added the PAT. Gillespie finished with 124 rushing yards on 15 carries. Gillespie also scored Bay Path's other touchdown, on a nine-yard run, on the final play of the game.

Gosselin said Leicester did not approach the game with the attitude that it was the first game of the year and they would see what happens.

"Our mindset coming in was perfection. We're perfectionists and coach Griff is a perfectionist, too, so if everything's not perfect, it's a problem," said Gosselin who was, for the most part, pleased with his team's performance. "We've definitely got work to do. We made some mental mistakes that we have to clean up. As for my performance, I would say I had a good game, but I can do better."

Mero and O'Neill were in sync from Leicester's first offensive play, a 19-yard completion. Their 31-yard scoring play is sure to be on the Wolverines' Year in Review Highlight Video. In the back corner of the end zone O'Neill leaped and reached high to grab a bullet of a pass from

Mero, a pass that was still rising when O'Neill plucked it out of the sky.

"Danny made a great throw on that play," O'Neill said. "It was a nice high throw; he allowed me to go up and work my magic."

After the game Bay Path head coach Matt Fall gave credit to Leicester's potent offense.

"They've got a three-headed monster on offense," Fall said, referring to Gosselin, Mero and O'Neill. "The problem is you can't plan just for one guy. If you are ready for one, they're going to hit you with the others. If you're trying to stop all three, all 11 of your guys on the field have to be ready to play their position and play it with discipline. I'm not sure we were quite ready to do that today."

Fall said the Minutemen's

final TD of the day could hold the key to the season.

"That was important," Fall said. "Opening up with these guys is a tough open, obviously, and moving forward if we have any thoughts of getting into the playoffs we've got to learn and we have to have something to hang it on."

"We decided on that drive that we were going to find out how tough we were. We wanted to see if we could put together a nice sustained drive to finish the game," Fall continued. "We wanted something positive to go into Bartlett with because we know the Bartlett coach [Dane Laboissonniere] will have their team ready next week just as much as we're going to try to have our team ready."



A gang of Leicester tacklers brings down Bay Path's Tyler Gillespie.



Quarterback Dan Mero of Leicester leaps in order to catch the snap and then hand the ball off to Bryce Gosselin.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Monday, Sept. 9

Quaboag 1, Grafton 1 — Kiara Dorman scored early in the first half to stake the Cougars' girls' varsity soccer team to a lead, and they eventually tied the Indians (1-0-1) in their season opener.

Auburn 142, David Prouty 172 — Gavin Haynes' 49 was the low score for the Panthers' golf team, who lost to the Rockets. Prouty's others scorers were Dan Bowen and Adam Gibson.

Tantasqua 162, Millbury 173 — Despite the Woolies' Tom Rembiszewski carding the low round with an even-par 36 at Hemlock Ridge, the Warriors' golf team shot 11 shots fewer to earn the win. Will Pieczynski was Tantasqua's low golfer with a 37. The Warriors are now 2-1.

Tantasqua 8, Millbury 0 — The Warriors won their boys' junior varsity soccer matchup with the Woolies in dominating fashion. Eight different players scored for Tantasqua, includ-

ing Shawn Bradway, Owen O'Brien, Josh Baldracchi, Ben Ames, Jack Leland, Sam Bachand, Nick Cameron and Nate Blaine. There were four goalies that combined on the shutout to get the Warriors to 2-0, including Matt Schirm, Mark Matton, Blaine and Bradway.

Wednesday, Sept. 11

Oxford 192, David Prouty 210 — The Panthers' golf team lost to the Pirates, with Dan Bowen (49) the low shooter for Prouty. Gavin Haynes, Ashton Valley and Adam Gibson also played well for the Panthers.

Grafton 159, Tantasqua 168 — At Highfields Golf and Country Club, the Indians (4-0) outlasted the Warriors in a tight match. Grafton's Matt Lukasevicz was the medalist with a 2-over par 38. The low scorer for Tantasqua (2-2) was Tom Rynearson with a 39.

Tantasqua 5, Grafton 1 — The

Warriors remained unbeaten (3-0) in boys' junior varsity soccer action, as Owen O'Brien (two), Jack Leland, Shawn Bradway and Hunter Hill scored the goals. Bradway (two), O'Brien and Leland added assists.

Thursday, Sept. 12

Longmeadow 158, Tantasqua 162 — The visiting Lancers edged the Warriors in a golf matchup at Hemlock Ridge. Chris Camerlin secured medalist honors for Longmeadow, shooting a 2-over par 38. Will Pieczynski and Grace Farland were Tantasqua's best shooters, as they both carded 39s. The Warriors are now 2-3.

Friday, Sept. 13

Tantasqua 3, Doherty 2 — Set scores were 25-17, 25-23, 23-25, 21-25, 15-11 for the victorious Warriors in a girls' varsity volleyball tilt. Tantasqua, now 3-2, was paced by Abby Arena (10 kills, 4 aces, 3 blocks), Morgan Smith (9 kills,

4 aces, 3 blocks), Payton Barry (4 kills), Paige Montiverdi (7 aces) and Sophie Law (5 aces, 2 kills).

Saturday, Sept. 14

Shrewsbury 46, Tantasqua 29 — The Warriors' varsity football team registered four touchdowns, but it wasn't enough in their season-opening loss to the Colonials. Quarterback Dante Reno was 16 of 24 passing for 238 yards and a pair of touchdowns (to Seann Lauritsen and Ryan Sears), while Sears rushed for 87 yards and two more scores.

Tantasqua 1, Shrewsbury 0 — Shawn Bradway's goal (off a corner kick from Ryan Huettmann) was the difference as the Warriors' boys' junior varsity soccer team edged the Colonials. Tantasqua is now 4-0. Thanks to Coach Khoury for filling in this game.

SPORTS

Strong service points the difference for Tantasqua over Pirates



Tantasqua's Abby Arena sets a ball up after receiving a volley.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos



Carol Derosé of Tantasqua calls off Paige Montiverdi while sending a volley back over to Oxford's side of the net.



Sophie Law of Tantasqua spikes the ball up and over the net.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — A strong service game that featured three players with at least five aces each paved the way for the Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity volleyball team, which defeated Oxford High, 3-0, in a match played on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

The Warriors improved to 2-2 overall with the win and 2-1 in Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) action. Oxford slipped to 2-2 overall and 2-1 in the SWCL with the loss. Game scores of the match were 25-8, 27-25 and 25-16.

Junior Morgan Smith led Tantasqua's serving prowess with 10 aces, while senior Jennifer Collins added eight and Abby Arena five. In the first game of the match Smith set the tone early, her serve leading the Warriors to seven straight points.

"I have definitely been working on my serve. Serving is probably one of the hardest parts of the game for me," said Smith, a middle blocker who also recorded six kills in the match. "Serving was the toughest thing when I started playing, but I've worked at it and it has gotten better."

At the end of game one Arena almost singlehandedly closed out the Pirates, her serves leading to seven of the final eight points of the set.

In game two Tantasqua employed a lot of different personnel group and found itself trailing, 22-16, at one point. From that point the Warriors outscored Oxford 11-5 to pull out the win. Briana Myran keyed the comeback with six straight service points, turning a 22-17 deficit into a 23-22 lead.

"In the second game we were trying to change things up and get everyone some

playing time," said senior Addie Allithorpe, a setter for Tantasqua and a tri-captain of the team along with along with classmate Payton Barry and Smith. "We wanted to find out which combinations of players worked well together. That will help us going forward."

In game three the Warriors jumped out to a 5-0 lead on five straight service points by Allithorpe and controlled the game from that point.

"I thought we did fairly well, especially with our serving; we've been working hard in the gym on our serves, trying to become more consistent in that area of the game," first-year head coach Danielle Twarowski said. "We're still working on our transition; we're getting a little quicker to the ball, but for the most part they've come a long way. They hustle all the time; they work very hard."

Twarowski, a member of Westborough High's state championship volleyball team in 2007, said she is also working with the Warriors on paying attention to what is happening on the other side of the court.

"They're starting to read on the other side of the court and call out what they see," Twarowski said. "That's crucial for the development of the program. I can't do anything with them unless they know where they are on the court and where they are passing and where they're hitting. To do that they need to know what's happening on the other side of the net. Once that happens it's just hustle, effort and energy every game."

"Noticing what the other team is doing has been very helpful for us," Barry said. "It



Tantasqua's Ella Vejack sends the ball back over to Oxford's side.

allows us to get in our positions and be ready for what they're going to do. I think it's made us better as a team."

Oxford head coach Emily Boutilette was pleased with the way her team responded in games two and three.

"I think the bus ride is what always kills them. It seems to take one [set] to get them going," Boutilette said. "They also get down on themselves when they're struggling and then, when they start to play well and they're like, 'oh, we can do this.' And I'm like, 'yes, you can do this.'"

"I thought in the second and third games we played much better than we did in the

first game," Boutilette continued. "Our performance in the second and third games was more of who we are as a team."

Junior Libero Bella Buxton, a tri-captain for the Pirates along with seniors Bella Auclair and Crystal Nelson, was seemingly everywhere on defense, finishing with eight digs. Auclair finished with five blocks and junior Chloe Davis added two more blocks.

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ATHLETE of the WEEK

Bryce Gosselin

The Leicester High senior rushed for 161 yards and scored two touchdowns in the Wolverines' 44-13 victory over the Bay Path Regional varsity football team on Saturday, Sept. 14.

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SPORTS

Warriors work hard for point in tie with Grafton



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Tantasqua's Christina Ghantous pushes the ball down the field while being chased by a Grafton player.



Bella Berube of Tantasqua crosses the ball to the center of the field as Grafton's Molly Carroll applies pressure.



Tantasqua's Kaitlyn Shonak pushes the ball up the sideline while holding off Grafton's Cassandra DeBleck.



Christina Ghantous of Tantasqua fights for possession of the ball with Grafton's Molly Carroll.



Goalie Molly Ryan of Tantasqua comes out of her net to contest a shot versus Grafton.



Cammie Breuer of Tantasqua crosses through midfield as Kaitlyn Naff closes in to defend.



Tantasqua sets up a play via a penalty corner, hoping to set up a scoring opportunity.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

STURBRIDGE — Over the past two seasons, the first two of head coach Shelby Green's tutelage with the Tantasqua Regional varsity field hockey team, the Warriors have settled for many ties. And when those regular seasons finished up, Tantasqua was on the outside looking in when it came to the Central Mass. Division 1 Tournament.

If all goes according to plan, though, the Warriors will be making the jump into the playoff picture this fall.

