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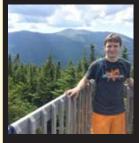
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Leicester breaks ground on new fire/EMS facility



Officials break ground at the site of the new fire/EMS complex in Leicester.

PROJECT 'A SIGN OF BIGGER AND BETTER THINGS TO COME'

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — Emergency responders have spent decades patiently awaiting a new facility to call home. Finally, with last week's groundbreaking for the new fire/EMS facility, the waiting

The Sept. 13 groundbreaking ceremony at the Paxton Street facility was an unforgettable experience for Fire Chief Robert Wilson and his staff. But they recognized that the celebration should not be for town officials, but instead the residents who made the project possi-

"I am looking forward to seeing a building constructed that the entire town can be proud of," Wilson said.

The \$4.8 million construction phase of the project is expected to be completed by the end of next summer. An additional \$1 million will cover the costs of consultants and project administrators, plus \$355,000 that was spent on land acquisition.

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Moore, Beshir on collision course

RY KEVIN FLANDERS

challenged for the 2nd Worcester District this November by Mesfin Beshir (R-Worcester). As Election Day approaches, we will cover all aspects of the contest, including potential debates in October.

For Moore, there has been little time to reflect on his many accomplishments since taking office. Instead, he's focused on continuing to work with constituents to advance the district and address issues facing residents.

"Since being elected to the Senate to represent the Second Worcester District, I have been hard at work for our communities," Moore said. "I am running for reelection so that I may continue to fight for the interests of the people of the district on Beacon Hill in the next legislative session."

During his tenure, Moore has helped pass over \$30 million in bond bill funding for local projects, in addition to supporting legislation involving education, public safety and economic development.

"I appreciate the strong support I have received in the past, and I respectfully request the continued support of voters in my bid for reelection," Moore added.

Beshir, meanwhile, enters the contest hoping to infuse

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'The stigma needs to disappear'

COMMUNITY FORUM FOCUSES ON OPIOID BATTLE

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Local and state officials know the battle against opioids is going to be an uphill campaign — but they are up for the challenge.

Last week, Worcester County District Attorney Joseph Early Jr. visited David Prouty High School to outline his plans for finding solutions and saving lives.

The Sept. 14 community forum featured a panel of local officials who have worked closely with Early and his task force. Among them was Spencer Police Chief David Darrin, who arranged the forum as part of a layered approach toward combating the crisis. Other panel members included Sen. Anne Gobi, Spencer State Representatives Donald Berthiaume and Peter Durant, and Spencer EMS Executive Director Ted Flanagan, among others.

Their goal wasn't simply to provide information to parents and families with a loved one struggling with addiction, but to offer

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From left, Learn to Cope members Betsy Olivo, Sue Krikorian, and Terri Nabulsi.

Dixon set to challenge Campanale

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER - In the race for the 17th Worcester District, incumbent Republican State Rep. Kate Campanale, of Leicester, will face Democratic challenger Moses Dixon, of Worcester.

Less than two months remain until Election Day in November, and both candidates have been busy with preparations. A member of the House Budget Committee, Campanale has balanced her workload at the state level with her campaign efforts. Dixon, meanwhile, is hoping to continue his momentum after defeating Leicester Selectman Douglas Belanger in the Primary.

As the election nears, the Spencer New Leader will provide in-depth features on the two candidates, in addition to coverage of debates in October. These features will highlight the many similarities and differences between Campanale and Dixon as voters gather more information in advance of the election.

Campanale has been thrilled with the accomplishments she's made in her first two years in office, gaining valuable experience along the way.

"Being put on the Budget Committee and tackling some of the state's fiscal problems has been such a great experience,". Campanale said. "We have had Turn To STATE REP ELECTION, page lots of local successes as well: securing funding for Coes Pond

revitalization in Worcester, getting the money to fix the Rawson Street bridge in Leicester, and helping residents on Stiles with their aging dam that needed vital repairs.

Dixon, who went door to door in the district this summer, is excited to continue the hard work and meet even more residents. Whether it's in person or over the phone, Dixon is always eager to start the conversation about residents' needs and what can be improved.

"My goal is to reach as many voters as possible. I want to get to work on all of the issues res-

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Senate race takes shape

Gobi, Ehrhard set to do battle in November

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Sept. 8 Primary is in the books, the November elections are getting closer, and the Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire & Middlesex District has a "campaign of differences" ahead of them, said Republican candidate James Ehrhard, who is running for Senate against incumbent Democrat Anne

While the two hopefuls have many different opinions, stances and goals for the district, one thing rings true for both — their passion for the communities and towns with-

in the district. Ehrhard lives in Sturbridge with his wife and three children, all members of the St. Anne and St. Patrick Parish. He was a member of various committees in town, including the Tantasqua Regional School Committee. The owner and manager of Ehrhard & Associates, PC, which concentrates on bankruptcy and general litigation, he states that

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Anne Gobi



James Ehrhard

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

BROOKFIELD — Residents weren't discouraged by a little rain earlier this month, as the third annual QQLA Paddle Poker Run took place on Sept. 10 on North and South Ponds.

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Prizes included a Pelican Trailblazer kayak, a paddle boat, gift certificates to Dick's Sporting Goods, and a watertight

> cell phone box, among others.

In and Around Spencer

The QQLA is committed to protecting and preserving the two lakes. Comprised of members from Brookfield, East Brookfield and Sturbridge, education on best practices and communication with residents and town officials remain key focuses for the organization.

And through events like the Paddle Poker Run, the QQLA is able to share its mission with new people each year.

LEARNING GOVERNMENT FROM MCGOVERN

Congressman Jim McGovern expressed his appreciation to several Massachusetts residents who completed summer internships. A handful of the interns were from Worcester County.

"Each summer we are proud to welcome young people from across the district to serve in our offices in Massachusetts and Washington D.C.," McGovern said. "These internships are an opportunity to serve our community and gain the valuable skills and experiences that will prepare them for rewarding careers. It has been exciting to watch each of them learn and grow, and I know big things are ahead for this next generation of leaders."

Local summer interns included Leicester's Colin Boyle, a junior studying political science at Middlebury College. Also from Leicester, Lauren Tuiskula is a senior studying English at Amherst College.

SENIORS WITH THE SHERIFF

Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis celebrated the close of summer with his annual Senior Picnic held in Shrewsbury.

In what has become an eagerly anticipated event, Evangelidis hosted hundreds of seniors from throughout the area. The picnic was sponsored by the Worcester County Reserve Deputy Sheriff's Association, including donations from local businesses.

The event featured a traditional barbeque, cash bingo, raffle prizes, complimentary gift bags and musical entertainment

"As Sheriff, hosting the Senior Picnic is one of the biggest highlights

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Area residents take part in the third annual QQLA Paddle Poker Run on Sept. 10 in Brookfield.



Worcester County Sheriff Lew Evangelidis shares a photo with East Brookfield senior, Joan Bedard, during the Sheriff's annual Senior Picnic in Shrewsbury.

of the year. It's always a great honor to give back to our seniors who have given so much to their communities,' Evangelidis said. "We are thrilled that it has become such a beloved annual tradition."

More than 200 volunteers made the event possible. The Sheriff also provided inmate labor opportunities to assist

with setup tasks.

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SPECIAL THANKS

Spencer officials wished to thank all guests who made the Sept. 14 opioid crisis community forum a success. From treatment specialists to nonprofit support networks, the event offered hope to all families in attendance.

Chief Police Darrin David was also thanked for his extensive efforts in making the event happen.

SUMMER SUCCESS

The Merriam-Gilbert Public Library in West Brookfi thanked all of its summer library program participants, as well as the sponsors who supported the program.

More than 90 kids signed up for activities this summer, and over 400 people attended programs throughout the summer. For more information about upcoming fall events at the library, visit www.westbrookfieldlibrary.org.

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Caissie receives MACO endorsement

Governor's Councilor Jen Caissie recently received the endorsement of the Massachusetts Association of Court Officers (MACO) - Local 5000.

In endorsing Caissie, MACO stated, "Jen Caissie has been a champion for public safety both in and out of the courtrooms in Massachusetts. She is an effective representative for Worcester County on the Governor's Council and has been a consistent and strong advocate for safety throughout the Massachusetts court system."

Caissie has been attorney in private practice in both criminal and civil law for nearly 20 years. She is also a Special Prosecutor for the Worcester County District Attorney's Office on select cases. Previously, Caissie served as a Selectman and Police Commissioner in her hometown of Oxford for 13 years.

In receiving the endorsement Caissie said, "I am honored to receive the vote of confidence from the Massachusetts Association of Court Officers. These are the dedicated men and women who keep our citizens safe everyday in the courts throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

Despite injury, mountain climbing fundraiser a success



NORTH BROOKFIELD — Although

John Thompson's quest to make history

was thwarted by an injury last month,

his overall mission was an overwhelm-

Thompson, assisted by a dedicated

team of friends, was hoping to summit

every mountain in New England taller

than 4,000 feet — and in only a week's

time. He came up with the 4Kers for

Kidneys mission to raise money for

cancer research while honoring the life

of his grandfather, North Brookfield's

Dr. John Carey, who passed away in

December after a battle with kidney

Carey, who grew up in North

Brookfield, spent a career helping

patients in his role as a physician. He

was extremely active in his community,

and he loved giving back - which served

as inspirations to Thompson, who was

determined to make all 67 climbs of the

4Ker mountains in his grandfather's

I had a great day before relaxing on

Ambajejus Lake with my support crew

and parents, and I was feeling good

while we drove into Baxter State Park

in the early morning," said Thompson, 24, of Brookline, who has countless

memories of spending time with his

grandfather on Lake Lashaway in East

Brookfield. "I did have some nerves, but

that is only natural when you're start-

Thompson emerged an hour ahead of

schedule following his climbs of three

peaks in Baxter State Park, but he

tweaked his ankle on Hamlin Summit

on Mount Katahdin. Determined not to

let the injury slow him down, he was

able to get back into a groove after a

But he hit another unexpected hurdle

while nearing the summit of Mount

Abraham at midnight on the first night

of the trek. Navigating a trail that wasn't

well marked, he had approached the summit from the wrong angle, which

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"I went into the trek feeling great.

John Thompson, of Brookline, organized a massive climbing challenge in an effort to raise funds in honor of his late grandfather, John Carey, who grew up in North Brookfield.

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BY KEVIN FLANDERS

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QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

"I am looking forward to seeing a building constructed that the entire town can be proud of."

Leicester Fire Chief Robert Wilson, commenting on the groundbreaking of the new fire/EMS building last week.

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way, I quickly made my way back to the summit of Abraham. At this point I was low on water, it was about 35-40 degrees, and I was only wearing a light jacket and running shorts," Thompson recalled. "Thankfully there is a wind shelter on top of Abraham, where I was able to sleep for about 40 minutes while Climbing by daylight now, Thompson found his bearings and made his way

"After I realized I had gone the wrong

to the next summit (Mount Spaulding). However, he was now essentially out of water for the remaining nine miles of the hike. A lack of sleep didn't help matters, but the challenging schedule left no room for additional rest.

"During this whole ordeal, I was not afraid or nervous that I was going to get lost in the woods, as I knew I could get back to Abraham if necessary," he said. "The lack of sleep really slowed me down for the following two days, however, especially on the first hike the next day up Mount Crocker.'

Exhausted and sore, Thompson discontinued his mission on the morning of the fourth day. He was hiking a six-mountain ridge (Moriah to Wildcat near Gorham, NH), and he had been experiencing persistent pain in his ankle the previous day.

"I was descending from South Carter to Carter Dome when I rolled my ankle. I was still able to bear weight, but it would not have been smart to try and hike the remaining 50 mountains," he

Though Thompson was disappointed by the results, he quickly set his sights on a new goal. He plans to complete the remaining climbs before the anniversary of his grandfather's passing (Dec. 31).

"It will be nowhere near as intense as my previous goal – and I won't be setting any record – but I will be able to really enjoy the hikes and experience them with friends," he said. "To date, I have completed 25 summits, so I still have 42 peaks to go - which I project to take ten full days of hiking.

Even though the climbing aspect of the goal fell short, the fundraising component was an enormous success. Reflecting on a hectic period of preparations, Thompson thanked everyone who donated during a 308 Lakeside fundraiser last month in East Brookfield. The event raised \$450.

In total, 4kers for Kidneys has raised

Donations can still be made to www. 4kersforkidneys.com. Thompson partnered with Baystate Regional Medical Center in Springfield for his fundraiser the same hospital that cared for his grandfather.

"Not only was the community incredibly generous in donating over \$9,000 to my cause to date, but their support kept me going," Thompson said. "Between hikes I would check and update my social media so that people would know what was happening in the trek. There would always be a slew of supportive comments."

Thompson also thanked his support crew for their efforts (Lexi Schneider, Ryan Darrow, Marissa Schneider, and Katie Kiracofe).

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CORRECTIO

In last week's coverage of the Relay for Life Wrap Up event, we mistakenly headlined the story stating that the event capped off a "\$150M" year, meaning \$150 million. The headline should have read "\$150K," or, \$150,000. We apologize for the error!





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Harvest fair brings unofficial start to autumn

LEICESTER — Ready or not, autumn has officially arrived. That means a day of fall foods and crafts for residents on the Town Common as part of the annual Harvest Fair. The event began with a crisp fall feel in the air on Saturday, Sept. 17, and guests from throughout the area took in the many activities and flavors of Leicester. From wagon rides to musical entertainment and reenactments, there was something for everyone at the fair. As usual, several vendors took part in the event as well. The fair always features a strong lineup of local artists and crafters.



From left, Country Bank employees Jacqui Croft, Alex Keddy, and Jasmine Robinson enjoy their time providing pumpkins at the fair.



Len Darling, left, and Joe Reilly represent the Leicester Lions.



from local kids.



Guests get a wagon ride around the Common.



Entertainment of all kinds was provided throughout the day.



Tiva the dog, owned by Leicester's Amelia Berry, gets plenty of pets Samantha Bostick, of Leicester, enjoys her first year of crafting at



David Proulx, of Dudley, demonstrates woodworking craftsmanship to guests.



