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Retail pot gets green light

BY GUS STEEVES TIMES CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER – A relatively confusing fall town meeting set Webster on a course for allowing recreational marijuana sales starting next summer.

The issue came up in six related articles, all of which passed except the first one. That one, a proposal to ban retail pot sales, failed narrowly, 48-54, and an attempt to reconsider it later was rejected, 48-61. But the voters passed zoning for four other forms of recreational pot business.

In one of the more confused parts of the meeting, they initially voted to extend the existing moratorium on retail sales until next June, but when the town attorney asked to reconsider it to correct language in the moratorium bylaw (specifically, to change it from giving time for a ballot vote that would have confirmed the ban they'd rejected to time to draft new regulations), they just missed the twothirds majority needed to pass the amended bylaw by a fraction of one per-

cent.

Afterward, Town Moderator Thomas Ralph said, the vote means "there is no moratorium at the moment." The original moratorium on all forms of recreational pot facilities expires at the end of December.

The debate on retail started with Town Administrator Doug Willardson advocating a ban by claiming such facilities would make it easier for kids and "vulnerable populations" to get pot and would "downgrade the commercial areas that retail dispensaries are located in."

But Nick Adamopoulos noted Oxford approved such a proposal with an estimated \$300,000 per year tax revenue and believes people will drive to Oxford to get it, so "why lose the potential revenue?"

Another man agreed, saying people get it now on the black market in town, and it could be contaminated or "moldy."

"Marijuana is being controlled very well [with legalization]," he said. "Who knows what the kids and adults are getting now?"

Randy Becker said he thought the \$300,000 figure suggested the business was projecting about \$10 million a year in income. To him, that seemed like "a lot of traffic for a retail distributor," and he asked the police chief for his thoughts.

Chief Timothy Bent argued that he saw no reason to hurry, and had seen "horrific problems" regarding drugs during his 31 years on the force. "Every addict started with marijuana," he said, but added that did not mean all pot users will become addicts.

Paul LaFramboise argued the state's process has "put all these small towns in a very precarious position," and argued the town should approve the ban. If people want to allow retail later, they can change the bylaws, he added.

On the other hand, an article seeking to restrict large solar facilities to

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Members sought for search committee

The Dudley-Charlton Regional School District is beginning the search for the next superintendent to lead our district. The School Committee is inviting individuals interested in serving on the Search Committee to apply. We are seeking to have representation from our stakeholders who are passionate about education and the future of the district.

All in the community interested in the future of our district are invited to take a survey posted on the district website (http://www.dcrsd.org/) to inform the School Committee as they make this important decision. Upcoming focus groups will also be held in the community to inform this decision.

Grants fund new firefighter and equipment in Dudley **BY JASON BLEAU**

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DUDLEY – The fire department has brought a new full-time addition on board thanks to a grant received earlier in 2018.

Chief Dean Kochanowski introduced the newest full-time hire at the department to selectmen Oct. 15. John Bain, who received unanimous approval from the board, joined the department effective Oct. 22. Chief Kochanowski explained that Bain is no stranger to the town and has actually been working with the department part time for several years.

"As a result of the grant I received in August for \$138,000 we put out for a full time appointment. We posted it for 21 days and got a number of candidates. John is the most qualified. He's already been

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Courtesy of Dudley Fire Department

John Bain joins Dudley at the town's newest full-time firefighter-EMT, pictured with family at the Selectmen's meeting.

Responsibility of the search committee is to review all applications received for the position, select the 1st round candidates, interview the 1st round candidates, and recommend finalist candidates to the school committee.

Time commitment for the members of the search committee will include: November – a night meeting for orientation

December – complete review of applications week of Dec. 3 (on your own); a night meeting to meet to determine first round candidates and set interview questions.

January – multiple meetings will be held to interview the first round

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Dudley fall meeting addresses 40 articles

BY JASON BLEAU TIMES CORRESPONDEN

DUDLEY — Voters will be called to the annual fall town meeting this coming Monday, Oct. 29 and Tuesday Oct. 30 if necessary at which the agenda contains 40 articles pertaining to a wide selection of issues and proposals. In terms of financial items,

voters will address the FY 2019 supplemental budget, the compensated absence trust, unpaid bills and several other account items including the potential creation of a general stabilization fund for the solar lease funds from the old landfill property on Indian Road. Money will also be requested for allocation to the maturing debt interest account for the first payment concerning the roof repair at the Dudley Municipal Complex. Two articles will also seek to appropriate funds to the treasurer-collector salary account and the assistant treasurer-collector salary account.

Possibly the biggest financial item on the agenda

though is a request for additional funds for the Dudley fire station project. Recently it was revealed the project had overspent from the contingency fund due to a variety of unforeseen circumstances and expenditures. Officials are seeking \$225,000 to supplement the funding approved in 2016 when voters supported a Proposition $2 \frac{1}{2}$ debt exclusion for the renovation. In addition, a \$25,000 settlement from a subcontractor who backed out of the project, one of several issues that led to the

need for more funds, will also be brought to the voters to be accepted and added to the fire station building project account.

The fire department will also seek money for new air packs for firefighters as the supplemental portion of a grant received for the purchase as well as requests for money to purchase 10 sets of fire gear and supplemental salary increases for the assistant fire chief and the new lieutenant position

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Black Tavern explores region's spectral bistory

BY GUS STEEVES TIMES CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Most people either ignore or run away from haunted places, if they believe they exist. Not Tom D'Agostino and Arlene Nicholson — they make a point of going into them.

"I don't really get scared," he said. "I'm the fool who runs toward the danger. I'm expecting to get scared."

Before a Walktober audience of several dozen people at Black Tavern last Thursday, he told the story of several of his haunted building investigations and some historical tales of ghosts dating back to colonial days. One of the older ones he mentioned was that of Rebecca Cornell, who burned to death in her room. After her funeral, her brother reported being awakened by her ghost, who looked badly burned, but opened her dress to show him she'd actually been stabbed. He told the authorities; they exhumed her body and found she had been. They arrested an unemployed relative, Tom Cornell, of her murder, convicted

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Tom D'Agostino autographs one of his books for an audience member.

Giving Tree seeks names

BY GUS STEEVES TIMES CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER – While most trees in autumn lose their leaves and go to sleep, the Giving Tree flourishes.

As in many past years, this annual campaign to collect gifts for local children is now collecting both names and donations to make someone's upcoming holidays a little brighter.

According to Lynn Sackman-Aper at the United Church of Christ, families can ask for up to three gifts totaling about \$25-30 per child, plus one book each. Once the names are all known, they'll be put on gift tags — not by name, but by age and sex, to maintain confidentiality — hanging on holiday trees in several local locations where donors can take the tags they're willing to buy for.

Besides her church, the participants include Food Share, St. Louis Church, Sts. Constantine and Helen Church, Webster First Credit Union and the Jack & Jill Preschool. Between them, they usually provide gifts to about 250 kids a year, she said.

"We have some families that are every year, but over half of them are new every year," she said.

Eligible children are ages 12 or under, with a birth certificate to sign up and a parent/guardian photo ID to pick the gifts up. Sign up for gifts began last week, and continues on the following dates: tonight (Oct. 25), Oct 30, and Nov 1,6, 8, 13, and 15 from 9-11 a.m. at the Food Share Pantry (in back of the UCC on Main Street). Evening hours are also being offered Oct 30, Nov 6 and Nov 13 in the UCC office from 6-8 p.m. Sign-up is "first come, first served and available until our limit is reached or Nov 15," Sackman-Aper wrote. This year, she added, they're also reaching out to elementary schools and Webster and Dudley for names.

At St Louis, Religious Education coordinator Louise Forget has been part of the program for 13 years. She said her church takes 100 tags for Giving Tree and another 100 tags for a similar program run by another agency. Generally, the parishioners fill them all.

"Very seldom are any tags left that I'd

An affinity for trees attracts artist





Dolores Cowden painting Moonlit Aspens

Award Winning Silk Screen "The Weeping Willow" created in 1969





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Dolores Cowden is the artist of the month for October at the Oxford Public Library. "You have to let go of the past and begin again" says Cowden. Cowden has been an artist since she was in high school where she won her first award, the Boston Globe Golden Key Award. "When I received the award, it made me feel confident about my art" says Cowden. High School was over 50 years ago for Cowden, and she fondly remembers her 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Taylor, as her inspiration. Cowden soon became a teacher herself. "I have been teaching for 40 years, I taught adults at Bay Path evening school, and at the Children's Summer Art Program in Southbridge." Cowden retired this year but is starting on a new adventure.

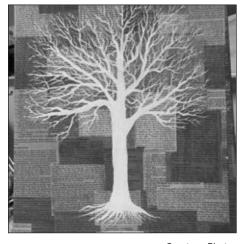
"I am working with vision boards. When you want something in your life, time-stealers can get in the way. I teach others to acknowledge those time-stealers and focus on their goals." Cowden will begin teaching classes at the Senior Center in Dudley. "It is never too late to achieve your dreams" says Cowden "We need to make the best of our time; small changes can be made to reach your goal. Be grateful with what you have and you can use a vision board to visualize your goals." Cowden will be helping others achieve their dreams through visualization, intent, and attraction. "This is a proven method of success. I look forward to the future and want to become a life-coach" says Cowden.

Cowden is a mother and grandmother and has always loved to help others. "We need to be there for each other. Help each other and move forward together" says Cowden. The art Cowden has up in the Oxford Library will be shown for the entire month of October. The Tree of Life is the piece she is most proud of. "I made it from my mothers little bible. The bible was damaged and I wanted to do something with

Boating safety course planned in Webster

The local United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Tri-State Flotilla, Massachusetts will be instructing a oneday ABOUT BOATING SAFELY course developed to provide the skills and confidence needed to explore the coast and inland waters by boat on Saturday, Nov. 10 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Webster Fire Department classroom, 55 Thompson Road

Basic knowledge and skills are needed to have safe and enjoyable boating expe-



Courtesy Photos

the pages." Cowden glued the pages to a canvas and painted a tree over the pages. "The tree represents my family and the root system is very intricate' says Cowden.

Family Tree

Dolores Cowden loves to teach others how to paint and create. "I love to share my love of art with others. I tend to make items for other people and rarely sell and keep anything for myself" says Cowden. Dolores believes art is meant to be shared and she hopes to use the techniques she has learned with others. Cowden offers home parties to help small groups of men and women of all ages to create their own vision boards. Cowden works within various communities to help all in attendance reach their potential and goals. "Where your attention goes is where your energy flows" Cowden says this is the basis of visualizing your dreams and reaching your full potential.

Dolores Cowden will be at the Meet the Artist event at the Oxford Library on Thursday, October 18th from 6:00-7:00pm. The exhibit is called "Through the Years".

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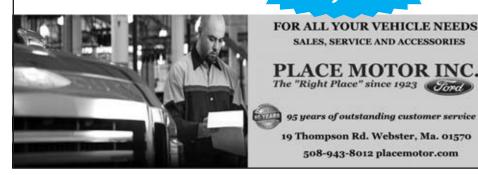
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The Oxford Fire Department held its annual open house Oct. 14, setting up various trucks, ambulances and gear to showcase for those in attendance.

The Touch a Truck event is meant to show off the various equipment inside the trucks and how everything is used in reaction to emergency or training situations. A large bounce house was set up for the local children and everyone was treated to hot dogs and pizza.

The Worcester Fire Brigade Pipes & Drums played at the event, retired Deputy Chief Cleighton Tourtellotte played the drums. The fire departments mascot, Puddles, danced to the music and stood for pictures.

Children were introduced to many of the fire departments training. Kids would use the fire hoses to put out fake fires on small wooden houses. Some were strapped in to a harness and lead through an obstacle course. Each child was given a fire helmet, little fire department water bottles and informational packets.



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Puddles the dog



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Dotson announces candidacy for state representative

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There are about 24 Roll Call votes a year...averaging 10 votes each...according to his latest report in the T&G. That's it? How long would you last in your job if you only showed up about 24 times a year?

No one checks on him...so he doesn't even bother to go to the State House much.

Go in the side door, handicapped entrance, of the State House. Use elevator 5 & 6. Pass thru the cleaning supplies and stored water and tables in the hallways to find his LOCKED office, 550. His old photo and newspaper article, when he was 36, are stuck above the room plate. He's not there though.

I served 33 years in the military reserves with 100% attendance. My last deployment was Afghanistan. As a my Units earn "Outstanding Citations", and among my personal awards were "Outstanding Airman of the Quarter, and Outstanding Sailor of the Quarter".

He voted against a pay raise, then fully accepted this \$97,547 salary plus benefits. Travel vouchers are another issue.

"He continues to prioritized the needs of his district...." states the T&G. This is false. He didn't help Millbury. For 4 months, he blocked my emails and phone calls asking to support Millbury's Glass-Steagle Resolution that was passed at Town Meeting. He couldn't be bothered to show up. He LET IT DIE in the State House Hearing.

He doesn't fight for money for Millbury, Auburn, Charlton, or Oxford. The amount of Chapter 90 money that is presented to each Town is based on a formula of population, road mileage, and number of jobs... not his work.

I oppose the present "Transgender Anti-Discrimination Law". "All persons shall be granted full enjoyment of a public accommodation, consistent with the person's gender identity". He

I and volunteers from the Referendum Petition gathered 33,000 signatures to put this law on the 2018 ballot for REPEAL.

As written, this law doesn't prevent male sexual predators or perverts from saying, "I feel like a woman today", and enter female restrooms, locker rooms, etc., and pose a threat to our children and vulnerable females.

My solution is: Women for women's rooms, men for men's rooms, and a locking one-at-a-time restroom for use by a family, handicapped or transgender person.

Vote NO on 3.

I will promote the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall, to get Federal money to MA for our local towns, support veterans and the Second Amendment, reduce or freeze taxes for senior citizens on SSI, and work to reduce interest rates on student loans.

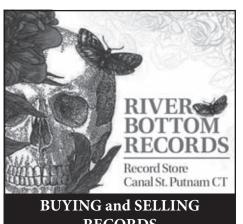
I am currently and actively serving on the Millbury Planning Board (14 years), Master Plan Committee, Youth Commission, Ponds and Lakes Commission, VFW, VFW Auxiliary, American Legion, Veteran's Council,

and Vietnam Veterans of Auburn. I work fulltime at a public high school helping students with learning challenges.

I am the only military veteran on the Worcester 7th District ballot for Millbury, Auburn, Oxford and Charlton.

It's time for Paul Frost to move over and let someone show up to work and lead.

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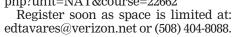


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Driving simulation scares teens straight

BY GUS STEEVES VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY - There's been a lot of warnings not to text and drive. But about 90 Shepherd Hill students were told to do exactly the opposite.

Of course, there's a caveat there: They were behind the wheel of a simulator, and most of them still ended up crashing their "cars."

For its first time, Shepherd Hill hosted the "Distractology' simulator, run by Arbella Insurance Foundation, last week. According to teacher and SADD leader Ashley Gustafson, 85 students signed up to try its 40-minute sessions.

Those involved several simulated driving situations to show how many things can happen with very short warning times, and how having various distractions - texting, playing with the radio, etc. make accidents much more likely, especially when drivers have relatively little experience.

"Multiple scenarios definitely blindsided me. We crashed a lot," said senior Erin McKeon, who described it as "really eye-opening."

"I definitely don't want to look at my phone ever [while driving]. That made me really scared," said McKeon.

McKeon went into it with some personal experience. She said her brother was "really injured and almost

died" in an accident when he hydroplaned and hit a tree."

> Her friend Reese Hammond agreed, saying, "Once you know about things that could happen, you slow down."

> Watching two other students take their tests later, it seemed like a lot of the scenarios were plausible. They included driving around a corner while texting, coming to an intersection with a big truck beside you and a hidden pedestrian crossing in front of it, and crossing a one-way street when the other driver runs a stop sign.

To school secretary Sheila McGrail, who tried it, "it definitely set you up for failure," because they threw a lot of possibilities at you in quick succession. While those could happen, they don't often. That said, "I crashed that car five or six times," she admitted, noting she's had her license "forever."

Nick Prpich-Romani, who ran the simulator trailer, said he's been doing this for years and has seen some things change. "Texting and driving was a big thing from the beginning," but phones today have many other features that make them "more of a distraction while they're driving," he said.

He feels all states should ban hand-held phone use in cars, although he agreed that it would be difficult to enforce, since it's already illegal in



Gus Steeves photo

Junior Samantha Doktor's simulated car crosses the middle line while she's texting. Nothing happened then, but moments later, she plowed into the back of a stopped SUV.

many places, yet happens all the time.

Between the simulator's segments, the computer provided both a little driving tutoring and some research data on accidents. For example, it noted there are roughly 1.6 million cell-phone caused accidents annually. Handheld phones make a driver's reaction time 37 percent longer, while hands-free phones add 18 percent to it. And those don't include all the variables a driver has no control over weather, darkness, other drivers, pedestrians, objects in the road, construction, animals, potholes, etc.

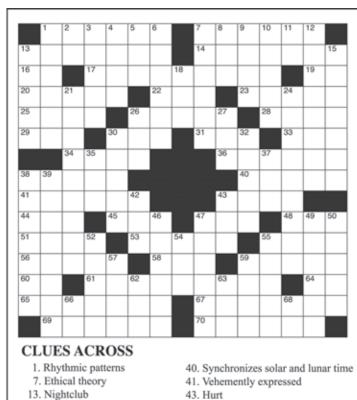
"Kids get their licenses and think they can drive however they want," said junior Allie Provost, who got her license last month. "This puts you in your place because [your driving] affects everyone else on the road."

Gustafson said she thinks all new drivers should have

to take a simulator session as part of getting their licenses.

You might be able to do it 100 times, it's that 101st when you hit somebody," she said. She tells students they should text and drive only "if you can stand up in a courtroom and tell somebody's family why your text was more important than their lives."

She noted the school plans to have another simulator on campus next spring called "Teen Drive."



44. Relative biological

45. Gradually weaken

53. Indicating silence

55. Protein-rich liquids

56. Tropical Asian plants

58. A very small circular shape

47. Cool!

48. Touch softly

59. Type of wrap

60. Potato state

61. Spinning toy

67. Closes again

69. Verses

70. Rise up

64. Type of degree

65. Ornamental molding

51. Israeli city

effectiveness (abbr.)

Transportation plans need input

Please join us to provide input on your transportation priorities and projects at one of the public meetings listed below. These meetings will help finalize and recommend the transportation investment priorities for central Massachusetts over the next 20 vears. Central Massachusetts **Regional Planning Commission** is undertaking this effort on behalf of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization. The CMMPO, comprised of locally-elected and state officials, sets regional transportation policy and determines where to allocate federal funds.

CMRPC invites decision makers, stakeholders, and members of the general public to attend a meeting to discuss "Mobility2040 – The Update for 2020" – the Long Range Transportation Plan for the central Massachusetts region. CMRPC is seeking feedback on transportation infrastructure projmajor

ects, initiatives and policies. Transportation priorities such as congestion, freight, transit, roadway maintenance, bicycle and pedestrian, and other transportation modes will also be discussed at the meeting.

Please visit our website at www.cmrpc.org/mobility2040. Here you can learn more about the plan, watch a video, take our online survey, check the events calendar along with other information materials.