"In previous years we've had a lot of ties, but I really feel that this team is different," said Green, also a former player for Tantasqua (Class of 2009). "I think that they are progressing every year and I'm excited for what we can do this year. I'm optimistic. They work very hard."

Because of that, qualifying for the postseason is the Warriors' No. 1 bucket list item.

"Our goal is definitely to make Districts," said Green. "We have 10 seniors this year, so they're really excited for their year and to see what they can do as a team."

Green had all of this to say following the Warriors' scoreless tie with Grafton High on Wednesday, Sept. 11 at the Cage. Tantasqua is now 0-0-2 to open the

season after also tying Nipmuc Regional in the season-opening matchup.

Green noted that "sadly, we were missing three of our great players this week," including senior captain Allie Morin (who went down with a hand injury early in the game), senior Emma Thompson (who was sick) and junior Allysen O'Doherty (who came into the game hurt and was unavailable for action).

"They stepped up and worked so hard," Green said of her active players.

Just three minutes into the game with Grafton, the Warriors nearly scored when they earned a penalty corner and sophomore Christina Ghantous' shot sailed just wide of the goal.

Then, 1:32 before the halftime horn sounded, Tantasqua earned another corner — its fifth of the half — and this time they scored. The goal was called off, however, because Green noted that a player's foot had touched the ball before the shot for an infraction of the rules.

Grafton then got its first shot on net just minutes into the second half, but senior goalie Molly Ryan was there to turn the shot aside.

With action going back-and-forth down the field, the Warriors' Katie Lebrun, a senior, later grabbed a pass and sent it over to senior Bella Berube,

whose shot bounced off a few sticks in the circle and rolled out of harm's way.

Then, with nine minutes to go, Grafton nearly got on the board when Ryan was tested with a tough shot off a corner. Ryan made the final of her three saves, though, by dropping down while moving to her right to bat the ball out of her crease.

The game then ended with no additional quality scoring chances, with both teams finishing with three shots on goal. Tantasqua earned 10 corners, while Grafton was credited with four.

"I think we have some things to work on, some scoring to practice, but possession-wise I feel like we played really well," Green said of her team's performance. "It's something [possession] that we've been practicing a lot in practice because when we played Nipmuc last week they had really strong possession and we're trying to mirror that."

Helping Ryan preserve the shutout in net were Tantasqua defenders Lebrun, senior Alaina Fitzpatrick, junior Katelyn Mills and junior Julia Conti.



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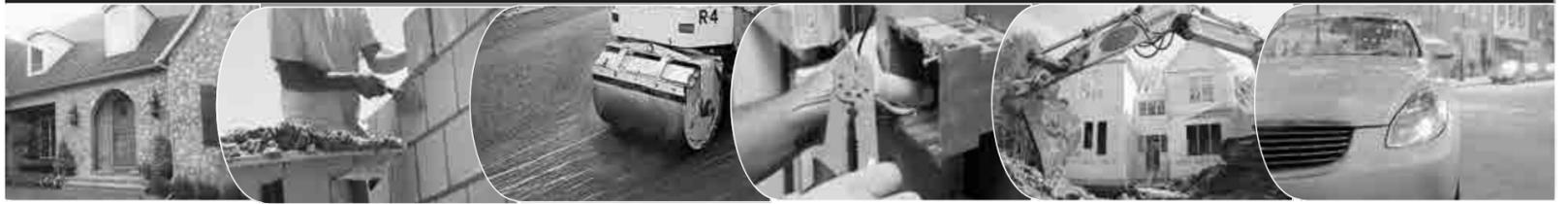
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PAXTON SENIORS

Are you interested in joining another wonder trip in 2019?

A group of Seniors from Paxton and surrounding towns are planning a trip this year to Italy. The group plans to leave Paxton on Sept. 9, with transportation provided to Logan and return. Our flight will take us to Rome, Italy for 10 days visiting many historical sites of Italy. Rome has many beautiful attractions that many of us have not seen on previous visits. After two nights in Rome, we will move on to one night in Perugia where we will have the opportunity to visit Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi. Following our stay in Perugia, we move on to Florence, "the Cradle of Italian Renaissance," where we will view Michelangelo's incredible statue of David. After two nights in beautiful Florence, we will move on to Venice. On the way to Venice, we will stop at a 12th century castle and learn about the famous Tuscan wines and enjoy a cooking class and lunch. Next we are off to Venice for two nights. During that time, we have an opportunity to visit many of the wonderful sites of the Canal City.

After Venice, our next and last night will be Milan where we will have an opportunity to visit and shop at the "Quadrilatero della Moda," Milan's high-fashion district. We will depart for home from Milan.

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October 8-15, 2019 – ALL INCLUSIVE ARUBA – Room has just opened up for two couples on the 2019 trip, and I am taking names for 2020 trip.

November 12, 2019 – Tuesday – Foxwoods \$25 - 10 - AM bus.

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2019
2019 is the Society's 27th anniversary in providing members and non-members alike the opportunity to experience excursions of a day or extended days. All are welcome to travel with our organization.

Nov. 16 — "Do As You Wish Day in New York City" – shop for Christmas, do some sightseeing, visit a museum, attend a Broadway matinee, dine at a special restaurant, a visit to the aircraft Intrepid, visit the 911 Memorial complex. There is much to do and enjoy. Departure is 6:30 a.m. from the Southbridge RMV parking lot, and the return departure from New York City is 6:30 p.m. Included are rest stops to and from New York City. Cost is \$59 per person. The reservation deadline is Nov. 6. For information and reservations, call (508) 764-7909. To avoid disappointment, call early.

Dec. 14 — "Festival of Christmas Lights" at Our Lady of La Salette Shrine, seasonal concert with Fr. Pat, the singing priest, visit the International Museum of Creches, Gift and Book Shop, Chapel of Light, a Bistro for refreshments and snacks, a Carousel for the children, an optional trolley ride for a small charge to view the display of more than 400,000 lights and a complete inclusive luncheon at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Cost is \$54 per person, \$44 for children three to 10, under three free. Departure is 10:45 a.m. from Southbridge and 11:15 a.m. in Webster, with the return about 7:45 p.m. Reservation deadline is Dec. 5.

UXBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

All trips leave from the Whitinsville Walmart and the Stop & Shop at 32 Lyman St, Westboro. Make sure to include entree choice, phone # (esp. cell) and an emergency # when sending payment. "Like" us on Facebook The Silver Club and The Uxbridge Senior Center. Please call Sue at (508) 476-5820 for more information.

The Silver Club BUS TRIPS for 2019
Please call Sue at 508-476-5820 for more information.

The Uxbridge Senior Center and its Silver Club travelling group is offering the following trips for 2019:

Oct. 1- Return of Turkey Train! Train ride along Lake Winnepesaukee with turkey dinner on board. \$81; leaves Whitinsville at 8:30; Home 6:30

Nov. 12~ Aqua Turf Club ~ lunch & show, "Crooning the 70's". \$79. Family style meal of Penne ala Vodka, Beef Burgundy, & Salmon

It's not too early to think about Christmas! Join the Silver Club for Boothbay Harbor, "Christmas by the Sea" in Portland, ME, or Reagle Players Christmas Show for Christmas 2019!

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The Silver Club of the Uxbridge Senior Center invites you to join them on a couple of Christmas trips.

There is a trip to Boothbay Harbor, Maine for the Gardens Aglow on Nov. 21 and 22 for the great price of \$199. After traveling along the Maine Coast, we'll arrive in Freeport, Maine to explore this quintessential Maine village. There will be time for shopping at the dozens of brand-name outlets, flagship L.L. Bean Store, and local boutiques housed in historic brick buildings; then enjoy an included late lunch buffet at the Harraseeket Inn. We will arrive in Boothbay Harbor in the late afternoon and check in to the Flagship Inn. This evening we'll experience Gardens Aglow; walk through the Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens' dazzling, outdoor display of 650,000 lights illuminating their meticulously cared for gardens. You'll also have a chance to peruse the visitor's center & gift shop and get a bite to eat. We will stop in the village of Boothbay Harbor afterwards to experience "The Festival of Lights." After breakfast we will head home with a stop in Kennebunkport for lunch and shopping. *Please note this tour includes periods of outdoor walking on dimly lit, potentially uneven surfaces, and overnight accommodations that require walking up and down stairs.