Elias Bellemer, 2, receives a balloon from his father, Curt Bellemer.

Farms scramble as drought damaging local crops

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

As the regional drought persists, farms and businesses throughout the area continue to suffer the consequenc-

Long before the water bans went into effect, farmers feared a big problem was brewing. It started with a winter that featured essentially zero snowpack, setting the stage for historically low rain totals throughout the spring and sum-

As a result, the entire county remains in a severe drought category, while portions of eastern Massachusetts are in an extreme drought. For farmers across the region, the lack of rain has translated into a lack of earnings. Squash, corn, pumpkins, and lettuce have all been heavily affected, as well as several other crops.

"We lost most of the lettuce at the beginning of the year. It grew, but it was very bitter tasting and we couldn't sell it," said Polly Teixeira, the owner

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of Hayfield Farm in Brookfield. "The crops have all been coming late due to the lack of rain. This is the worst year I have seen."

For dairy farmers, the drought has limited the amount of grass that can be cut for silage and hay, which is used to feed cows. With a dearth of usable crops, farmers have had to be diligent about their storage options and labor investments in an effort to reduce feed waste and increase productivity. The same holds true for the corn harvest, farmers said, as the drought has significantly affected the growth of corn.

"The drought has taken a toll on all of our crops," said Sam Whittier, of Whittier Farms in Sutton. "We try to stay diversified enough that, when situations get tough, we have options. But this season is the perfect storm of no rain for the crops, heat and humidity stress for the animals, and already cripplingly low milk prices. Not only was the dairy side of our business feeling the effects of low milk prices, but the drought significantly hurt our vegetable crop."

At many farms, livestock has been sold off because there aren't enough crops to feed the animals. With water restrictions in place throughout the area, farms also saw a major decrease in sales of landscaping materials. Unable to irrigate their lawns and gardens, customers did not purchase loam, manure or mulch with regularity in many locations - yet another blow to business.

In the worst cases, some farm staffs have been downsized.

"I have talked to a lot of other farmers, and this has been devastating for people from all over," said Roger Slobody, of West Brookfield's Sawmill River Farm.

The hay crop has been 30-40 percent down this year at Sawmill River Farm, here 80-100 acres usually provide more than enough yield each year. Slobody was one of the many area farmers who feared that the light winter precipitation would carry over into spring and summer.

"If you don't get a good snow cover, it really compounds the problem if there isn't enough rain in the spring and summer," Slobody added.

The drought has impacted a range of other businesses throughout the area. In Auburn, a ban is in place for all outdoor water use. In Worcester, restaurants have been ordered to not serve tap water to patrons unless the staff is requested to do so. And with residents resigning themselves to the ubiquitously brown lawns, landscaping businesses have seen a sharp drop in calls.

Heading into fall, businesses relying on tourist traffic are bracing for a dull foliage season projected throughout the area. Colors may appear far earlier than usual, Mass. DCR officials warned, and the foliage may disappear earlier

For additional statistics on the regional drought, visit www.mass.gov and click on the Department of Energy and Environmental Affairs page.

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Becky Kimball, of Leicester, and her nephew, Dominic Paquette, 4, take a spin back to old



Leicester's Clara Antanavica, 2, left, and her sister Sophia, 4, show off their autumn colors.



Becker College nursing students spend a day at the fair.



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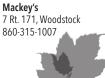
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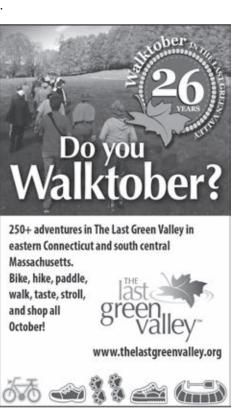
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CLASSROOM CORNER

Library celebrates end of summer reading season



Kate Cassano, of North Brookfield, with her 6-year-old daughter, Lilian Button.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD — It may be September, but it's still not too late to think summertime. At Haston Public Library, kids celebrated their summer reading accomplishments with a party last Saturday.

The Sept. 10 event brought kids together for snacks, prizes and fun. The students worked hard with their reading over the summer, with many impressive book totals reached. Travis Declan-Ferguson, 5, led the way with 103 books read this summer.

When asked how many books he read per week to reach that outstanding total, Declan-Ferguson replied, "A lot. I love reading stories."

Declan-Ferguson's favorite topic to read about is superheroes, but he also enjoys nonfiction subjects as well. He and his family even visited other libraries throughout the area to check out additional books, taking summer reading to a whole new level.

A passion for reading is shared among each of the kids in attendance at the Sept. 10 event. Parents have been impressed by the library's summer reading program, which has featured 70 participants in each of the last two

"It's a very exciting program for the kids. We are lucky to have such a great library where the kids can do this over the summer," said North Brookfield's Kate Cassano, whose 6-year-old daughter, Lilian Button, attended the pro-

Each student who participated in the program received a coupon for a free kids meal at Friendly's. Students also received several prizes, including tickets to the Big E, Yankee Candle coupons, and a pass to the U.S.S Constitution, among others.

For children's librarian Rosemary Mackenzie, the summer reading program is a vital resource that keeps students' skills sharp during summer vacation. This year's program featured several events and activities, including crafts, board games, and special guests. It's a great way for kids from throughout the area to make new friends as well, library officials said.

"I love to see the kids reading a lot, especially over the summer," Mackenzie said. "It is very important for them to continue reading throughout the year.'

The library has a busy schedule of



Kevin Flanders photos

Justin Hall, 4, of Sterling, Conn., gets ready for a snack.



Children's librarian Rosemary Mackenzie gets ready to hand out prizes.



Travis Declan-Ferguson read an impressive 103 books this year!

events this fall. For more information about upcoming programs at the library, call 508-867-0208 or visit www. northbrookfieldlibrary.org.

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EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

DAVID PROUTY REUNION

LEICESTER — The David Prouty High School Class of 1958 is hosting a Multiclass Reunion Luncheon at 12 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Castle Restaurant at 1230 Main St., Leicester, MA 01524.

The buffet reunion luncheon is open to members and guests of the classes of 1956-1960 of the original David Prouty School. This event provides a unique opportunity for attendees to revisit old memories and share new ones with classmates and schoolmates that they have not seen in many years. In addition four lucky attendees will receive \$50 door prizes from LL Bean or Stonewall Kitchen

Schedule:

12-1 p.m.: Social hour with hors d'oeurves and cash bar

1-2:30 p.m.: Buffet luncheon

2:30-3:15 p.m.: Individual class speak-

3:15-4:15 p.m.: Optional Social Interaction Time and Awarding of Door

Cost: \$29 per attendee, spouse of guests are welcome.

Prepaid reservations are required for this limited attendance event, and provided on a first come first served basis. Reserve early so that you will never miss out on this event. Please contact Sandra Burnham at 508-434-2951.

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SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University is please to welcome close to 100 August graduates as alumni on Aug. 15. Congratulations,

graduates!

Christopher Donais, of North Brookfield, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Joseph DeJessa, of West Brookfield, graduated with a Master of Science in Engineering Management

EAST BROOKFIELD PUBLIC **LIBRARY**

EAST BROOKFIELD — Come join us for fall fun and activities at the East Brookfield Public Library. Our September programming will offer stories, activities and crafts. We will be making apple prints, leaf wreaths, apple tasting, learning about sunflowers, silly leaf faces and diffusing leaves with color. Programs are every Thursday morning. Our toddler Rhythm and Rhyme program goes from 9:45-10:15 a.m. (ages 18 months to 3 years). The preschool program (ages 3-5 years) goes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Questions? Call the library (508) 867-

MERRIAM-GILBERT PUBLIC LIBRARY

WEST BROOKFIELD Free September programs at the West Brookfield Library:

• Tuesday, Sept. 27, 3:45-4:45 p.m. Cardmaking for kids with Angela Carter. Ages 5 & up. Children under 8 be accompanied by an adult. 5:15-6:15 p.m. - Cardmaking for adults with Angela Carter. Please register.

· Ongoing: Knitting Group every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY

Upcoming events at the Merrick Public Library:

- Coloring for kids and adults stop
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- Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 to 8 p.m. To Begin the World Anew: The Genius and Ambiguities of the American Founders by Bernard Bailyn. The Pulitizer Prizewinning historian offers a series of profiles of the characteristics, achievements, political philosophy, influence, and ambiguities of some of the most important figures of the Revolutionary generation.
- Tuesday, Oct. 25, 7 to 8 p.m. The Midwife's Revolt: A Novel by Jodi Davnard
- · Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7 to 8 p.m. Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom.

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RICHARD SUGDEN LIBRARY

- · Sept. 26: Teen Mania! Teens are invited to try their hands at some fun challenges. New ideas to try each week. Come see what it's all about! Teen Mania takes place at the Richard Sugden Library Community room from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 27: Looking for a fun and educational activity to do with your toddler or preschooler? Come to toddler story hour at 10:00 in the Richard Sugden Library and meet other parents, enjoy songs, stories, and activities with your 18 months to 3-year-old. Caregivers must remain in the room with their toddler. Preschoolers (ages 3-5) come at 11:00- caregivers must remain on the same floor. These are free programs but do require registration which you can do when you arrive. This week's theme: apples.

• Sept. 28: Read, Play, Build is a toddler and preschool program presented by CFCE at the Richard Sugden Library. Come at 10:30 a.m. for stories and time to play with all kinds of building materials.

Paws and Pages is today from 4-5 p.m. Children are encouraged to become better readers by sharing a book with a trained therapy dog. This program is possible by the generosity of the volunteers and their canine helpers.

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- Teaspoon
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- 24. Evergreen shrub
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59. Genus of trees

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57. Fevers

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LEICESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Sept. 26: Hamburger in whole grain roll, condiments, oven French fries, baked beaks,

Tuesday, Sept 27: Macaroni and cheese, steamed carrots, Broccoli Salad (new school recipe, ask for a sample if you aren't sure if you'll like it), straw-

Wednesday, Sept. 28: Breakfast for lunch, French toast sticks with syrup, scrambled eggs, potato puffs, carrot sticks, raisins Thursday, Sept. 29: popcorn chicken, dipping

sauces, roll with butter, mashed potatoes, buttery peas, sliced peaches Friday, Sept. 30: whole grain stuffed crust pizza, tossed salad, assorted dressings, cucumber wheels,

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carrots, broccoli salad (new school recipe, ask for a sample if you aren't sure if you'll like it), straw-

Wednesday, Sept. 28: Breakfast for lunch, French

LEICESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, Sept. 26: Ham and cheese on whole grain croissant, lettuce and tomato, baked beans, oven French fries, mixed fruit options

Tuesday, Sept 27: Asian chicken, fried brown rice, steamed broccoli, roasted carrots, apple crisp, dried fruit cups

Wednesday, Sept. 28: Macaroni and cheese with crunchy topping, tossed salad, assorted dressings, roasted sweet potatoes, mandarin oranges

Thursday, Sept. 29: Hot turkey sandwich on whole grain bread, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, strawberry cup

Friday, Sept. 30: school made whole grain pizza cheese and pepperoni, potato puffs, broccoli salad, applesauce cup

LEICESTER HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Sept. 26: Ham and cheese on whole grain croissant, lettuce and tomato, baked beans, oven French fries, mixed fruit options

Tuesday, Sept 27: Asian chicken, fried brown rice, steamed broccoli, roasted carrots, apple crisp, dried fruit cups, applesauce

Wednesday, Sept. 28: Macaroni and cheese with crunchy topping, tossed salad, assorted dressings, roasted sweet

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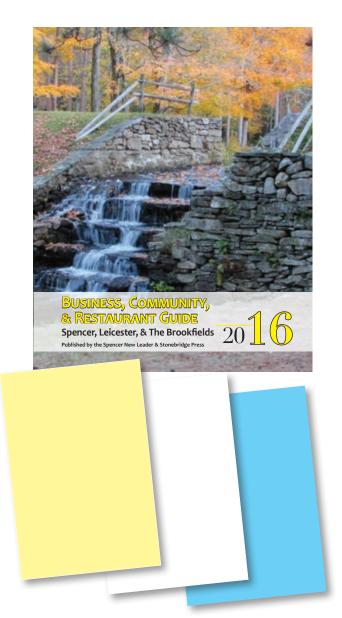
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EDITORIAL

Another day at Fenway

Last weekend, I was in the center field bleachers as the Boston Red Sox defeated the New York Yankees in a 6-5 come-from-behind victory at Fenway Park.

It was the latest pilgrimage to Fenway in what has become an almost annual tradition started a few years ago by someone who would probably be upset by me calling them out in the paper for giving me the tickets (you know who you are, and thank you!). Besides the game



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itself, spending any amount of time at Fenway Park is an experience in and of itself. Some thoughts:

• In what will forever be known as "The \$15 Fiasco of 2016," I spent

that amount on one Italian sausage and a liter of water, which was needed during the exceptionally warm matinee.

• Every single person, player and fan — at least that I could tell — was standing at attention proudly during the National Anthem. I was happy to see that. With all the headlines these days about athletes protesting the National Anthem for a variety of reasons, it was refreshing to see that type of protesting wasn't in play here.

• We did have some obnoxious Yankee fans sitting near us. One woman in particular was making me giggle throughout the game, as she was the only vocal Yankee section in our section, and with every Yankee hit or play, she would whoop and holler, only to be met with "Shut up!" or "Yankees..." well...you know. She was a great sport. I think part of her rel-

ished being in enemy territory.

· I might get some flack for this, but I'm holding to this opinion. I know that selling alcohol is a huge revenue stream for these games, but I think there should be a cutoff at some point. About three rows in front of us were a group of guys having a grand old time. Thing is, just about every inning, all five of them took a break to get two beers (at \$9.75 per cup, by the way). They did this a least five times (that's \$100 in beer). By the time the 7th and 8th innings rolled arouna, tnese guys were straight up arunk. Popcorn flew. One of the guys even got a face full of peanut dust, which ended up in the laps of everyone around them. Middle fingers flew wildly, language of all kinds erupted from their mouths (and yes, there were tons of kids in the vicinity). Now, I'm not the fun police. These guys are adults, and the way they enjoy the game is none of my business. I just don't think allowing someone to have 10 beers at a baseball game is good for anybody. Judge me if you will.