Your comments can help CMRPC's planners to develop a wide-ranging, action-oriented transportation plan. The "Mobility2040 – The Update for 2020" plan being developed also will serve as a basis for allocating limited federal money aimed at roadways, bridges, and public transportation facilities. The meetings will be held on the following dates and location (there were earlier meetings in Southbridge and Northborough): Monday, Oct. 29 at 5:00 PM

in the Quabbin Regional School District Building, Central Office Conference Room, 872 South St, Barre

Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 5:00 PM in The Linwood Mill, Blackstone Valley Chamber Conference Room, 670 Linwood Ave, Building A, Suite 5, Whitinsville

Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7:00 PM in the Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave, Leicester

Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 5:00 PM in the Spencer Town Hall, McCourt Hall, 157 Main St, Spencer

These meetings are in accessible locations and materials can be provided in accessible formats. If you would like special accommodations, such as an interpreter, please contact CMRPC's Title VI coordinator at: (508) 459-3313 at least one week prior to the meeting. Please Sujatha contact Krishnan at trans@cmrpc.org with any questions or requests for further information.

Nightclub 14. Upsets 16. Type of railroad 17. Home of The Beatles 19. Political organization 20. Disgraced cyclist Armstrong 22. Seven 23. Enlarges hole 25. Some are big 26. August __, German socialist 28. Unappetizing food 29. Cast out 30. Adult male 31. After uno 33. Midway between northeast and east 34. Kenyan settlement 36. Oxygen deprived

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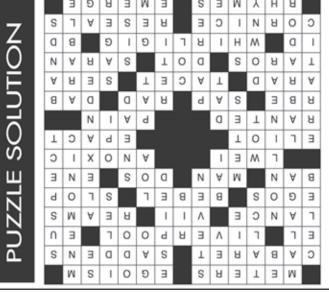
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9. Aroma

38. British writer

1. Spanish seaport 32. Golfing legend Sam 2. Equal to one quintillion (abbr.) 35. Laos musical instrument 37. Open payment initiative 4. One of the "Great" ones 38. Having no fixed course 5. Increase motor speed 39. Type of dog 6. "E.T." director 42. Digital audiotape 7. Caught sight of 43. Hit lightly 8. Congressional investigative 46. San Diego ballplayers 47. Stop working 50. Musical groups 10. Runs without moving 11. Southeast 52. Soft 54. Lowest point of a ridge 12. About remembering 13. Slang for famous person 15. Potential criminal 57. Thin strip to align parts 18. Body part 59. Cardinal number 21. All over the place 62. Frozen water 24. Conqueror 26. Actress Ling 66. Rhodium 27. Mauna __, Hawaiian volcano 68. Top lawyer in the land 30. Distributes

49. Suitable for growing crops 55. Beloved late TNT broadcaster 63. One who is incredibly special W E B G Ξ s BARA E ٦ A 1



October Real Estate Market Update

According to Bankrate.com as of 10/22/2018 the rate on a 30 year fixed loan was 4.75%. Which is up over ¹/₄ point from last month. We started noticing in the last few weeks a slowdown is showings on properties as well as time to offer. It may be affected by the interest rates rising or seasonality or both. These are signs that we are going back into a "normal" market.

Today we have 2201 single family homes for

sale in Worcester County compared to 6 months

ago where we had 1308 single homes for sale. 12

months ago we had 1902 homes for sale which

shows a more than 15.7% increase in inventory

compared to the same day 12 months ago. Which

is a larger increase than last month which tells

me we are continuing to grow our inventory com-



pared to last year. The average days on market is currently 101 days which is slightly up from last month. If we look at homes sold over past 12 months compared to the same time for the previous year there is a small increase in sales of 2.0% and a 6.1% increase in average sales price while it is taking 17% less time to sell the homes this year than last year in

Worcester County. These numbers are better than when I reported them last month. This shows that the current changing in the market are a lagging indicator of where the market is going..

It is even more important to hire a Realtor familiar with your market now in a market that is changing almost by the day. I expect that when I look at these numbers next month we will see some

changes showing more of a shift in the Real Estate Market than this data indicates. Again. I would beware of pricing ahead of the market even though prices have been increasing you don't want to get caught in a shift in the market.



PLEASE **HELP BRING** WHIPPY HOME

MISSING CAT IN DUDLEY Owner is heartbroken

His name is Whippy, he is an all-black 3-year old short haired neutered, medium-heavy cat, yellow eyes, last seen 9/14 in the Shepherd Hill, Mason Road area in Dudley.

Please call Danny @ 404-210-7173. Reward \$250. (all I can afford).

Local baseball memorabilia

My last article was about baseball in Worcester. Many noteworthy events also took place and many great players played in the areas where this newspaper is distributed.

Several players from Eastern Connecticut have played Major League Baseball. Walt Dropo is one of the most notable. Baseball Almanac cites his league leading 144 RBIs and 326 total bases as reasons he was named American League Rookie of the Year in 1950. He was the first Red Sox player to receive that honor. Fred Woodcock of Winchendon WAYNE TUISKULA and \$10 a strikeout to pitch played baseball at Dartmouth and Brown before pitching for

the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1892. Hugh Bradley of Grafton played in the majors from 1910 to 1915. He was part of the Red Sox team that won the 1912 World Series. Hick Carpenter was also from Grafton and played from 1879 to 1892. Eddie Eayrs of Blackstone played in 1913 and then again in 1920 and 1921. Sturbridge's Bill Fox played in 1897 and in 1901. Frank Gilmore of Webster played from 1886 to 1888. Earle Mack of Spencer played for Connie Mack with the Philadelphia Athletics in 1910, 1911 and 1914. Pat Murphy of Auburn played for the New York Giants from 1887 to 1890. Tom Niland of Brookfield played in the majors in 1896. John Stafford of Dudley played for the Cleveland Spiders in 1893. Jerry Turbidy, also of Dudley, played in 1884. Asa Stratton of Grafton played for the Worcesters in 1881. Connie Mack of East Brookfield played from 1886 to 1896. He is however most notable for his coaching career. The Philadelphia Athletics won 9 American

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League pennants and 5 World Series championships while he was manager.

The Blackstone Valley League was one of the most competitive leagues of its time and is an important part of local baseball history. Walter Schuster was one of the most aggressive owners. Douglas Historical Society notes that Schuster paid Hank Greenberg \$175 on the spot after seeing him hit a home run in his first at bat. He paid Lefty Grove \$300 in a championship game. The hope1842.com Hopedale histo-

ry website states that the league was established in 1905. By 1924 the towns of Whitinsville, Rockdale, Uxbridge, Douglas, Fisherville and Millbury were also part of the league. Owners other than Schuster were willing to pay for talented players to get a leg up on the competition. Wes Ferrell, Gabby Hartnett, and Walt Dropo were other major leaguers who played in the Blackstone Valley League.

Douglas also holds claim to another piece of local baseball history. Soldiers Field hosted an exhibition game between the Red Sox and Yankees September 26, 1946. 12,000 fans saw the Joe DiMaggio led Yankees edge Ted Williams and the Red Sox 8-7.

Local baseball memorabilia doesn't command the high prices of major league memorabilia, but there are still collectors (including me) who buy it. I've found many local factory team photos and other items at flea markets, auctions and antique shows. The early



The Rockdale baseball team of Blackstone Valley.

1900s photos of industrial league teams typically ranged in price from \$10 to \$50. I purchased a photo from a Brimfield dealer of the Rockdale baseball team for \$75. A jersey from the Rochdale team also cost me \$75. These items were all from the early 20th century. Items from the 19th century memorabilia commands higher prices. A cabinet photo of Connie Mack at bat knocked it out of the park at auction when it sold for \$2,666.

Our next live multi-estate antique and collectibles auction will be held on Jan. 31st. I hope to meet some readers of this column at the Winchendon History and Cultural Center's antique appraisal event on Oct. 28th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events.

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

Writing workshop planned at Salem Cross Inn

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD - Are you an aspiring author who wants to learn more about the process of querying a literary agent? Or maybe you've written the majority of a manuscript but need a few tips on how to overcome late-stage writer's block. No matter what questions you're facing, an upcoming writer's workshop will have the answers.

Local award-winning author Ed Londergan will hold his third annual writing and publishing workshop on Sunday, Nov. 4, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Salem Cross Inn. The workshop will cover the entire writing and publishing process, including the development of ideas, story structure. the establishment of atmosphere and setting, character development, creating authentic dialogue, and sustaining a reader's interest. The workshop is open to writers of all ages and ability levels. Past workshops have been attended by people of widely varying experience levels, from middle school and high school students to retirees interested in writing memoirs for their families.

"Evervone has a story to tell," said Londergan, who authored The Devil's Elbow and The Long Journey Home, among others. "The workshop is geared toward anyone who wants to write and does not know where to start. It is also great for more experienced writers seeking information on the publishing process."

Whether you've been writing for years or you just got started on your first manuscript, all writers will eventually deal with the dreaded writer's block. At Londergan's workshop, several tips for overcoming writer's block will be discussed. Additionally, strategies will be presented for writers who complete the majority of their works but don't know how to finish them. Creating a satisfactory ending for the reader is often the most challenging part of the whole process. Of course, the end of a writer's manuscript represents the beginning of an entirely new challenge: the path to publication. Sometimes it can be hard to know which route is best-suited for a given manuscript, but Londergan's workshop will help guide writers through the confusion. Topics to be covered include self-publishing, traditional markets,

literary agents, and query letters. Previously shunned in literary circles, self-published books have increased in popularity in recent years and may be the best option for many writers.

"People do not realize how difficult it can be to get an agent," Londergan added. "It is possible to send a query letter to 100 or more agents and have few, if any, respond. Folks also don't realize that an agent will not consider

representing author an unless they have a story that will make money for the publisher. It is a highly competitive marketplace that revolves

around mak-

to push through writer's block is a change of pace, and Londergan has no shortage of fun prompts. In the past, he has asked attendees to write about experiences ranging from their best holiday memory to their favorite book. The prompts also facilitate group discussion and allow writers to connect and collaborate.

"There is always a lot of discussion at the workshops. Individual issues or problems

anyone is having with their writing are discussed, and the group helps them with suggestions and observations, Londergan said.

The workshop cost is \$95 and lunch is included. Registration is required; the registration deadline is Oct. 30.

To register for the workshop, send an email to ed.londergan@gmail.com or call 413-436-7901.



ing money." One of the most enjoyable aspects of the workshop for attendees the creis ative exercises Londergan employs. Sometimes all it takes

Story Idea?

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within the department.

The police department will also seek money for a new vehicle for that department. The highway department will also be seeking funding for a dump truck, tire purchases and a plow. A light duty one-ton dump truck with a plow is also being requested by building and grounds. Finally, animal control will be seeking a vehicle for use by the animal control officer or assistant animal control officer.

Other items to be discussed on the warrant include a remedy of the public nuisance bylaw, upgrades to the propertv appraisal software in town, proposed amendments to personnel policies and duties of town officers at the request of the Board of Selectmen, and a new general bylaw concerning the hiring or appointment of the town administrator.

Another article will address the towns

solar farm bylaws while a second zoning bylaw concerning adult-use marijuana establishments will seek to put in place official regulations for such facilities moving into the community.

Later in the evening the Economic Development Committee will seek the formation of an Agricultural Advisory Commission and Recreation Commission while the Board of Selectmen has recommended the creation of a new account for money to fund merit increases for department heads and non-union employees as well as increased hours at the veterans' office. The final item on the agenda is a petition article seeking \$10,000 for historical record preservation.

Dudley's fall annual town meeting will be held at Shepherd Hill Regional High School on Monday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. and, again, will continue into Tuesday night at the same time and place if necessary. A full warrant for the meeting can be found on the town of Dudley website.

Reason to Celebrate?

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industrial and business zones, rather than residential areas, passed overwhelmingly, 92-19. Proponent Jason Piader, who petitioned it as a citizen, said he wanted to "bring solar bylaws into conformance with [state] recommendations" and address the fact several such facilities have been proposed in residential zones and/or near conservation land.

A man supporting the idea noted the town approved an overlay for solar covering the whole town three years ago. Under it, he said, such a facility "could be put on Memorial Beach" if the Planning Board approved it.

The voters also approved seeking special legislation to expand Waterfront Mary's liquor license to a year-round one, rezoning a couple parcels on Thompson Road to business, paying a few prior-year bills, and giving the selectmen authority to approve easements on town property. But they rejected increasing the pay of retirement board members.

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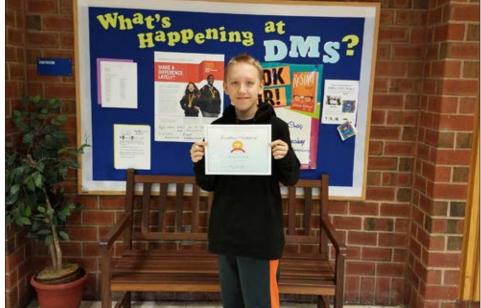
LEARNING

Dudley Middle School announces Students of the Month



Courtesy photos

Most of the students are pictured here, not in order: Alexa Zannotti (Team 5-1), Molly Fitton (Team 5-2), Jesslyn Reddick (Team 5-3), Edward Ermlick (Team 6-1), Isabella Lefebvre (Team 6-2), Ashley Dickhaut (Team 6-3), Ethan Casey (Team 7-1), Zachary Wennerberg (Team 7-2), Alex Salerno (Team 8-1), and Jessica Awad (UA).



Jonathan Battistoni, Team 8-2, had to have his picture taken later than his classmates.

Schools accept backpack donations

BY GUS STEEVES CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER - Most kids take school backpacks, notebooks, pens and the like for granted. But for too many, even those basic needs are too costly.

For at least eight years, Webster Public School have teamed with Long Subaru to provide a stockpile of such materials at Park Ave School. Before school began, the dealership donated 53 backpacks and bags of other materials stuffed in the hatchback of one of their cars.

'We're really grateful as a school district to receive these donations year after year," Superintendent Ruthann Goguen said. She noted some of them will specifically go to kids who were displaced by the tornado.

"These will be gone" quickly, she added.

According to Long's mar-

keting director Sarah Brunell, the dealership starts collecting them in early August. They bought all but three of the packs and about a quarter of the other supplies, with the rest coming from donations. Most of the notebooks and related supplies came from Tri-Vallev this year.

"Customers and employees donate as well," Long's Executive Manager Scott Barry said. "They don't have to worry; they know where it's going.

The idea started under a previous service manager. Many of their customers, then and now, are teachers, and talked about the various needs they see.

"It's a really nice, fun project to do," Brunell said. "I've learned over the years which ones are quality and tough, with easy zippers."

The collection is being aimed

at a wide range of interests and ages. Besides the standard solid colors, there are also more abstract colorful designs and several featuring cartoon characters.

Upon seeing one of Spiderman, new Principal Robin Parmley quipped, "This makes me want to be Spiderman. I'm a superhero in my mind."

"I was just so excited to be part of this, to be able to receive them for the kids," she added. "there's always a great need for supplies. Times are tough for a lot of families, and supplies are more expensive than they were 10 years ago.'

When they separated, Goguen took several packs to the middle and high school to seed a new backpack food program "so kids can take food home if they need it." That's a collaboration with Food Share, and she noted "a lot more [kids] than we think

need it.'

she's

Business

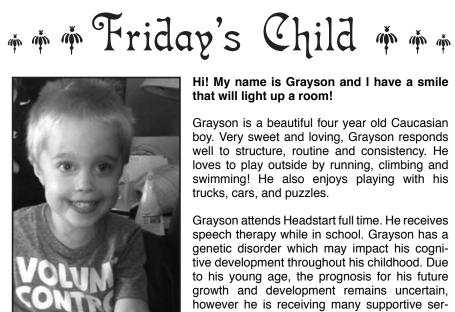
Manager

Monique Pierangeli agreed, saying

kids become distraught

because they

"seen





Grayson Age 3

vices. He is in need of a family who is open to working with outside providers and who will be committed to him unconditionally.

Legally freed for adoption, Grayson would do well in most any family constellation with or without children in the home. More importantly Grayson will need love, support, structure and a routine to progress to his fullest potential. He will need to maintain personal contact in th form of visits with his birth mom and sister at least three times a year. His present foster family would also like to be a continuing part of Gravson's life.

Who Can Adopt?

Can you provide the guidance, love and stability that a child needs? If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ singles and couples.

The process to adopt a child from foster care requires training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you, and if so, to help connect you with a child or sibling group that your family will be a good match for.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."

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don't know where their next meal is coming from." G u s Steeves can be reached at

gus.steeves2@

gmail.com.

Gus Steeves photos

Park Ave School Principal Robin Parmley, right, accepts one of the many donated backpacks from Long Subaru's Scott Barry.



School and Long Subaru officials show off just a few of the donated packs.

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working with us as a per diem medic for the last two to three years. He does shifts at least once a week. He has a very good attitude. He comes in with some call fire experience," the chief said.

Bain said he started working toward a career as a firefighter many years ago and is now ready to pursue the job full time and bring an even more dedicated approach to his duties as a firefighter and EMT in Dudley.

"I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the town of Dudley, the Board of Selectmen, Chief Dean Kochanowski and the Dudley Fire Department for the opportunity tonight to begin my career as a firefighter. I've long dreamed of being a fireman beginning just over 15 years ago when I completed my EMT and paramedic. With a few years of on-call at small town departments, I knew small town firefighting is what I

wanted to do. I can only hope my experience and determination will continue the integrity of the department and provide professional service to the town of Dudley and the surrounding communities," Bain said before thanking his family for their continued and undying support in helping him push to achieve his dream job.

Bain has most recently worked with UMass in Worcester for the past four years in addition to his part-time status with the Dudley Fire Department. He will enroll in the full-time recruit program for further training in the near future.

In other good news, the town has received 33 new Scott X3 Pro self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and 66 forty-five minute SCBA cylinders as well as 40 new facepieces and four Scott sight thermal imaging facepieces with voice amplifiers. The equipment totals \$226,000 and was fully funded through the Assistance to Firefighters grant program operated through FEMA.