On December 5 and 6th there is a trip to the Trapp Family Lodge and it includes one dinner and one breakfast both at the lodge, glassblowing at Simon Pearce Company, a meeting with a member of the Von Trapp family, a stop in Montpelier, and of course the luxury of being at the Trapp family Lodge! It is \$379 for the double occupancy per person and \$499 per person for a single.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21
12:02 a.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), neighbor dispute; 12:23 a.m.: building checked, secure; 12:36 a.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 1:15 a.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), continuing neighbor dispute; 6:11 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Chestnut Street), no contact; 6:59 a.m.: medical/general (Hastings Road); 8:30 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 8:50 a.m.: medical/general (McCormick Road); 11:02 a.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 11:07 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 12:04 p.m.: animal complaint (Kittredge Road), loose dog; 12:05 p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick Road), loos horses; 12:08 p.m.: fraud (Charlton Road), scam call; 12:11 p.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), vandalism by neighbor; 12:44 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), cat w/kittens; 1:15 p.m.: fire/woods/grass (Ash Street), services rendered; 1:55 p.m.: medical/general (Prospect Street); 5:39 p.m.: animal complaint (Meadow Road), injured cat; 5:55 p.m.: mv stop (Route 49); 5:59 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), misdial; 6:13 p.m.: mv stop (Route 49); 9:28 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 9:43 p.m.: 911 call (Highland Street), no emergency.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
12:16-2:46 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:08 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), repo order rec'd; 6:10 a.m.: mv stop (North Spencer Road); 6:20 a.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 6:35 a.m.: officer wanted (Lincoln Street), window shot w/BB; 6:35 p.m.: officer wanted (Chestnut Street), parking complaint; 7:00 a.m.: 911 call (Temple Street), accidental; 7:20 a.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 8:00 a.m.: officer wanted (Northwest Road), landlord issue; 8:11 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), dead raccoon; 11:01 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 11:14 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), hang-up; 11:46 a.m.: officer wanted (Marble Road), neighbor issues; 12:51 p.m.: mv lockout (Holmes Street), assisted; 1:10 p.m.: disturbance (Cherry Street), Ricardo A. Carren-Carr, 25, 246 Glenwood Road, Rutland, warrant arrest; 1:28 p.m.: medical/general (Maple Street); 2:02 p.m.: medical/general (Pope Street); 2:10 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 2:21 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 3:20 p.m.: multiple (3) LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 3:37 p.m.: 209A service (Marble Road); 4:07 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 4:41 p.m.: harassment prevention order service (Northwest Road); 4:44 p.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 6:36 p.m.: medical/general (Bay Path Road); 7:10 p.m.: medical/general (Summit Street); 7:16 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), lost keys; 7:25 p.m.: vandalism (Main Street), bike vandalized; 9:28 p.m.: building checked, secure; 10:23 p.m.: missing person (Wall Street), can't locate son.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23
12:44-2:05 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:06 a.m.: suspicious mv (Buteau Road), spoken to; 2:09-2:50 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:54 a.m.: commercial alarm (South Spencer Road), services rendered; 9:43 a.m.: animal complaint (Maple Street), dog issues; 10:08 a.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 10:27 a.m.: officer wanted (Kingsbury Road), spoken to; 10:53 a.m.: mv complaint (Water Street), dangerous operation; 10:57 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 12:36 p.m.: officer wanted (Chestnut Street), unwanted party; 2:10 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 2:19 p.m.: medical/general (Chestnut Street); 3:51 p.m.: 209A service (Richland Avenue); 3:55 p.m.: 911 call (Bixby Road), accidental; 5:10 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), unruly party; 5:15 p.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), eyeglasses lost; 5:36 p.m.: mv complaint (Charlton Road), speeding m/c; 5:49 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Kittredge Road), misdial; 6:56 p.m.: mutual aid (Route 49), accident/Adams Road; 7:56 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), report missing persons; 9:15 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 9:35 p.m.: fireworks complaint (Pond Street), services rendered; 10:09 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 11:26 p.m.: 911 call (Langevin Street), accidental; 11:32 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 11:51-11:58 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24
12:13-12:58 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:02 a.m.: medical/general (Greenville Street); 1:02-2:15 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:49 a.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), domestic issue; 6:05 a.m.: mv lockout (Spring Street, assisted); 6:29 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Millbury PD bolo; 9:44 a.m.: medical/general (Smithville Road), lift assist; 10:02 a.m.: medical/general (Greenville Street); 10:10 a.m.: medical/general (Wall Street); 10:14 a.m.: parking complaint (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 10:15 a.m.: officer wanted (Borkum Road), tree split/safety hazard; 10:48 a.m.: officer wanted (Kingsbury Road), unwanted party; 10:58 a.m.: medical/general (Meadow Road); 11:18 a.m.: parking complaint (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 11:22 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), report taken; 11:53 a.m.: officer wanted (North Spencer Road),

gravel spill; 12:43 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), escort/property retrieval; 1:06 p.m.: mv stop (North Brookfield Road); 1:16 p.m.: animal complaint (Wall Street), missing cat; 1:19 p.m.: mv complaint (Wall Street), unsafe operation; 1:52 p.m.: disturbance (Langevin Street), noise complaint; 3:25 p.m.: officer wanted (Borkum Road), neighbor issue; 3:36 p.m.: fraud (Smithville Road), scam call; 3:55 p.m.: check fraud (Main Street), report taken; 3:56 p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), spoken to; 5:17 p.m.: medical/general (Ash Street); 7:05 p.m.: RV complaint (Thornberry Circle), kids/ATVs in street; 7:40 p.m.: DPW call (Clark Road), stop sign damaged; 8:25 p.m.: juvenile matter (Chestnut Street), kids drinking/yelling; 9:11 p.m.: disturbance (Cherry Street), noise complaint; 9:15 p.m.: suspicious persons (West Main Street), spoken to; 9:21 p.m.: suspicious persons (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 9:24 p.m.: parking violation (Muzzy Street), ticket issued; 9:44 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:47 p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), spoken to; 10:06-10:16 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25
12:03 a.m.: mutual aid (Publick House, Sturbridge), large fight; 12:17 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), unwanted party; 1:05-2:10 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:26 a.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 2:29 a.m.: building checked, secure; 7:57 a.m.: sex offender registration (Marble Road), assisted; 9:30 a.m.: officer wanted (Bay Path Road), welfare check; 10:40 a.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 10:44 a.m.: officer wanted (Bay Path Road), wire down; 12:50 p.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village), services rendered; 1:10 p.m.: medical/general (Grove Street); 1:26 p.m.: animal complaint (Chickering Road), sick fox; 1:46 p.m.: 911 call (South Spencer Road), accidental; 1:52 p.m.: officer wanted (North Spencer Road), spoken to; 2:16 p.m.: officer wanted (Grove Street), debit card/license theft; 2:39 p.m.: 911 call (Delude Avenue), open line; 3:22 p.m.: disturbance (Treadwell Drive), domestic dispute; 3:35 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 4:05 p.m.: animal complaint (Greenville Street), loose horse; 4:59 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 5:00 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), open line; 5:41 p.m.: medical/general (South Spencer Road); 7:27 p.m.: 911 call (Prospect Street), no contact; 7:42-7:51 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:17 p.m.: suspicious mv (West Main Street), spoken to; 8:26 p.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 8:29 p.m.: building checked, secure; 8:43 p.m.: suspicious mv (Smithville Road), spoken to; 8:44 p.m.: officer wanted (McDonald Street), noise complaint; 9:25 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 9:42 p.m.: officer wanted (Overlook Drive), fireworks complaint; 10:27 p.m.: building checked, secure; 10:55 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 11:35 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26
12:27 a.m.: medical/general (Water Street); 12:42-4:07 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 4:07 a.m.: residential fire (Lincoln Street), services rendered; 4:10 a.m.: OUI (Sherwood Drive), Trezure Denis Campbell, 24, 19 Bixby Road, Spencer, OUI liquor, negligent operation, marked lanes violation, resisting arrest, arrest; 5:08 a.m.: medical/general (Pleasant Street); 6:10 a.m.: medical/general (Pleasant Street); 6:45 a.m.: animal complaint (South Spencer Road), loose horses; 8:22 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), main entrance/Harrington Hosp. inaccessible; 8:27 a.m.: fire alarm (Howe Village), services rendered; 8:30 a.m.: mv complaint (Charlton Road), spoken to; 10:20 a.m.: RV complaint (McCormick Road), ATVs on property; 10:35 a.m.: officer wanted (Pleasant Street), welfare check; 10:57 a.m.: trash dumping (Ash Street), spoken to; 11:01 a.m.: fraud (Ash Street), scam complaint; 11:04 a.m.: citizen complaint (Main Street), odor bothering customers; 11:52 a.m.: mv complaint (South Spencer Road), TT struck at bridge; 1:11 p.m.: officer wanted (Grant Street), reg. sticker issue; 1:15 p.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 1:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), welfare check; 1:56 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 1:57 p.m.: fraud (Northwest Road), suspicious check rec'd; 2:42 p.m.: residential lockout (Northwest Road), assisted; 3:47 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), paycheck bouncing; 3:51 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 4:14 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 4:32 p.m.: fire/woods/grass (Pine Acres), services rendered; 4:50 p.m.: mv complaint (Mechanic Street), report taken; 5:48 p.m.: disturbance (Town House Court), transport request; 5:59 p.m.: parking complaint (Prospect Street), neighbor issue; 8:27 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 8:51 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), welfare check; 9:17 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 9:47 p.m.: building checked, secure; 11:31 p.m.: fire alarm (Maple Street), services rendered; 11:51 p.m.: accident (Mechanic Street), report taken.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27
12:06-12:20 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:28 a.m.: mv stop (Meadow Road); 1:24 a.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 1:41-2:23 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:26 a.m.: medi-

cal/general (Norcross Road); 3:20 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:18 a.m.: trash dumping (Ash Street), spoken to; 6:45 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no contact; 7:04 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 11:15 a.m.: disturbance (Main Street), fight; 11:59 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 12:58 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:21 p.m.: 911 call (Smithville Road), open line; 2:20 p.m.: fire alarm (Route 49), services rendered; 2:47 p.m.: animal complaint (Meadowbrook Road), bear in area; 3:45 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 4:09 p.m.: school alarm (Ash Street), services rendered; 4:18 p.m.: officer wanted (Lake Street), poss. vandalism; 4:46 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village), lift assist; 4:57 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 5:06 p.m.: lost/found (Sherwood Drive), boat drifted to dock; 5:09 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), harassment from ex; 5:19 p.m.: animal complaint (McCormick Road), poss. sick raccoon; 7:05 p.m.: mv stop (Meadow Road); 7:17 p.m.: 911 call (Main Street), accidental; 7:54 p.m.: mv complaint (North Spencer Road), erratic operation; 8:08 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 8:10 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), child w/phone; 9:08 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 10:27 p.m.: medical/general (Gold Nugget Road); 11:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Meadow Road), poss. malfunctioning light; 11:55 p.m.: building checked, secure.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 29
12:00 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:31 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 6:39 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 7:21 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 9:47 a.m.: suspicious activity (Burncoat Street), no action required; 10:01 a.m.: mv stop (Soojians Drive), assisted; 10:29 a.m.: family problem (South Main Street), assisted; 10:57 a.m.: suspicious person (Birchwood Drive), spoken to; 11:05 a.m.: investigation (Mulberry Street), services rendered; 1:00 p.m.: school incident (Paxton Street), report taken; 1:36 p.m.: suspicious person (Boyd Street), spoken to; 1:57 p.m.: erratic operation (Clark Street), spoken to; 2:36 p.m.: accident (Main Street), assisted; 3:40 p.m.: b&e/mv (Burncoat Street), report taken; 3:46 p.m.: erratic operation (Henshaw Street), report taken; 4:13 p.m.: summons service (Soojians Drive), served; 5:45 p.m.: restraining order service (Charlton Street), unable to locate; 6:17 p.m.: mv stop (King Street), verbal warning; 6:51 p.m.: b&e/residential (Burncoat Lane), investigated; 7:09 p.m.: restraining order service (South Main Street), served; 7:12 p.m.: disturbance (Tanglewood Road), unable to locate; 8:26 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, intimidating a witness/juror/police officer/court official, investigated; 9:58 p.m.: investigation (Burncoat Lane), services rendered.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30
1:51 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 2:07 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 7:46 a.m.: threats (Paxton Street), report taken; 9:00 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 9:54 a.m.: welfare check (Main Street), unfounded; 11:14 a.m.: restraining order service (Pine Street), unable to locate; 12:34 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 1:41 p.m.: welfare check (Huntoon Memorial Highway), referred; 1:46 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by asportation, trespassing, report taken; 2:03 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 2:15 p.m.: ambulance (Charlton Street), transported; 6:38 p.m.: ambulance (Mulberry Street), transported; 8:07 p.m.: mutual aid (Queen Street, Worcester), transported to hospital; 9:42 p.m.: restraining order service (Pine Street), unable to locate.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31
2:11 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:45 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:51 a.m.: residential alarm (Pleasant Street), false alarm; 5:20 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 9:28 a.m.: illegal dumping (Huntoon Memorial Highway), spoken to; 9:54 a.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), services rendered; 10:00 a.m.: vandalism (Main Street), referred; 10:59 a.m.: welfare check (Main Street), unfounded; 1:03 p.m.: investigation (Mulberry Street), services rendered; 1:07 p.m.: restraining order service (Main Street), unable to locate; 1:16 p.m.: mv stop (Mannville Street), citation issued; 1:29 p.m.: summons service (Utica Street), summons served; 2:15 p.m.: accident (Main Street), mv towed; 3:04 p.m.: assist other PD (Stafford Street), services rendered; 3:25 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 4:00 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:03 p.m.: mutual aid (Main Street), transported to hospital; 4:55 p.m.: welfare check (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 5:40 p.m.: mv stop (Reservoir Street), citation issued; 5:56 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 6:07 p.m.: m stop (Main Street), citation issued, 6:24 p.m.: larceny (Sargent Street), report taken; 9:15 p.m.: welfare check (River Street), unable to locate;