• Speaking of kids, let me propose a question for you — what is the minimum age that you would bring a child to a public sporting event? For me, I don't think I could bring my son unless he was at least 7 or 8, and he knew what was going on and would enjoy himself. Bringing babies into these kinds of environments could be somewhat jarring, plus, it takes away from the experience of the game for the parents that have to focus on holding their children. Plus, it just didn't look comfortable. To each their own, I suppose. Am I wrong? Feel free to let me know.

• My day was riddled with poor planning. In the morning, it was relatively cool, so I threw on some jeans and a T-shirt. Forgetting where my seats were and the forecast for later in the day, I was soon baking and regretting not choosing shorts. I also obtained quite the sunburn, not even thinking to apply sunscreen beforehand. Thank goodness I had my hat

and sunglasses. At least my forehead and eyes escaped the barrage of the sun.

• Although the ride on the T was packed tight both ways, I would ride it all day long to avoid parking near the park on game day. A \$5 round trip Charlie Card purchase, a nominal fee to park at Riverside and a short, 10-minute walk is a price I'll gladly pay not to have to dish out upwards of \$50 to get in near Yawkey Way (if you could even make it in before it fills up). Give me the T all day long. Thank goodness for the MBTA.

• Overall, it was an awesome day. Going to a game (a meaningful game) at Fenway Park should be on everyone's list of things to do before you die. There is so much history in that ballpark. As I looked around, I remembered the home runs hit, the important games won, the moments that all happened within those walls. It was the last time I will see the legendary David Ortiz play live, as he is retiring at the end of the year. I'm grateful I was able to see "Big Papi" one more time in action, live.

Looking back on what was just written, I'm laughing because it may seem like I had a lot of complaints. I really didn't. These observations didn't really affect anyone all that much (aside from the overpriced food!) but I'll add one last thing — "Sweet Caroline" is just as popular as ever. It isn't going anywhere.

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VIEWPOINT

Opinion and commentary from Spencer, Leicester and the Brookfields



BUSINESS CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Courtesy photo

SPENCER — FLEXcon's 60th Anniversary event was held last month. Employees celebrated 60 years in business with festivities that included food trucks, lawn games, stomp rockets and live music.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Charity golf tournament a success

To the Editor:

On behalf of "6th Annual Gaudette-Kirk Post 138 American Legion Charity Golf Tournament" and members of Gaudette-Kirk Post 138, we want to thank all our Sponsors and players that made the event a success.

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Youth being targeted by tobacco industry

To the Editor:

As the school year begins, our thoughts turn to what we hope young people will learn this year. As parents, teachers and others concerned with health, let's be aware that youth are being targeted by the tobacco industry.

Big Tobacco is sweet-talking our kids with products that are sweet, cheap, and easy to get. Fruit and candy flavors in little cigars, chewing tobacco, hookahs, electronic cigarettes and e-liquids attract youth and contain varying amounts of nicotine that can lead to nicotine addiction.

In 2009, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration wisely banned flavored cigarettes (other than menthol) because of mounting evidence that the tobacco industry was using flavors to market to youth. Since then, the tobacco industry has been producing other tobacco products using the same flavor chemicals found in candy and soft drink products like Life Savers, Jolly Ranchers and Kool Aid. Yet they are not harmless. The tobacco industry is using these flavors to attract youth to products that are highly addictive because they contain nicotine.

In fact, the U.S Surgeon General found that tobacco companies use

flavorings in smokeless tobacco products as part of a "graduation strategy" that encourages new users to start with flavored products with lower levels of nicotine and work their way up to more addictive products. Now the tobacco industry is circumventing the federal ban on flavored cigarettes by producing these other flavored products to establish a new route to addicting youth to nicotine.

What can you do? Talk with young people about this. Make sure they know that these tobacco products contain nicotine and are not harmless. Back-to-school season is a time when youth are learning new and important information for the first time; as concerned adults, let's make sure they learn that flavored tobacco products contain nicotine.

For more information about these products and to learn how you can take action, visit GetOutraged. org or contact me at tina.grosows-ky@umassmed.edu or 508-856-5067. Big Tobacco is trying to sweet talk our kids into a lifetime of tobacco addiction.

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choices regarding your employee benefits — and these choices can have a big impact on your financial situation.

Depending on your employer, your benefits package may include various types of insurance, plus access to a 401(k) or similar retirement plan. Here are some suggestions for getting the most out of these benefits:

Health insurance – Companies regularly change plans and providers, so the coverage and premiums you had last year may not be the same this year. In any case, look at all aspects of your coverage options – premiums, deductibles, co-pays and total out-of-pocket limits. A lower premium may seem attractive, but you could end up paying even more if the coverage is not as good. So, choose wisely.

Life insurance – You may want to take whatever life insurance your employer offers, but it still might not be enough. To determine how much life insurance you need, consider a variety of factors – your age, income, family size, spouse's income, and so on. If your employer's coverage is insufficient, you may want to supplement it with a separate policy.

Disability insurance – This could be a valuable employee benefit – but, as is the case with life insurance, your employer's disability coverage may not be enough for your needs, especially if you'd like to protect yourself against an illness or injury that could sideline you from work for a long time. Consequently, you might want to consider purchasing your own disability policy.

Apart from reviewing your insurance options, you may want to examine your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. Of course, your employer may allow you to change your 401(k) throughout the year, but you've got a particularly good opportunity to do so during open enrollment, when you're already looking at all your employee benefits. So look at your contribution level. Are you putting in as much as you can afford? Your 401(k)'s earnings can grow tax deferred, and you typically contribute pretax dollars, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income for the year (taxes are due upon withdrawal, and withdrawals made before age 59 1/2 may be subject to a 10 percent IRS penalty).

At a minimum, invest enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered. And increase your own contributions whenever you get a raise.

As far as your investment choices, you'll want to spread your dollars among the different investments within your 401(k) in a way that reflects your risk tolerance and time horizon. During the early stages of your career, when you have many years to go until you retire, you can probably afford to invest more heavily in growth-oriented accounts. These will fluctuate more in value, but you have time to potentially overcome the downturns. When you're nearing retirement, you may want to shift some of your assets into more conservative vehicles - but even at this point, you still need some growth opportunities. After all, you may spend two or three decades in retirement, so you'll need to draw on as many resources as possible.

Open enrollment isn't just a time to fill out a bunch of papers. It's also a chance to reconsider – and maybe even upgrade – many areas of your financial outlook.

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VIEWPOINT

Psychology of the paint palette

Perhaps nothing provides the "wow" effect as fast (or as cheaply) as redoing the walls of a room. After all, paint offers an easy and inexpensive means of $transforming \, a \, living \, space \, -- \, but \, that \'s$ not all. While paint can make a significant difference in a room's appearance, it can also make a difference in the mood of the people within those four

Case in point: Several years ago prison officials discovered cell walls painted a bubble gum pink color calmed violent prisoners. Alexander Schauss, Ph.D., director of the American Institute for Biosocial Research in Washington, who was the first to research and report such evidence, stated: "Even if a person tries to be angry or aggressive in the presence of pink, he can't. The heart muscles can't race fast enough. It's a tranquilizing color that saps your energy. Even the color-blind are tranquilized by pink rooms."

Who knew slapping some paint on the wall could be so profound (or potentially dangerous)! For all those painting this season, here's a rundown on the psychology of paint.

Creative Color: Want to foster your creativity? Try painting an office or work space light blue. Light blue also promotes imagination, inner security and confidence! Need to be more

organized? Try pairing light blue with yellow, to stimulate the mind and help with organizational

Deep Sleep: Dark blue, however, tends to encourage deep and peaceful sleep, which makes the

dramatic color ideal for a bedroom.

Diet Aid: According to the Paint Quality Institute, medium blue is an appetite suppressant, so you might want to avoid using it in the kitchen or dining room, unless you're on a diet. In that case, a blue plate might just do the

Bright and Brighter: The color yellow is not only bright, it inspires mental brightness too! Yellow is associated with intelligence and expressive thoughts. Yellow is even credited with improving memory. If that's not enough to sell you on the color, yellow is a mood booster too! But with yellow a little goes a long way, and too much bright yellow can over stimulate the nervous system.

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TAKE THE HINT

KAREN TRAINOR paint color for a teenager's room - or in a salesroom office where the deal is sealed.

ages communication,

making it the perfect

Hunger Pangs: It's no secret red inspires hunger, and many restau-

rants use the color psychology to whet a diners appetite. Red also increases the heart rate, energy and passion. But don't run off to buy a gallon of red yet. Studies show too much of some intense reds can cause irritability and anger. If you're using red in your room, try a darker shade of red, or try painting one wall to avoid becoming overwhelmed by the energetic color.

Spa Shade: Green is considered a healthy color, fostering comfort, relaxation and a sense of wellness. Green is a good choice for a bathroom, sun porch or reading nook. On the other hand, lighter shades of green such as mint green, can refresh and invigorate the mind. Darker greens, however, add a sense of calm to the decor and are another favorite bedroom color.

Bust the Blues: Depressed? Try paint-

ing your walls orange, or at least a workable shade of orange, such as peach or terra cotta. Orange is the top mood booster, according to experts. Orange fights depression and cultivates good humor. The powerful energy of orange even promotes the capacity to forgive!

Win Dinner for Two — Your tips can win you a fabulous 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 publications? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90. Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdrr@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three-course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn!

Solving problems

Ugh...although I keep saying it, this really has been the busiest summer we've ever had, and I'm looking to the usual late fall slowdown.

We've done four onsite sales and have taken items to auctions from four other estates. We are currently booked through late October with signed contracts in hand.

You might "How can you get that much done effectively for your clients?" The answer, while not

simple, is logical. We have a working partnership with two auction houses, and we work on a consignment basis with two other good, reputable auctioneers, so no matter what the type or value of the personal property is, we've got an appropriate

Of the first two auction houses, the one we're using the most often had a total of 32 auctions in 2015, and we had consignments in about half of those. We currently have itemized consignments from five different clients awaiting auctions with that house. Among recent



Treasures IN YOUR HOME

PAUL JOSEPH

are waiting to go on the auction block are the contents of a Northboro home and carriage house that required five box truck loads to remove. That includes superb antiques and many primitive

pieces from the carriage house/ barn. Unusual pieces include a horse drawn large sled and a trotter's racing cart. Other consignments include 4 certified, uncirculated Carson City Morgan silver dollars (one in it's original GSA holder). A World War I U.S. cavalry McClellan saddle, and a custom-made silver Western saddle.

What's ahead (under contract)? The contents of two homes about 1.5 miles apart in Shrewsbury, contents of a Webster home to go to auction, which includes two fabulous

hand carved bookcases, an original 1933 Monopoly game (board_and_all_pieces), some rare Roseville and McCoy pieces), and a very early cast iron Hobart mixer with attachments. Also another beautiful glass door, hand carved bookcase and Oriental rugs from a Charlton home. We bought the contents of a Charlton home and a Hopkinton home and will be selling those items at our own onsite sale.

In partnership with Spencer Country Inn auctions (Bill Ekleberry) we are conducting an onsite auction at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 25, on Pleasant Street in Spencer. That sale includes an incredible collection of more than 8,000 bells, a player piano with about 60 rolls, nice advertising pieces, gold and sterling jewelry, and a massive amount of older costume jewelry. This sale will be advertised in local print media, Estatesales.org, and on Auctionzip.com.

We will be doing a cleanout of a Webster home in the next week or so, and will be selling two garaged cars with low mileage as soon as we receive the signed titles. We're scheduled to look at an Estate in Oxford for a possible mid-October onsite



Early nee England chest-on-chest.

sale. We continue to appraise some large coin collections for clients in Central Mass and we're always at the Auburn and Westford coin shows evaluating submissions for certification by ANACS grading services

And finally, we're scheduled for an Antique Roadshow-style Appraisal day for the Sturbridge area Rotary Club on Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Federated Church on Main Street (just up the hill from the Publick House). I'll be there along with Bill Ekleberry and Ron Goodrich of Northeast Collectibles. We'll start around



A Petersham (Mass.) Militia knap-

9 a.m. All proceeds go to the Rotary's scholarship program. We'll appraise antiques, collectibles, art, ephemera (stamps, postcards, sports cards, and other paper items), coins, medals, and tokens. Hope to see you

Contact us! Paul, CAI, GPPA: Grey Ghost Auctions & Appraisals, 508-943-6570, pwogie@charter.net; www. greyghostcorp.com; The author conducts certified coin and antique/collectible appraisals, on site estate sales, auctions, and cleanouts.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Let the nations praise God

To the Editor:

This nation needs to give serious consideration to seek God, who is very much alive and desires to bless this country. We need to acknowledge God, cry out to God, Jesus Christ. It is our responsibility as individuals and as country to cry out to God, and ask for His help (2 Chronicles 7:14).

God is speaking to His people, Christians, disciples, not pagans, to humble our self, seek Him, God, Jesus, turn from our disobedient ways and God will turn away His anger, forgive this nation, bless and heal us. It has to start with us, His people, confess, repent and reconcile, make amends with God through Jesus.

We need to start by acknowledging that Jesus is God and creator of this universe and "all" mankind and creations.

We need to pray like we sincerely believe it, don't be deceived, God knows our hearts our sincerity; seek God, and He will bless us, this country, and heal our land, our homes, and our families.

It needs to start with us, Christians, this nation praising God, Jesus, being obedient to God's values, standards and 'Let your conscience be your guide'

principles.

My prayer is for this country, this nation and all the nations to praise God. For all the peoples to praise God; may all the peoples praise God.

God will bless us and all the ends of the earth when we praise and reverence God (Psalm 67).

We need to pray and be obedient to God's will daily, and pray and vote for leaders (president) that will honor God's values, standards and principles, and if we don't God will remove His lampstand, the light of Jesus, the Holy Spirit from any congregation, church, this country if it does not repent of its dishonor and disobedience to the Lord, Jesus by continuing to indulge in the worlds sins.

Jesus is warning us Christians He will remove the Holy Spirit from anyone and church that does not fulfill God's will, His Word. We need to repent or God, Jesus warns us He will spit us out because we are luke warm (Revelation 2:5, 3:16] RCBDOC!