Tri-Valley, Inc. - November 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Northbridge 508-234-2002, Oxfo Spencer 508-885-3904, Sturbrid, Jpton 508-529-9094, Uxbridge 7 Tri-Valley receives federal financ	508-520-1422, Milford 508-478-810 rd 508-987-6000, Southbridge 774 ge 508-347-5063, Sutton 508-234- 74-482-6174, West Brookfield 508 ial support under the Older America gency on Aging and the Executive (-289-9438, 0703, -867-1411 ans Act	1 Salisbury Steak Gravy Garlic Mashed Potatoes Herbed Carrots Baked Apples Sandwich Roll	2 Potato Crunch Fish Potatoes Au Gratin Mixed Vegetables Butterscotch Pudding Diet = SF Vanilla Pudding Marble Rye Bread Tartar Sauce
5 Chicken Picatta Herbed Rice Spinach Lemon Pudding Diet = SF Tapioca Pudding Pumpernickel Bread	6 Meatballs Onion Gravy Bowtie Pasta Scandinavian Vegetables Mandarin Oranges French Bread	7 Marinated Pork Loin Seasoned Potatoes Carrots Pumpkin Spice Cake Diet = Half Piece Whole Wheat Bread	8 BBQ Chicken Red Bliss Potatoes Green Beans Fresh Fruit Marble Rye Bread Vegetable Soup	9 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Roman Blend Vegetables Fruited Ambrosia Italian Bread
12 Veterans Day No Meal Served	13 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Beans & Com Sour Cream Pita Bread Pineapple	14 High Sodium Meal Hot Dog* Baked Beans Coleslaw Fresh Fruit Hot Dog Bun Mustard Packet	15 Beef w/Onions & Peppers Potato Wedges Honey Glazed Carrots Strawberry Cup Sandwich Roll	16 Salmon Boat w/Dill Sauce Mashed Potatoes Peas & Pearl Onions Gingerbread Diet = Half Piece Pumpernickel Bread
19 Beef Stew Rice Corn Niblets Mandarin Oranges French Bread	20 High Sodium Meal Roast Turkey Gravy Mashed Potatoes Herbed Stuffing Butternut Squash Cream Puff French Bread Cranberry Sauce	21 Baked Potato w/ Chili & Cheese Broccoli Sour Cream Strawberry Cup Pumpernickel Bread	22 Thanksgiving No Meal Served	23 Shepherd's Pie Carrots Peas Baked Cinnamon Pears Italian Bread
26 Chicken Mornay* Couscous Brussels Sprouts Peaches Marble Rye Bread	27 Meatloaf Gravy Garlic Mashed Potatoes Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit Whole Wheat Bread	28 Roast Pork Gravy Cranberry Stuffing California Blend Vegetables Baked Apples Marble Rye Bread	29 Lasagna Meatballs w/sauce Italian Blend Vegetables Birthday Cake Half Piece Italian Bread	30 Haddock w/Cream Sauce Wild Rice Broccoli w/Red Peppers Blondie Diet = Half Piece French Bread

SENIOR SCENE

Dudley Senior Center

71 West Main Street (508) 949-8015

Margaret Bussiere Director (extension 3)

coa@dudleyma.gov

Hours: M & F 10am-3:30pm

For Tri Valley Senior Lunch Reservations please call Inge Gassner, at 508-949-9081

Tri Valley Lunches are served here on Mondays and Fridays @ 11:30 AM. A \$3.00 donation per lunch is requested. Please call 48 hours ahead to reserve your lunch, Call Inge @ 508-949-9081, or 508-949-8015 X3.

Important, Please note, the Elder Abuse Hotline for Mass. is 1-800-922-2275.

Please note: If the Dudley schools are cancelled, then we are too! Don't venture out in bad weather!

OCTOBER EVENTS

On Tuesdays: Oct 30, 10am-12n, we are hosting a FREE Wellbeing Workshop by Delores Cowden who has been studying the topic of Creating More Joy in Our Lives. As our Group Facilitator, she poses this question: Do you ever feel like you are never accomplishing anything you set out to do? Are you feeling like you never have enough time, energy or motivation? We will discuss the meaning of joy, mindfulness, forgiveness, and gratitude. We'll learn about starting a Gratitude Journal, and ways to recognize the gifts we already have within ourselves. We will be identifying our "Time Thieves" (Social Media, TV, Procrastination), more importantly, we will discuss strategies and ways to replace those activities with positive ones that will bring about more joy. We will discuss what drains our energy, and how to stop that drain, or leak from draining you.

323 Main Street (behind Town Hall) Oxford, MA 01540, 508-987-6000

Email: seniorcenter@town.oxford. ma.us

Facebook: Oxford Town Council on Aging

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., except holidays.

Tri-Valley lunches served at 11:45 a.m., M-F, 48 hour notice needed.

Call the WRTA for out of town medical appointments at 508-752-9283.

New

Free lamination of your new Medicare card. Stop by the senior center during working hours.

The Oxford Fire Department in partnership with the American Red Cross will install free battery operated smoke alarms in your home. Call Capt. Sellers at 508-987-6012, Monday-Friday, 8-5.

Our Director is interested in hearing from possible volunteers who love to cook and would like to be a friendly visitor to a senior. The commitment would be 3 hours per week. Please call the senior center if interested or need further information.

A BIG Thank You to all those who have donated yarn and equipment for our seniors. We are still in need of wheelchairs, walkers with seats and bath chairs (transfers).

Ongoing

sentation on insurance options will be held at the Webster Senior Center on Thursday, Nov. 1 at 10:00 am.

WEEKLY EVENTS

MOVE WHILE U GROOVE classes with Forty Arroyo.

Please Note: BEGINNING in October, Forty Arroyo's Monday and Wednesday classes start times will change. Chair Dancing class will run from 10:00-11:00 am and Move While You Groove (dance fitness) class will run from 11:30 am-12:30 pm.

Mondays: Knitting/Crocheting Social 10:00 am- 12:00 pm

Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts at 1:00 pm promptly. Please plan to arrive by 12:45 pm to allow time to buy your bingo sheets. Our bingo group is looking for volunteers to call bingo. Stop by the front desk or call (508) 949-3845 for more information.

Progressive Pitch: Every Monday and

Wednesday at 1:00 pm. No need to commit to a league, come and play when you can make it. NEW! – Mahjongg. Wednesdays from 1-3pm. Please call 508-949-3845 if you are interested or stop by the Senior Center.

13-Card Pitch: Every Thursday at 1:00 pm

9-Card Pitch: Every Friday at 1:00 pm NEW...CRIBBAGE GROUP! Fridays at 1:00 pm.

S.C.M. Elderbus Inc. Passengers: Please note that you need to call 1-800-321-0243 at least 48 business hours (2 days) in advance to schedule a ride.

House Number Signs: Worcester County Sheriff's Office offers a free service to anyone who may be interested in having a number sign made for his or her house. Please inquire at Senior Center Office.

Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 or stop in and pick up our monthly newsletter for a complete list of additional activities and upcoming events.

QUINEBAUG VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT for Students and Their Families

On Going Schedule

MONDAY: Chair Yoga @ 10:30-11:30am, with Joanne LaLiberte HHP, (\$2.00 class). Come join in anytime, it's great for your mind as well as your body! Tri Valley Lunch is served here at 11:30 am. Please call the Senior Center or Inge Gassner @ 508 949-9081 to reserve a meal. (A \$3.00 donation per meal is suggested). Also, on Monday, a Movie Matinee @ 12:30 pm. April: 9, 23, and 30. FREE, come join us!

TUESDAY, @ 1pm: Card Players, 13 Card Pitch, and Dudley Senior Women Needle-workers.

WEDNESDAY, @1 pm: Dudley Senior Women Needle-workers.

THURSDAY, One to One Computer @ 10 AM on Thursdays by Appointment, please call the senior center if you would like to learn how to use your computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone. Instructor, Joyce Cordero has a background in computers. 11AM to 11:45AM Thursdays, ZUMBA GOLD with Instructor Steph Bolduc. (\$2 per class). A FUN, upbeat energizing, low impact dance Class! Also, @ 1pm: Cribbage Players, (new players always welcome).

FRIDAY: Chair Yoga @ 10:30-11:30 am, with Joanne LaLiberte HHP. (\$2.00 per class). TRI Valley Lunch is at 11:30am, followed by BINGO, a friendly, small group, slower paced BINGO.

Seniors did you know that you are welcome to attend any of our events or activities regardless of where you live? If you see something on our schedule you'd like to try, come join us! We like making new friends!

Don't forget, Panera Bread Donation is here on Friday mornings at 10:00 am, until it's gone! Thank you Panera!

OXFORD SENIOR CENTER

Mondays: Cards and Games - 10 AM, WalMart–(2nd & 4th Mondays)–holiday exceptions (with option of TJ Maxx), cards & games, "Aging Backwards" Stretch-12:45 PM

Tuesdays: Needle workers 11(looking for more knitters!), Grocery Shopping (option of Dollar Tree) -10 AM, Needle Workers – 12, Chair Yoga - 1 PM

Wednesdays: S.H.I.N.E. — Every other Wednesday, call for an appointment, -- Kmart, (3rd Wed of month)-10 AM, Pitch - 12:30-2:30 PM, Mahjong -10:30 AM, Medical appointment rides

Thursdays: Strength & Balance- 9 AM, Grocery Shopping -10 AM

Lunches from Isador's Organics (\$5 donation). Call for details.

Fridays: Hair Appointments, Cards and Games -10 AM, Book Club- 1st Friday of the month.

Blood pressure and blood glucose checks available.

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FREE Blood Pressure Screening on the second Thursday of every month at 10:30 am. Sponsored by Webster Manor.

Fallon Open Enrollment will be held at the Webster Senior Center on Wednesday, October 31st from 10:00 am-12:00 pm

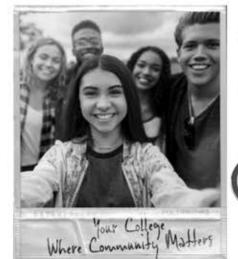
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- How to Complete the FAFSA
- Common Questions of Misconceptions about Financing College

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> **RUTH DEAMICIS** EDITOR THE WEBSTER TIMES

EDITORIAL Too big for our britches

When the United States was very, very young; it immediately became embroiled in the wars of other countries.

It seems in our nature to become either the brokers in the peace negotiations, or the warmongers in the intimidation.

We immediately put ourselves in the position to become the entire world's police force. Or at least those parts of the world we chose to be interested in.

Often, it was based entirely on economics, on the profits to be made by someone either in the government or with influence in the government. Our government or someone else's government

Did vou think this was new?

Sometimes it was handled clandestinely, with "black ops" (in the 1700s and 1800s it was not described quite the same way, but it existed); and other times we just charged up San Juan hill.

And sometimes the newspapers were part and parcel of the planning and implementation; other times they were appalled by it. All the way from the "spies" discovered and exposed, to Vietnam.

What, you didn't know there were spies during the Revolutionary War? World War I? The Russian Revolution?

And that some of them were American?

Sometimes newspapers exposed things, other times they covered them up.

Sometimes politicians got away with scandals, with monetary extortion or down right stealing; there were bribes; there were cover ups. There were illnesses purposely kept quiet "in the interest of national security."

Sound familiar?

No, the press hasn't always been the 'good guys" either. They too have been culpable.

Sometimes with what they believed were good reasons, other times for sen preservation, and other times they too were paid off.



<u>Letters to the Editor</u> Bellmore: change a few things

To the Editor:

The Yesteryear Car Show by the Dudley Lions Club, overall it's a very good show at a great place with plenty of room at the Commerce Insurance Co. parking lot in Webster.

But I offer the following comments. Most shows to enter your car is \$10 or \$15. Lions Club is \$20 per car. Therefore you would think there would be more than two portable toilets for the great

crowd they draw. They used to fly the American flag and play the National Anthem around

Klebart: Early voting

To the Editor:

Now, more than ever, it is important for each and every registered voter to exercise their voting right. Whether you are a Democrat, a Republican or not a member of either party; it is important for your voice to be heard. And now it is easier than ever to vote. No lines, no restricted dates or times. Vote on your schedule!

EARLY VOTING began Oct. 22n ends Nov. 2nd for the upcoming Nov. 6th

election FIVE EASY STEPS TO EARLY VOTING!

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noon time. Not this year.

The one good concession stand ran out of coffee about 11 a.m. — common! Because there is so much room, it is

a great parking lot, there should have been more space between each show car.

I was there at 9 a.m., entering two show cars, and trophies, which are always excellent, should be given at 2 p.m. They gave them out much too late in the day.

JERRY BELLMORE WEBSTER

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TOM KLEBART, CHAIR WEBSTER DEMOCRATIC TOWN Committee

Chief urges caution on Halloween



Trick or Treat in Dudley is scheduled Wednesday, for October 31st from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. This should be a time for everyone to have fun and get lots of candy. I wanted to remind everyone participating in this activity of some important safety tips. It is important

to remember to have plenty of illumination when out at night. Carry a flashlight and use reflective tape on costumes, especially those that are dark in color. Adjust any mask or hood in such a way to maintain clear vision. This will not only protect you from cars but also limit accidents on unfamiliar property. Also, stay on the sidewalks and away from traffic. If there are no sidewalks, walk along the road shoulder facing traffic. Never go out alone. Younger kids should always be accompanied by an adult. Older children, not accompanied by an adult, should be in a group and inform their families where they will be at all times. Since most people have access to a cell phone, keeping in contact should not be an issue. Children should never enter any home when they do not know the person. Wait outside and let the people bring the items to the door.

All candy must be inspected by an adult before the kids "dig in." Accept only wrapped items and reject anything such as fruit or loose candy. If there is even a slight possibility of candy having been tampered with, discard it. There will certainly be enough left for everyone to enjoy. The evening is designed to be fun for children. Officers will be out during these times assisting everyone in having a happy and safe Halloween.

Finally, remember to respect those home owners who do not participate or may have run out of candy. A home without outside lights on can be a good indicator of one of these circumstances. Try to avoid these locations out of respect for their privacy. In addition, it is unsafe to walk in a location which is not known and not well lit. There could be hazard spots present which can cause an accident or injury. Thank

What true love looks like

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I recently visited an older parishioner at a nursing home and as we began to talk about the Church, I asked her, "What do you miss most about Church?" Without hesitation she quietly responded, "I miss being around people! It's the people I want to see! Wow! What a state-

ment! "I miss being around people. It's

the people I want to see!" Her words reminded me of a poster I hang up in our church entitled "Thoughts from a Wheel Chair." It shows an older woman sitting in a wheel chair, looking out at the reader:

What is it like to be old?

I can tell you, but unless you are old, you cannot understand.

I cannot explain how long the day is, waiting here in this nursing home,

confined to this wheel chair or bed. Waiting for someone to come to visit

ditional way. He created each one of us out of His divine love. So, we are children of love, created to be loved and then to love one another. Jesus' teachings remind us about God's true nature of love. And once we understand God's love for us, we will then

understand how He created us to love one another - to love the One who created us, as well as to love those around us who are created in God's own image.

It seems so natural to love, because we all want to be loved. And yet, because we live in a fallen world, too often we focus on ourselves instead of on others. Instead of treating others the way we want to be treated - to love one another our egocentric desires lead us astray. First, we hold our love back against those we don't like - towards people who have hurt us, people who are different from us, or people we consider ur enemies. It seems easy to justify not loving such people, even though Jesus Christ concretely commands us to love our enemies. Yet what excuse do we have to not love those who are our family members, our relatives and friends, our former parishioners, neighbors and co-workers? For example, what about the elderly who have left our sight because they now live in nursing homes, in assisted living, or remain homebound? Why would we hold back our love from those who have loved us and been a part of our lives in the past? Is it because we have skewed our priorities? Maybe we have fooled ourselves with equating our "busy lives" with importance? Maybe we are too self-centered that we focus only on ourselves? How often I hear people say "I don't like going to the nursing homes because it makes me feel uncomfortable, it smells, and I don't like seeing people that way.' Maybe we don't like to face the elderly. because they remind us of our own mortality? One day we will be there. Yet, we live in a society that tries to deny growing older, puts a superficial face on aging and wants to ignore the eventuality of death. So, in the end, we simply don't visit our elderly. When was the last time you visited an elderly person in a nursing home? What about those who are homebound? And what about our own grandparents, parents, aunts and uncles, dear friends and others who may be alone. Let's make Jesus' teachings as concrete as possible. Ultimately, Christ wants us to live out His teachings. Can we make a decision to go and visit someone this week who lives alone? Go to a nursing home. Visit a homebound friend. Reach out to an elderly person. Make a phone call or write them a love note. Remember those who have been a part of our lives in the past and allow them to remain a part of our lives in the present! Not only will they be appreciative, but we will be greatly blessed. For whenever we love others, we show our love for God, and His love shines all the more brightly within us.

It happens.

So now we have the modern day politics and press. We have both completely out of control. We have anyone with a camera on their phones able to post to the internet and claim to be journalists. They don't have to adhere to any ethics, but they can indeed take all the video they can manage of "stuff" going on around them.

The thing is, they can also edit it, and put up just the quotes and the bits and pieces that showcase what they want to show you. Don't ever forget it.

We have politicians, including our president, who justly mistrust the organized press because they have not been given a fair hearing by them. But they also take advantage of that same situation, and the president himself has said he had attacked the press on purpose to justify his own position and throw bad light on all journalists; to make certain any press negative to his own position is not trusted.

It's a game. Played well by good players.

But it doesn't actually do the citizens of the world any favors.

We have refugees from war torn countries moving from place to place all over the globe. They have no sanctuary because every single country has problems. There is no room for any of them anywhere. And in places like the Middle East, Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran; those fleeing the wars have nowhere safe to go.

Terrorists know no boundaries.

South American countries are just as bad; and African countries have been war torn for years. Genocide is a way of life.

While we have appointed ourselves the watchdogs of the world for more than 300 years, yet we have failed. And we continue to fail. We as a country put ourselves into the middle of conflicts worldwide, yet we cannot solve our domestic problems.

We claim a sovereignty we cannot justify, as we turn away refugees from everywhere.

We can't have it both ways. We can't claim to be able to solve world problems, yet refuse the follow through. And we certainly can't claim to solve world problems when our domestic problems are so dire.

me,

and no one comes. And when upon rare occasion my sons or daughters call, they always explain how busy they are, then scurry away.

I know what it is to be busy. I raised them, all five of them.

Yes, I can understand what it is to be young and busy, but you can't understand

what it is to be old with only memories to fill the empty hours.

I cannot expect you to understand my kind of loneliness. To realize that you are no longer useful. To sense that people resent your clinging to life and taking up their time.

I cannot tell you how depressed I feel, how I long to see my grandchildren,

the home where I was raised, and the church which I attended.

You would not understand my fears, my longings, my anxieties.

But when you are old, then you will understand.

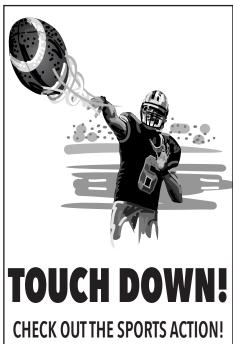
We read in the Bible, "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. (1 John 4:7-12)

The essence of our Christian faith is all about God's love for us, and then our love for one another! First and foremost, God loves us. Not because we deserve it. It has nothing to do with what we have done, but everything to do with who HE IS. He loves each one of us in an unconyou in advance for your cooperation with these many tips and try to keep this a fun and safe night.

As a reminder, on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 9 am to 1:00 pm, the Dudley Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will conduct another prescription drug "Take Back" event. The public has the opportunity to safely dispose of expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The service is free and anonymous. During our previous events, large quantities of prescription medications were taken in. In addition, a needle drop box will also be available for those who need to safely dispose of medical sharps. Several communities in our area will also be participating in this event. If you are not from Dudley, check with your local police for a participating location near you. I encourage everyone to mark their calendars and take advantage of this opportunity.

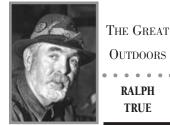
Thanks again for your questions and comments. Please send them to me at the Dudley Police Department, 71 West Main St., Dudley, MA 01571 or email at swojnar@dudleypolice.com.

Opinions expressed in this weekly column are those of Chief Wojnar only and unless clearly noted, do not reflect the ideas or opinions of any other organization or citizen.





'Tis the season for the hunt...and the ticks



On Oct. 13, the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club honored one of their long time members with a surprise roast pig dinner with all of the trimmings. Wilhelm Huber is the long time kitchen chairman and custodian of the club and is always at the club early each morning performing the duties of three men 365 days a year. The kitchen is always kept clean as well as the clubhouse, and with the winter not far off "Willy," as his many friends call him, will have the wood stove burning and the clubhouse nice and warm for the members that hold daily meetings discussing many topics of the club and outside politics. With five different topics being discussed at the same time it sounds like a bunch of old ladies at a tea party. Thanks Willy!