9:18 p.m.: prisoner transport (West Main Street, Spencer), transported to hospital; 9:44 p.m.: ambulance (West Main Street, Spencer), transported; 11:50 p.m.: transport prisoner (out of town/location omitted from police log), transported.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
12:50 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:12 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, uninsured mv, unregistered mv, mv towed; 7:38 a.m.: investigation (South Main Street), services rendered; 8:02 a.m.: investigation (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 8:40 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), mv towed; 9:51 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 11:32 a.m.: disturbance/gathering (Moose Hill Road), unfounded; 12:43 p.m.: accident (Main Street), citation issued; 4:45 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), mv towed; 5:53 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 6:16 p.m.: welfare check (Mayflower Circle) report taken; 6:25 p.m.: ambulance (Mayflower Circle), transported; 7:46 p.m.: ambulance (Peter Salem Road), transported; 7:48 p.m.: fire/unauthorize burning (Market Street), services rendered; 9:30 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), citation issued.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
6:44 a.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 8:57 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 9:37 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), assisted; 10:37 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 11:35 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 11:37 a.m.: soliciting (Pleasant Street), gone on arrival; 4:47 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), Mark Patrick Domenicis, 59, 31 Olean Street, Worcester, op w/suspended license, uninsured mv, op w/revoked registration, mv towed; 5:03 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), Timothy Mitchell Benjamin, 23, 4 Lanark Street, Worcester, warrant, arrest; 9:31 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), no action required; 11:48 p.m.: ambulance (North Court), transported.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
12:08 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 6:24 a.m.: ambulance (Deer Pond Road), transported; 7:01 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 7:26 a.m.: disabled mv (Paxton Street), spoken to; 8:14 a.m.: transport prisoner (out of town/location omitted from police log), transported; 8:45 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 9:18 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 9:55 a.m.: ambulance (McCarthy Avenue), transported; 10:00 a.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), unable to locate; 10:23 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 11:00 a.m.: assist citizen (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 11:56 a.m.: suspicious mv (Lake Avenue), spoken to; 12:43 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), citation issued; 1:07 p.m.: assist other PD (Main Street), spoken to; 1:26 p.m.: suspicious mv (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 2:20 p.m.: assist citizen (Lexington Avenue), spoken to; 2:28 p.m.: fire/boiler problem (Hyland Avenue), services rendered; 2:33 p.m.: ambulance (Whittemore Street), transported; 3:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:10 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:41 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:42 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 5:13 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), written warning; 5:20 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), written warning; 5:38 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), written warning; 5:40 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:47 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), mv towed; 6:42 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 7:20 p.m.: ambulance (Charles Street), transported; 8:34 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), mv towed; 8:39 p.m.: welfare check (Deer Pond Road) transported to hospital; 8:46 p.m.: ambulance (Deer Pond Road), transported; 9:00 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), no action required.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
7:55 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 11:17 a.m.: summons service (Main Street), unable to locate; 12:20 p.m.: summons service (Charlton Street), unable to locate; 1:25 p.m.: summons service (South Main Street), served; 2:00 p.m.: investigation (North Lake Avenue, Worcester), services rendered; 2:53 p.m.: investigation (Main Street, Worcester), services rendered; 3:48 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 3:58 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), Robert Leo Oliver III, 35, 15 Hancock Street, #1, Worcester, texting, composing, sending, reading electronic messages, op w/suspended license, failure to wear seat belt, arrest; 4:16 p.m.: suspicious mv (Waite Street), services rendered; 4:34 p.m.: welfare check (Laflash Lane), services rendered; 6:40 p.m.: welfare check (Peter Salem Road), transported to hospital; 7:09 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 7:25 p.m.: ambulance (Harberton Drive), transported; 7:37 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), investigated; 9:19 p.m.: suspicious mv (Leela Lane), investigated; 9:33 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), name and address redacted from police log, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, criminal application issued; 10:32 p.m.: assist other PD (town of Sturbridge), no action required; 11:20 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning.



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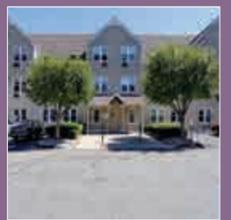


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OBITUARIES

Carl A. Larson, 61



LEICESTER: Carl A. Larson, 61, of Leicester died peacefully on Saturday, Sept. 7 in his home after an illness.

He leaves his twin brother and caretaker Robert A. "Bob" Larson with whom he lived, his Godmother Elizabeth Larson, a good friend Scott Tompkins, an aunt and uncle from Torrington, CT and many cousins.

Carl was born in Worcester, son of Arvid F. and Lena E. (Aldrich) Larson. He graduated from Leicester High School and attended Rhode Island Trade School in Providence, R.I. He worked for many years as an auto

body mechanic and with small engines through out Worcester County. If Carl couldn't fix it, nobody could. He was an avid outdoors man and enjoyed hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, camping and racing snow sleds throughout New England. The Bombardier Co. asked him to race for them as an independent years ago. Carl's brother Bob would like to thank Care Dimensions of Lincoln, Brigham & Women's Hospital, Dana Farber Cancer Center and the Overlook Hospice for their excellent care.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements.

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Charles Henry Anderson, 74

ROCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE- Charles Henry Anderson 74, passed away peacefully at home July 15, 2019.

Charles was born January 31, 1945 in Buffalo, New York to the late Charles Thomas and Alice Marion (Freeman) Anderson. He is survived by his companion Alice Freeman and her family of Rochester, New Hampshire, brothers Ross of Buxton, Maine, Wesley and his wife Marcia of New Braintree, Massachusetts and several nieces and nephews.

Charles was raised in North

Brookfield, Massachusetts and graduated North Brookfield High School in 1963. He served in Vietnam with the United States Navy aboard the USS Epperson. He moved to New Hampshire shortly after returning home from the Navy and made a career

in electronics and computer software. Charles enjoyed time in his workshop, hiking and hunting.

At his request, Charles' ashes are interred at the New Hampshire State Veteran's Cemetery, Boscawen, New Hampshire.

Estelle Marie Rose Dandurand, 90,



C H E R R Y VALLEY- Estelle Marie Rose (R a y m o n d) Dandurand, 90, passed away Tuesday night at home as she held hands with her husband of 70 years and with her loving

family gathered around. She was born in Ware, Massachusetts in the same house as her mother and grandmother. She was the daughter of Ulric A. and Freda (Geoffrian) Raymond and step-daughter of Raymond Knox. Estelle grew up in Worcester and graduated from Holy Name High School. She enjoyed roller-skating and dancing at Johnny Hines Ballroom. She was employed for many years at Bancroft Motors where she met the love of her life, George D. Dandurand.

Estelle and George raised 7 seven children. They began their marriage on Canterbury Street in Worcester. As the family grew they moved to make a home in Cherry Valley where she lived for 62 years. She was her kids' biggest fan and was always supportive of their dreams. Everyone was always welcome in her home and she loved a party! Es was the perfect example of a fun, kind and loving person and she always looked at things through rose-colored glasses.

Estelle also loved spending time with her 13 grand kids and 3 great grand kids and was fondly called Mémère. She loved the Boston sports teams and never missed watching a Red Sox game. Estelle enjoyed music and started playing piano at a young age. She combined her love of music and beautiful voice with her deep faith as a mem-

ber of the St. Joseph-St. Pius X Choir.

Most important to Estelle was her family. They loved her and will deeply miss her. She leaves behind her husband of 70 years, George D. Dandurand of Cherry Valley, seven children: George Dandurand Jr. of Cherry Valley, Kenneth Dandurand and wife Patricia of Plymouth, MA, Richard Dandurand and wife Martha of Cornelius, NC, Elaine Beattie and husband Mark of Westwood, MA, James Dandurand and wife Dana of Mooresville, NC, Lisa Fitzpatrick and husband James of Wrentham, MA, and Thomas Dandurand and wife Kristen of Wilmington, DE. Her grandchildren are Jeffery Dandurand and wife Emily, Marcus Dandurand and wife Katy, Stephen Dandurand, Joseph Dandurand, Allison, Caroline and Jack Beattie, Ava Dandurand, Aidan and Isabelle Fitzpatrick, and Chloe and William Dandurand. Her great grandchildren are Benjamin, Charles and Lucille Dandurand. Estelle leaves her brother Robert A. Raymond of Worcester. Her grandson Matthew R. Dandurand predeceased her.

The funeral was held Saturday, September 14 from the MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main St., Leicester with a Mass at 10 A.M. at St. Pius X Church, 1153 Main St. Burial will follow in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours are Friday from 4-7 P.M. in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Saint Joseph-Saint Pius X Choir Fund, or to the Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis Partners Seeking a Cure, pscpartners.org, 6900 E. Belleview Ave., Ste. 202, Greenwood Village, CO, 80111-1627. www.morinfuneralhomes.com

Elizabeth A. Chase, 87



SPENCER- Elizabeth A. (Auren) Chase, 87, of Spencer, died peacefully, Saturday, Sept. 14th. in Jewish Healthcare Center, Worcester.