Brookfield

ROLAND C. BLAIS

To the Editor:

Daily, we are confronted with death with guns by criminals and deranged individuals. Death with guns is miniscule compared to the many innocent lives that are aborted daily by illicit surgeons with a scalpel.

The good news is that most Americans are opposed to abortion and the almost million who are at the March for Life every year at Washington D.C. is increasing.

Before you cast your vote for the presidency and soul of this once great

nation please consider where the two major parties stand for on life and moral

The Democratic national platform is for the culture of death and immorality at its highest level.

The Republican national platform is prolife and for a return to morality in our sick nation that has forsaken the goodness, beauty and truth of God.

Above all remember to vote and let your conscience be your guide.

Joseph A. Ledoux SPENCER

Fall is here! Winter is coming...

Don't shoot the messenger ... but winter is not that far away. Luckily we had a mild winter last year, but the year before ... I felt like I was a polar bear! We need to take a break from cute sweaters and yummy soups and think about our homes and vehicles. Here are a few quick tips to get ready for the cold weather. Please share more if you have them, every tip helps!

Winterizing your home:

- Install covers on outside faucets. · In extreme cold open cabinet doors to allow heat into pipes in kitchen and
- bathroom. · Turn off water supply when leaving
- for extended periods of time. Change or clean all filters.
- · Install storm doors and windows to keep the draft out. · Cover windows with plastic insu-
- lation kits, or bubble wrap for added insulation. · Weather strip around doors and
- drafty windows to keep heat in and cold out. · Prevent ice dams by keeping the
- attic and roof cold and one tempera-
 - Install a chimney cap.
 - Prepare your car for winter:
- Keep tires snow ready by putting on snow tires and making sure your tires are not scalloped or balding. · Have a tune up to make sure your
- engine is running smoothly. In extreme cold make sure you have

at least 1/2 tank of gas at all times to keep **MOM IN MOTION** ing in the gas lines. JILL ROUSEY

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- cy kit in your car. - Ice scraper
- Flashlight - Blanket
- First aid kit
- Matches
- Jumper cables - Flat tire repair kit
- Small tool kit · Use your AWD, if you have RWD
- weight down the back of your car with bag of sand or kitty litter in the trunk. · Make sure exhaust pipe is cleared
- before starting the car. • Use salt, sand, kitty litter, or bleach
- on snow in front of and behind tires when stuck. • Use as lower gear when you need
- traction (if stuck, rock the car gently using the gas/break, don't rev the • Turn into a spin to regain control of
- · Lightly tap brakes and downshift if
- sliding on ice.

Please write in and share your thoughts! As always, take what you want from what we discuss as advice or information, share with me your favorite tip or recipe and join me on our next edition of "Mom in Motion." E-mail me your thoughts and tips at jill@stonebridge-

SPORTS

Leicester football earns 'fantastic win' over defending state champion Northbridge



Jon Gouin photos

Leicester senior co-captains, quarterback Nathan Powers (4) and David Turner, prepare for what would become a 17-7 victory over visiting Northbridge on Friday night, Sept. 16.



Senior Nathan Powers of Leicester was great on both sides of the ball. Here he leaps to defend a deep pass to Northbridge's Cullen MacNeil in the third quarter.

BY JON GOUIN SPORTS CORRESPONDEN

LEICESTER — "Any time you beat Northbridge, it's a great win, because not many teams beat them," Leicester High head football coach Tim Griffiths said, perfectly summing up a 17-7 Wolverine victory over the defending Division 5 state champion Rams on Friday night, Sept. 16.

"The credit goes to Leicester for controlling the last five or six minutes," explained Northbridge High head coach Ken LaChapelle after the disappointing defeat. "It was 10-7, all we needed to do was make a stop — sounds easy — but it wasn't. It's tough to realize you got your [butt] kicked, but that's the reality of it."

The Wolverines used a dominant performance from both its offensive and defensive lines to consume a ton of clock. That, combined with the efforts of senior co-captain Nathan Powers at quarterback, and it all added up to a big win, especially after the Rams won last season's meeting 41-0.

It didn't take long to get a glimpse of the quick-strike offense of Northbridge — a routine occurrence in 2015 — after the Rams forced a punt on the Wolverines' first possession. Northbridge drove 70 yards in 32 seconds to take a 7-0 lead. The drive was capped by sophomore running back Cullen MacNeil (3 carries, 41 yards), who broke away for a 36-yard score, and Geoffrey Reichert tacked on the extra point kick.

From that point on, things looked very different as the Ram offense sputtered and stalled at just about every turn, but as LaChapelle noted a number of times, that was mostly due to the efforts of the Wolverine defense.

Meanwhile, it took Leicester some time to get going offensively, but once it did, there was little anyone could have done to stop it. Riding a mostly up-thegut running attack, Powers (22 carries, 163 yards, 2 touchdowns) gave the Ram defenders fits, chewing up 5-7 yards at a clip, and tons of game time.

By the end of the evening, the

Wolverines possessed the ball for a jaw-dropping 34:15, to just 9:45 for Northbridge. That's enough for any team to come away with a victory regardless of the opponent, but on this night, the Leicester squad came out particularly pumped up.

"We had a heartbreaking loss last week in the 'Top Cop' game with Auburn. I'm proud of our kids, very proud. For them to come fired up a week later after a very emotional week or months quite honestly, we showed a lot of character and a lot of poise," Griffiths said.

In the second quarter, freshman place kicker Nolan Power nailed a 34-yard field goal to cut the deficit down to 7-3, and that was how the game went to half-time. The second half then proved to be the Powers show as he rushed for two scores, and Power tacked on two extra point tries.

Powers gave his Wolverines the lead for good with 8:24 to go in the third quarter when he broke free for a 69-yard yard jaunt that ultimately made it 10-7. While he didn't have a ton of success throwing the ball (4 of 12, 39 yards), he helped lead Leicester to a decisive 263-133 edge on the ground.

The Rams and junior quarterback Brian Iarussi (5 of 18, 52 yards; 12 carries, 88 yards) could get nothing going through that third period, going threeand-out twice, and then fumbling the ball away on their third possession. It was more of the same in the final quarter with a three-and-out in their only pertinent possession of the period.

"We had no consistency whatsoever on offense, which didn't help the cause, but the reason, could be us, but more, it was them," LaChapelle said of his team. You can dissect it any way, the bottom line is, when you've got guys open, you've got to hit them, but they were putting a tremendous amount of pressure on Brian whenever he was going to throw the ball."

Following the Rams' first possession of the fourth quarter, Leicester went on a clock-killing 57-yard drive which went 11 plays and covered nearly six minutes of game time. It concluded with Powers' second score of the night, an 11-yard run that made it 17-7 with just over a minute to play.

There would be no comeback for the Rams on this night and that would be the final score, 17-7. Next up for the Rams (1-1) is a Homecoming date with Bartlett High on Saturday, Sept. 24 at 1:30 p.m. Meanwhile, Leicester (1-1) travels to Sutton High the same day for a 3:30 p.m. kickoff.

"We're very excited about tonight, we'll enjoy it then it's on to Sutton next week," Griffiths said of his team's next challenge



Leicester's Nathan Powers takes a look to his left while calling out a play from under center.





SPORTS

Borci strikes late to lift Leicester girls' soccer by Warriors



Nick Ethier photos

While battling with Leicester's Samantha Walsh (2), Tantasqua's Melissa Izzio shields her while maintaining possession of the ball. BY NICK ETHIER

STURBRIDGE — As is often the case when the Leicester High and Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity soccer teams meet, a close, hard-fought battle takes place on the pitch. Wednesday, Sept. 14 was no exception when the Wolverines and Warriors were engaged in a 1-1 tie in the waning moments.

But Leicester's Talia Borci found an opening in the 77th minute and scored the game-winner — her second strike of the game — which allowed the Wolverines to win a wild 2-1 decision.

Leicester head coach Tim Hippert called Borci a "goal scorer," noting her 20-plus tallies from a season ago.

Second place: Bill Herrick, Bill Waldo, Gary Miner and Kevin Grace,

Third place: Hugh Bouchard, Gene

First place: Gary Lusignan and

Second place: Mark Laprad and

Third place: John Blanton and

Most over quota: Gary Lusignan,

David Hammond made his first

career ace on the par-3, 174-yard

sixth hole with a 4-iron, which was

attested to by Chuck Ebert.

Kettle Brook Golf Club

Kettle One League Results

First place: Jack Lacroix and Fred

Second place: Ray Auger and Scott

High individual: Jack Lacroix, +8

Closest to the pin on eighth hole:

First place: Jack Lacroix and Todd

Second place: Kris Houston and

High individual: Vin Cloutier, +5

Closest to the pin on 12th hole:

Toto, Tim Hickey and Don Davidson,

Still Hart's League

Bill Herrick, +8

Rob Barnes, +8

Wozniak, +9

Letendre, +3

Jack Lacroix

Week 21

Wozniak. +2

Steve Thebodo, +2

Fran Lamothe, +7

Moynihan, -7

"When she was chasing the ball down she knew where the ball was [and] she was looking at the keeper to see what the keeper was going to do,' said Hippert. "She [then] outworked the defender and got a good chop and put it

On the winning play, teammate Abigail Meyers sent a pass down the middle of the field, and Borci was in a footrace with Tantasqua keeper Kelsey Emrich (9 saves), who were hard-charging toward the ball and each other. Borci got to the ball first and chipped it past Emrich, who then cut inside to shake off a Warrior defender. From there, Borci said the hard part was over and she deposited her shot into an open net.

"On those kinds of plays I have to beat around the goalie, so for me in order to do that instead of trying to rush it I have to take my time and make a move around her," she explained.

Borci also scored in the 58th minute, which tied the score at 1-1. Aaliyah Hernandez chipped the ball from the right side into the box, where it went up and over Emrich's outstretched reach and onto the foot of Borci, who onetimed it into the net.

"She's off to a good start right now and her leadership skills are very good on the field with the young kids," said Hippert, whose squad dresses four sophomores and five freshmen. "The freshmen weren't freshmen today.

Borci added that the underclassmen's contributions were a big part of Leicester's victory against a Tantasqua team that is equally as talented.

"Our teams are very close in our skill levels, so each year it's a battle. This year our little ones didn't play with intimidation. Today they showed up and that's what did it for us," she said.

With the victory, the Division 3 level Wolverines improved to 3-1 after losing their regular season opener to

Marlborough High, a Division 1 squad.

"That was a good win," Hippert said of defeating Tantasqua, another Division 1 team. "We can build off that." And although the Warriors' Lily Lucas gave her team a 1-0 lead in the 45th minute by scoring past keeper Kyra Prouty (7 saves), the squad slipped

"We swallowed it here," Tantasqua head coach Matthew Rickson said of the loss. "When they step foot off the pitch today it's in the past and we move

The team needs to improve, and fast, hough according to Rickson

"There has to be technical changes and not attitude, but physicality changes during the game," he said. "If we can't correct that it's going to be a tough



Tantasqua's Lauren Blakelev fends off a Leicester player while trying to gain control of the ball.



Tantasqua's Hailey Magierowski wins a footrace to the ball versus Leicester's Madison Dufries.

season for us."

The Warriors are slated to face seven opponents outside of the Southern Worcester County League, many of which also compete in Division 1.

"There was a lot of ball-watching on our side," Rickson said of the team's main problem three games in.

He cited an instance where Meaghan Kelley was marked by three Wolverines see what she could do instead of finding open space and calling for the ball.

"They need to start playing as one," Rickson concluded.

SPORTS BRIEFS

New England Colonials announce 2017 International **Basketball Tour**

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Results

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Depasse, -4 Third place: Marty Leach, Lex

Varney, George Fiske and Pit Caron,

Your **Dental** Health by Edward Larkin D.M.D.

CLEAN TEETH, CLEAR MIND

Older patients have more to gain by visiting the dentist for regular checkups than simply maintaining healthy teeth and gums. As researchers continue to explore the notion that oral health and many diseases may share a common inflammatory pathway, new evidence has emerged that links oral health with cognitive well-being. While this research is in its nascent stage, it is an important area of study. About 36% of people in this country over the age of 70 are living with some degree of cognitive decline. The likelihood and severity of cognitive decline tend to increase with age. Concurrently, a higher rate of oral disease has been observed among seniors suffering from cognitive impairments. Improved oral health may improve their outlook.

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Talia Borci

The Leicester High senior scored both of her team's goals — including the game winner with less than three minutes to play — to lift the Wolverine girls' varsity soccer team to a 2-1 victory over Tantasqua Regional last Wednesday, Sept. 14.

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK



Samantha Gleason of Tantasqua digs the ball on a Doherty serve during the Warriors' 3-1 victory on Sept. 14.

Sept. 12

Tantasqua 144, Oxford 184 — The Warriors' varsity golf team competed against the Pirates at Pine Ridge Country Club and won by a combined 40 strokes. Medalist honors went to seniors Alec Merrifield and Michael Frio, who carded 1-over par 35s. Tantasqua improves to 4-1. Oxford is now 1-3.

Tantasqua 8, Oxford 0 — Meaghan Kelley scored two goals for the Warrior girls' varsity soccer team, while Ginger Lucas, Abby Befford, Camie Hall, Meghan Meserole, Victoria Bowler and Melissa Izzio also tallied. Kelsey Emrich made six saves to preserve the shutout.

Sept. 14

Tantasqua 3, Doherty 1 — Playing at home, the Warriors' varsity volleyball team won with set scores of 25-15, 22-25, 25-16, 25-22. Lily Kent had 11 kills, Lindsey Zak another 5 kills and Ellie Dupre supplied 5 aces.

In the JV game, Tantasqua won over the Highlanders, 2-1. Set scores were 25-4, 25-7, 17-19. Maddy Jacque had 9 aces. The freshman team also won, defeating Doherty 2-0.

Tantasqua 156, Leicester 158 — Hemlock Ridge hosted a tightly contested golf matchup, where the Warriors (5-1) edged the Wolverines. Leicester's Reece McLeod was medalist after carding an even-par 36, while Tantasqua's low golfer was Ryan Slade with a 37.