Local hunters are reporting that very few deer ticks are being found on their hunting dogs this year, although just one is too many. At this time of year harvested deer should

be cleaned and dressed outside to avoid bringing the ticks into the home. As a deer carcass cools down, the ticks will fall off of the deer, possibly causing a problem for family members and pets. Many deer hunters have their garage attached to their home and often hang the deer in them. After the deer has had the skin removed, the skin still needs to be handled properly, outside away from the home. Many hunters place the skin and deer head in a freezer to keep it from spoiling prior to taking it to a taxidermist. It should also be kept away from the family's freezer that has food stored inside.

With the rut heating up, deer many hunters will encounter a big buck of a lifetime. If all goes well and you do harvest a big buck, extra care needs to be used to dress and skin the animal if you plan to have it mounted for your man cave. Locating a good taxidermist prior to your hunt will save a lot of time and extra work if you have found a good one. Checking with local sporting goods stores for recommendations on a good taxidermist and looking at some of his work, will ensure a great life like mount to look at for many years to come.

Sharing some of your venison with landowners is also a good way to keep your hunting spot open for years to come. Always ask permission to hunt posted or private property when possible and do not leave cans, bottles and sandwich wrappers behind. Even if you find litter that is not yours that was left behind by an irresponsible hunter, pick it up and dispose of it properly.

Local trout fishing has been very good at recently stocked waters. Local bass anglers are also reporting some nice catches of largemouth bass. This is also a great time to catch some hornpout at local waters like the West River. Fishing Harrington's Pool at this time of year will often find fishing for these tasty fish rewarding. The hornpout migrate up the river into deep holes prior to freeze up and can provide some great fishing for a great meal.

Local bird hunters are enjoying some great hunting at open covers and at local rod & gun clubs. The state will continue to stock pheasant up until Thanksgiving Day. Pointing or flushing dogs are a great sight to see in local bird covers, and a dog retrieving a downed bird gives hunting that special touch.

One of last week's photos of a large salmon, was taken from the internet of New York caught salmon, and may not



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This week's picture shows from left to right: Ralph Godin, Wilhelm Huber, Gerry Bacon, and Bill Bruno enjoying the event honoring Willy at Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club.

have been taken from the Salmon River as the CAPTION read, but was caught in New York some time ago as the column stated!! We apologize for any confusion. Years ago, local angler Sherman Ludden caught a 40 lb. plus king salmon on the Salmon River and had it mounted hanging at his Countryside Store in Uxbridge. They do get very large. Now is the time to go and you may just get hooked into the fish of your life.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!!

While the others girls were asleep she crept down the stairs. The smooth banister felt cold to the touch, the fire must have flamed out hours ago. Her soft footfalls were betrayed by the creaking of each stair tread as her descent into darkness unfolded. Although there was no light to show her way, Jenna knew each step to take. This was not her first time sneaking out of Madam Beatrice's Home for Troubled Girls. Troubled she laughed, these other girls may be just troubled, Jenna was a bit more. She was the cause of dismay; she wriggled in the onslaught of the fear she caused in others. Halloween was a week away, but Jenna couldn't wait, this would be her biggest prank vet.

Jenna reached the bottom of the staircase and slipped into the foyer. Dozens of open wooden lockers filled the entryway. Jenna ran her fingers along the rough coat sleeves until she reached her own. Jenna pulled on her coat, and strapped on her boots. Black wool, the uniform to keep them identical, unnoticed, and invisible. Jenna ran her hand through her spiked hair and lifted the ends to stand erect. Fitting in was not for her, being invisible is meant for mischief at midnight. The front door had three alarms attached; two of them in gratitude to Jenna and her past schemes. She reached the door and ran her fingers along the outer frame. Not the door this time, she thought. On both sides of the door were large sidelights of glass panels. The glass panes were two on the left and two on the right. Jenna pulled a flathead from her coat, she lifted it from the repair man's tool chest days before. The flat metal edge slipped into the lowest frame between panel and glass. Jenna wriggled the glass out and set it gently aside. She slipped her hand away and felt a slight sting, the glass cut her finger tips so finely she barely bled. She reached into her pocket and quickly wrapped a tissue around the afflicted fingers. She bent to her knees and slid down onto her stomach and poked her head through the now open panel. Jenna took in a quick breath of fresh, crisp autumn air. She wriggled through the panel, and shifted around her hips. Half inside and half out, a crash interrupted the silence. Jenna froze, a chill ran up her spine, flowed into her veins, and ran through her frozen limbs from head to toe. Her whole body shivered, not from the cold, but from fear and excitement. Jenna listened, no alarms, no footfalls, no yelling out her name in tiresome annoyance. In a shame, my cake will

the clear she thought as she pushed her way through the frame and bolted into the night. Supplies were where

she left them, hidden in the knot of a large oak tree directly off the property line and

deep enough into the woods to make for a great hiding spot. Jenna gathered the locks and chains, paper and matches, and of course, her prized plastic-wrapped piece of rich chocolate cake. She had stolen the decadent treat from the kitchen a day before. Her mouth watered at the thought of her first bite into the soft, velvety, victory snack. She slipped the cake into her pocket along with the matches. The huge roll of papers went into her other pocket and she gathered the rattling locks and chains in her arms. She walked briskly back to the home with a wide smile and a keen idea.

Jenna picked the first of four chains and dumped the rest onto the wet grass beside the entrance walkway. She had swiped the variety of chains and locks from various field trips the troubled girls were invited to. Jenna tended to slink away to peek around. It took her weeks to find and gather all the materials she needed.

Tricksy or Treat

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have to wait she thought. One girl pounded on the glass with a paperweight, and the splintering glass caught Jenna's eye. The girls were no longer looking at her, they were looking behind

her. Jenna's body stilled, the trees at her back felt menacing, they were closing in on her. She turned her head as her gaze took in every stone in the drive, and every knot in the fence until she saw the edge of the trees. Her body begged to stay statue but her mind needed to know, what was coming from the woods? Jenna turned on her heels and shone the torch into the woods. A large masculine figure rose from a crouch among the trees. A crash exploded from above, second story glass shattering on the iron barred windows.

"RUN!" she heard the screams from a choir of crying voices. Jenna turned and ran towards the entrance, paper still clutched in hand. Jenna's boots slapped against the damp grass and she slid onto the walkway, up the path she slammed her body against the front door. Jenna frantically pulled at the handle and fought against the chains. Unwavering and unforgiving chains with lock and no key.

black and gliding effortlessly towards her, the trees behind her were moving, more figures formed from the thick fog creeping in. Her clutch of pages became heavier with flames, her run through the air adding to the spread of fire. The panel! She thought her escape from the house could be her rescue now. She bent to struggle her way in, but something large and black blocked her path. She lowered the flaming torch, now hot in her hands, to see a young girl dressed in a black wool coat and spiky hair. Jenna gasped and fell back as the body became engulfed in flames. She shined a light to her dissected body, half in the home and half out. The fire leapt from her top half to her bottom half and spread quickly to the wooden lockers, her troubled sister's coats became easy kindling. The boney fingers dug into her flesh and pulled her away from the screams of fright and horror that she now caused. Chains rattled as the girls inside tried to free themselves from the inferno around them. Jenna slunk against the figure's grasp as she watched her home burn.

The smoke billowed towards her,

Jenna crept up to the front door, the only light came from the above crescent moon. The light was dim and unhelpful, she could just see the chrome of the handle and the brass accents. Jenna wrapped the chain around the door handle and through an adjacent banister, clicked on a lock and did the same to both side doors, and the back. Jenna ran her finger along the bars that adorned each and every window. For safety scoffed Jenna, more likely for imprisonment.

Back at the front of the house, Jenna pulled a few matches from the box and lit them, time to test her next step. She withdrew the thick curled up papers from her pocket, and lit the tip of the torch. Light erupted around her. She was basked in a glow of wavering flame, and the thick silence was shattered by sudden slamming and screaming above.

A dozen girls screamed in the upstairs windows. They pounded their fists against the panes and screamed her name. Jenna, face lit by fire smiled up at them. Joke over she shrugged. What

Retirement Security Week: take steps to boost your retirement security

To raise awareabout ness the importance of saving for retirement, Congress has dedicated Oct. 21-27 as National Retirement Security Week. And the evidence shows that increasing this awareness is indeed important. Consider

this: Some 50 percent of households are considered at risk of not having enough money to maintain their living standards in retirement, according to the National Retirement Risk Index, produced by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

What can you do to help yourself stay out of the "at risk" category? Here are a few suggestions:



Define what retirement security means to you. Everyone has different ideas about what a secure retirement looks like. You might feel that true security means being able to remain in your current home and live independently through-

out your life. Or you might only feel secure if you know you can afford to travel or help your grown children or grandchildren financially. Once you've identified your own vision of retirement security, you should be able to determine the financial resources you'll need to reach your desired outcome.

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She turned to see the man draped in

carrying the sweet aroma of burning wood, smoking meat, and rich savory chocolate.

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A primer on stress...and how to reduce it

The holidays are around the corner and along with the merriment and hustle and bustle of the season often come stress. Thankfully there are easy strategies you can employ to tamp down the tension in the months ahead. Read on for a variety of natural ways to halt high anxiety and hike your happiness quota this time of year!

Note: Consult with your health care professional before taking any herbs, as they could have dangerous side effects.

Massage therapy: Did you know when you are anxious, your body produces an abundance of cortisol, a stress hormone? Massage has been proven to lowers cortisol levels. In addition, it relieves muscle tension caused by anxiety. In fact, according to a research study by the Touch Research Institute, experiencing a 15 minute massage for just twice a week can lower both anxiety and depression levels.

Carbs are calming: Complex carbohydrates such as fruits, vegetables, whole grains and starchy foods increase the amount of serotonin in your brain, a powerful neurotransmitter that boosts your mood, calms you down and is beneficial in reducing overall feelings of anxiety/depression related disorders. Studies also show pasta, which is rich in complex carbohydrates can help relieve anxiety and help fight depression.

Meditation mode: Meditation can be a powerful weapon in the fight against stress, and can work to ward off a panic attacks. Meditation and proper breathing can helps slow the heart rate and calm nerves. In fact, medical studies reveal meditation may also ease anxiety for those who not only suffer from anxiety disorders, but for those who have obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) as well. A quick calming trick is to close your eyes and breathe slowly and deeply, focusing on the breaths.

Writer Carol Krucoff of the Seattle Times offered this advice on breathing to relieve stress and panic: "Slow, deep breathing is a powerful anti-stress technique. When you bring air down into

candidates. Meetings may be

held at night and/or Saturdays.

Determination will be made in

December based on the number

Applicants should recognize

the time commitment and be

available to participate for the

length of the process. If you are

unable to meet the schedule of

the search committee, we are

interested in your comments;

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Parent – Dudley (grade(s)?)

Elementary teacher - Dudley

the lower portion of the lungs, where the oxygen exchange is most efficient, heart rate slows, blood pressure decreases, muscles relax, anxiety eases and the mind calms."

Chew away stress: Can chewing gum reduce stress? According to

a NASA research it can! In a NASAfunded study, scientists from Wheeling Jesuit University monitored the responses of 25 college students during simulated driving scenarios. The volunteers reported that peppermint lowered their feelings of fatigue or anxiety by 20%. Peppermint and cinnamon each decreased frustration by 25%, increased alertness by 30%, and made the ride seem 30% shorter. Don't like candy or gum? Buy peppermint or cinnamon air fresheners or car diffusers for the same effect.

Paint RX for panic: The color yellow is not only bright, it's a mood booster too! Just be aware vellow a little goes a long way, and too much bright yellow can over stimulate the nervous system. Or try painting your walls orange, or at least a workable shade of orange, such as peach or terra cotta. Orange

is the top mood booster and can dispel anxiety, according to experts. Painting a room a light green is therapeutic for tired, stressed nerves. And studies show bubble gum pink and cool blue are proven stress relievers.

Herbal Help:

Ylang ylang: ylang ylang has been touted as an anti panic treatment. When ylang ylang essential oil is added to a warm bath, feelings of depression can literally be washed away!

Lemon balm: lemon balm is a relaxing herb that reduces restlessness, anxiety and irritability. It is also used to treat anxiety that causes digestive problems. Note: Do not use if you have thyroid

problems.

effective depressant of the central ner-

vous system which TAKE translates into a relaxing anti-anxiety effect. THE It not only helps general anxiety, but is especially touted as a remedy for nightmares and nocturnal anxiety.

Note: Those taking an MAO inhibitor should not take passionflower.

Skullcap: An herb with fewer side effects, skullcap helps calm the "worrier" who has racing thoughts and constant fret. This herb is useful for all types of anxiety but has also been hailed as an aid for stress caused by hormonal imbalances in women.

German Chamomile: A common garden herb, chamomile is a muscle relaxer that has mild sedating properties. Chamomile tea has long been used to relieve stress and promote sleep. It is also used to treat anxiety in sufferers young and old.

ragweed, chrysanthemums or asters, should not use chamomile.

Valerian: Valerian is one of the most popular anti-stress herbs. The herb contains valepotriates, which work to calm anxiety, much the way the drug Valium does, but without the addictive quali-

Note: You should not take valerian if you have thyroid problems, adrenal fatigue, chronic exhaustion or depression.

Did you know?

Calcium, magnesium, and B vitamins are hailed for relieving anxiety symptoms.

Fresh peaches contain a natural sedative that aids in reducing stress and anxiety.

Keeping your body in balance by eating a well rounded diet and taking a daily multivitamin helps ward off stress.

Laughter provides both a physical and emotional release. It relieves ten-

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have to go buy something for," she said, noting the tags will be available before "Black Friday" so people have the best chance to get gifts at lower cost.

"Generally, we get a lot of [requests for] whatever's the popular thing," Sackman-Aper said, but many parents also request clothing and shoes.

When asked about trends in requests, Forget said they sometimes see an "absolutely heart-breaking" need for diapers, socks and other common necessities "the average homeowner would take for granted."

According to 2016 US Census data, Webster's median income was \$44,846, nearly \$30,000 below the state's median. Just under 17 percent of the population is in poverty, and just under 500 households get by on less than \$15,000 a year.

Note: This is not the same program as the Festival of Giving Trees, the annual four-day event the first weekend in December that raises funds for Harrington Hospital, Silent Spring and the Mass Breast Cancer Coalition.

please complete the survey and plan to participate in upcoming focus groups.

Composition of the Search Committee will include representation of school committee (2), parents (2), teachers (3), and (1) each - DCTA, Principal, Municipal government, central office, student body and special education. Applicants may represent multiple categories.

Applications are due Oct. 29. Applicants will be notified of decisions by Nov. 1.

Middle School teacher - Dudley

Middle School teacher - Charlton Principal

Applicants are invited to send their name, address, email address, phone; which of the below categories you represent; any community group affiliation; a brief statement on why you'd like to serve; and your commitment to the timeline outlined above to: Elaine Rabbitt, Chair, Superintendent Search Committee, Dudley-Charlton Regional School District 68, Dudley-Oxford Road, Dudley, MA 01571.

Passionflower: passionflower is an

HINT **KAREN** TRAINOR

sion, stress, anxiety, anger and depression.

If you're trying to reduce stress, be sure to avoid extremely low fat diets because some fat is needed to fight depression and anxiety.

To keep stress at bay, avoid (or reduce) consumption of alcohol, sugar and caffeine.

Just 20 minutes of relaxation or doing something you enjoy each day has shown to restore your mental health and lower overall anxiety level.

Aromatherapy can soothe frazzled nerves. Add some essential oils to a warm bath to induce calmness. Sandalwood, Lavender and Rose are a few "stress busting" scents to try.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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



Note: Those who have allergies to

ties.

Special education professional

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him and hanged him. Ironically, his wife was then pregnant and gave birth to a girl she named Innocent, who turned out to be an ancestor of killer Lizzie Borden.

Elementary teacher - Charlton High School teacher

DCTA

Closer to home, D'Agostino investigated claims of ghosts at Webster's Waterfront Mary's, where customers and staff have reported strange things for years associated with two ghosts - original owner Mary Dow and her partner Charles "Magoo" McGeary, who both died in December 2003. When his team was there, he said, they heard "the jukebox starts playing 'Hallelujah'... then it shuts down" after the whole song, and he later found out it was a favorite of both Dow and current owner Tracy Lis.

He recorded various noises, including a "clopclop sound" attributed to Magoo, who routinely made it "coming down the stairs because he walked weird" due to a war injury. He said people reported "a remote control went flying off the bar eight feet from everybody" and "people shuffling around and singing" upstairs, among other things.

With no warning, all the lights went out," he recalled of his visit there. His equipment lost power, so "we couldn't do anything, so we figured it was time to leave."

On at least one occasion, the ghost came to him. One day, he and a friend visited a cemetery where they saw just one veteran's flag flapping in calm air. For some reason, his friend took it home. Shortly afterward, the friend stayed at his house and was visited by a being "with wild, mad hair," then D'Agostino saw the same thing at the end of his bed one night. The visits ended when the friend returned the flag.

One of the more interesting historical claims comes from Griswold. CT, where "hundreds, if not thousands, of families disinterred their loved ones to see if they were vampires" between 1784 and 1892. Most of them died of consumption (tuberculosis), which is highly contagious but was then incurable. Because people kept getting ill, they came to believe the deceased were "spectral ghouls who fed on loved ones," so they dug up the corpses, burned their hearts, livers and lungs, then fed the ashes to the sick as a "cure" (which, obviously, didn't work).

Similar tales popped up around New England, making it "the vampire capital of the world," he noted. One of the most famous was Exeter, RI, where Bram Stoker set Dracula after the death of Mercy Brown, the last person identified as a "vampire."

D'Agostino said he's done more than 1,200 haunting investigations, and has found "a ton" of them to be false. The claims fall into three categories. Many are "a whole series of coincidences"

that are explainable, some mix coincidence with unexplained attributes, and a few are "very clear hauntings," he said.

Municipal government

Student representative (grade?)

Central office

He goes into each new setting with "an open mind," and tries to approach each using a combination of "esoterical, physical and social science" he's studied during and since college.

"If you say this place is not haunted, you'll miss something," he said. "But if you say it is haunted, vou'll miss something, too.'

Nicholson, his wife, is the quieter one of the pair, but she's also involved in the investigations. She said she sometimes uses Tarot cards to inspire questions to ask the ghosts. In one case, she said, she turned up the Queen of Pentacles, and asked "who controls the money?" The ghost said "aura," and they later found out the owner's wife was named Aura Potter, she said.

In another case, she said, she saw a "golden orb" roll over her cards and around her before vanishing. "If I'd been alone, I would have checked myself in," she said. "But I had witnesses, and we all felt really happy and peaceful."

They've been doing this for decades, using a variety of things, including video, audio and bodily sensations. One aspect is electronic voice phenomenon (EVP), which D'Agostino described as noises and sometimes vague voices that often come "over the frequencies, not through them" when slowly scrolling through radio signals. But using it, you have to be careful because "you'll either hear a ghost or every ball game on the planet." Once they get one, they send it to various friends to see what they think the recording actually says, and they often get different answers.

As an example, he played an EVP recording of them asking a child ghost what her favorite color was and asked the Black Tavern audience what they heard the answer as. Some didn't hear anything, some heard "black," I heard "blue," and he said others told him they heard "fuschia.

D'Agostino said the various methods work and sometimes confuse people — because ghosts are energy forms.

"Energy is neither destroyed nor created, it just transfers," he said. In some cases, for various reasons, the energy "can stay together with a strong will, or a place can hold it together.'