She leaves her husband of 67 years, Richard P. Chase, her son Donald Chase of Charlton and her daughter Deborah L. Gradowski of Hubbardston, three grandchildren; Jason Chase and his wife Melissa of Spencer, Justin Chase of Southbridge, and Jennifer Morse and her husband James of North Brookfield, 6 great-grandchildren; Connor, Blayke, Jack, and Lucy Morse, Eyan and Griffin Chase, several nieces and nephews, who all will miss her dearly. She is predeceased by her brothers Richard and Robert Auren and her son in law Paul Gradowski.

Elizabeth was a production manager at Concord Wire and also Thompson Steel & Wire before retiring in 1997.

Born in Holden, she was the daughter of Philip C. and Edith A. (Wheeler)

Auren and graduated from Commerce High School in Worcester, Class of 1951.

She and her husband were members of the Family Motor Coach Association, past member of Worcester Area Sports Car Club and Friendly Riders Motorcycle Club. She was a member of the First Congregational Church of Spencer. She loved traveling in their motor home, reading, musical performances, and watching the birds at her feeders.

The family sends their thanks to the staff at JHC and the hospice team, who all became like extended family.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 18th. at 11 a.m. in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Calling hours preceded the service from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday. Following cremation, burial will be in Pine Grove Cemetery, Spencer at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Jewish Healthcare Center, jhccenter.org, 629 Salisbury St., Worcester, MA 01609.

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Grant Milner, 87



N O R T H BROOKFIELD- Grant Milner, 87, passed away on September 11, 2019 from natural causes.

Grant led a full life and traveled far from his upbringing in Bradford, New Hampshire. There is his military service to the country in the Army that included 16 months on the front lines of the Korean war, followed by his duties as a drill sergeant at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. There are the work things lined up like tin soldiers; a past in artesian well-drilling, an Engineering degree from Wentworth Institute of Technology, earned while raising two young children, a few years on a research team at MIT, employment at various national and multi-national corporations - concluding with his retirement from Millipore Corporation.

And then there is Grant's family life. Not only did he raise four of his own children, he and his wife took in 'extras'; children who for whatever reason needed a home.

Grant would tell of his skill at feed-

ing bottles to three infants at the same time. He was married for just shy of fifty years to Jacquelyn Cordelia Milner (March), a woman who gave him a run for his money with her sharp mind and wild spirit. She brought him true love and died after being cared for by him through a long illness. At the age of seventy-five, Grant was lucky to find love and companionship again with Glenda Philips. They met while touring the world with the Young at Heart Chorus and shared many wonderful years together.

Grant loved traveling and camping, reading, current events, history and politics. He valued moments of self-sufficient solitude that offered him time to ponder. He was an intelligent, kind and handsome man and he will be missed.

He is survived by his four children Michael, Jim, Bonnie and Tom; grandchildren Nicole, Andy, Ben, Kate, Ian, Cody and Aspen; great grandchildren Olivia, Adeline, Mackenzie, Julian and his companion Glenda Philips.

Funeral services and burial in Brookfield Cemetery will be private for the family. Pillsbury Funeral Home 44 Gilbert St. North Brookfield has been entrusted with arrangements.

Roger E. Labier, 83



ORANGE - Roger E. Labier, 83, of Orange died on Monday, September 9, 2019 at home surrounded by loving family.

He leaves his companion, Mary Champney of Orange; two sons, Roger Labier of Marshfield and Troy Labier of Winchendon; two daughters, Tami Bowles of Dracut and Terri Dahl and her husband Steve of Orange; his brother, Ronald Labier and his wife Barbara of KY; two sisters, Jeanne Mendala and her husband Francis of North Brookfield and Lorraine Chisholm of West Brookfield; nine grandchildren, Michael, Samantha, Brendon, Justin, Stephen, Hailey, Eric Thomas and Lindsay; two great-grandchildren, Augustus and Olive, the mother of his children, Sherry Timmons, his loyal dog Baby, and many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his brother Raymond Labier. He was born in Thorndike, son of the late Edmund A. and Albertine A. (Flamand) Labier. He grew up and lived in West Brookfield and later lived in Athol before moving to Orange in 1979.

Roger was a lifelong brick mason

where he worked on residential and industrial construction projects as a longtime member of the local union. He was a true craftsman in constructing fireplaces and chimneys.

He loved hunting and fishing, country music, gardening and square dancing and was a member of the Orange Jump Town Twirlers. He was a kind man and found a friend in everyone.

Mr. Labier was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

A Funeral Mass for Roger was held on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 10:00 AM in the Sacred Heart Church in West Brookfield. Calling hours were held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 4 to 6 PM in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., in West Brookfield. Burial with Military Honors will be held in the Sacred Heart of Jesus Cemetery following mass. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

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CALENDAR

Saturday, September 21

SEVENTH ANNUAL CRUISE FOR CRITTERS CAR SHOW: The 7th Annual Cruise for Critters Car Show is an event to benefit animals in need at Second Chance Animal Services hosted by Al Widlan's Service Connection. It will take place on Saturday, September 21, 2019, at Westview Farms Creamery. There will be plenty of food and several fun activities for families to enjoy, including raffles, a corn maze, pumpkin picking, and a vendor fair. Entering a car into the show costs \$20, and all spectators can enter for free. Bring the pups! All dogs must be leashed.

Saturday, September 28

HAM & BEAN SUPPER: 5-7 p.m., Christ Memorial Episcopal Church, Main and Spring Streets, North Brookfield. Menu includes ham, beans, coleslaw, macaroni & cheese, rolls, drinks, and dessert. Takeout available. Advance ticket sales only. Contact Sandi at (508) 867-3272.

Saturday, October 5

TAG SALE: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Christ Memorial Episcopal Church, 133 North Main St., North Brookfield. Puzzles, books, clothes, kids' stuff, kitchen items, treasures, and more. Name your own price!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: The First Congregational Church of West Brookfield, UCC will be holding a Blessing of the Animals on the West Brookfield Common Saturday, Oct. 5 at 3 p.m. Should it rain, the gathering will be inside of the church at 36 North Main St. (just across the street from the Common). All pets and stuffed animals are welcome. Please be sure to leash or crate your pet. We expect to be joined by some baby goats, angora rabbits, perhaps a horse or two, and possibly other farm animals. This Blessing is free and open to all! For further information please call the church at (508) 867-7078.

Saturday, October 19

ANNUAL BOOK AND BAKE SALE:

The Friends of the East Brookfield Public Library will be holding their Annual Book and Bake Sale today from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be a variety of books, DVDs and audio books for all family members. We will also be offering fresh baked goodies for sale as well raffle tickets for a "Fall Gift Basket." Stop in and browse and stock up from a great selection of material for your winter reading. We'll be set up in the lobby of the Municipal Town Complex at 122 Connie Mack Dr. at the library entrance. All proceeds go directly to the library for programming and supplies.

Saturday, October 26

SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL SERVICES HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR: Halloween event bringing families and pets together to benefit Second Chance. Indoor and outdoor event activities including trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle by Central MA Jump, dog massages and agility "Try Its," music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include a Costume Contest judged by the Barktacular King & Queen, Your Dog Can Paint with CC Lowell and an indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown. Free admission! Families and pets are welcome!

Saturday, October 19

FALL FAIR: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., First Congregational Church, North Brookfield. The Fair will feature plants, jewelry, baked goods, homemade items, attic treasures, and a drawing. Lunch will be served, and will consist of a number of different soups, assorted sandwiches, and apple crisp with ice cream. The public is invited.

ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP: The Economy Shop at the First Congregational Church of Spencer is open again as of Aug. 21. New regular hours are Wednesday 8 a.m.-noon, Thursday 8 a.m.-2 p.m., and Friday 8 a.m.-noon.

DEJA NEW: Art, Antiques & Collectibles Marketplace which is open in the St. Joseph's Rectory building at 759 Main Street Leicester. Hours are

Tuesday 5-7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m.-noon, Thursday 3-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, all proceeds going back into the town's Food Pantries, Hearts for Heat and programs for the needy. We are non-profit and run on volunteers. We are open May into December.

EAST BROOKFIELD LIBRARY PROGRAMS: The East Brookfield Public Library is currently conducting their fall registration for children's programming. Rhythm and Rhyme is for toddlers aged 18 mos. to 3 years. This program runs from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and includes lots of music, finger plays, physical activities and a story with a related craft.

Preschool story time is geared for children aged 3 to 5 years old. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30a.m. Seasonal songs, poems, and gross motor activities are part of this program, as well as a story and craft that encourages fine motor skills. Both programs are held on Thursday mornings. Parents and caretakers are asked to remain with their children. For more information or to register by phone call (508) 867-7928. You can also like us on Facebook and visit our website @ www.eastbrookfieldLibrary.com. We look forward to seeing you!

VFW MEETING: The Rochdale VFW Post 7556 will hold their monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the post at 713 Pleasant Street, Rochdale on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

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

THRIFTY: St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish, 759 Main St., Leicester, 508-859-8083. New 2 You Thrift Shop. Hours: Tuesday 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to noon., Thursday 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. We have added Thursday hours.

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Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com.

SUPPER TIME: A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the band or musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www.emmanuelorthodox.org).

STRE-E-E-TCH: Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

SIT AND KNIT: knitting group every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Merriam Gilbert Library, West Brookfield. Bring your sewing, embroidery, knitting or crochet and enjoy some socializing while you work on your project.

STAY HEALTHY: The VNA Care Network and Hospice is holding a free Keep Well Clinic to residents 60 and older from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Spencer Fish and Game Club on Mechanic Street. Local residents may have their blood pressure checked and learn about health concerns. Blood sugar, weight monitoring and other health assessments may also be available. VNA Care Network and Hospice clinics are funded in part by the United Way, local boards of health, private foundations. For up-to-date clinic information visit www.vnacarenetwork.org or call (888) 663-3688 x 5603.

IT'S A LUNCH DATE: The East Brookfield Baptist Church invites all senior citizens to a Community Lunch at 11:30 a.m. every second Thursday of the month in Fellowship Hall. A delicious lunch and great desserts will be served. Followed by a time of fellowship and games concluding with a devotional just before 2 p.m. Reservations are encouraged. Call (508) 867-7725.

SHARING CUPBOARD: The First Congregational Church of W. Brookfield Sharing Cupboard - serving West Brookfield, Warren and West Warren. Located at 36 N. Main St., West Brookfield, is open Wednesdays 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays 7-8 pm. Call the church for more information (508) 867-7078.