Tantasqua 9, Leicester 0 — Leading the charge for the visiting Warrior boys' varsity soccer team were Kevin Izzio, Ryan Zahr, Luke Gerrish, Aiden Casinghino, Dylan Dave and Dan

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In Tantasqua's 3-1 victory over Doherty on Sept. 14, Ellie Dupre launches the ball up in the air to begin her serve.

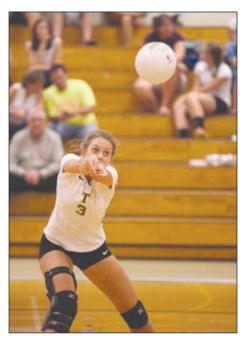
Rickson. Colton Pelicane had the shutout in net.

On the JV side, Tantasqua won a 7-1 decision. Goals were scored by Allen Falke, Tyler Alpher, Connor Rich, Roger Leland, Kai von Bleicken, Dom Huard and Bradley Beu. Tantasqua is now 3-0.

Sept. 16

Tantasqua 3, Quabbin 0 — After a scoreless first half of play, the Warrior girls' varsity soccer team erupted for three goals to take down the Panthers. Mckensie Avanesian scored twice, Meaghan Kelley added a goal and an assist, Camie Hall assisted and Kelsey Emrich had the shutout in goal.

Tantasqua 151, David Prouty 187 — At Hemlock Ridge, the Warriors' golf team defeated the Panthers. Tantasqua's Michael Frio was the medalist with a



Sabrina Bouchard of Tantasqua reaches out to return a serve during the Warriors' 3-1 win against Doherty on Sept. 14.

1-under par 35 as the team improved to 7-1. Ryan Casault shot a team-best 44 for Prouty (2-2).

Millbury 3, Tantasqua 1 — In varsity volleyball, the Warriors lost to the Woolies. Set scores were 25-23, 25-17, 17-25, 25-9. Lindsey Zak had 2 aces and 4 kills for Tantasqua, while Sabrina Bouchard chipped in 7 kills and Ellie Dupre 15 assists.

Tantasqua's JV team beat Millbury, 2-1, with set scores of 21-25, 25-19, 25-18. Addie Ellithorpe had 2 aces, 2 kills and 7 asssists, while Maddy Jacque had 4 aces and 3 kills. The Warriors' freshmen team won their match, 2-0.

Tantasqua 26, Westborough 20 -Quarterback Colin Eliason went 19 of 27 passing for 222 yards and 4 touchdowns as the Warriors' football team (1-1) defeated the Rangers. Jack Dalton had 89 receiving yards and a pair of touchdowns, while Mike Farland and Joe Degnan also caught TD passes. On defense, Tantasqua's Cody Ridz had 9 tackles and a sack.



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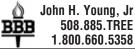


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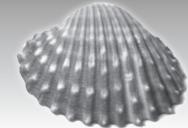
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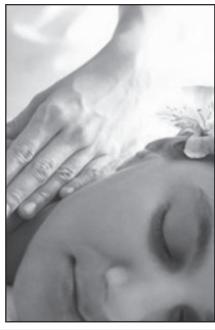
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his entire professional career has centered on

"People come to me when losing their homes, when they're going through divorce. Every day, I see people struggling. These people need a voice. Gobi isn't as close to these citizens as I am,' said Ehrhard. "She's a liberal Democrat who belongs in Cambridge. I belong in this district. People are frustrated right now. They feel the state government is out of touch with their concerns."

According to Gobi, she's been building relationships within the district for 16 years, and that's what she will continue to do if re-elected. She described herself as a "full-time legislator" who is very involved with the community. She said she isn't someone you only see during election time.

"My number one focus is to do the best for the people I serve," said Gobi. "It's been a wonderful opportunity representing people in these counties. We've formed a close relationship. I've had the opportunity to work on major projects — for instance, the major water

contamination issue in Charlton — that we're in the middle of. I want to continue to do the work I've already started with these people. It's very difficult for someone to just come in and think they can do certain things. You have to build relationships and that's what I've done for the past 16 years and what I will continue to do."

Some of the issues that Gobi has been working on are environmental protection, veterans' issues and the opiate crisis, as well as the extreme drought which heavily affected local farmers.

"Even if it rained for 40 days and nights, the damage has been done," said Gobi. "I met with Secretary of Environment Matt Beaton and discussed a drought task force, which would set up meetings with people from USDA and federal government and state and farmers themselves to find out the kind of help they need."

Gobi said the state is looking to do a loan program, which is not something Gobi supports.

She said: "Farmers don't need another loan. Most of them are loaned to the max. They need loan forgiveness and a plan in place to deal with these climate changes that are happening. This is a real problem in Massachusetts.'

While there are many local issues that Gobi has been focused on and wants to continue working on, Ehrhard said he feels she is very out of touch with the economic and cultural values of the

'People in this district historically support conservative economic values," he said. "They want lower taxes, lower spending. They're hard working. I support policies that align with those ideals. I stand with Charlie Baker on his economic proposals for lower taxes and lower spending. Gobi has voted for every singular tax increase that was put in front of her for entire legislative career. She never voted for any meaningful decreases in business regulations."

Gobi stated that she can't recall a single tax increase or fee she approved of.

There are other topics that the two candidates clash on. But while they may have different views, both feel strongly that they are supporting what is best for their district, including education.

"I do not support Common Core. Gobi does," said Ehrhard. "During my time at Tantasqua I was one of the leading adversaries of Common Core. I believe that individual citizens in each school committee should control how the local schools teach and what it teaches. Common Core is controlled from Washington, D.C., by federal bureaucrats. That's not how we educate out here. Massachusetts had the highest academic standards in the country. We were a model. Common Core is dumbing down our standards. Why would we ever support that? But Anne Gobi does.'

When asked about her stance on Common Core, Gobi stated that what she doesn't support is standardized testing, but she understands there needs to be some sort of standard and was the co-sponsor of legislation on all forms of standardized testing.

"I don't like what happens with MCAS because it takes up so much time during the school year. The curriculum are teaching towards the test," she explained. "I was a public school teacher. It takes away the ability of teachers to teach. It does a disservice to the students. I'm against the charter schools, which Ehrhard is in favor of. They drain money from our public schools. If pushed to pass in Massachusetts, I see many of our stand-alone schools and some of our regional schools suffering. I have no idea why he supports that. I think it's terrible."

There are 28 towns in the district and every town has their own concern and needs, said Ehrhard, who believes that "when given the opportunity to vote for a Republican who brings a message of fiscal responsibility and good governance" the people in the district will take it. Promising to provide 'common sense economic and social policies," Ehrhard stated that 'Gobi's got to go."

Gobi believes that the district is not as conservative as Ehrhard says. While there are some conservative areas, she said, there are liberal areas as well and she feels most of the district is very central, which is where she sees herself.

"I try to be as fiscally conservative as possible, while recognizing we need money to do things.

I also have a heart and believe in social equality. If he wants to say it's being liberal — because I support the rights of all people — he can call me liberal."

Both candidates stated that they plan to be "very accessible." Gobi said that she's made a very big effort to be present and hold meetings in various towns, something she finds "very important." Ehrhard said he would want his office to be open, providing answers to every question citizens and board members may have.

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Story time: Bedard visits EBES to talk with students



Local author and speaker Joan Leger Bedard presents at East Brookfield Elementary School last Thursday, Sept. 15.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS

EAST BROOKFIELD — Thanks to a visit from a beloved local author, students at East Brookfield Elementary School got a unique glimpse last Thursday into what life was like several decades ago for kids their age.

Joan Leger Bedard, the author of "All Ya Need is Love," stopped by EBES on Sept. 15 to share stories with students. Bedard, 91, grew up during the Great Depression, and she included several recollections of hardship, persistence and family unity in her memoir. She shared those experiences with EBES students during her presentation, enabling them to better appreciate everyday objects and opportunities often taken for granted.

We didn't need to have a gym class back then - we walked everywhere we went," Bedard told the students. "I didn't even have a bicycle until I was in high school, and we walked so much that we always had holes in the soles of our shoes.'

Perhaps most surprising to students was Bedard's revelation that items were never thrown out during the Great Depression - they were simply used until they wore out. As a child, she often affixed strips of cardboard to her shoes to plug the holes, and there was no guarantee that Christmases and birthdays would provide new footwear. Moreover, children owning multiple pairs of shoes like they do today was an unfathomable concept back then; for some families, Christmas Day featured zero gifts beneath the tree.

But life for many Worcester-area families in the Great Depression was hardly depressing. People worked hard and made do with what they had, Bedard said. The families were very close, and people didn't complain or expect things to be given to them.

"Even though we didn't have much: money, we still had a lot of fun," Bedard recalled. "In the wintertime, we went out in the dark with our toboggans. We went to the top of the hill and slid down on the streets - it was so much fun.'

Bedard also described the joys of skating and singing at bonfires, as well as eating homemade popcorn and attending movies at a theater once located next to the Senior Center. For as challenging as her childhood was, many aspects of living back then were actually easier than today, she said. For example, kids routinely went out to play after dark without fear – and their families didn't worry about thieves when they weren't at home.

"In our day, we didn't even lock the doors. We trusted everyone, and nobody ever did anything to break that trust,' she said.

By the time Bedard's presentation was finished, students fully understood the meaning behind a phrase that appears in her memoir: "Use it up. Wear it out. Make it do, or do without.

The phrase encapsulates the mentality of Great Depression-era families, and EBES officials were eager for Bedard to provide their students with a look into the past. Combining storytelling with humor, Bedard's presentations are a joy for people of all ages.

"She gives our kids a great perspective on what life was like during the Great Depression compared to nowadays," said EBES Principal Ron Tomlin. "She relates to the kids really well, and they enjoyed asking her questions about her life and learning what it was like to live back then."

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Friday, Sept. 30: Assorted calzones or fish sandwich with chips, spinach, celery sticks with dip

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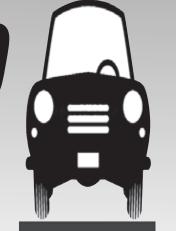
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hone.

"Getting out here in the communities and talking to families is so important," Early said. "Many people are afraid to talk about it, and we need to remove the stigma and focus on providing the treatment they need. This is an epidemic, but we are working hard and we will beat it."

Early pointed to the over-prescription of opioid medications as a major reason for the crisis. Recent legislation has created improved restrictions and oversight for doctor prescriptions, officials said, but stashes of unused medications in households have for years been targeted by people struggling with addiction.

Drugs like OxyContin have served as a frequent gateway to heroin, panel members said, which has resulted in overdoses at alarming rates. In Spencer alone, emergency responders administered Narcan 29 times over an 8-month stretch in 2015 – a dramatic increase from the previous year. Seven others weren't fortunate enough to receive lifesaving treatment in time

Flanagan and his Spencer EMS staff have seen the devastating results of addiction far too often over the last two years, and they are eager to identify solutions.

"We need to continue finding innovative ways to solve this. It will take the entire community working together," Flanagan told the Spencer New Leader following the event. "I commend the District Attorney and Chief Darrin for their hard work. No one chooses the path of addiction, and the stigma needs to disappear. Forums like tonight are a great first step."

Embracing the community approach, Early was pleased to welcome representatives

from several facets as panel members. Gobi, Berthiaume, and Durant represented the legislative sector, while Darrin and Flanagan filled the emergency services role. Dylan Roy, meanwhile, represented the recovery community, and Christina Beesley (Harrington Healthcare System) brought knowledge of medical treatment to the event. Finally, Sue Krikorian, of Learn to Cope, offered insights from a family support perspective.

All panel members agreed that the battle with opioids doesn't simply require a change in strategy, but a change in culture

"Addiction is a chronic illness. It's important to realize that junkie and loser don't define these people," Early said. "I applaud Chief Darrin and his department for everything they are doing to combat the crisis."

The event also included representatives from several

District Attorney Joseph Early Jr. presents at David Prouty High School last week as a panel of legislators, first responders, treatment providers, and law enforcement personnel look on.

recovery and treatment organizations who set up booths outside the gymnasium. These included AdCare, Spectrum Health Systems, Wicked Sober, Learn to Cope, YOU, Inc., and Harrington Recovery Services, among others.

"We want to bring awareness to people. There are so many parents and families who need a lot of support," said Terri Nabulsi, the regional manager of Learn to Cope.

Spencer joins several other area towns in which Early and his task force have presented. They will continue holding forums throughout the upcoming year.

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Dixon, Campanale to face off for state rep seat

STATE REP ELECTION

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idents are facing," Dixon said. "If I'm fortunate enough to be elected, I will be accessible to all residents."

Over the next few weeks, the candidates will be asked often about several issues, including whether the cap should be lifted on charter schools. The opioid crisis will also be a recurring theme during the campaign discourse. In his travels throughout the district this summer, Dixon met many families

struggling to find treatment options for loved

"There is so much more we can do to assist people," Dixon said of the crisis. "We need to have a comprehensive plan to make sure those who need long-term treatment are able to get it – not just two weeks but continued treatment. We also need to have far better prevention programs in our schools."

An array of other issues will be on the table at debates and discussions, including how to assist college graduates with crushing debt. In

the last decade, there has been a sharp rise in college graduates returning home to live with their parents rather than purchasing homes of their own – and legislators are committed to easing the financial burdens. Campanale has worked extensively this year on legislation involving student loans.

"It's a bill that allows companies to treat the repayment of their employees' student loans in a manner similar to 401(k)s," Campanale said. "This bill will provide incentives for young employees to stay in

Massachusetts, and also provide employers with tools to offer incentives to those young employees who often don't think about saving for retirement because of the student loan debt they carry."

Economic development will also be a key focus, and if elected Dixon will make it a priority to build a framework for development throughout the district. He is eager to address this topic and many more at debates.

"There are some big differences between my opponent and myself," he said. "I look forward to



Kate Campanale

having the opportunity to discuss them."

The 17th Worcester District includes all of Leicester and portions of Worcester (Ward 7, Ward 8: Precincts 2, 3, 4).