In many cases, he's found it's associated with a traumatic death of some kind, but he can't always specify who, what or when the entity was alive. He thinks he's encountered some very old Native American spirits, and others he can't identify.

"Sometimes, you don't really know what it is unless you get a definite name, definite history, definite M.O," he said. "If you just got something moving around, it could be dinosaurs for all we know.

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FINANCIAL FOCUS

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Create an appropriate financial strategy. To achieve your idea of a secure retirement, you can't just hope for the best you need to create a comprehensive financial strategy, accounting for your various sources of retirement income: Social Security, pensions, employer-sponsored retirement plans, your investment portfolio and so on. You need to know how much you can expect from these sources, and how you can strengthen them.

Be diligent in your retirement savings. You could spend two or three decades as a retiree, so you'll want to accumulate as many resources as you possibly can – and that means you'll need to save and invest diligently during your working years. Put in as much as you can afford to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan - and every time your salary goes up, try to increase your annual contributions. But you can also go beyond your employer-backed plan and contribute to an IRA. In all your retirement accounts, you'll want to include a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments, within the limits of your personal risk tolerance.

Establish an appropriate withdrawal strategy. Your retirement security isn't just based on how much you've built up before you retire - it also depends on how you manage your assets and investment income during retirement. As you begin to take out money from your 401(k), IRA and other investment accounts, you need to establish a withdrawal rate appropriate for your age, retirement lifestyle and asset level. If you take out too much each year, you risk outliving your resources, but if you withdraw too little, you might be shortchanging yourself on your quality of life. You may want to work with a financial professional, who can review your entire situation - income, expenses and so on - and recommend an appropriate annual withdrawal figure.

These aren't the only keys to attaining retirement security - but they can still help you move toward that goal. Keep them in mind as the years go by.

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SPORTS

Tie game feels like win for Southbridge, setback for Bartlett



Bartlett's Brittany Ward splits a pair of Southbridge defenders while dribbling the ball.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Southbridge High girls' varsity soccer team's 2-2 tie with Bartlett High on Tuesday, Oct. 16 was literally a tie that felt like a win.

Sophomore Keyarah Nickerson scored her second goal of the game in the final minute of play, lifting the Pioneers into the previously mentioned 2-2 draw with the Indians, who had scored the go-ahead goal in the 60th minute of the game.

Nickerson tied the game with a 15-foot shot from the left side. On the play the ball that was headed to the far end of the goal bounced off the head of a Bartlett defender, changed direction and bounced into the near side of the net.

"We're 1-13 now. No, wait, we're 0-13-1; I feel like this was a win, the way we scored late," Southbridge head coach Jason Keller said. "That [getting the tie] was a breath of fresh air. The referee said there was two minutes left so I called timeout and I moved all of our top players to the front six and told them to get a goal. They all pushed forward and scored. I guess things do work out sometimes.

Bartlett, now 2-11-1, broke a 1-1 halftime tie with a goal in the 20th minute of the second half, junior Edna Mbugua scoring on a left-to-right shot that just got past the outstretched arms of Southbridge junior Mel Emery, who dived to her left in an attempt to keep the ball out of the net. On the other side of the pitch, Bartlett head coach Laura Anacone had a completely opposite view of the outcome than Keller.

"Oh, yeah; big time," Anacone said when asked if the outcome of the game felt more like a loss than a tie. "These girls are walking away as bummed as anything right now.

"Luck definitely did not fall on our side today," Anacone added, "but I just had a conversation with the team about how we cannot put ourselves in the position where luck can go against us. We got to put together a better 80 minutes. I told the girls, 'we can't leave it up to luck.""

Nickerson pulled the Pioneers into a 1-1 tie with Bartlett in the 37th minute of the first half, scoring on a nifty spin-



Nick Ethier photos

Samantha Tremblay of Bartlett intercepts a Southbridge pass and kicks it down the field.

and-shoot move from the left side of the goal from about five yards away.

"Keyarah can play every position on the field," Keller said. "If I need her on defense I put her on defense. She's the fastest kid on the team and she has the biggest heart."

Keller said he learned a lot from the Pioneers' 3-0 loss to Bartlett the day before the 2-2 tie.

"We changed up the lineup today and changed up a couple of things and played a little chess match with them," Keller said. "We changed our sweeper defense; we moved Jade Soofi back to that position and that made all the difference. We played a deep defense today because they play over the top — that's how they scored all three of their goals yesterday and Jade stopped every one of them. She completely shut them down." Heading into the sec-

ond half Keller also made

a change in goal, moving senior Angela Aguilar from the net to the midfield and moving Emery from the midfield into the goal. Aguilar was solid in net in the first 40 minutes, making three saves and allowing the one goal, and Emery was even better, making 10 saves three coming late in the game — including one in the final 30 seconds as Bartlett frantically tried to regain the lead for a third time.

"Angela's been our goalie all year, so she was back there for the first half and this being Senior Day she wanted to play in the field, too," Keller said. "So, we played Mel in goal in the second half. She's our backup goalie and she saved the game with three beautiful saves, one in the final 30 seconds. She's amazing. She was sensational."

Anacone was impressed with Emery's play in net as well.

"Their goalie in the

second half played a great game," Anacone said. "She plays a great game on the field and in the net. She did a really nice job."

Bartlett went ahead, 1-0, in the third minute of the game, sophomore Gabby Piwowarczyk scoring on a long shot that bounced in front of and then over Aguilar and into the net.

Anacone was clearly frustrated at halftime that the game was tied, 1-1, instead of her team being ahead by two or three goals.

"We put together a much better second half in terms of protecting their goalie, finding that through-ball down to the corner, and really attacking the goal," Anacone said. The girls were upset at halftime that the game was tied, that we weren't ahead, but this team has a lot of fight and they fight for the full 80 minutes and I think they showed that in the second half."

Millbury withstands multiple rallies to dethrone Indians



Jason Mckay photos

Bartlett quarterback Logan Paranto launches a pass down the field.

SPORTS CORRESPONDENT



The Stonebridge Press Sports Department is seeking an individual to cover high school sports on a freelance basis. Candidate will be reliable and flexible with hours, and will be needed on nights and weekends as assigned. Correspondent must have the ability to e-mail stories on deadline. Local applicants are preferred, but is not a requirement.

> Please apply to Sports Editor Nick Ethier at sports@stonebridgepress.com or call (508) 909-4133.



Dominick Algieri of Bartlett tackles Millbury's ball carrier.

BY KEN POWERS SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

MILLBURY — The Bartlett High varsity football team pulled to within a point of tying its game with Millbury High 12 seconds into the second half, but the Woolies responded to the Indians' challenge with touchdowns on its next three possessions to hold off Bartlett's rally en route to a 46-28 victory at Alumni Field on Friday, Oct. 19.

Millbury improved to 5-2 overall and 1-1 in Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) play with the win, while the Indians fell to 3-4 overall and 1-2 in the SWCL with the loss.

On the strength of a pair of Xzavier Robles touchdown runs, Millbury built a 13-0 lead midway through the second quarter. Bartlett cut that lead to 13-6 by intermission, thanks to a sixyard touchdown toss from quarterback Logan Paranto to running back Troy Johnson.

On the first play from scrimmage of the second half, the Indians' Jesse Dunphy intercepted a swing pass by Millbury quarterback Anthony Greenwich and returned it 18 yards for a touchdown, cutting Bartlett's deficit to 13-12. The Indians attempted a twopoint conversion, which would have given them their first lead of the game, but the rushing attempt failed.

Dunphy's touchdown served as

a wake-up call for the Woolies, who scored on three straight drives and built their lead to 33-12 with 3:12 left to play in the third quarter.

Bartlett then made it a two-score deficit, 33-20, with 1:39 left in the third quarter when Paranto hit Johnson with a 50-yard scoring strike on a fourthand-10 play from midfield. The duo hooked up on the two-point conversion pass as well.

Millbury answered the Indians' touchdown with one of its own before the end of the third period, pushing its lead to 39-20, when Greenwich scored on a 17-yard quarterback draw with less than a minute remaining in the quarter.

The Woolies increased the lead to 26 points — 46-20 — midway through the fourth quarter, Robles scoring his fourth touchdown of the game — tying a Millbury High record in the process for rushing touchdowns in a game — a 60-yard run right down the middle of the field.

Bartlett closed out the scoring late in the quarter on a 10-yard touchdown run by Alex Nunez, who then tacked on the two-point conversion run to account for the 46-28 final.

The Indians conclude their eightgame regular season on Friday, Oct. 26 when they play host to Tantasqua Regional at Memorial Athletic Field for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

SPORTS Improved passing needed as Rams can't tame Tomahawks



From left, Shepherd Hill's Gabby Eberhart and Ingrid Lindstrom leap in unison in an attempt to block an Algonquin spike.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Despite a great all-around effort, the Shepherd Hill Regional girls' varsity volleyball team fell to 8-7 following a 3-0 loss to Algonquin Regional (8-4) on Tuesday, Oct. 16.

"They played hard, I was pleased," expressed Rams' head coach Chris Lindstrom. "Algonquin is a good team, very wellcoached and they can pass the ball." The Hill sprung out to a quick led in the first set, which was sparked by an electric kill from senior Ingrid Lindstrom that left an Algonquin player on her heels. Shepherd Hill jumped out to a 6-2 lead early, but saw that lead slip away quickly due to some inconsistent passing and poor serves.

"It is our passing and it comes with experience," Chris Lindstrom explained. "This area of Central Mass. we don't



Shepherd Hill's Kiley Wong-Li digs out an Algonquin serve hit her way.

Wolverines top Shepherd Hill, reach elusive 10-win club

have many club teams down here that we are playing in the offseason and that is really what we need to do. We need to get these girls playing in the offseason and getting as many touches as they can."

Algonquin ended up winning the first set, 25-15, after an early rally by Shepherd Hill came to a fall.

After losing the first set, the Rams controlled most of the second set. They jumped out to a quick 8-3 lead early due to a couple brilliant kills by Ingrid Lindstrom. Shepherd Hill held the lead until Algonquin tied the set at 2l-21 due to an ace that caught the Rams off guard.

Shepherd Hill retook the lead at 22-21, but then lost Ingrid Lindstrom due to injury, which took all momentum away from the Rams.

"I was happy with our effort [but] our energy was a little low tonight, especially when Ingrid got hurt," Chris Lindstrom explained. "She is our dynamic player."

Algonquin ended up winning the set, 25-22.

Despite losing the set it was the best series that Shepherd Hill played on the night. Players were diving to make digs as they got into a rhythm with their passing.

When the score was 14-12 in the Rams' favor, but with the Tomahawks rallying, the highlight of the set occurred when Mack Woods employed a full body dive to pop the ball up and over the net, which resulted in a point thanks to the perfectly placed volley. Ingrid Lindstrom recorded four kills, two aces and a few blocks in the contest before her injury. Without Lindstrom, the Rams lost the last set, 25-18, giving

it all they had. "It was big," Chris Lindstrom explained about losing Ingrid. "But even bigger than that is the overall passing of the team needs to improve and that is something that will improve with the program over time."



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Cayley Fagan of Shepherd Hill sets up a teammate by pushing a pass into the air.



Shepherd Hill's Abigail Karalus races down the field chasing after the ball.

Nick Ethier photos

Shepherd Hill's Katie Lavoie sticks out her stick to intercept a shot taken by Leicester's Ally O'Neill.



Kayleigh Irish of Shepherd Hill battles with a Leicester player for possession of the ball.

ify," LaPrad said in reference to last season. "And the confidence the girls have walking through school...is great. Now it's all about seeding and trying to get a home game.

"We have great leadership, we have seven seniors and they are the ones that are leading this team," LaPrad concluded.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — After 15 years of failing to qualify for the Central Mass. postseason tournament, the Leicester High girls' varsity field hockey team finally reached districts last season. And now, with a newfound confidence and a plethora of seniors, the Wolverines have taken the next step to winning games on a regular basis.

Leicester continued its winning ways on Friday, Oct. 19 when playing host to Shepherd Hill Regional. The Wolverines scored less than four minutes into the game and, after the halftime break, netted two more in a one-minute span before adding another goal late to make the final 4-0.

"That's what we've been trying to do is score early and then score often after that," said Leicester head coach Katie LaPrad.

Leading just 1-0 at halftime, LaPrad made the message clear to her team at the break.

"At halftime I was like, 'we need more. One is not enough,"" she remembered.

The Wolverines' Cayleigh Peterson scored with 24:59 to play in the second half, her second goal of the game. She took a crossing pass from Ava Richard and one-timed a shot into the cage.

Marena Matavao helped on Peterson's first half goal on a well-executed give-and-go play. Just 44 seconds after Peterson's second goal, Leicester's Taylor Fontaine

made it 3-0 when she scored off a feed from Caitlin Kemp. That goal proved to be a

backbreaker for the Rams. "They seemed defeated on the field and that's the complete opposite of what I've been stressing all season," said firstyear Shepherd Hill head coach Katie Pellegrini. "I don't care about the final results as long as they're playing the best field hockey they can."

And although the Wolverines upped the lead to 4-0 with 17:04 to play — Charley Blair scored, Nicole Lacoste assisted — Pellegrini believed that her squad regrouped nicely after the back-to-back Leicester tallies.

"We completely turned around and we're aggressive," she said. "They make the passes and we get down there, it's just the execution of the final goals that we're missing."

When Shepherd Hill had its chances, Wolverines' goalie

Colleen Lamprey was there to answer the call. She finished with four saves, including a pair when the Rams had a nice rush that featured Julia Chapdelaine sending a long pass to Brooke Garrepy, who then fed Abigail Karalus whose shots were stopped by Lamprey.

On the other side of the field, Rams' goalie Patrysia Rivera Kwiatkowska made three saves while moving up from the JV level for the game.

"She played awesome," Pellegrini said of her goalie. "I put her to the test and she did very well."

Shepherd Hill is now 2-12.

"It is a transition year," Pellegrini said. "Losing is not the end of the world. We had one win last year and we've got two wins this year [with four regular season games to play], so we're looking at that as a positive. We're really working on communication and overall commitment to the sport."

Leicester, meanwhile, is having an impressive campaign at 10-2-4 as the Central Mass. Division 2 Tournament looms ahead.

"It's such a weight lifted off of our shoulders to not be waiting until the last game to qual-

SPORTS

Grafton takes SWCL Golf Championship team title; Tantasqua's Sosik earns medalist honors



Nick Ethier photos

Golfers braved the cold and windy elements at Pine Ridge Country Club in Oxford to partake in the Southern Worcester County League Championship on Thursday, Oct. 18.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — Following a long and grueling regular season, and before eight of the 11 Southern Worcester County League schools that fielded a program embark on their respective Central Mass. postseason tournaments, the SWCL Golf Championship was held at Pine Ridge Country Club on Thursday, Oct. 18 in cold, blustery conditions.

Each member school brought six golfers to the 18-hole course, and the top four scores from each team were counted toward the team total. There, Grafton High emerged victorious with a cumulative stroke score of 321. Tantasqua Regional and Millbury High tied for second place with matching 327's.

SWCL Golf The full Championship team results are as follows:

1. Grafton (Wyatt Murray, 78; Matt Lukasevicz, 79; Deron Breen, 80; Ty Dupuis, 84), 321

T2. Millbury (Ryan Tarasiak, 78; Tommy Remiszewski, 81; Jack Remuck, 81; Jack Ezold, 87), 327

T2. Tantasqua (Michael Sosik, 76; Will Pieczynski, 81; Ryan Slade, 83; Grace Farland, 87), 327

4. Northbridge (J.J. Cannon, 81; Robbie Cannon, 81; Will

Piett, 84; Ben Brodeur, 85), 331 5. Bartlett (Kody Petrelli, 77; Omar Mercedes, 86; Sam Kontoes, 89; Josie Corridori, 94), 346

6. Auburn (Mike DelloStritto, 86; Ryan Henderson, 88; Nic Spanos, 89; Tyler Pratt, 98), 361

7. David Prouty (Colin Nosek, 77; Zach Fritze, 93; Colin Dube, 95; Fisher Haynes, 101), 366

8. Oxford (Liam Jessie, 85; Ryan Parr, 89; Bailey Brescia, 94; Steve Cheney, 102), 370

9. Leicester (Ryan Russo, 87; Riley Whalen, 92; Ryan Pickett, 95; Devyn Butkiewicus, 98), 372

10. Uxbridge (Jack Hughes, 89; Joseph Bernard, 98; Katie Cullen, 99; Ben Lyons and Nick Burke, 104), 390

11. Quaboag (Jack Dorman, 90; Aidan Fitzgerald, 91; Cole Crosby, 108; Brandon Rice, 110), 399

On the individual side, seven of the 66 golfers earned certificates for their strong play. Tantasqua's Michael Sosik was medalist after carding a 5-over par 76. Bartlett High's Kody Petrelli and David Prouty Regional's Colin Nosek followed with a tie for second with 77's. Grafton's Wyatt Murray and Millbury's Ryan Tarasiak tied for fourth with 78's, and Grafton's Matt Lukasevicz and Deron Breen took sixth and seventh place, respectively,



with a 79 and an 80.

(Division Tantasqua Millbury, Grafton, 1). Northbridge, Auburn and Bartlett (Division 2), and Leicester and David Prouty (Division 3) have all qualified for districts and will compete in those championships, after press time.

Minutemen hang with unbeaten BVT in first half, then fall in second

UPTON — Facing an undefeated team in Blackstone Valley Tech, the Bay Path Regional girls' varsity soccer program had its hands full on Wednesday, Oct. 17. The Minutemen performed exceptionally well in the first half, keeping the game scoreless. But the Beavers turned it on in the second half, scoring five times to win a 5-0 decision.

Bay Path head coach Tammy Legere praised the way her team battled early on and the play of keeper Patricia King, who finished with 13 saves. The Beavers improved to 9-0-1, while the Minutemen dropped to a still solid 6-3-3.





Bay Path's Kyleigh Sutherland elevates to get her body on the ball to slow its momentum down.



Bay Path's Isabella Gonyea advances the ball down the field via a header.

Makenzie O'Connor of Bay Path boots a free kick down the field.



Amarii Colon of Bay Path, left, and Carrie Chase of Blackstone Valley Tech jockey for position while awaiting the ball to come their way.

Sports

Oxford loses narrow decision to North Brookfield

NORTH BROOKFIELD — After falling behind by a goal in the first half versus North Brookfield High on Monday, Oct. 22, the Oxford High varsity field hockey team battled back to tie the score, 1-1, with 20 minutes to play.

The Indians rebounded, though, and scored again to take a 2-1 decision away from the Lady Pirates.

Oxford dropped to 4-11-1 with two regular season games to play, which took place after press time. North Brookfield improved to 8-4-3.

The Pirates split up the goaltending duties, with Nickole Biedrzycki and Harper Hutchins each making four saves and giving up one goal in a half of play. Offensively, Isabella Rosario scored the goal, which was set up by Audrey Hayes.



Oxford's Sam Meech moves up the field with possession of the ball on her stick.

Lyla Hunter of Oxford gets the inside edge on a North Brookfield defender while both go after the ball.





Oxford defender Emma Robertson stops an incoming ball with her stick.



Peyton Coonan of Oxford forms a wall to not allow a North Brookfield pass to get through her.