BINGO at the Knights of Columbus is now at the Spencer Senior Center, 68 Maple St. in Spencer, every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. We have 20 regular games; two winners take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payouts of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.

PITCH at the Spencer Senior Center will begin on Sept. 18 at 6 p.m. Cost \$5.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP IN W. BROOKFIELD: The First Congregational Church of West Brookfield, UCC has partnered with Faith and Family Hospice of Marlborough, MA to offer a local bereavement group for individuals who are living with the loss of someone they care deeply for. This program honors the reality that there is no perfect way to grieve or say goodbye to someone that we love—we each have our own process and our own time. Grief is not something that we "get better" from or that ever leaves us. Rather, we build coping skills to help us carry it through our lives. This group is open for all ages and all kinds of losses. It is a circle that strives to be mutually supportive and free of judgment. Sessions are held on Fridays at 5 pm in the church office at 36 North Main Street, West Brookfield, MA. Please call the church office to indicate you will be attending (508)867-7078 or email 1stcongo.westbrookfield@gmail.com. There is no charge for this group. This group has recently started and wishes to welcome others in joining them. Sessions will be offered for six weeks with a two-week break between the next. (There is no limit to the number of times any individual can sign up for this program.)

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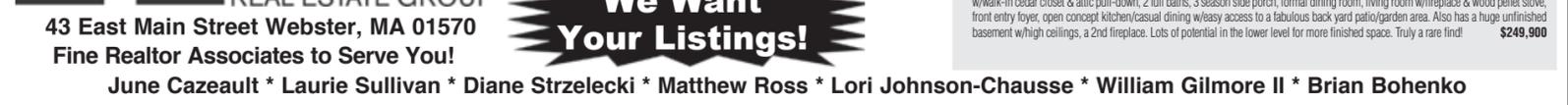
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Spencer - N Spencer Rd. New England Colonial - first time on the market! 1264 sq ft, 4 bdrm, 2 ba, private yard. Detached garage plus carport. **\$160,000**



Auburn - Old Farm Rd. Comfortable raised ranch - first time on the market! 2,100 sq ft, 3 bdrm, 1.5 ba. New windows, roof, siding & remodeled kitchen. Perfect home for entertaining. **\$319,900.**



Spencer - Jolicoeur Ave. Over 50 ft frontage on Cranberry Meadow Lake! 1,800 sq ft, 3 bdrm, 1.5 ba. Quiet, dead end street. Double decks, beautiful yard. **\$305,000.**



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N.WOODSTOCK, CT - \$244,900
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JUST LISTED

THOMPSON Four bedroom, 2 bath Colonial home situated on 2 acres of beautiful open land. Large kitchen with soapstone counters, living room with wood flooring. First floor with bedroom & bath, 2nd floor with 1 bedroom & a sitting room leading to deck, and the 3rd floor with 2 bedrooms. Storage shed, chicken coop & dog pen. **\$269,000**

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WOODSTOCK Bungee lake rights! 2000+ sq ft raised ranch. Just remodeled 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath only minutes from bungee lake beaches. New kitchen cabinets w/ pantry cabinet, granite counters, farmers sink, new stainless steel appliances, vinyl plank floors. Dining room with slider to back deck and a granite breakfast bar/pantry thru to living room which offers laminate flooring and fireplace. Full bath and 2 bedrooms with closets and ceiling fans finishes off the 1st floor. Finished basement with vinyl plank flooring throughout, family room with dry bar, windows for natural light and walkout, and 3rd bedroom with new egress sliding window, 2 closets and 1/2 bath (or use the entire basement for possible in-law potential). All new paint throughout. Shed with new roof shingles, large 16x12 wood deck. Enjoy the beaches, boating and fishing on Bungee lake. **\$239,900**

NEW PRICE

PUTNAM This eight room Victorian located in the heart of Putnam is just the home you have been looking for! The kitchen features granite counters, newer stainless steel appliances, refinished wood floors and a gas fireplace, there is a great dining room with faux tin ceilings and French doors, the spacious living room has wood floors, a bay window, & a great built in gas fireplace/entertainment center. Upstairs, 3 good sized bedrooms and a large full bathroom. Home features a great walk up attic along with an additional storage attic space. The Barn/Garage has room for cars/toys/yard tools/shop and much more along with a full loft. Home has a great yard with mature landscaping along with 2 great porches. **\$229,900**

THOMPSON WATERFRONT! Come take a look at this very cute 680 sq. ft., (FULLY FURNISHED) seasonal property with 51 ft of water frontage with a dock. Enter onto the bright sun porch through to the living room with carpet and working fireplace. Fully appointed kitchen with breakfast bar, 1 bedroom w/ built-ins for storage and lots of natural light. Second bedroom, an additional den/office and a full bath with a stand up shower stall. Outside offers a shed a nice deck where you can enjoy your morning coffee while looking out at the beautiful water view and after coffee, doing some fishing, boating or take a swim. Leased Land. Great opportunity to own your own waterfront property for only **179,900**

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<p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/21 10:00-11:30</p> <p>14 Fox Rd. Putnam \$349,900 Totally renovated commercial building. Prime location in Putnam's business district. 1/2 acre on Darby Road. Lg. parking lot. 1st flr handicapped BA. Big yard! John Downs 860-377-0754</p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/21 12:00-1:30</p> <p>67 E. Quasset Rd Woodstock \$549,900 Stunning, custom built Colonial reproduction home in Woodstock, CT complete with separate in-law home! Private 3.2 acres. Mary Collins 860-377-0754</p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SUN 9/22 11:00-2:00</p> <p>490 Barlow Cemetery Rd Woodstock \$630,000 Sited on 41 acres, this 3 BR, 2.5 BA custom home has a heated barn-is a perfect horse property & has trout fishing right in the backyard! Maryann Miller 860-949-6130</p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/21 12:30-2:00</p> <p>1223 North Road Killingly \$699,000 Breathtaking long views! Spectacular horse property in NECT w/indoor riding arena (2013), open pastures & 8 horse stalls w/run-outs. John Downs 860-377-0754</p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/21 2:00-4:00</p> <p>87 Ragged Hill Rd Pomfret \$739,900 Rare opportunity to own one of the finest homes in NECT. This reproduction features authentic historic details & custom craftsmanship. 5.52 acres. John Downs 860-377-0754</p>	<p>Woodstock \$415,000 NEW LISTING</p> <p>One of a kind home! Stone fireplaces, custom mantels and a master bath to cover! Gelhaus Realty Group: Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408</p>	<p>Woodstock \$344,900 NEW LISTING</p> <p>170230439 Updated 3 bedroom with finished lower level, expansive decks and pond access! Gelhaus Realty Group: Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408</p>	<p>Woodstock \$264,000 NEW PRICE</p> <p>Immaculate 3 BR, 2 BA Cape. 1st floor bedroom and full bath. New hardwoods! 2 car garage. Beautiful lot. John Downs 860-933-0735</p>
<p>Thompson \$329,900</p> <p>Stone walls line the entrance, leading to a spacious 3576 SF Colonial. Beautiful grounds w/a pond & a lg yard perfect for entertaining. Tanya McDermott 860-933-0996</p>	<p>Putnam \$199,000</p> <p>Completely renovated, turn key medical office Condo adjacent to Day Kimball Hospital. 1,133 SF, 7 rooms. Association fee pay for snow removal, lawn & trash. Mary Collins 860-336-6677</p>	<p>Putnam \$165,000</p> <p>Well cared for Victorian w/in walking to downtown. 3 BR & 2 full BA & hardwood floors. There is a private drive w/a detached 2 car garage & shed. Gelhaus Realty Group: Vivian 860-455-5363</p>	<p>Killingly Waterfront \$895,000</p> <p>Sensational living on Alexanders Lake. Glassed in front w/ the most beautiful views. Open living, wood floors, fireplaces, wine room, front patio. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Plainfield \$220,000</p> <p>2013 Ranch on 29.65 acres of recreational land at the end of a lovely cul-de-sac. Vaulted ceilings, open plan & cook's kitchen. Mary Collins 860-336-6677</p>	<p>Canterbury \$365,000</p> <p>Beautifully renovated home with all the luxuries you desire in a peaceful setting! Gelhaus Realty Group: Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408</p>	<p>Brooklyn \$479,900</p> <p>4 BR, 3.5 BA, in-law w/1500 SF on lower level, sep. entrance, 3 bay att. garage, radiant heat, center island, fieldstone fireplace, sunroom, sauna w/shower. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Woodstock \$245,000</p> <p>3 BR, 1.5 BA, 1.3 acres, gorgeous, barn, screened in porch, quiet, near Mass border. Lauren Heidelberger 860-933-0735</p>
<p>Brooklyn \$235,000</p> <p>This updated and cozy 2064 SF, 4 BR, 2 BA Raised Ranch sits nestled on a private 1/2 acre on Darby Road. Gelhaus Realty Group: Amy 860-617-6492</p>	<p>Thompson \$90,000</p> <p>Home has burnt down, only foundation, well, septic, driveway and partial garage is left. 2 acres. Sold as-is. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Pomfret \$350,000</p> <p>Custom Colonial w/4 BR & 2.5 BA. Kitchen w/granite counters opens to eat-in area & plank hrwd floors. 2 car garage & lg. deck. Mary Collins 860-336-6677</p>	<p>Woodstock \$230,000</p> <p>Lovely Cape home in Woodstock. 2 stall detached garage, w/3-4 BR & 2 full BA! Perfect fit for a growing family! Kiona Carpenter 860-933-3305</p>	<p>Putnam Commercial Lease \$2,200/mo.</p> <p>2 units side by side. \$2200/ea. Triple net lease. One unit has separate offices, waiting room, office space, kitchenette. 2nd rental is open. Close to town & 395. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Woodstock \$775,000</p> <p>Year-round lake living at its finest! One floor living with expansive lower level for guests! Gelhaus Realty Group: Brooke Gelhaus 860-336-9408</p>	<p>Woodstock \$425,000</p> <p>Enjoy this beautiful property on almost 6 acres w/barn & post & beam home. 1st floor BR, open living, master w/private TV room & BA. Covered front porch. Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>	<p>Land for Sale</p> <p>Putnam \$125,000 27 acres. Commercial land, close to 395 on Kennedy Drive Build your business location. Near medical offices! Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p> <p>Canterbury \$59,900 Buildable 2 acres, beautiful lot on Raymond Schoolhouse! Build your dream home! Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343</p>