Moses Dixon

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'Run, Walk, Wag' benefits Second Chance Animal Shelter

NORTH BROOKFIELD — Runners and walkers were accompanied last Saturday, Sept. 17, by their furry friends at the annual Run, Walk, Wag fundraiser. The event included professionally timed races and a family (and pet) friendly walk around town. Proceeds benefited Second Chance Animal Shelter, and a craft fair in the elementary school brought additional guests. For more information on how you can support SCAS programs and assist pets in need, visit www.secondchanceanimals.org.



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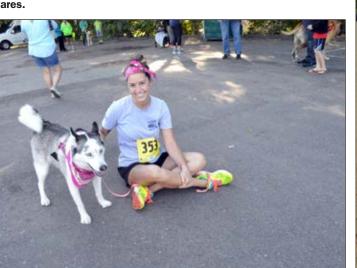
Tom Murray, of Sturbridge, with his 7-year-old dog. Samantha.



Tom Whitestone, of North Brookfield, spends the morning with his 9-year-old son, Tristan, and their dog Atlas.



The event also included a craft fair. Pictured, sisters Tammy Scomptois, of Webster, left, and Tracy Brooks, of Oxford, sell their wares



Whitney Kusy, of North Brookfield, with her dog Angie before the



lesha Diaz and Fabian Morales, of Southbridge, with their dog Ammo.



Kayli Robar, of Spencer, is a dedicated volunteer at the event each



From left, Emma Bain and Heidi Bain, of East Brookfield, and Matthew DeLorge and Sarah Hicks, both of Spencer.

* * Friday's Child * * *



Hailey is a happy and artistic 9-year-old Caucasian girl. She enjoys trying new things and loves being outside especially if she can be by the ocean. Hailey is in the third grade and receives support through an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP). Hailey benefits from structure and

does well with 1:1 attention. She has made tremendous progress over the last year, including but not limited to, identifying words to describe how she is feeling. Hailey will need a family that is able to support her current therapeutic work around her past trauma.

Hailey will need to have post adoption visits with her birth father as well as picture and letter correspondence with her birth mother. She also has a supportive relationship with her aunts which also should continue. Hailey would likely do best in a home without animals. Her social worker is open to exploring different family types for Hailey, but she will need to be placed with a family with no children or significantly older children who could serve as role models.

Have you ever considered adopting a child or sibling group from foster care? Learn more about adoption from foster care at "The Adoption Option" on Sunday, October 2, 2016 from 9 - 11 a.m. at Jordan's Furniture, 50 Walker's Brook Drive, Reading, MA 01867. Prospective adoptive parents, including those new to foster care adoption, are invited. Families new to the process will have the opportunity to attend an orientation to the adoption process and speak with social workers and experienced adoptive parents who can help answer questions. Waiting children and their social workers will also be in attendance. For more information or to RSVP, contact MARE at 617-542-3678 (toll free: 1-800- 882-1176) or www.mareinc.org



Beshir, Moore preparing for election season

ELECTION

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major changes into the district. He described job creation, education and judicial reform as three major topics he would address if elected.

Beshir came to the U.S. as a refugee at the age of 17. Eight years ago he created the Ethiopian Dream Center in Worcester, which assists individuals in finding rewarding jobs and securing housing. It also features a community healthcare network which works with victims of domestic violence, residents with mental health issues, and people suffering from HIV/AIDS.

The time for real reform is now, and voting for me is voting for new energy, new ideas, and a leader who is not afraid to challenge the status quo," Beshir said.

Though he lacks the state level political experience Moore brings, Beshir is asking voters to review a record that



Michael Moore

includes countless experiences in improving communities. Through collaborative politics, he enjoys bringing people together and working toward common goals.

"Join my campaign – let's build a better Massachusetts for my children and your children," said Beshir, who described himself as an individual thinker with real-world experience.



Stay tuned for in-depth features on the candidates in the coming weeks.

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SENIOR SCENE

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Monday, Sept. 26: Hot dog, baked beans, cold potato salad, peaches

Tuesday, Sept 27: Salmon boat, dill sauce, mashed potatoes, peas and pearl onions, cookie

Wednesday, Sept. 28: Chicken primavera, penne pasta spinach, apple streusel cake, diet: small piece

Beef Thursday, Sept. Mediterranean, steamed rice, mixed vegetables, pineapple

Friday, Sept. 30: Lasagna, broccoli, carrots, fresh fruit

LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER

The Leicester Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave., Leicester, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch is served at noontime, Monday through Friday for a nominal meal donation of \$2.50. Reservations must be made 48 hours in advance by calling Elder Services of Worcester Area at 508-852-3205.

In addition to many "Special Events," the senior center also offers many activities that are repeated each week and are open to all.

• Mondays — 9 a.m., Art with Genevieve; 10 a.m., Zumba Gold; 11 a.m., Yoga; 1:15 p.m., Line Dancing

Tuesdays — 11:30 a.m., Golden Needles; 1 p.m., Exercise Club; 6:30 p.m., Fiber Group

• Wednesdays — 1 p.m., Balance

• Thursdays — 10 a.m., Cribbage; 11 a.m., Yoga; 12:45 p.m., Bingo

• Fridays — 10:30 a.m., Tai Chi; 1 p.m., Chair Yoga by Jessica

• Saturdays — 7 p.m., Pitch Party

UPCOMING TRIPS

Call Joan Wall at 508-892-3967 for more information and reservation.

• Foxwoods Casino: Friday, Oct. 21, at 8 a.m. Cost is \$24.

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· Indian Head Christmas Tour in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Incudes buffet, welcome cocktail reception and open bar and Christmas show. Thursday, Nov. 10 at 8:30 a.m. Cost is

NORTH BROOKFIELD **SENIOR CENTER**

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Daily: Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Coffee available all day. Pitch and Cribbage all day until closing. Jigsaw table open. Puzzles available to take home.

 Monday: Line Dancing with J.P. (9:30 a.m.), Bingo (12:45-2:15 p.m.), free refreshments following last call.

Tuesday: Hannaford Distribution (9:10 a.m.), Blood Pressure Clinic (10:30-11:30 a.m.) Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See menu for details.

• Wednesday: Corner Cafe: (9:15 a.m.). Free specialty coffee & baked goodies; Queen's Knitting Group (9:45 a.m.), Center Café open for home cooked lunch. See menu for details.

· Thursday: Breakfast with Bill (9 a.m.), Community Yoga (2:15 p.m.)

• Friday: Funday Fridays

WEST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

The following is a schedule of events at the West Brookfield Senior Center:

 Mondays: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 1:30 p.m., Yoga (drop

• Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., Wii; 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Busy Bees knit and crochet.

 Wednesday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Veteran Agent Office Hours; 10 a.m., Blood Pressure (second Wednesday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Pitch.

Thursday: 8:30 a.m., Tai Chi; 11:30

a.m., Lunch; 1 p.m., Genealogy (second at the senior center. Thursday).

 Friday: 9 a.m., Walking Group; 10 a.m., Coffee Hour (third Friday of month); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:45 p.m., Duplicate Bridge.

SPENCER SENIOR CENTER

The Spencer Council on Aging activities at the Spencer Senior Center. The senior center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Free Blood Pressure Clinic on the last Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

Free wellness clinic on the second Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on the last Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., for Spencer residents

Information Fair for seniors and their families at the center Sept. 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Refreshments.

Lifeline Screening at the center Sept. 26. Call 508-885-7546 for more information.

• Monday: 9:30 a.m., Cribbage, cost

· Tuesday: 9:30 a.m., Yoga (13-week session), \$15 for resident \$20 non-residents; 10:30 a.m. Exercise (13-week session), \$15 for residents \$20 for non-residents; 11:30 a.m. Lunch (48 hours notice required); 1 p.m., Bingo.

· Wednesday: 9:30 a.m., Computer instruction by appointment, free; 11 a.m., Tai Chi (13-week session) \$10 for residents, \$15 for non residents; 12:30 p.m., Line Dancing (13-week session), \$10 for residents, \$15 for non residents; 1:30 p.m., Beginners Line Dancing (13week session), \$10 for residents, \$15 for non-residents.

· Thursday: 9:30 a.m., Yoga, no fee if enrolled in Tuesday class; 10:30 a.m., Exercise, no fee if enrolled in Tuesday class; 11:30 a.m., Lunch (48 hour notice); 1 p.m., Bingo.

 Spencer Council on Aging Foxwoods Trip — Wednesday, Nov. 2, leaves Big Y 8 a.m., leaves Foxwoods at 4 p.m. for return trip. Cost: \$23 checks to Town of Spencer by Oct. 15. No refunds. Sign up

BROOKFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING

Tai Chi classes meet every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Brookfield Town Hall. It is one of the best ways to keep your body flexible and stretching your muscles and joints. Come and try it! You are also invited to the West Brookfield Senior Center every Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m. for Tai Chi. Please come!

Medi Car: the Medi Car is available for doctor appointments (there and back). Please call 508-867-1407 at the W. Brookfield Senior Center.

Brookfield Food Pantry: Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the basement of St. Mary's Church, located at the rear of the building off Howard St. The library is also a drop off point for donations to the Brookfield Food Pantry.

Laptops at Library: Laptops from the C.O.A. are provided for use by seniors at the Merrick Public Library during

EAST BROOKFIELD SENIOR CENTER

Would you like a day of fun? Come on down to the East Brookfield Senior Center! It is opened at 9:30 a.m. for a free coffee and muffin, lots of friendly conversation and laughs.

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Opened first, third and fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A Tri-Valley lunch is available for \$3 (call Ginny Allen at 508-867-2741 for reservations). A terrific home cooked luncheon is available for \$4 the fourth Thursday of each month (call Judy Shute at 508-867-9224).

The arrests and offenses below were listed in each town's police department logs. People charged are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. This newspaper will publish dispensations of cases at the request of the accused, with proper documentation.

LEICESTER POLICE **DEPARTMENT**

Sept. 9

6:40 p.m.: Kristen Leblanc, 30, 455 Main St., #2, Leicester, was charged with failure to appear upon recognizance (warrant arrest)

Sept. 12

9:29 p.m.: Dylan Cornoyer, 22, 22 Maple St., Spencer, was charged with failure to appear upon recognizance, subsequent offense, possession of Class A drug

5:52 a.m.: David M Jepson Jr., 26, 5 Town Beach Rd., #10 Leicester (straight warrant)

SPENCER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sept. 8 James R Soboleski, 67, 1 Richland Ave., Spencer, was charged with disturbing the peace, disorderly person, resisting arrest, A&B on police officer, threatening to commit a crime, defacement of real property

Kyle J Soboleski, 36, 1 Richland Ave., Spencer, was charged with disorderly person, disturbing the peace, defacement of real property Sept. 9

Matthew J. Kularski, 33, 53

Maple St., Spencer, operation of motor vehicle reckless to endanger, operation of motor vehicle under influence liquor, 3rd offense

Sept. 12

Carol Sterlin Raulston, 55, 37 High St., Spencer, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, operation of motor vehicle negligent to endanger, operation of an unregistered motor vehicle, own perm inspection sticker Sept. 13

Robert J. Nordin Jr., 52, 34 Reed St., Pittsfield, Warrant Arrest

Sept. 15 Zachary A Perron, 21, 2 Laurel St., Oxford, Warrant

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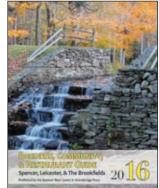
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Officials excited to break ground on new fire/EMS building

FACILITY

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For town officials, the decision to purchase two properties at 1 and 3 Paxton Street was the only viable option for a new facility.

"We had very limited options. This location is the only one that is both affordable and centrally located," said Board of Selectmen Chairman Douglas Belanger. "Today marks a day that our community has been looking forward to for a long time."

Ten years ago, town officials had an important decision to make - build a new police station or a fire/EMS facility. Officials, Chief Wilson among them, agreed that the police station project was a more pressing need.

As the years passed, the town had difficulty securing sources of funding for the fire/EMS facility. Ultimately, understanding the need for a modern station, Town Meeting voters took it upon themselves to fund the project.

'This demonstrates more than the construction of a building," Town Administrator Kevin Mizikar told guests at the groundbreaking event. "It is a sign of bigger and better things to come for the community as a whole. The most important group of people to be thanked is the residents of Leicester."

Added Belanger, "The people of Leicester support those who support them through public safety. We owe a thank-you to the residents who stepped up to the plate."

Senator Michael Moore and State Rep. Kate Campanale both attended the event. They provided extensive support to town officials throughout the construction planning process.

For Moore and Campanale, it's a thrill to see Leicester's firefighters and EMS personnel prepare for a state-of-the-art facility. After nearly a century spent



Board of Selectmen Chairman Douglas Belanger addresses guests at the groundbreaking ceremony on Sept. 13.

at the current station on Water Street, a new facility is long overdue, officials

"This is a great day for Leicester," Campanale said. "This beautiful new facility and the vital services it provides will be essential to the community."

Located across the street from Town Hall, the facility will enable quick responses to calls in all corners of Leicester. Identifying a centrally located station was one of the priorities for the project, selectmen said.

Town officials thanked everyone who has played a role in designing the facility, including Chief Wilson, who had a vision for the new digs long before anyone else in town, officials said.

The construction contract for the project was awarded to Builder Systems, Inc., a general contractor based in Auburn.

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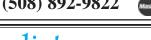
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So far I don't have enough content to begin THE WRITE STUFF in September :((deadline is Monday, Sept. 26), so I may have to begin in October, but I need your help! PLEASE write! ALL ages welcome! Teachers... this is a great project for extra credit? Parents... get the kids off their phones for a bit? Adults & Seniors... tell us about your childhood and how things have changed! If you have any questions about submitting your original essay/poem/short story, please call or email me.

More reader participation pages coming up... PET HALLOWEEN COSTUME **CONTEST** on November 4, and VETERAN'S DAY SALUTE on November 11. FREE to submit your photos! Business sponsors welcome... \$80 to sponsor both sections (or \$50 each). Both are running in all seven Mass papers.

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OBITUARIES

Irene Carey, 93



ONSET — Irene (Taberner) Carey, 93, of West Central Ave. and formerly of Leicester died Friday, Sept. 16 in Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Plymouth.