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Monday Men's Business - John Grande and Bruce Single -Labay 135, Steve Poisant 133 Series - Bo Gauvin 369, Josh Antos 365, Nate Assanov 357 Series over average — Bruce Holmes +70

Ten Pin City Single — Claudia Allen 189, Natalie Wood 177, Joanne LaBonte 168 Series — Claudia Allen 533, Natalie Wood 504, Joanne LaBonte 478

Chet's Social

Single — Tom Smith 132, Ryan Pelletier 126, Dave Lamontagne 124, Brenda Mayer 115, Kellee Tella 105, Judith Aho 100

Series — Ryan Pelletier 344, Tom Smith 331, Dave Lamontagne 318, Brenda Mayer 301, Dawn Horne 289, Kellee Tella 287

Series over average — Alan Perreault +16, Kellee Tella +56

Women's Industrial

Single — Lynne Smith 118, Wendy Angelo 112, Monique Pierangeli 111 Series — Monique Pierangeli 316,

Lynne Smith 311, Kris Russell 291 Series over average — Annette

Bent +50

Summit Tenpin

Single — Division 1: Ron Suprenant 210, Michael Jarvis 188, Bob Hanville 187

Division 2: David Lavallee 202, Todd Fischer 199, Bob Grant Jr. and J.J. Blair 182

Series — Division 1: Ron Suprenant 543, Al Nichols 509, Nat Wood 497

Division 2: Todd Fischer 540, MEC Hashey and David Lavallee 502

Thursday Coffee

Single — Carol Kondratowicz 117, Lorraine Marks 115, Yvette Gauthier 114

Series — Lorraine Brezniak 310,

Carol Kondratowicz 291, Jessica Agazarian and Yvette Gauthier 285

Series over average — Carol Kondratowicz and Yvette Gauthier +42

Thursday Men's Industrial

Single — Bill Downer 134, Ryan Pelletier 130, Chris Downer and Scott Gauvin 129

Series — Ryan Pelletier 383, Scott Gauvin 355, Chris Downer 350

Series over average — Bill Downer +54

Saturday Youth

Single — Derian Medaglia 95, Ben Gervais 78, Matthew Ezzell 74

Series — Derian Medaglia 228, Ben Gervais 217, Matthew Ezzell 214

Sunday Mixed

Single — Brian Lavallee 134, Rick O'Connor 133, Angel Claudio 115, Carol Turner 114, Rebecca Cloutier 105, Leigh Farrar 99

Series — Brian Lavallee 355, Rick O'Connor 345, Earl Ratcliffe 308, Carol Turner 281, Leigh Farrar 275, Briana Baillargeon 268

Series over average — Mike Mayotte +30, Mandy Papale +19

BRIEFS

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Also anyone (students or non-students) can purchase Gold, Silver and Bronze Season Passes at a lower discounted price through our Club. All eight week and season passes must be ordered through the Wachusett website by Nov. 30 for these lower discounted prices. For more information on how to order, please contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or at lisirichard15@yahoo. com.

Softball pitching lessons coming to Southbridge **Community Center**

Softball pitching lessons will be available at the Southbridge Community Center (152 Chestnut Street) on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. They started Oct. 21 and run through Feb. 24, 2019. Team and league discounts are available for three pitchers or more. Pitchers must bring a catcher (no fee) that can be a parent, teammate, etc. Please contact Bill Rahall (wlrah@yahoo.com 860-576-3440) for more details. Clark University pitching coach Steve Genese will be on hand at the lessons.



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Sen. Moore supports animal protection legislation



Senator Moore with Chance, a puppy available for adoption

BOSTON – Senator Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) joined Governor Charlie Baker and legislative colleagues at the ceremonial bill signing of legislation intended to enhance humane treatment of animals, and to punish those who engage in animal cruelty.

"With the signing of this bill, our Commonwealth took another step forward in ensuring protections for animals," said Senator Moore who served as the Senate Chair of the legislative committee which advanced the bill. "I appreciate the hard work of legislative colleagues, animal rights advocates and the Governor for helping to strengthen animal cruelty prevention measures."

Key provisions of the legislation include increasing certain penalties for animal abuse, and requiring property owners and landlords to check property for abandoned animals within three days following a foreclosure or termination of tenancy.

During the signing event, Senator Moore had the oppor-



Senator Moore receives bill signing pen from Governor Baker (L-R) Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr, Representative Jim O'Day, Senator Jamie Eldridge, Representative Sarah Peake, Senator Michael Moore, Animal Cruelty Task Force Chair Elissa Flynn Poppey

tunity to engage with a variety of animals at the MSPCA Adoption Center including a dog named Cherry who is a victim of dog fighting. The new law removes a requirement to automatically kill animals involved in animal fighting and creates other options for victims, like Cherry, so they may find permanent homes.

The legislation furthers antiabuse measures first secured in the 2014 Protecting Animal Welfare and Safety "PAWS" bill. To learn more about the newly-signed law, visit Senator Moore's website, www. SenatorMikeMoore.com.

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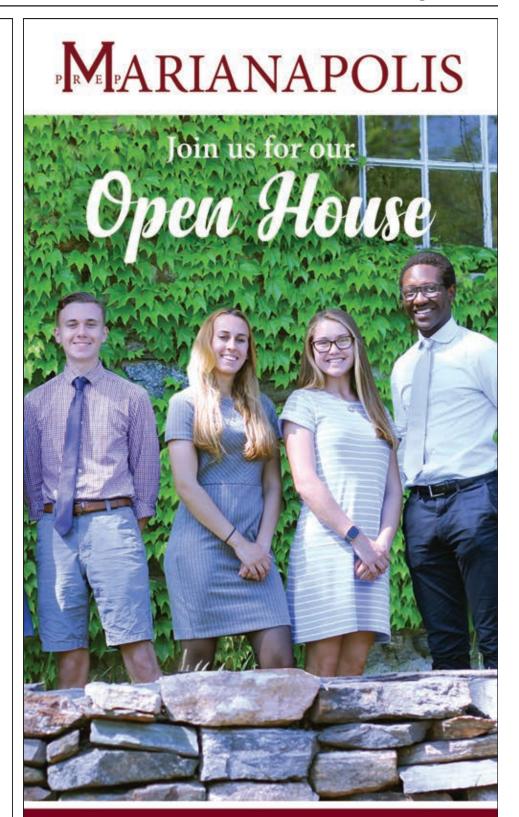


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UBITUARIES

Rita Ann Lada, 91



WEBSTER - Rita Ann (Holewa) Lada, 91, passed away surrounded by her family on August 12, 2018 as a result of complications due to surgery. One of eleven children of Joseph and

Anna (Lis) Holewa, Rita was born on February 27, 1927 in **Dudley Massachusetts**

Rita spent her early childhood in the village of Jerico on Dudley's east side where she loved exploring nearby ponds, picking blueberries in the woods and playing baseball with her older brothers. She attended St Joseph Elementary School and while in the fifth grade she developed rheumatic fever. Despite hearing a doctor's prognosis that she would not survive beyond 21 years of age, she became determined to live as active and full a life as possible. She went on to attend Dudley Junior High and Bartlett High School where she loved studying history and in particular reading biographies; her most admired figures were Lincoln and Ghandi.

After graduating from Bartlett High School in 1945, she moved to Boston to attend the New England School of Art. There she thrived training to become an artist and discovering the cultural benefits afforded by living in the city. She worked in Hyannis in the summer of 1946 to earn funds for a second year of art school. She acquired a life-long love of Cape Cod where she spent much time with her children in the latter vears of her life. An end of summer burglary deprived her of her college savings and the ability to continue school in Boston. However, Rita's experience in Boston instilled in her the value of a college education and she vowed to provide such for any children she might have. Shortly after returning home in the fall of 1946 she met Joseph Lada Jr. of North Grosvenordale CT. They were married a year later and settled in Dudley. In 1955 they moved to Grafton and in 1958 to Webster where they lived for the remainder of their lives. Rita raised four children and would often say that they were her proudest accomplishment. After seeing all her children through college, Rita worked 25 years as a teacher's aide in Webster's elementary schools.

Because of her outgoing good nature, Rita made many friends during her life and her wise and encouraging advice was continually sought by family and friends alike. She found special joy in talking on the phone to everyone she knew. There was nothing that made her happier than the time spent with family and friends. She particularly enjoyed playing cards with her children and grandchildren. Rita was always active and like the energizer bunny never seemed to stop even when her health declined. She will be long remembered for her positive outlook, the love and devotion she showered on her family, and for her warm, generous and caring personality. She will be sorely missed.

Rita leaves four children: Charles J. Lada and his wife Stacey of Needham, Ann L. Lada of Webster, Joan E. Butterworth and her husband John Butterworth, Jr. of Auburn and Elizabeth L. Elston of Gainesville, FL as well 5 grandchildren: Margaret Lada of Aman Jordan, Navy LT Sam Lada of Washington D.C., Elizabeth Butterworth and John Butterworth III, both of New York, NY, Joseph Lada Elston of Gainesville FL, sister-in-law Theresa Lada of Webster, and many beloved nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Joseph in 2017 and their son-in-law Richard Elston as well as her sisters Charlotte (Garabedian) and Alfreda (Pepka) and brothers Henry, Chester, John, Theodore, Edwin, Walter and Leo.

The family is planning a private burial service in Orleans, MA. Donations in her name may be made to the: Webster Education Foundation, 77 Poland St., Webster, MA 01570. www.scanlonfs.com

Charles Ρ Jedrzynski, age 88, of Dudley died peacefully Thursday, October 18,2018 with his entire family at his side at Mary Ann Morse Healthcare Center of Natick, MA. Charles was born in Webster,

MA. He is the son of the late Frank and the late Stacia (Piniarski) Jedrzynski. He lived all his life in Dudley.

He is survived by one daughter: Lisa Kubiak and her husband Kerry of Dudley, and two sons: Michael Jedrzynski and his wife Marcia of Dudley and Steven Jedrzynski and his wife Karen of NC; one sister: Wanda Shanley of CA;

Kaylie, Shelby and Derek Piekarczyk. Predeceased by his sister, Evelyn Dusseault.

Charlie was blessed with a large family and enjoyed spending time with them most of all cheering on his grandchildren at their sporting events Charlie was an avid New England Patriots fan and an original season ticket holder. He enjoyed family functions and tending to his garden for many summers .

He was a proud union Gas Repairman for 33 years with Boston Gas.

A Memorial service will be private at Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel 33

Gary A. Guertin, 62

THOMPSON - Gary A. Guertin, 62, of Quaddick Town Farm Rd., passed away on Monday, October 22, 2018 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was the loving husband of Elaine (Kondash) Guertin. Born in Putnam. he was the son of the late Ernest and Elizabeth (Lamontagne) Guertin.

Mr. Guertin worked as a production control manager for U.S. Button in Putnam. He was an avid fan of the New **England Patriots.**

In addition to his wife Elaine, Gary is survived by his sons, Gary Guertin, Jr. and his wife Ginger of Beacon Falls, Justin Guertin of Wichita, Kansas, and Ryan Guertin and his wife Kate of Dudley; brothers, Robert Guertin of Putnam, Michael Guertin and his wife

> WEBSTER – Denis P. Bolduc, 83, formerly of Millbury, died Monday, October 15, 2018 at home surrounded by his fam-

ily. He leaves 2 daughters, Denise Μ. Gaudette and her

husband Norman with whom he lived, and Shirley Pepin of New York City; 4 grandchildren, Denis Gerardi and his wife Pam of Worcester, Nikki M. Mead and her husband Scott of Dudley, Celecia Taylor and her husband Brandon of Nashua, NH and Danielle Pepin of New York City; 4 great-grandchildren, Molly, Dylan, Ella and Camden; 2 brothers, Peter Bolduc and his wife Beverly, and John A. Bolduc and his wife Maureen, all of Oxford; his goddaughter, Suzanne Pelligrim of Webster; nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his daughter Michelle Oaks in 1993, by his son Craig Robert Bolduc in 1997, and by a brother Albert "Chic" Bolduc in 1983.

He was born in Lynn and raised in Millbury, the oldest child of Albert and Claudia Marie (Desjardins) Bolduc. He obtained his GED and earned an Associates Degree at Becker Junior

PLAINFIELD, CT - Wallace Franklin Green, 77, of Pine Street, died Thursday, October 18, 2018, in his home. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Joan Elaine (Carey) Green of Plainfield; two daughters, Teresa Marquis and Tina Green, both of Connecticut; three stepchildren, Jennifer Ann Luman, Robert Byron Jr., and Dottie Byron, all of Worcester; five sisters, Brenda Marasia of Florida, Pam Walker of Londonderry, NH, Betty Sinclair of Manchester, NH, Bonnie Gilbert of Maine, and Wanda Webber of Garland, ME; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was born in Franklin, NH, son of the late Austin and Doris (French) Green, and lived in Garland, ME, for many

Krystyna Hadam, 85

Susan of Port Charlotte, Florida; sister in-law Cindy Guertin of Thompson; grandchildren, Gabriella Guertin, Gary Guertin, III, and Charlotte Guertin. He was predeceased by his brother, the late Paul Guertin.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Gary's family from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2018 in the Gilman Funeral Home and Crematory, 104 Church St, Putnam. Memorial donations may be made to the Smilow Cancer Research @ Yale New Haven Hospital, PO Box 1849 New Haven, CT 06508-9979 or to Day Kimball Hospice, P.O. Box 632, Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Denis P. Bolduc, 83

College. He had resided in Webster since 2000.

He was a Navy veteran of the Korean War and formerly belonged to the VFW in Worcester and the Webster-Dudley American Legion Post #184.



Mr. Bolduc was an operating engineer for Local Union #4 in the Boston area for many years, retiring in 2000.

He enjoyed his woodworking shop, working with computer flight simulators and reading. He was a jack of all trades and master of several. Most of all, he enjoyed his family and especially his grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 9:15 AM Saturday, October 20, from the Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home. 340 School Street, Webster, followed by a Mass at 10:00 AM in Saint Brigid Church, 59 Main Street, Millbury. Burial, with full military honors, was in Saint Brigid Cemetery, Millbury. Visiting hours were held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM Friday, October 19, in the funeral home.

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Wallace Franklin Green, 77

years, Worcester for 36 years, and Oxford for 20 years, before moving to Plainfield, CT, last year. He graduated from East Corinth Academy.

Mr. Green was a truck driver for Rivco for 14 years. He enjoyed golfing, racing, fishing, hunting, and camping.

Memorial calling hours are Friday, November 9, 2018, from 3-6 p.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. A celebration of his life will be held at 6 p.m. at the conclusion of calling hours. Flowers may be sent or memorial contributions may be made to Masonicare of Connecticut, 45 Clara Drive, Mystic, CT 06355.

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He also has nine grandchildren Thomas ,Amy, Sara and Kevin Jedrzynski

Andrew and Nicholas Jedrzvnski.

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Dudley. In Lieu of flowers donations maybe made to the employee fund at Mary Ann Morse Healthcare Center 45 Union St. Natick, Ma 01760. Condolences can be left at www.bartelfuneralhome.com

Paul A. Sims, 81

Charles P Jedrzynski, 88



SOUTHBRIDGE-Paul A. Sims, 81, of Main St., passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 16th, in the Lanessa Extended Center, Care Webster, after a long illness.

He leaves his two

daughters, Marilyn Ide and her husband Steven of Dudley and Debbie Robidoux and her husband Mark of Southbridge; his three sons, Russell Peet of Worcester, Brian Peet and his wife Robyn of Webster and James Peet and his wife Michelle of West Brookfield; many grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was predeceased by two sons, Timothy P. Sims and David Peet. He was also predeceased by his former wife, Shirley (St.

Pierre) Sims, and his two brothers, Hobert Sims and William Sims. Paul was born in Newton, OH, the son of Lawrence H. and Flossie (Mossbarger) Sims.

Paul was a machinist and worked for A & M Tool and Die in Southbridge for many years before retiring. He previously worked for Jamesbury Tool and Die in Worcester. Paul was a handyman and loved to fix anything. He also loved to play the steel guitar.

A graveside service for Paul will be held on Friday, Oct. 26th, at 12:00pm in Oak Ridge Cemetery, 16 Oak Ridge Ave., Southbridge. There are no calling hours.

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

www.morrillfuneralhome.com

Randy M. Soper, 61



SOUTHBRIDGE-Randy Merrill "Tino" Soper, 61, of Plimpton St., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 21st, in his home surrounded by his family after a long illness.

He leaves his son,

Cory Soper and his wife Colleen of Webster; his daughter, Ashleigh Soper of Southbridge; his father, Clarence "Buddy" Soper and his wife Pamela of Sturbridge; his mother, Shirley (Mellen) Chakuas and her husband Steve of Southbridge; his former wife, Lise Soper of Southbridge; his nine siblings, Mark Soper of Southbridge, Lisa Soper of Southbridge, Debra Soper of Southbridge, Linda Montigny of Hudson, Daniel Soper of Fiskdale, Stephen Soper of Brimfield, Christopher Soper of Brooklyn, NY, Kenneth Hasija of New York, NY and Robert Mellen of West Virginia; his granddaughter, Jenelle Phoenix Soper: his close friend, Colleen Hilferty of

Oakham; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his daughter, Nicole Soper in 1986 and by his brother, Charles "Chuck" Soper in 1995. Randy was born in Sturbridge on March 18, 1957.

Randy loved to cook and was a chef at various restaurants in the area. In recent years he worked in landscaping before his illness. He also previously worked for Crane Tree Service. Randy was an avid reader. He had a great love for the outdoors and enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping and photography. He was also an avid Boston sports fan, especially the Red Sox.

Calling hours for Randy were held on Wednesday, Oct. 24th, from 5:00 to 8:00pm in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. A graveside service in North Cemetery, Sturbridge, will be private.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Dismas House, P.O. Box 30125, Worcester, MA 01603.

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DUDLEY

Krystyna (Zielinski) Hadam, 85, died Saturday, October 20, 2018 in Lanessa Extended Care, Webster.

She leaves a son, Michael Piesak of Dudley; and 2 grand-

daughters, Elizabeth Earle and her husband Edmund of Olive Bridge, NY and Diana Piesak of Waltham. She was preceded in death by 2 sons. Mariusz Hadam and Krzysztof Piesak.

She was born in Rzeslow, Poland, the daughter of Bronislaw and Jadwiga Zielinski and was raised in Wroclaw. She graduated from high school and then earned an Associates Degree in Accounting. She moved to the United

Mrs. Hadam first worked as an

accountant in Poland. Here, she was employed as a millhand at Anglo Fabrics Company in Webster, a molder at the Christmas Tree Company in Douglas and finally a housekeeper at Nichols College in Dudley.

She was a member of Saint Andrew Bobola Church.

The funeral will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, November 3, 2018 in Saint Andrew Bobola Church, 54 West Main Street. Entombment will follow in the columbarium at Saint Joseph Garden of Peace, Webster. The family will receive relatives and friends from 9:30 to 10:00 AM at the church, prior to the Mass. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster.

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George Dana Rhodes, 86

QUINEBAUG, CT: George Dana Rhodes, 86, passed away on Oct. 20th, surrounded by his family in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, after a brief illness.