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90-A Sutton Rd	S	11 -12:30	\$289,900	Re/Max professional Associates/ Patrick Sweeney 774-452-3578
16 Francis Dr	S	10-Noon	\$419,900	ReMax Advantage 1 / Joanne Szymczak 508-943-7669, 774-230-5044
THOMPSON, CT				
223 Stawicki Rd	S	12:30 -2	\$249,900	Re/Max professional Associates/ Patrick Sweeney 774-452-3578
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22				
SPENCER				
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lisa R. Ramsdell and George J. Lavalley to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for Stearns Lending, LLC dated September 15, 2017, recorded at the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 57741, Page 93; said mortgage was then assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by virtue of an assignment dated April 10, 2019, and recorded in Book 60252, Page 396; of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION at 03:00 PM on October 1, 2019, on the mortgaged premises. This property has the address of 111 Drake Lane, East Brookfield, MA 01515. The entire mortgaged premises, all and singular, the premises as described in said mortgage: The land in East Brookfield, Worc. County, MA with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows: A lot with summer camp thereon containing 4,879 square feet designated as Lot #5A "Plan of a portion of the property of Harold P. Andrews, located near Lake Lashaway, East Brookfield, MA drawn by E.A. Chamberlain, August 15, 1930, revised to August 5, 1941" to be recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, being a portion of Lot #6 formerly shown on said plan now or hereafter recorded. Said lot No. 5A is bounded as follows: BEGINNING on the East side of a right way at the northwest corner of Lot #5 on said plan; THENCE North 71 degrees 30' East 100.00 feet by Lot #5; THENCE by the remaining part of Lot #6, North 24 degrees 45' West 50.0 feet and South 71 degrees 30' West 88.57 feet to land now or formerly of Charles Everett Andrews; THENCE South 10 degrees 50' West by said C.E. Andrews land 19.5 feet to the said right of way; THENCE by said right of way South 24 degrees 45' East 32 feet 7 inches to the point of beginning, with rights of way as shown on said plans and to and from the public highway. Meaning and intending to describe the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagor by deed from Gary E. Posson and Cheryl A. Begin, herewith recorded at Worcester District Registry of Deeds. 57741-89 Subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservation, restrictions, and taking of record, if any, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable. In the event of any typographical error set forth herein in the legal description of the premises, the description as set forth and contained in the mortgage shall control by reference. Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this sale. Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax sales, tax titles and other municipal liens and water or sewer liens and State or County transfer fees, if any there are, and TEN

THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) in cashier's or certified check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale as a deposit and the balance in cashier's or certified check will be due in thirty (30) days, at the offices of Doonan, Graves & Longoria, LLC ("DG&L"), time being of the essence. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale-date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date. The premises is to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, leases, tenancies, and rights of possession, building and zoning laws, encumbrances, condominium liens, if any and all other claim in the nature of liens, if any there be. In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder, providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein. If the second highest bidder declines to purchase the within described property, the Mortgagee reserves the right to purchase the within described property at the amount bid by the second highest bidder. The foreclosure deed and the consideration paid by the successful bidder shall be held in escrow by DG&L, (hereinafter called the "Escrow Agent") until the deed shall be released from escrow to the successful bidder at the same time as the consideration is released to the Mortgagee, whereupon all obligations of the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to have been properly fulfilled and the Escrow Agent shall be discharged. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Dated: August 28, 2019 Freedom Mortgage Corporation By its Attorney DOONAN, GRAVES & LONGORIA, LLC, 100 Cummings Center, Suite 225D, Beverly, MA 01915 (978) 921-2670 www.dgandl.com 55812 (RAMSDELL) 09/06/19, 09/13/19, 09/20/19 September 6, 2019 September 13, 2019 September 20, 2019

Town of Spencer, MA Tree Hearing

A public hearing will be held at the Spencer Memorial Town Hall, Conference Room A, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 6:00p.m. to consider the proposed removal of the following trees:
G H Wilson Rd. 6 trees various sizes, and I Capen Rd. 1 tree.
Ray Holmes
Tree Warden
September 13, 2019
September 20, 2019

Town of West Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the West Brookfield Town Hall, to act on an application for a Special Permit

for Judith Kelley, for the property located at 17 Rodman Street, West Brookfield. The applicant wishes to demolish the existing structure and build a new single family dwelling. In Neighborhood District requires a special permit as per section, -1.5 Nonconformity, §1.52 Nonconforming Structures (a) (et al). The public is invited to attend.
Renee Adams White
Clerk
September 20, 2019
September 27, 2019

Brookfield Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing

In accordance with M. G. L., Chapter 40A, and the provisions of the Brookfield Zoning Bylaws Section 4.D, Use Regulation Table 6.c; Section 8.C., Site Plan Approval; and Section 12.C., Special Permits; the Brookfield Planning Board will re-open a Public Hearing on an application for the construction and operation of a commercial Fuel Storage Facility (Propane) on property owned by Jeff Tasse, and located at 14 Post Road, a Business "A" District. The re-opened public hearing will take place on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at the Town Hall, 6 Central Street, Brookfield, starting at 6:45 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard. A copy of the application may be inspected at the office of the Town Clerk at Brookfield Town Hall during normal business hours.
Sharon Mahoney, Chair
Brookfield Planning Board
September 13, 2019
September 20, 2019

Notice of Public Hearing

Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals
At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 08, 2019 in the McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:
Special Permit (Renewal) – Applicant/ Owner: Bond Construction Corp. Location: Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R09-1 & R09-2. The applicant is looking to renew their Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) and 4.8.6 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district. Special Permit (Renewal) - Applicant/Owner: Leo Aucoin. Location: 89 Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R02-2-1. The applicant is looking to renew his Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) and 4.8.6 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district. Special Permit – Applicant/Owner: John & Theresa Agnew. Location: 123 Smithville Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R30/15. The applicant is requesting Special Permit under Section 4.8.1 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to construct an accessory apartment. The property is located within the Rural Residential zoning district.

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial

Town Hall located at 157 Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday and 7:30am-12:00pm on Thursday. The ZBA is committed to ensuring that its public meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Should you require auxiliary aids, services, written materials in other formats, or reasonable modifications in policies and procedures, please call 508-885-7500 ext. 180 in advance of the scheduled meeting.
September 20, 2019
September 27, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Docket No. WO19P2731GD
NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
In the interests of
Yelishca Liz Rivera of Spencer, MA Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **8/12/2019** by **Josephine Rivera** of Spencer, MA will be held **10/03/2019 08:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing**
Located **Courtroom 2, Probate & Family Court, 225 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608**

2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and
Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.
Date: September 6, 2019

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
September 20, 2019

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says distracted driving claimed 3,450 lives in 2016 alone. Distracted driving is defined as any activity that diverts drivers' attention from the road. This can include everything from talking to passengers to eating to fiddling with the car radio. However, distractions from technology have become especially alarming, particularly texting or reading phones while driving. During daylight hours, approximately 481,000

drivers typically use cell phones while driving. The NHTSA says that removing one's eyes from the road for a mere 5 seconds when traveling at 55 miles per hour is like driving the length of a football field with your eyes closed.

Reducing distractions should be a priority for all drivers. Here are some suggestions, courtesy of Geico insurance and AAA Exchange.

- Store loose gear and

other items that can roll around away from the driver's seat so you are not tempted to reach for them.

- Adjust mirrors, GPS maps, climate controls, music, and more before you put the car in drive.

- Use a mobile phone only for emergency purposes and only after pulling over to the side of the road. Avoid social conversations on the phone while driving.

- Limit the number of passengers you allow

inside your car. The more passengers, the more distractions. This is especially true for young drivers.

- Eat food before getting in the car. Snacking while driving makes you less attentive to the road around you.

- Secure children and pets accordingly. Both should wear harnesses and not be given free reign to roam around the car.

- Try to focus only on driving while in the car. Leave the multitasking to when you're not behind the wheel.

Geico indicates that studies have shown people are limited in the amount of information they can process at any one time. Driving requires focus and an ability to react to a host of potential circumstances. Distractions compromise drivers' ability to focus. Reducing distractions can considerably cut down on the number of motor vehicle accidents each year.

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How mulched leaves help your lawn



Various chores are synonymous with certain times of year. For example, cleaning a pool is a summertime task. In addition, rare is the instance that Mother

Nature forces anyone to break out the snow shovels outside of winter. Raking leaves has long been a task for fall afternoons, but homeowners may be surprised to learn

that they might be better off putting their rakes in permanent mothballs.

In the 1990s, turfgrass specialists at Michigan State University began exploring the poten-

tial benefits of leaving mulched leaves on a lawn instead of raking them and leaving them for curbside pickup. While the researchers noticed an obvious leaf residue

on the lawn after mulching, they noted that it only sticks around for a few days. Eventually, the tiny pieces sifted down into the lawn, ultimately serving to control future

weed growth while also providing the lawn with essential nutrients. Over time, researchers noted that homeowners who mulched rather than raked their leaves needed less fertilizer to give their lawns a green look in spring, saving homeowners the effort and cost associated with fertilizing.

Researchers also noted that decomposing pieces of leaves cover up bare spots between turf plants, which have traditionally proven to be excellent spots for weed seeds to germinate. In fact, MSU notes that homeowners can expect a nearly 100 percent decrease in dandelions and crabgrass after mulching leaves for just three years.

Depending on the type of mower being used, up to six inches of leaves can be mulched at a time. Push mowers can handle smaller amounts, though can still be as effective as ride-on mowers.

Fall may be synonymous with raking leaves. However, homeowners who want to give their lawns a healthy boost should consider putting their rakes away and mulching their leaves this fall.

Choosing the right yeast strain for brewing



Home brewers learn a lot about the brewing process as they grow from novices into skilled brewers. Brewers must familiarize themselves with the process of brewing and the equipment necessary to create beer. Brewers also must learn about the ingredients necessary to create beverages they can be proud of.

One of the key components in the fermenting process is yeast. The yeast chosen can impact the fermentation, flavor profiles and more. It can be easy to underestimate the power of yeast. Get the process right and there's a delicious brew to sip. But get it wrong

and home brewers might have to pour entire batches down the drain.

According to Beer Advocate, a brewer and beer enthusiast's guide to all things beer, in the past there were really only two yeasts used for beer brewing: ale yeast (the "top-fermenting" type) and lager yeast (the "bottom-fermenting" type). Now there are hundreds of yeasts to choose from that fall into the top- or bottom-fermenting categories.