She leaves a son; Lawrence B. Carey of

Onset, two daughters; Sheila I. Buzulis and her husband Michael of Millbury and Cheryl D. Swift and her husband Gerald of North Smithfield, R.I., a brother; Ernest Taberner Jr. and his wife Phyllis of Duxbury, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Carey was born in Oxford,

daughter of Ernest and Flora (Pilkington) Taberner. She graduated from Leicester High School. She was a secretary for many years at Paintland of Milford. She enjoyed going shopping with her daughters and spending time with her grandchildren.

Cherry Valley Cemetery are private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Christ Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 142, Rochdale, MA 01542. Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements.

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Leatrice E. Derosier, 93



SPENCER Leatrice E. "Lee" (Tracy) Derosier, 93 of Lake St., died Sunday, Sept. 11 in Beaumont Nursing & Rehab in Worcester. She was the wife of

Clarence H. Derosier, Jr. who died in 2008.

She leaves her son and caregiver, David R. Derosier of Spencer, a son Robert E. Lucier and his wife Carole of Vero Beach, Fla., and Dover, N.H., two grandchildren; Antoinette Lucier of Daytona Beach, Fla., and Timothy R. Lucier of San Francisco.

She was born in Webster, the daughter of Joseph G. and DesAnges G. (Gouin) Tracy and later graduated from St. Peter's High School in Worcester.

Lee was the cosmetic department manager at the former Fair Dept. Store in Spencer, retiring in 1973.

She was a member and past presi-

Funeral services and burial in

dent of the Spencer Golden Age Club and member of the Lashaway Senior

Citizens Club. She was a longtime member of Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish, sang in the church choir, and volunteered at the Food Pantry and Adoration Chapel. The family would like to thank her niece Sandy Berardi for her dedicated and compassionate care of Lee.

The funeral for Lee was held on Thursday, Sept. 15, from the J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer, with a Mass in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Burial followed in Mary, Queen of the Rosary Cemetery, Spencer. Calling hours were Wednesday, Sept.

Flowers may be sent or contributions made to Mary, Queen of the Rosary Food Pantry, 60 Maple St., Spencer, MA 01562.

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Margaret I. Charpentier, 92



N O R T H BROOKFIELD — Margaret I. (Fuller) Charpentier, 92, died peacefully at home on Thursday, Sept. 15.

Peggy was born in North Brookfield the daughter of the late Walter and Daisy Fuller and has been a lifelong resident.

She was a graduate of North Brookfield High School Class of 1941. Peggy worked as a certified Nurses Aide for many years at Quaboag Nursing Home until she retired.

She was predeceased by her husband of 66 years Roger J. Charpentier Sr.; her son Roger Charpentier Jr. in 2015; her grandson baby Jimmy Ford in 1980; sisters Mary, Ruth and Gene and a brother Francis. Peggy leaves her children Maureen A. Valler and her husband Gary of Greenfield, Ind., Nancy J. Nykiel & her husband Richard, Richard Charpentier and his wife Kim, Joanne M. Ford and her husband Jim all of North Brookfield, Robert J. Charpentier and his wife Karen of Middletown, Conn., and Russell J.

Charpentier, of North Kingstown, R.I.; a daughter in law Denise; 20 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren, and one on the way; a brother Charles "Fuzzy" Fuller and his wife Marilyn of Florida; nieces and nephews.

Peggy was proud of her family and her favorite place to be was at home and spending time with all her family. She was a loving, caring, strong, kind mother/grandmother/great grandmother and friend to so many. She will be greatly missed by all.

Calling hours were held Monday, Sept. 19, in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 44 Gilbert St., North Brookfield. The funeral Mass was held on Tuesday in St. Josephs Church, 296 Main St., N. Brookfield. Burial followed in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Ware.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Smile Train, P.O. Box 96231, Washington, D.C., 20090-6231 or St. Josephs Church Renovation Fund, 28 Mt. Pleasant Street, North Brookfield, MA 01535.

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Judith M. Kiefer, 80



WORCESTER Judith M. (Grant) Kiefer, 80, Worcester and formerly of Leicester died Monday, Sept. 12 in St. Vincent Hospital.

She leaves fours sons; Earl Kiefer, Jr. of Worcester, Robert Kiefer of Mountain City, Tenn., David Kiefer and his wife Patricia of Auburn and Ronald Kiefer and his wife Alicia of East Brookfield, four daughters; Brenda Abbott of Worcester, Terri Senosk of Leicester, Pamela Koch of Worcester and Laurie Burbo of Worcester and several grand-

children and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by two daughters; Cheryl Foley and Debra Kiefer.

Judith was born in Revere, daughter of George and Eileen (O'Rourke) Grant. She graduated from Leicester High School. She was a certified Nurses Aide at the Hammond House for many years before retiring. She enjoyed camping, cooking and family gatherings.

A graveside service will be held Friday, Sept. 23 at 11 a.m. in Pine Grove Cemetery, Leicester. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Alzheimer's Association of MA/NH, 480 Pleasant Street, Watertown, MA 02472.

Morin Funeral Home, 1131 Main Street, Leicester is directing funeral arrangements.

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William R. Reese



KAHULUI, Hawaii/ WEST BROOKFIELD William R. Reese formerly of West Brookfield, died on Sept. 1, at Hale Makua, Kahului, Makua,

Hawaii. He leaves his son, William J. Reese and his wife Lola of Shrewsbury: two daugh-

ters, Barbara Reese Lauback and her husband Scott of Savannah, Georgia, and Carol Reese Kennedy and her husband Robert of Wailuku, Hawaii; his brother, Arthur Reese of Chattanooga, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Sean and Stephen Reese, Tyler and Brady Lauback, and Kristin Kennedy Rashid; and three great-grandchildren, William Reese, Everly Rashid, and Cameron

He was predeceased by his wife of 64 years, Anna Mae (Stiffler) Reese in

He was born in Wilkes Barre, Penn., son of the late William J. Reese and Bermuda (MacGregor) Reese and lived in West Brookfield for over 35 years, before moving to Hawaii in 2010.

Bill was a machinist for most of his working career, and later served as a Sales Representative for Brookfield

Machine Inc. before 1988. retiring in During his retirement, Bill and his wife became accomplished Nantucket Basket makers and taught classes in their home for decades.

Mr. Reese was a United States Army

veteran, serving in Europe during WWII as an aircraft maintenance mechanic.

Friends and family are welcomed to a graveside service for the burial of the conjoined ashes of Bill and Anne Reese on Friday, Oct. 7, at 1 p.m., at Pine Grove Cemetery in West Brookfield. åThe service will be followed by a reception at the First Congregational Church, 36 North Main St., West Brookfield.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Hale Makua Kahului, Pikake Neighborhood, 472 Kaulana St., Kahului, HI 96732 or through their website, halemakua.org.

Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting his family with arrangements.

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Jerald Vinokur, 72

EAST BROOKFIELD — Jerald Vinokur, 72, formerly of East Brookfield passed away on Sept. 6.

He is survived by his wife Betty and two sons, Gary and Steven Vinokur. He also leaves a sister Barbara and several nieces and nephews all from Sarasota,

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Eugene R. Vivier, 73

SPENCER — Eugene R. Vivier, 73, of Main Street died Monday, Sept. 12 in his home.

He leaves a son John A. Vivier and his wife Teresa of Penn Yan, New York and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by a daughter Anne M. Miller in 2006.

Mr. Vivier was born in Worcester,

son of Eugene T. and Loretta I. (Plouff) Vivier. He worked for many years as a landscaper before retiring.

A memorial service was held Friday, Sept. 16, in J. Henri Morin & Son Funeral Home, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. There were no calling hours.

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NBSB combats hunger with Fall Harvest Food Drive

NORTH BROOKFIELD — North Brookfield Savings Bank (NBSB) is once again holding its Annual Fall Harvest Food Drive to help local families in need, with collections taking place from October 1-31 at all of the Bank's branches. The Bank and the local communities are dedicated to helping local residents struggling with hunger as they head into the fundraiser's ninth year.

NBSB's goal is to collect at least 3,500 items total, but its support to families in need doesn't stop there. For every item collected, the Bank will contribute \$1, for a total of up to \$3,500, to help fund the pantries' operations.

Residents are encouraged to drop off non-perishable food items, paper goods and toiletries at any NBSB branch during the drive.

The drop-off locations include:

- North Brookfield Branch: 9 Gilbert St. • East Brookfield: 100 West Main St., Route 9
- West Brookfield Branch: 128 West Main St.,
- · Ware Branch & Business Center: 40 Main St., Route 9
- · Belchertown Branch: 4 Daniel Shays Highway, Routes 9 & 202

• Palmer Branch: 1051 Thorndike St.

• Three Rivers Branch: 2060 Main St. Examples of nonperishable and non-food items that pantries can use are: paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, diapers and baby wipes; deodorant, soap, tooth brushes and toothpaste; dry and canned pasta and soups, canned meats, tuna and salmon, peanut butter, jelly, tea bags and ground coffee; canned vegetables and fruits, hot and cold cereals, rice, cake mixes, pancake mix, syrup, powdered milk and granulated sugar; canned juices,

baby food, baby formula, granola and cereal bars. "Hunger continues to be a serious concern among our local residents and neighbors. The NBSB Annual Fall Harvest Food Drive allows us to connect with our communities and the local food pantries to address this unfortunate issue that is close to home," said North Brookfield Savings Bank President & CEO Donna Boulanger. "We are enormously grateful for the continued generosity

displayed by the citizens of our local communities. Time and time again they step up alongside us to help. We know this year will not be any different."

The Annual Fall Harvest Food Drive is just one of the many local outreach events held by North Brookfield Savings Bank to help address the needs of the communities it serves. From November 1 through December 10, NBSB will continue the tradition of collecting gifts for children of local struggling families through the NBSB Annual Holiday Toy Drive being held at all of the Bank's branches. The Bank also holds an annual in-branch fundraiser, "Our Community Is Where It's At," to benefit a chosen local charity. This past spring the fundraiser was focused on feeding low income campers who attended Camp Putnam through the "Feed a Camper at Camp Putnam" campaign.

Moore highlights availability of **Drought Emergency Loan Fund**

BOSTON — Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) is spreading awareness to local farmers and farm-related businesses about the availability of low-interest loans through the Drought Emergency

The Fund was officially launched yesterday by the Administration in response to the ongoing drought conditions that have plagued Massachusetts for over three months. The loans, ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000, are available to assist farmers and small businesses in the agricultural industry with financial losses caused by the drought.

"The agricultural sector in Central Massachusetts, and across the state, has been hit hard by the crippling drought conditions," said Moore. "I commend the Administration and state agricultural officials for making this funding available to help farmers and small businesses recover from this historic drought.'

Up to \$1 million has been authorized for the Fund and applications are expected to be available through November of this year. For additional information, and to access a loan application, please visit the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation's website, www.massgcc.com.

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Saturday, Sept. 24

WEST BROOKFIELD

West Brookfield Lions Club 5th Annual Harvest Fest will be held Sept. 24, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the WB Town Common. The event will include Children's Activities as well as many Art and Craft Vendors. There will be a beer/wine tent with food vendors. Bring your chair so you can enjoy the live music donated by local bands Luscious Lushes and Goofy Foot.

NORTH BROOKFIELD

Bring the whole family to the Provident-Living Community Expo, hosted by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints between 12 and 4 p.m. The Expo will focus on ways to use time, energy, and money wisely to meet daily needs and be prepared for the future. Exhibits and information booths, manned by knowledgeable local people and business owners, will cover over 20 topics, with special activities for children and free hotdogs and drinks for everyone. For more information, contact Joyce Alt at 978-355-0156 or jaltfamily@yahoo.com.

SPENCER

Spencer announces household Hazardous Waste Day!

When: Saturday, Sept. 24, at 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Where: North Brookfield Transfer

Station

Fee: Free to Spencer residents with valid Transfer Station sticker

Paints-no latex-household chemicals-pesticides-solvents-no explosives-oil-gasoline.

If you have any questions please contact the Office of Utilities & Facilities at 508-885-7515 during normal business hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Thursday, Sept. 29

SPENCER

Spencer Snowbirds Club Monthly Meeting, 4H Club - Spencer, Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct 1

WEST BROOKFIELD

Rocking the House Concert Join The Trustees and The Barrett Anderson Band for a fall concert at beautiful Rock House Reservation in West Brookfield on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 1-4 p.m. The award winning Barrett Anderson Band will play hypnotic blues grooves fueled by vintage soul and rock and roll within the "rock house", a grouping of large boulders and ledges. Korean style street food will be available on-site from Sun Kim Bop. A suggested donation of \$5 per person is requested to benefit Rock Hose Reservation, a property owned and managed by The Trustees. Visitors are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair to enjoy the show. For more information please email: jhasenfus@ thetrustees.org.

Saturday, Oct. 15

SPENCER

Cornhole Tournament — Saturday, Oct. 15, from 12-4 p.m., David Prouty High School, 302 Main St., Spencer. Double elimination tournament, sponsored by the DPHS Athletic Booster Club. Registration \$50/per team of two. Minimum player age is 14. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams. Food, raffle, and vendors will be onsite. Third party vendor sites are available for a \$25 set up fee. Please send your player names, email addresses, and phone numbers with a check made payable to DPHS Athletic Booster club to: DPHS Athletic Booster Club, P.O. Box 444, Spencer, MA 01562. We will also accept in person team registrations at any of the evening home games at the snack shack on the middle field at DPHS. Contact Melissa Bernard 508-277-9177 with any questions.

Saturday, Oct. 29

SPENCER

Sweetpea Animal Shelter Halloween

Dog Spooktacular — Saturday, Oct. 29, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 4H Camp Marshall, 92 McCormick Rd., Spencer. Halloween fundraising event to benefit Sweetpea Animal Shelter and promote local animal welfare organizations. Indoor/outdoor event activities include live band and DJ costume contests for kids and pets, haunted hayrides, pony rides, indoor Kid Zone with bouncy castle and carnival games, food/craft vendors and many more fun Halloween activities for families and pets. Agility 'try-its' courtesy of Central Massachusetts Disaster Animal Response Team (CMDART). Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Certification by The Right Paw. Free admission, families and pets are welcome!

ONGOING EVENTS

NORTH BROOKFIELD

There will be free weekly Parent/ Child Programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North Brookfield. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at 508-885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettcpc@hotmail.com.