He leaves his wife

of 39 years, Helen (Dusza) Rhodes; his daughter, Diane Gregoire and her husband Leo of Holland; his son, David Rhodes of Sturbridge; his brother-inlaw, William Lauzonis of Auburn; his two step-daughters, Linda Neff of Webster and Susanne Regis of Charlton; grandchildren; 12 great-grand-8 childen; a nephew, Charles Olson of Portsmouth, NH and a niece, Allayne Nelson and her husband Douglas of Auburn. He was predeceased by two sisters, Cynthia Lauzonis and Shirley-Ann Olson. He was born in Worcester the son of George and Vera (Bylund) Rhodes and raised in Auburn, and attended Auburn Schools and Boston University. He was a US Army Veteran of the Korean War and served as a corporal with the 7th Infantry Regiment.

George was a manager at Singletary Rod and Gun Club in Oxford for 13 years. He retired from Allmerica Financial in Worcester in 1997 where he was employed in the Security Department.

He was a member the American of Legion, Life Member of the V.F.W. and of Singletary Rod and Gun Club in Oxford. He served on the Board of Directors for several years at Quinebaug Park, Inc.



in Quinebaug, CT. where he lived for 39 years.

George enjoyed gardening, boating, camping and fishing in Vermont, Maine and Florida, and making Swedish glogg on the holidays. For many years he ran cribbage tournaments and experienced three 29 hands. He enjoyed playing football when he attended Boston University and also when he was in the Army.

A graveside service for George will be held on Saturday, Oct. 27th at 11:00am in the Holland Cemetery, 29 Brimfield Rd., Holland. There are no calling hours.

His family request to please omit flowers and donations in George's memory may be made to Worcester Children's Friend, Inc., 21 Cedar Street, Worcester, MA 01609.

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

www.morrillfuneralhome.com



CALENDAR

Saturday October 27

HALLOWEEN BARKTACULAR On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Road, Spencer a Halloween event to benefit Second Chance is planned. Indoor and outdoor event activities including costume contest and trick-or-treating for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with carnival games, bouncy castle, Walk 'N Wag pledge raising trail walk with scavenger hunt, doggie games and contests, music, food & craft vendors and other Halloween fun for families and pets. Special featured events include indoor RC racetrack sponsored by Turn4 HobbyTown, guest appearance by the Pike's Adam Webster, CGC certification by 4 Paws Academy and agility 'Try Its'. FREE ADMISSION! Families and pets are welcome!

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS: Douglas Orchard & Farm at 36 Locust St., Douglas is hosting Halloween Happenings Saturday Oct. 27 with a variety of events 1 to 6:30 p.m. Dress in costume and come enjoy the following: 1 pm: Cider Demonstration; 2 pm: Oxen Plowing; 3 pm: "Ghosts and Spirits" talk with Merlin; 4 pm Trick or Treat Scavenger Hunt; and at 5 pm: Rock Band: Thin Ice 3.0. There will be pumpkin decorating and the alpacas will be out!

HARVEST SUPPER: Oxford United Methodist Church, 465 Main St. will hold its annual Harvest Dinner Saturday, Oct. 27 from 5-6:30 pm, with takeout beginning at 4:30 pm. Dinner includes turkey, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, peas, stuffing, rolls, dessert and assorted beverages. The cost for the dinner is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children 6-12. For questions contact the church at 508-987-5378 or Nancy at 508-328-8839.

Saturday November 3

EE-HAW! A HOE DOWN! The Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St. is holding a Country Western Hoedown Saturday, Nov. 3 3-5 p.m. Come dressed in your finest western duds and enjoy DJ Justin, snacks, beverages and a photo booth! Please preregister (for planning purposes). \$2 donation requested.

Sunday November 4

SPLASH OF PANACHE: St. Joseph Women's Club is sponsoring a SPLASH of PANACHE VENDOR EVENT on Sunday, Nov. 4 at Point Breeze Restaurant. Hours are from noon to 5 pm. Many vendors will be on hand to start your holiday shopping or something to pamper you. Once again there will be a Lottery Raffle, Special Raffle, Attendance prize, Appetizers and much more. Tickets for the event are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. For ticket information please contact Kathy Sirard 508-943-0173 or Felicia Kolodziejczak 508-943-6591.

Saturday November 10 & Sunday November 11

VENDORS & CRAFTERS WELCOME: St. Andrew Bobola Holy Rosary Sodality will be holding the annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday Nov. 10 from 10:00 a.m.to 6 p.m., & Sunday Nov. 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the church hall located at 54 West Main St., Dudley. The Bake table will feature homemade pastries along with babka & paczki. Tables will include Thanksgiving Dinner, Attic Treasures and Christmas Shop, Money Raffle and Lottery Tree. Kitchen will be featuring homemade cabbage & cheese pierogi. Vendors & Crafters if interested please contact the president at 508-943-1689 or email Joyce @ crafting01@hotmail.com. Cost is \$15 to reserve a space.

Saturday November 10

MEAT RAFFLE: at TSKK, 21 Harris St. Webster beginning at 2 p.m. The proceeds help the club do local projects.

Saturday November 17

CRAFT FAIR: Saturday, Nov. 17 a Christmas Bazaar at Holy Trinity Church, 68 Lake St., Webster 9 am-2:00 pm, \$20 per table. To reserve a table call 508-943-0608 and leave a message or call Rita at 774-314-0927.

ONGOING EVENTS

GIVING TREE: It's Giving Tree Time! If you live in Webster or Dudley and need help getting Santa to your house, sign up for the Giving Tree. If your child is 12 years old or younger and lives with you, you are eligible to sign up. Sign up will be on Oct. 16, 18, 23, 25 and 30 and Nov. 1, 6, 8, 13 and 15 from 9-11 a.m., no appointment necessary. This year we will having evening hours from 6-8 p.m. on Oct. 16, 23 and 30 and Nov. 6 and 13 in the church office. You must bring the child's birth certificate to sign up and your ID to pick up. No exceptions. First come, first served, available until our limit is reached or Nov. 15. During morning hours, come to Food Share located at the back of United Church of Christ, Fed. on Main Street in Webster. During evening hours, come to the church office located at 4 Church St. in Webster.

COMMUNITY MEALS: Blessed Backpack Brigade Community Fellowship Meal served from 5-6 p.m. American Legion Hall, 9 Houghton St, Webster. Please note that there is no handicapped access, but we will have volunteers to provide you with assistance. Free hot meals to anyone in need. Everyone is welcome. Join us for great food, fellowship, and fun! For more information, or to donate or sponsor a meal, please call Lisa Berg at 508-330-7242 or Lauri Joseph 774-230-8988. Blessed Backpack Brigade Community Fellowship Meals are served the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at the American Legion on Houghton Street, Webster.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT: The Webster Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at Webster Manor, 745 School St., from 6-8 p.m. Anyone in the area who feels they are in need of help, doesn't know what to do, or is a caregiver for someone with Alzheimer's, is invited to attend and express their concerns regarding the care for their loved one. The members of the group will discuss the ways, means, and the help you will need as your loved one progresses in this disease.

NUMISMATICS: Looking for a new hobby? Come learn about the hobby of Coin Collecting. Or maybe you are an old time collector. Our club, the Nipmuc Coin Club, has both. We learn from each other through our monthly guest speakers, show and tell presentations, monthly coin auctions and free attendance prizes. Our group loves to share their knowledge with each other. Each month we have a simple dinner with dessert and refreshments just prior to our meeting, which allows us time to socialize too. Fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Oxford Senior Center located at 323 Main St., the building directly behind Oxford Town Hall. For information contact Dick Lisi at (508) 410-1332 or <u>lisirichard15@yahoo.</u> <u>com</u>.

HELP FOR HELPERS: Do you have a family member struggling with addiction or alcoholism? You are not alone. Join Families Helping Families Support Group. Meetings at Dudley Senior Center every first and third Monday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m. We spend so much time with our addicted loved one, that we become victims ourselves. Join us. It's informal, confidential, with tough love advice from the heart, sharing of resources, hope and hugs.

HOLISTIC HEALTH: Chair Yoga and so much more every Tuesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at The First Congregational Church, 135 Center Road, Dudley (please park and enter through the right side basement entrance). Class Fee: \$5/ class voluntary contribution (Cancer patients always free). Proceeds donated to the First Congregational Church of Dudley. Instructor: Joanne LaLiberte, Holistic Health practitioner..

KNOWING KNITTERS: Come join the Drop In Knitting Group from 10 a.m. to noon on Fridays at the Pearle L. Crawford Memorial Library, Schofield Avenue, Dudley. All ages and levels, from beginner to expert, are welcome. For more information, call Mary Kunkel at (508) 943-8107 or Jacqueline Vassar at (508) 892-4754.

GOT FOOD? The Bread of Life Food Pantry, Calvary Assembly of God, located at 105 Southbridge Road, is open Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m. They are closed on holidays. They can be reached at 508-949-3711.

SUPPORT: The Cancer Support Group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second Monday of every month in the Boardroom on the 4th floor at Harrington Hospital, 100 South Street, Southbridge. Call (508) 764-2400 for more information.

SUPPORT: Overeaters Anonymous group meeting every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Come to Room RHF-1 at Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret St., Putnam, CT. We will welcome you! For more information, contact Kathryn at (508) 949-0819.

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in both Spanish and English. I have two beautiful little boys, Nathaniel 12yrs. and Noah 3 yrs.

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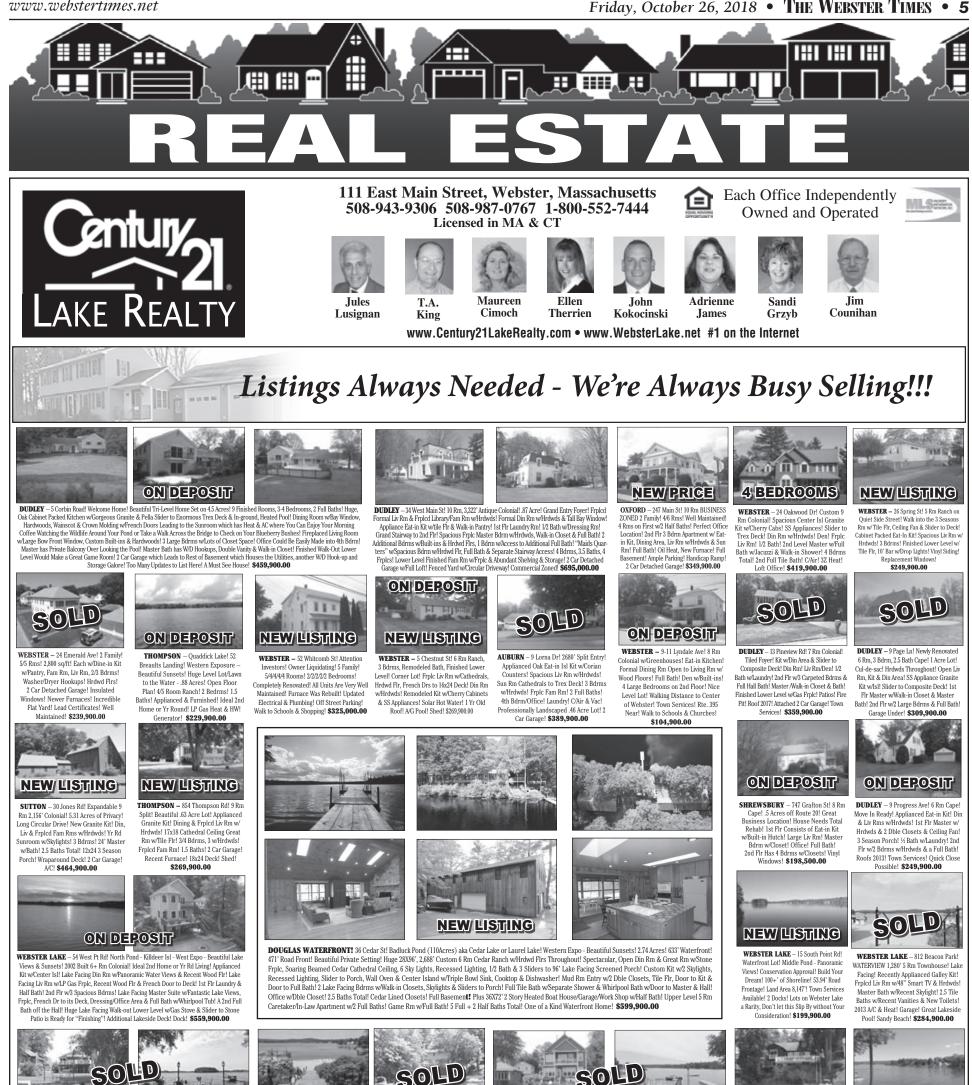
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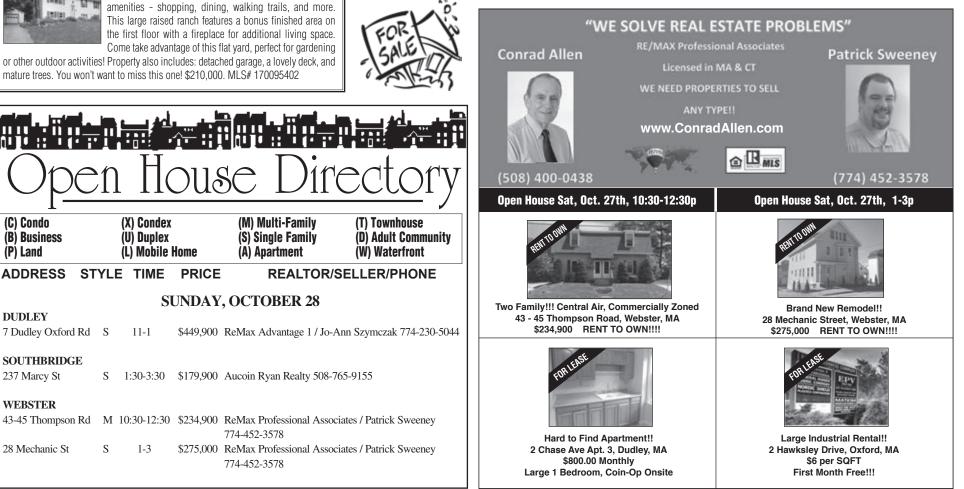
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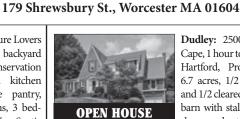
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

OUTDOOR FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT 6-8 p.m. KAROL'S CORNER TAKE OUT 610 Pleasant St., Rochdale, MA

TRICK OR TREAT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31

4-8 p.m. TRICK OR TREAT Raffles and contests KAROL'S CORNER TAKE OUT 610 Pleasant St., Rochdale, MA

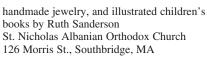
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10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ALBANIAN KITCHEN AND BAZAAR Bake table featuring traditional Albanian favorites. Albanian-style café with a variety

of food items to dine in or take out. Theme baskets, this 'n' that table,

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FUNDRAISER FOR EDDIE GREENVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH 700 Pleasant St., Rochdale, MA 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Indoor yard sale, bake sale, raffles, face painting, balloon animals for kids. Early birds. \$10 entrance fee. Proceeds to benefit Eddie Besse, a local 5-year-old with brittle bone disease in need of a van with a wheelchair lift.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

PICTURES WITH SANTA AT KLEM'S

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by David Gallant, Jr. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, dated September 12, 2006 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39759, Page 369 of which mortgage HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-E. Mortgage-Backed Certificates. Series 2006-E is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-E, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-E dated October 12, 2015 recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54475, Page 395, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 3 Dresser Hill Road, Dudley, MA 01571 will be sold at a Public Auction at 4:00 PM on November 15, 2018, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land on the eastern side of Dresser Hill Road in the northern part of Dudley near Charlton line and bound and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a drill hole in a stone wall on the easterly side of the 1933 Worcester County highway layout of Dresser Hill Road, at the northerly corner of tract, said point being 149.35 feet northerly of a Worcester County Highway bound opposite station 137.15;

THENCE N. 72° 50' 13" E. along said stone wall and land, now or formerly of Richard Lavigne, a distance of one hundred sixty-seven and two one hundredths (167.02) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE N. 72° 31' 50" E. along said stone wall and Lavigne, a distance of one hundred eighty-six and eighty-seven one hundredths (186.87) feet to an iron pipe in a corner of walls; THENCE S. 26° 00' 22" E. along a stone wall and land of Theresa Giroux, a distance of three hundred forty-two and ten one hundredths (342.10) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 80° 48' 19" W. along land of Charles K. Wood, now or formerly, a distance of two hundred eight and eight one hundredths (208.08) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 83° 01' 45" W. along land of Charles K. Wood, now or formerly, a distance of two hundred three and forty-one hundred the

Registry of Deeds, which indicate no trace on the entire one hundred ten (110) acres where peat might have been cut and dried, and recorded in Book 6561, page 90.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39759, Page 366.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-E, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-E Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Gallant, David, 13-010690 October 12, 2018 October 19, 2018 October 26, 2018

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 Eric Asante to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A., dated December 23, 2010 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 46864, Page 195, as affected by Judgment recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 58626, Page 190, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration MetLife Homes Systems, Inc. to Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A. dated November 30, 2011 and recorded with said Registry on December 15, 2011 at Book 48273, Page 70 and by assignment from MetLife Bank, National Association, a/k/a MetLife Home Loans, a division of MetLife Bank, N.A. to JPMorgan Chase Bank. National Association dated August 15, 2013 and recorded with said Registry on August 27, 2013 at Book 51407, Page 221, and by assignment from MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A. to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association dated April 16, 2013 and recorded with said Registry on September 26, 2013 at Book 51544, Page 231, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on November 14. 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 12 Eagle Drive, Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

feet in width parallel to the westerly boundary line of said lot.

The above described premises are subject to a temporary turnaround as shown on the above described Plan.

The property is more accurately described in the Judgment recorded with said Registry in Book 58626, Page 190 as follows:

The land in Dudley, County of Worcester with buildings and improvements thereon, more particularly described as:

A certain tract or parcel of land located on the northerly side of Eagle Drive and being shown as Lot #18 on 'Section 2, Plan of Subdivision in Dudley, Massachusetts for Luscusz Chojnacki et al dated November 29, 1979, Robert Para, Land Surveyor'' recorded Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 474 at Page 7 and further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Eagle Drive, and point being the southwest corner of lot herein conveyed;

Thence N. 18 deg. 16' 57" E. by other land of Chojnacki, a distance of 250 feet;

Thence S. 72 deg. 49' 06" E., distance of 105 feet;

Thence S. 19 deg. 05' 31" W. by lot #19, a distance of 277.88 feet to Eagle Drive;

Thence northwesterly by Eagle Drive on a curve having a distance of 88.44 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described premises are subject to a drainage easement 12.5 feet in width parallel to westerly boundary line of said lot.

The above described premises are subject to a temporary turnaround as shown on the above described Plan.

There is specifically excluded any fee in Eagle Drive as shown on said Plan. Together with the land in Dudley, Massachusetts shown as Parcel B on a "Plan of Land in Dudley, Mass. Prepared for Joseph & Sandra Carbonneau and Stephen & Janice Day" by Moran Survey, Inc., of Shrewsbury, Mass., dated August 15, 1995, and recorded in Plan Book 786, Page 101.

Excluding the land in Dudley, Massachusetts shown as Parcel A on a 'Plan of Land in Dudley, Mass. Prepared for Joseph & Sandra Carbonneau and Stephen & Janice Day' by Moran Survey, Inc., of Shrewsbury, Mass., dated August 15, 1995, and recorded in Plan Book 786, Page 101.