In short, top-fermenting yeasts rise to the top of the wort during fermentation. This type of yeast is used for ales, porters, wheat beers, and stouts, and the beer

is normally brewed at warmer temperatures. It can form a rich head and fruity flavor, according to 52Brews.com, a beer review site. Bottom-fermenting yeasts settle toward the bottom of the wort and are best used for lagers, pilsners, bocks, and American malts.

Many yeast varieties are named for the types of beers they help create, making it easier for novice brewers to find some that will work on their batches. However, Craft Beer and Brewing magazine says to also consider various factors when selecting yeasts that can impact performance.

- **Attenuation:** Attenuation is the percentage of available wort sugars that a yeast strain actually ferments. High attenuation may produce a sweeter beer while low attenuation can produce a dryer finish. Select a yeast that will achieve these desired results.

- **Flocculation:** This refers to how the yeast cells clump together and drop to the bottom of the fermenter. Choose a strain that flocculates in a way that is appropriate to the beer brewed.

- **Alcohol tolerance:** Certain yeasts can survive beyond the beer's estimated alcohol level and produce a higher ABV. It all depends on what's needed for the brew.

- **Temperature range:** Select a yeast that can ferment at the desired temperature in a home or garage.

A good brew shop can help home brewers find the right yeasts. Learning more about yeast by reading blogs and/or brewing resources also can get a person well on his or her way to brewing delicious beers.

A guide to safely removing fallen leaves

Raking leaves is a chore many people immediately associate with autumn. Even though raking seems like a simple activity, it's still possible to be injured while removing leaves from the yard.

The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center advises that pain from outdoor leaf chores can range from strained back muscles to twisted knees. Blisters on the hands and sunburn are other potential side effects. Many people do not realize that raking is a thorough cardiovascular workout. Individuals at risk for cardiovascular disease or those who have recovered from surgery may not be well enough to rake leaves.

Here's how to make autumn leaf removal more of a breeze when the job is done safely.

- **Pay attention** when using a leaf blower. Be cautious not to point an operational blower in the direction of people or pets, as debris can be blown about and cause injury.

- **Stretch out** before raking leaves. Warm up muscles beforehand so they are less likely to cramp. UPMC experts suggest taking a short walk prior to raking to stimulate circulation.

- **Use proper raking form.** Much like snow shoveling, one should emphasize proper posture when raking, with legs slightly bent and weight distributed evenly. Hold the rake handle close to the body and keep one hand near the top of the rake for better leverage.

- **Use the proper gear.** A leaf rake fans out like a triangle and comes in various widths. Choose a lightweight material that can be easily maneuvered. A metal rake is for stones and dirt and shouldn't be used for leaves. To get between bushes, a smaller version of a leaf rake, called a



shrub rake, should be used.

- **Wear protective gear.** When raking or leaf blowing, protect your eyes against debris. You also may want to use a mask to prevent inhalation of leaf mold and other particulates. Gloves can protect hands from blisters.

- **Follow manufacturers' directions.** Read the instructions for powered leaf blowers, and never modify the device in an unauthorized way.

- **Use a tarp and lift wisely.** Rake leaves onto a tarp that can be dragged to a garbage pail or to the curb for municipal pickup. For those who must lift bags of leaves, do so by bending at the knees, not from the waist.

- **Wear sunscreen.** Protect skin from the

sun. Even though temperatures are cooler in the fall, this does not mean the sun's rays are any less harmful. Also, take breaks to rehydrate frequently.

- **Use a secure ladder.** When removing leaves from gutters, be sure the ladder is sturdy and secure. Consider having a friend serve as a spotter, holding on to the ladder to offer greater security. Do not overextend to stretch for leaves.

If at any time during leaf clean-up you feel sharp or dull, incessant pains, stop working. Listen to your body's signals and start the task anew the next day or when you feel better.

FALL

Interesting facts about fall

Weather is often the first indicator that the seasons are changing. For many people across the globe, the hot days of summer will soon be giving way to the more crisp days of fall.

For those who live in regions where summer only subtly gives way to fall or is seemingly gone before the end of August, the 2019 autumnal equinox occurs on September 23. That marks the official beginning of fall, also known as autumn. In fact, that the season the follows summer seemingly goes by two different names is just one of many interesting facts about fall.

• A season by any other name ... Fall is the term most often used to reference the season succeeding summer in the United States. But the season is referred to as "autumn" in other parts of the world, including Great Britain. Fall was once even known as "harvest" because of the harvest moon, which appears close to the autumnal equinox.

• The colors of fall foliage are actually pres-



ent year-round. Fall is known for its colorful foliage. But the pigments responsible for those colors are actually present year-round. According to the SUNY College of Environmental Science

and Forestry, green, yellow and orange pigments are present year-round. However, during spring and summer, the leaves serve as factories where many foods necessary to help the tree grow are

manufactured. That process takes place in the leaf in cells containing chlorophyll, which gives the leaves their green color. This process ceases as hours of daylight decrease and tempera-

tures drop. As a result, chlorophyll breaks down, the green color disappears and the vivid colors of fall foliage begin to appear.

• Squirrels have a (sophisticated) plan out

there. Squirrels hiding food in autumn for the upcoming winter is a familiar sight. And squirrels are more organized than many people may know. Groundbreaking research released in 1991 found that, even when squirrels bury that stash of nuts closely to one another, they will each return to the precise location of their personal cache. Recent research also has shown that squirrels bury their stash based on certain traits, such as the type of nut being buried.

• Babies born in fall are more likely to see the century mark. Researchers at the University of Chicago studied more than 1,500 centenarians born in the United States between 1880 and 1895. They then compared birth and death information with those centenarians' siblings and spouses so they could compare their early environment and genetic background and their adult environment. Their research found that most centenarians were born between September and November.

Natural ways to fight fall allergies



Leaves are a known cause of fall allergies. Raking them can stir up mold and pollen.

As the days become shorter and the weather cools down, a new crop of allergy symptoms can arise, turning the autumn season into one marked by sneezing, scratchy throats and itchy eyes. Medications can alleviate such symptoms, but allergy sufferers may want to investigate some natural ways

to beat allergies.

According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology, ragweed is one of the more common triggers of autumnal allergies. Ragweed contributes to "hay fever," which is a term to describe allergic rhinitis that occurs as a symptom of ragweed pollen

in the air. Ragweed releases pollen in mid-August, and it can continue to be problematic until a deep freeze arrives.

Other sources of fall allergies include leaf mold and pollen that is present on fallen leaves. This gets circulated when people begin to rake or blow fallen leaves. Classroom pets and chalk dust in schools (although chalkboards are largely a thing of the past) are other autumn allergens.

The good news is that many natural remedies work just as effectively as over-the-counter medications in regard to combatting ragweed and pollen problems. Here's how to beat the fall allergy blues.

• Stay away from pollen. Stay away from pollen and prevent it from being tracked indoors. Remove shoes when walking through the door. Take off clothes worn outside and launder them promptly, showering to wash pollen off of the body. Use an air conditioner or keep windows closed when the pollen count is high.

• Increase omega-3 fatty acids. It is well documented that fatty acids are good for brain health and cardiovascular well-being. But these acids also may help with allergies. A German study linked foods high in omega-3 fatty acids with the ability to fight inflammation, which is a hallmark of allergy suffer-

ing. Foods that are high in fatty acids include walnuts, flax, eggs, and cold-water fatty fish.

• Rinse off pollen. Use a mild cleanser to rinse the eyelids and eyelashes of pollen, as this is where it tends to congregate after being outdoors. Use saline spray to clear nasal passages of excess pollen as well.

• Take natural supplements. A study published in the journal *Clinical and Experimental Allergy* found participants who used tablets of the herb butterbar showed significant allergy relief after only one week. Select herbs from reputable manufacturers who certify them.

• Use eucalyptus oil. This oil is great to have in the house to help clear up sinuses and provide nasal congestion relief. Mix a small amount with coconut oil and rub onto the chest. There also is some evidence that adding a few drops of eucalyptus oil to cleansing products can help kill dust mites around the house.

• Wear a mask. When doing housework or yard work, wear a mask to reduce the inhalation of specific allergens.

Avoid seasonal allergies by exploring natural ways to find prevention or relief of symptoms.

Protect your plants from winter weather

For the majority of gardening enthusiasts, gardening is a warm weather activity. While some people live in climates that make it possible to enjoy gardening year-round, those who don't often lament the end of the gardening season.

Winter might not be conducive to gardening, but the arrival of cold weather does not necessarily mean a gardener's work is done until the following spring. Taking steps to protect plants from winter weather is an important part of maintaining a healthy garden that thrives from year to year.

Timing is of the essence when winterizing a garden. The online gardening resource Get Busy Gardening!™ advises gardeners that the best time to winterize is after the first hard freeze in the fall. A hard freeze occurs when temperatures dip below freezing overnight. When that occurs, annual plants and vegetables are killed off and perennial plants, which grow back year after year, begin going dormant.

Better Homes and Gardens notes that perennials are the easiest plants to prepare for winter, as they require just a little cutting back and mulching to be safe from cold weather. But no two perennials are alike, so homeowners should consult their local gardening center for advice on how to

prepare their particular perennials for the coming months.

The steps necessary to winterize annuals depends on which type of annuals, cool- or warm-climate, you have. Cool-climate annuals should be covered with polyspun garden fabric when light frost is in the forecast. In addition, Better Homes and Gardens recommends pulling dead annuals and adding them to a compost pile after a killing frost. Any annuals that developed fungal disease should be discarded. Mulch annual beds with a three- to four-inch layer of chopped leaves or similar materials, spreading the mulch only two inches thick over self-sown seeds you want to germinate in the spring.

Warm-climate annuals also should be covered with polyspun garden fabric when light frost is expected. Seeds of cold-hardy annuals can be planted for extended winter bloom, while gardeners also can collect seeds of warm-weather plants that will breed true to type. Even though you're winterizing, Better Homes and Gardens recommends that gardeners continue to weed and water their plant beds and plants while also keeping an eye out for pests. If organic mulch has decomposed or thinned out, replace it with a new layer.



Get Busy Gardening!™ notes that the bulbs of tender plants like dahlias and tuberous begonias can be dug up and overwintered in their dormant state. All dead foliage should be removed after the bulbs have been dug up, and the bulbs

should be allowed to dry out a little before being stored. Container gardeners can overwinter their tender bulbs in their pots inside, but be sure to remove their foliage and store them in a dark, cool place that maintains temperatures above

freezing. Winterizing may mark the end of gardening season, but it's an important task that can ensure a healthy, beautiful garden next spring, summer and fall.

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