Being the same premises described in a deed from Alex. W. Maldonado and Linette Hernandez to Eric Asante and Genevieve Nyarko dated December 10, 2010, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 46864, Page 193.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed

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 Peter G. Gunn to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Drew Mortgage Associates, Inc, dated November 20, 2009 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45148, Page 141, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Drew Mortgage Associates, Inc., its succes-

sors and assigns to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, recorded on January 8, 2018, in Book No. 58291, at Page 86

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on December 10, 2018, on the mortgaged premises located at 84 North Main Street, Webster, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon of every nature and description and all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in the Town of Webster, Worcester County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being known and designated as Lot No. 4 on Plan of Lots recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 41, Plan No. 37, further bounded and described as follows: NORTHERLY ninety (90) feet by Lot No. 2 on said plan; EASTERLY fifty-five and five tenths (55.5) feet by Lot No. 6 on said plan; SOUTHERLY ninety (90) feet by land formerly of one Regan; WESTERLY fifty (50) feet by North Main Street. Said premises are conveyed subject to the restriction that no building or other structure shall be built or maintained within 10 feet of said North Main Street. ALSO another certain tract or parcel of land in said Webster with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the southeasterly corner thereof at land of one Regan and at the southwesterly corner of Lot Numbered 8; THENCE northerly along said lot numbered 8, fifty-eight and eight and one-half tenths (58.85) feet to a stake at land of one Trahan; THENCE westerly along land of said Trahan fifty (50) feet to land of Joseph Levaseur and Georgianna Lavasseur; THENCE southerly along land of said Joseph Levasseur and Georgianna Lavasseur fifty-five and five tenths (55.5) feet to a stake at land of said Regan; THENCE easterly along land of said Regan fifty (50) feet to the point of beginning. BEING the southerly half of lot numbered six (6) on plan of North Main Street and Upland Avenue, dated December 4, 1923, B.A. Wakefield, C.E., and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 41, Page 37. BEING the same premises conveyed to the Mortgager by deed dated June 5, 2005 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 36621, Page 126. For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36621, Page 126. These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California St. Newton, MA 02458 (617)558-0500 12265 October 26, 2018 November 2, 2018 November 9, 2018

dred three and forty-one hundredths (203.41) feet to a stake;

THENCE S. 81° 59' 43" W. along land of Charles K. Wood, now or formerly, a distance of ninety-two and thirty-one hundredths (92.31) feet to an iron pipe on the easterly side of Dresser Hill Road;

THENCE running northerly along the easterly side of Dresser Hill Road, on a curve to the right, having a radius of nine hundred seventy and zero one hundredths (970.00) feet and a length of one hundred twenty-three and ninety-three one hundredths (123.93) feet to a Worcester County Highway Bound;

THENCE N. 3° 56' 45" E. along the easterly side of Dresser Hill Road, a distance of one hundred forty-nine and thirty-five one hundredths (149.35) feet to the drill hole at the point of beginning.

CONTAINING an area of 2.962 acres. BEING the same premises as shown on the plan of land in Dudley, Massachusetts, Surveyed for William Smith, Robert F. Para, Land Surveyor, dated June 23, 1981 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in book 479, page 82.

SAID premises being about 2.962 acres of so much of the northerly portion of the farm of Charles K: Wood and is on the easterly side of Dresser Hill Road, otherwise known as Route 31 and being a portion of the premises conveyed to Elida Wood and Charles K. Wood by the following deeds in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds: Book 2869, Page 552, dated October 7, 1942, Book 4639, Page 273 dated January 7, 1966, Book 6561, Page 84 dated August 22, 1978.

There is mentioned a supposed right of cutting and drying peat, if it is in force and effect, but the statement and recital, shall not be a renewal, thereof, in a deed from Charles S. Wood to Martin A. Obenawr dated March 10, 1891 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 1345, Page 424. However, there is on record an affidavit which indicates a non—user and/or abandonment for at least 46 years with respect to such alleged right of cutting and drying peat executed by Elida Wood on September 7, 1978 and recorded in the Worcester District TO WIT:

12 Eagle Drive, Dudley Massachusetts 01571

A certain tract or parcel of land located on the northerly side of Eagle Drive and being shown as Lot #18 on "Section 2, Plan of Subdivision in Dudley, Massachusetts for Luscusz Chujnacki et al dated November 29, 1979, Robert Pars, Land Surveyor recorded Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 474 at Page 7 and further bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of Eagle Drive, and point being the southwest corner of lot herein conveyed;

THENCE N. 18° 16' 57" E. by other land of Chojnacki, a distance of 250 feet;

THENCE S. 72° 49' 06" E., distance of 105 feet;

THENCE S. 19° 05' 31" W. by lot #19, a distance of 277.88 feet to Eagle Drive;

THENCE northwesterly by Eagle Drive on a curve having distance of 88.44 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described premises are subject to a drainage easement 12.5

recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 46864, Page 193.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500 201205-0953 - PRP

October 19, 2018 October 26, 2018 November 2, 2018

LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 31 Nancy Drive, Webster, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Beth C. O'Neill and Michael J. O'Neill to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as a nominee for Florida Capital Bank, NA dba Florida Capital Bank Mortgage, said mortgage dated February 20, 2009, and recorded February 25, 2009 in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 43851 at Page 258 and now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by virtue of an assignment from Bank of America, N.A. to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC dated August 1, 2013 and recorded September 16, 2013 in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51498 at Page 391, previously assigned by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., to Bank of America, N.A. by virtue of an assignment dated May 10, 2012 and recorded May 21, 2012 in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 48996 at Page 239, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on November 19. 2018 at 11:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon of every nature an description and all the privelages and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated on the southerly side of Nancy Drive, in the Town of Webster. County of Worcester. Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Being Lot No. 23 on "Plan No. 2 of Nancy Acres owned by Santo DiDonato Trustee, drawn by J.R. Kleindienst, Engineer, dated December 22, 1959" and recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 254, Plan 117, further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly line of said Nancy Drive which point is 925 feet measured westerly from the intersection of Worcester Road;

Thence westerly 75 feet, along the southerly line of Nancy Drive to a point at Lot #24;

Thence southerly at right angles with the last mentioned course, 125 feet to a point by Lot #24;

Thence easterly at right angles to the last mentioned course, 75 feet to a point as Lot No. 22;

Thence northerly and at right angles to the last mentioned course, 125 feet by Lot #22 to the point of beginning.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated

foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on November 8, 2018 at 1:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises

described in said mortgage, to wit: A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT LOT 2, POLAND STREET, WEBSTER, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 2 ON A PLAN OF LAND ENTITLED PLAN OF LAND IN WEBSTER, MASSACHUSETTS PREPARED BY B&R SURVEY, INC. DATED APRIL 7, 2005 AND RECORDED IN THE WORCESTER DISTRICT REGISTRY OF DEEDS ON MAY 16, 2005 IN PLAN BOOK 825, PLAN 92 CONTAINING 16, 022 SQUARE FEET MORE OR LESS. BEING THE SAME PREMISES CONVEYED TO PATRIOT HOMES, INC. BY DEED OF NEAL STEVENS AND ELIZABETH M. STEVENS FKA ELIZABETH M. MALINOWSKI DATED MAY 26, 2005, AND RECORDED WITH THE WORCESTER DISTRICT REGISTRY OF DEEDS IN BOOK 36971, PAGE 200.

BEING ALL OF THAT CERTAIN CONVEYED PROPERTY ΤО LEONARD J. MELANSON FROM INC. PATRIOT HOMES, BY DEED DATED 01/31/2006 AND RECORDED 02/01/2006 IN BOOK 38320, PAGE 372 IN THE LAND RECORDS OF Worcester COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS.

Permanent Parcel Number: 12 C 11-1 The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated January 31, 2006 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38320, Page 372.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC 1080 Main Street, Suite 200 Pawtucket, RI 02860 Attorney for Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A Present Holder of the Mortgage (401) 217-8701 October 12, 2018 October 19, 2018 October 26, 2018

Surety on the bond in an unsuper- a Special Permit from the Board of vised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/27/2018. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS

UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First

Justice of this Court. Date: October 16, 2018

Stephanie K. Fattman. **Register of Probate**

October 26, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Worcester Probate and Family** Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO02P3250GR1 **CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF** PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF A GUARDIAN OF AN **INCAPACITATED PERSON** In the Interests of: Laurie Rose Of: Oxford, MA RESPONDENT

Incapacitated Person/Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Dept. of Developmental Services of Springfield, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Terminate the Guardianship

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/ or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/ or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

Appeals can more than two (2) houses use the same driveway.

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 1, 2018 AT 7:00P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, 71 WEST MAIN STREET, DUDLEY IN ROOM 321A, AT WHICH TIME YOU MAY BE HEARD RELATIVE TO THE SPECIAL PERMIT.

GEORGE SLINGO, CHAIRMAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS October 19, 2018

October 26, 2018

OFFICE OF

THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT NANCY MROCZEK HAVE APPLIED TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS TO APPEAL THE TERMS OF THE **ZONING BYLAWS, SECTION 2.04.02 DENSITY REQUIREMENT TABLE. AT** 25 MARSHALL TERRACE, DUDLEY, MA 01571

IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: Nature of Application or Appeal: Applicant is seeking a Variance/Special Permit to vary the lot area from 15,000 square feet to 10,110 square feet at 25 Marshall Terrace, Dudley, MA 01571

Applicable section of the Zoning By Law: Section 2.04.02 Density Requirement Table of the Town of Dudley Zoning Bylaw.

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 1, 2018 AT 7:00P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, 71 WEST MAIN STREET, DUDLEY IN ROOM 321A, AT WHICH TIME YOU MAY BE HEARD RELATIVE TO THE SPECIAL PERMIT.

GEORGE SLINGO. CHAIRMAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS October 19, 2018 October 26, 2018

(SEAL)

COMMONWEALTH **OF MASSACHUSETTS** LAND COURT **DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL** COURT 18 SM 005875 **ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO: Michael Szostakowski and the Heirs,

Devisees, of Legal Representatives of the Estate of Paul Szostakowski, Justin Szostakowski and Lori Szostakowski and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. §§ 3901 et seq.:

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 90 Upland Avenue, given by Annette L. Szostakowski, Michael Szostakowski, Paul Szostakowski to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated October 24, 2008, and recorded in Worcester County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 43457,

July 14, 2007, and recorded July 17, 2007 in Book 41496 at Page 370 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000,00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

BENDETT & MCHUGH, PC 270 Farmington Avenue Farmington, CT 06032 Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Present Holder of the Mortgage (860) 677-2868

October 26, 2018 November 2, 2018 November 9, 2018

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE **OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises:

61 Poland Street, Webster, MA By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Leonard J. Melanson to Citizens Bank of Massachusetts and now held by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A, said mortgage dated September 30, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 40070, Page 173, said mortgage was assigned from Citizens Bank, N.A. F/K/A RBS Citizens, N.A., F/K/A Citizens Bank, N.A., S/B/M to Citizens Bank of Massachusetts to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust A by assignment dated October 3, 2016 and recorded with said Registry in Book 56752, Page 174; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of

Notice of Sale of Motor Vehicle Under G.L.c. 255, Section 39A

Notice is hereby given by: School St Towing 17-31 School St Webster MA 01570. pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c. 225, Section 39A, that on 27 Oct 2018 at 9AM at 17-31 School St Webster MA 01570 by Private Sale the following Motor Vehicle will be sold to satisfy the garagekeeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicle. Vehicle description: Year: 2009 Make: Honda Model: Civic Registration#/State: UnReg VIN: 2HGFA16839H328002

Name and address of vehicle owner: Jonathan Zenguis 240 School St Webster MA 01570

by: Frank A Czechowski Jr Dated: 5 Oct 2018 This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L.c. 255, Section 39A October 12, 2018

October 19, 2018 October 26, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO18P3397EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: John J McKanas Date of Death:09/09/2018 To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Bonita J Khoo of Dudley MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Bonita J Khoo of Dudley MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without be used for two (2) houses. Only by

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 11/20/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The abovenamed person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A Keamy First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 11, 2018

Stephanie K Fattman **Register of Probate**

October 26, 2018

OFFICE OF

THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT ERIC AND JANE JOHNSON HAVE APPLIED TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS TO APPEAL THE TERMS OF THE ZONING BYLAWS, SECTION 7.01.00-4F DRIVEWAY/CURB CUT PERMIT AT 0 PIERPONT ROAD, **DUDLEY, MA 01571**

IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: Nature of Application or Appeal: Applicant is seeking a Special Permit to obtain relief from Section 7.01.00-4F to allow one driveway to service two (2) lots at 0 Pierpont Road Dudley, MA 01571

Applicable section of the Zoning By Law: Section 7.01.00-4F Driveway/ Curb Cut Permit- One driveway can Page 322, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

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Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER, Chief Justice of this Court on October 9, 2018.

Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson Recorder October 26, 2018

Legal Notice

The Attorney General's Office has returned with approval the warrant articles voted positively at the June Special Town Meeting held June 25, 2018. The articles approved were;

Article 2 – To amend the Zoning By-law XII Temporary Moratorium on Recreational Marijuana Establishments.

Article 3 – To create a by-law entitled "Vacant and Foreclosing Properties".

Article 5 - To amend the General By-laws and create a new by-law entitled "A By-law Relative to Nuisances on property".

Article 6 – To amend the General By-law "Prohibition of Public Consumption of Marijuana".

Article 15 - To re-zone two parcels of land on Old Worcester Road. One from Business Without Sewer to Industrial and one from Single Family Residential to Industrial.

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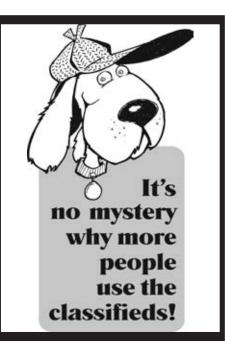
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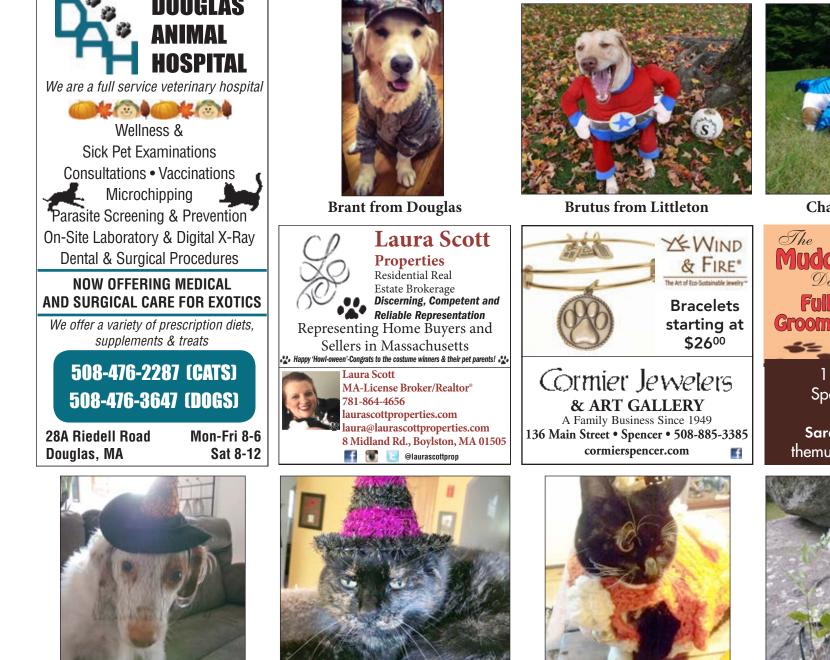


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Navigating aging with senior pets



As pets age, their needs change and pet owners must adjust how they care for their pets.

Spunky pups and curious kittens draw the attention of people eager to welcome new pets into their families. As pets begin to age, owners of senior animals may find that they struggle with their pets' emergent needs in this ered geriatric at the age of seven, offers the American Veterinary Medical Foundation. Even so, many pets go on to live 12 to 15 years, which can be the equivalent of age 75 to 85 in humans. Geriatric pets are susceptible to the same conditions seen in older people, including cancer, diabetes, weakness, senility, joint or bone diseases, and heart disease. It is essential to keep an open dialogue with a veterinarian to discuss any potential health issues aging pets may encounter. Nicholas Dodman, coauthor of "Good Old Dog: Expert Advice for Keeping Your Aging Dog Healthy, Happy and Comfortable," pet owners must realize that older pets are less able to thermoregulate, so they're more sensitive to extreme temperature changes. Pets may need blankets or sweaters. They also may need to spend more time indoors when the weather is harsh.

Dietary changes may need to be made. Older pets may eat less, but they should be fed high-quality, nutritious foods that help keep their weight in check. Excess weight can put added stress on sensitive joints and may contribute to problems with diabetes.

Veterinary Pet Insurance, a division of Nationwide Insurance Company, says there are new, alternative treatments available for aging pets, often used to treat pain, pet arthritis and cancer. Cold laser treatment directs light to stimulate cells and increase blood circulation to ease aches and pains. Medical acupuncture can help reduce pain and inflammation. Radiosurgery can target cancerous tissue with a very high dose of targeted radiation while avoiding doses to surrounding tissue. In addition, monoclonal antibodies can be attached to cancer cells to boost natural immunity to cancer and germs. Older pets require different care and more patience. Owners of aging pets should speak with their veterinarians about caring for pets as they grow older.

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How to recognize skin and food allergies in dogs

Allergies can affect anyone, even the family dog.

According to the American Kennel Club, various types of allergies can affect dogs. Skin allergies and food allergies can be very unpleasant. And just like their owners, dogs may be vulnerable to environmental allergens like dust, pollen and mold. Learning about aller-

gies and how to recognize them in dogs can help pet owners ensure their fourlegged friends live as happily and as comfortably as possible.

Skin allergies

The most common type of allergic reactions in dogs, skin allergies, also referred to as "allergic dermatitis," are caused by flea allergy dermatitis, food allergies or environmental allergies. Flea allergy dermatitis is an allergic reaction to flea bites. Dogs may be allergic to flea saliva, which can make them very itchy, particularly at the base of their tails. As dogs scratch their itches, their skin can become red and inflamed and may scab over.

The AKC notes that itchy skin may also be a byproduct of food allergies or sensitivities to certain foods. In such instances, the most common places dogs will itch are their ears and paws. Itchiness also may be accompanied by gastrointestinal issues.

Dogs that only seem to itch their skin during cer-



tain times of the year may be dealing with skin allergies resulting from environmental allergens like dust, pollen and mold. The ears and paws are the most commonly affected areas in these instances, though dogs also may feel itchiness in other areas, such as their wrists, ankles, muzzle, underarms, groin, around their eyes, and in between their toes.

Food allergies and sensitivities

The AKC notes that food allergies may not be as com-

mon as people think. In many instances, food sensitivities are to blame for many symptoms dogs exhibit. If the veterinarian suspects a dog has a food sensitivity, he or she will work with dog owners to identify the ingredient that is causing a reaction. Both food allergies and food sensitivities can trigger gastrointestinal problems like diarrhea and/or vomiting. Skin conditions like hives and facial swelling may be indicative of an allergy. Itchiness, poor skin and coat, and chronic ear or foot infections are

among the symptoms of food sensitivities noted by the AKC.

Diagnosing allergies in dogs can be complicated. Veterinarians may first try to rule out other conditions that may be causing symptoms in your dog. If the vet suspects an allergy, he or she may try to confirm this by utilizing an elimination diet that restricts what the dog eats for 12 weeks. Learn more about dogs and allergies at www.akc.org.



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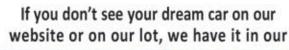
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