The North Brookfield Historical Society Museum will be open from 9 a.m. to noon on the first and third Saturdays of the month through October. Special appointments will be arranged whenever possible. For details and updates, please visit http:// northbrookfieldhistoricalsociety. wordpress.com.

WARREN

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

RUTLAND

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

SPENCER

First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer, MA 01562, 508-885-2149. Economy Shop hours, open every Wednesday, 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.; Friday,

Bingo at the Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. Along with our regular games we feature two winner take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payout's of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available at Judy's Kitchen. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.

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

EAST BROOKFIELD

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

OUR TOWNS

Campanale announces endorsements

BOSTON — State Rep. Kate D. Campanale (R-Leicester) is pleased to announce the endorsements of her re-election campaign by both the Massachusetts & Northern New England Laborers' District Council (Mass Laborers) and the National Federation of Independent Business Massachusetts (NFIB) striking an uncommon balance between often competing interests.

"Typically, I do not seek or tout endorsements," said Campanale. "I am proud to stand on my voting record and the work and accomplishments in

our district.' "I've always thought that an endorsement only makes an impact when it is out of the ordinary or unexpected. Which is why I am very proud of the work I have done and the issues I have been determined to see through as your representative. I'm grateful that my work in the community and at the State House has been recognized by both labor and business.'

In endorsing Campanale, Joseph Bonfiglio Business Manager at Mass Laborers, said, "Your tireless advocacy of issues and protections benefiting working class families has been commendable. We are confident that your passion and commitment to these issues will best serve the interests of our members and all hard working men and women in Massachusetts.'

Bill Vernon, NFIB/MA State Director, explained, "This endorsement is based on our votes on issues important to small business owners during your term in office. We thank vou for your commitment to the needs of thousands of Main Street small businesses and their more than one million employees in Massachusetts during your service on Beacon Hill."

Campanale added, "I've always expressed my belief that the betterment of the district should not be held back by party affiliation; these endorsements prove that I have and accepted will continue to, work with anyone who is willing to work with me for the advancement of the people whom

Campanale announces energy assistance grant

LEICESTER — State Rep. Kate Campanale (R-Leicester) is pleased to announce the Town of Leicester will be receiving a \$5,000 Municipal Energy Technical Assistance (META) Grant from the Green Communities Division of the Department of Energy Resources (DOER).

META grants fund the services of expert consultants and contractors to assist with a diverse array of local energy projects. Projects and studies receiving funding will support the performance of solar photovoltaic site evaluation, heating system replacements, ASHRAE Level II audits, technical analysis of energy use at drinking water and wastewater facilities and technical assistance with Green Community reporting and application.

Spencer Cultural Council seeks funding proposals

SPENCER — The Spencer Cultural Council has set an Oct. 17 deadline for organizations, schools and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community.

These grants can support a wide variety of artistic projects and activities in Spencer — including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies or performances in schools, workshops and lectures.

New this year, anyone seeking funding is required to submit applications through an online form available at mass-culture.org/spencer. Click the "Apply Now" tab.

Paper applications will no longer be

The Spencer Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

This year, the Spencer Cultural Council will distribute about \$6,100 in

For more information about the Council or the application process, contact Spencer Cultural Council at 774-479-8797. More information about the Local Cultural Council Program can be found at www.mass-culture.org.

The Spencer Cultural Council is actively seeking new members. Volunteers meet several times a year to distribute funds in support of programs that enhance our community. Anyone interested in serving is invited to complete a volunteer application form on the town website or to contact the town clerk.

Gobi announces September office hours

Tyler Wolanin, District Aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of September. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with Tyler to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Walk-ins are welcome, but to set up an appointment you can e-mail Tyler at tyler.wolanin@ masenate.gov, or call at 508-641-3502. Appointments are encouraged during so that information on cancellations can be shared. Local hours include:

 Tuesday, Sept. 27 North Brookfield Senior Center, 11 am to 12 nm

• Wednesday, Sept. 28 Brimfield Senior Center, 11 a.m. to

Wales Senior Center, 12:10 to 1 p.m. Charlton Senior Center, 1:30 to 2:30

Sturbridge Town Hall, 3 to 4 p.m.

Moore announces district office hours

BOSTON — Sen. Michael O. Moore (D-Millbury) released the dates, times and locations of upcoming district office hours. Residents of the Second Worcester District are welcome to meet with Moore or a representative of the Senator's Office to discuss concerns or other matters of interest.

• Auburn: Sept. 26 and Oct. 31, 9-10 a.m., Senior Center, 4 Goddard Drive,

• Millbury: Sept. 26 and Oct. 31, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Senior Center, One River Street, Millbury

· Leicester: Oct. 3, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Senior Center, 40 Winslow Ave.,

• Upton: Oct. 17, 9-10 a.m., Senior Center, 2 Farm St., Upton • Grafton: Oct. 17: 10:30-11:30 a.m.,

Senior Center, 30 Providence St.,

• Shrewsbury: Oct. 24, 10-11 a.m., Senior Center, 98 Maple Ave., Shrewsbury

• Northbridge: Oct. 24, 12-1 p.m., Senior Center, 20 Highland St., Whitinsville

• Worcester: Nov. 7, 9-10 a.m., Senior Center, 128 Providence St., Worcester

Moore represents the Second Worcester District consisting of the Towns of Auburn, Grafton, Leicester, Millbury, Shrewsbury, Precincts 2 and 4 in Northbridge, Upton, and Wards 5-7 and Precincts 1 and 5 in Ward 8 of the City of Worcester. An online calendar of district office hours is also available on the Senator's website, www.senatormikemoore.com.

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DUDLEY — 13 Blackmere Rd! 2,579' 8 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! 2.16 Acres! SS Appliance Kit! 6 Burner Gas Cook-top! Frplcd Liv Rm! Din Rm

w/Hrdwds! 1st Flr Master w/Bath! Upstairs 2

Bdrms & Full Bath! Over Garage Man Town/ Guest Rm w/1/2 Bath! Studio w/Hrdwds! Heat

NEW/PRICE

WEBSTER - 52 Upland Ave! 6 Rm Pane! Spacious Applianced Eat-in Kit!

WEBSTER - 32 Upland AWE 18 Km Capel Spacious Applianced Eat-in Kit! Formal Din Rm or 3rd Bdrm wHrdwds Eutl & Built-Inst Frplc Liv Rm wHrdwd Fir! Den or Officel 1/2 Bath on Main Level! 2 Oversized Bdrms wHrdwds on 2nd Fir! Full Bath Mud Rm! Full Walk-out Basement! Rear Patio! Immediate

Occupancy! \$179,900.00 同同

ON DEPOSIT

LEICESTER- 39 Boyd St! Updated 7

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Paint, Fence, Driveway, Electrical, Pluming

& Windows! \$234.900.00

w/Oil or Wood Pellet, Sep Furnaces! Wired Gen! Garages! Deck! **\$329,900.00**

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DUDLEY - 377 Dudley Oxford Rd! 7 Rm

Split! 2+ Acres! Applianced Kit w Breakfast Bar! Den w/ Pellet Stove! 12x20 Liv Rm w/ Cathedrals! 3 Bdrms! Full Bath w/Skylight! Lower Level Fam Rm w/Hearth! 12x20 Deck!

2 Car Detached Garage! 2 Sheds! New Roof!

\$234,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

DUDLEY - 43 Mason Rd! Remodeled 7 Rm Ranch! Applianced Eat-in Kit w/ Quartz Counters, Breakfast Bar & Tile Fi! Large Fipled Liv Rm wHrfwds! Din Area wHrfdwds! 3 Bdrms wHrfwds! 2 Pall Exceptional Bathrms! Fam Rm! Office! Security! Oil Heat! AG Pool! Trex Deck! Shed! 2 Car Garage! \$264,900.00

SOLD

DUDLEY — Waterfront! Pierpont Meadow Pond! 112 Klondike Rd! 100

Sandy West Facing Shoreline! Sunsets! 15,375' Lot! 5 Rm Year Round Ranch

with that Cozy Cottage Feel! Knotty Pine, Cathedrals & Hardwoods! 2 Bdrms!

Open Floor Plan! Shed! \$279,900.00



NEW LISTING

WEBSTER - 16 Orchard Ave! 7 Rm Custom

Cape! Farmers Porch! Applianced Kit! Formal

Dining! Cathedral Liv Rm w/Frplc & Skylight! 1s

Fir Bdrm! Cathedral Master! 3Bdrms! 2 Baths!

Family Rm! 3 Season Sun Rm! CAir & Vac!

Newer Furnace, Water Heater & Windows

Garage! Town Services! \$269,900.00

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER – 25 Black Point Rd! 6 Rm 2050' Colonial! 13 Yrs Young! Applianced! Open Fir Plan - Dining Rm & Living Rm – 30'! 9' Ceilings! 22' Master Bdrm w/Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! Corner Lot! Farmer's Porch! Deck! Across the Street from Webster Lake Colonial Park Beach Rights! \$269,900.00

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ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - 16 Elm Street! 6 Rm

Colonial! Conveniently Located! Off

Street Parking for 3+ Cars! Nice Back

Yard! Newly Applianced Kit w/Tile Flr! Liv & Fam Rm w/Refinished Hrdwd Flrs! 2/3 Bdrms! Spacious Master! 1.5 Baths w/New

Vanities! Gas Heat & Hot Water! Walk-out

Basement! Deck! \$119,900.00

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ON DEPOSIT

CHARLTON - 175 Oxford Rd! 6+ Rm

Split! 1.53 Acres! Applianced Granite Kit w/ Tile Flr! Din Rm w/Hrdwds, Anderson Slider

to Trex Deck! Brick Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwds

& Bow Window! Master w/Hrdwds, Slider to Deck! Master Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2 Baths!

Garage! Quality Updates Through Out! \$279,900.00

OPEN HOUSE SIM 9/25 from 12:00:2:001

NEW/LISTING

DUDLEY – 7 Kayla Lane! 8 Rm Colonial Set On 1.84 Acres! Applianced Granite Kit! Frpled Dining Rm! Living Rm w/ Hrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Family Rm! 3 Bedrooms! Spacious Master, Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! 1st Floor Laundry! Farmers Porch! Deck! Attached 2 Car Garage! \$359,900.00

WEBSTER - NEW ENGLAND COMMONS!

Kit w/Pantry, Tile Flr, Corian Counters & Breakfast Bar! Liv Rm & Master w/Trey

Ceiling, Master Bath w/Step-in Shower! 2nd Bdrm w/Cathedral Ceiling! 2nd Full Bath!

Attached Garage! Farmers Porch Basement! **\$249,900.00**



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ON DEPOSIT

DUDLEY - 61 New Boston Rd! 1,300+

Ranch! 1.52 Acres! Applianced Oak Cabinet

Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Din Area w/Slider

to Deck! Frplc Liv Rm w/Bay Window & Pellet

Stove! 3 Bdrms! Master w/Bath & Walk-in

Closet! 2nd Bath w/Skylight! Shed! Viny

Siding & Windows! \$229,900.00

WEBSTER -

New England Commons! Adult 55+! 2 Bdrms! 1 to 2 Baths/Master!

Applianced! Granite! Hrdwds, Tile &

Carpet! Basements! Garage! C/Air! Security! Community Center! Walking Trails! Low Fees! Convenient!

From \$234,900.00

DUDLEY - 174 Klondike Rd! Pierpont Meadow Waterfront! West Facing! Beautiful Sunsets! Full Recreational! Cozy Yr Rd Getaway! Renovated! Applianced Kit wHrdwds! Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rn w/ Frplc & Hrdwds! I Bdrm! Updated Bath! Heated Sunroom Overlooking Water! Recent Electrical, Plumbing, Well & Septic! \$219,900.00

WEBSTER LAKE – 21 Wakefield Ave! In a Cove Protected! Idle Out to the Lake - South Pond Lake Access!

10 Rm Colonial! 5 Bdrms & 2.5

Baths! Applianced! Flexible Flr Plan! Master Suite w/Bath, Dressing Rm &

John Kokocinski



Adrienne

James

ON DEPOSIT

WERSTER - 1 Oak Tree La! Remodeled

Liv Rm w/Pergo Flr! 3 Spacious Bdrms w/

Wall to Wall! Newer Bath! 3 Season Porch!

Walk-out Basement! Garage! Gas Heat!

New Plumbing & Electric! \$174,900.00

ALEXANDER'S LAKE – Killingly, CT! 95 Island Rd! Beautiful Inside & Out 8 Rm Waterfront Colonial!

Applianced Kit! Frplc Liv Rm! 1st

Fir Bdrm, Bath & Laundry! 3 2nd Flr Bdrms! Lake Facing Master w/ Cathedrals, Skylight, Bath, Priv

Deck! 2 Car Garage! \$489,900.00

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER – 36 North Main St!

A Constitution of Room Capel Cabinet Packed
Kitchen wDining Area! Living Room
wWall to Wall! Den wWall A/C! Ist
Floor Bedroom! 3/4 Bedrooms! 1.5
Baths! Recent Roof & Furnace! Will
be Updated to Circuit Breakers!
Nice Back Yard! Off Street Parking!
\$99,900.00

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WEBSTER LAKE - 46 Pt Pleasant

Rd! Middle Pond - Southern Expo! 8 Am Custom Cape! Open Flr Plan! Fully
Applianced w/Lunch Counter! Lake Facing
Brick Frplc Liv Rm, Din Rm & Fam Rm! 19

Master! 4 Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing! 2 Baths!

Huge Trex Deck! Buderus 5Z Oil Heat!

\$449,900.00

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THOMPSON – 449 E Thompson Rd! 6 Rm Contemp! Beautiful 1.5 Acres! Applianced Kit w/Quartz Counters, Cherry Cabinets, Breakfast Bar! Formal Din Rml Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm wFrplc! Master wWalk-in Closets, Private Deck & Full Bath! 3 Bdrms! 2.5 Baths! CVac! Mitsubishi A/C! Wired for Generator! 2 Car Garage! 2 Sheds! \$299,900.00



AUBURN — 55 Loring St! RVer's Dream! Pull Your Motor Coach into 24X60 Garage! Full Hook Ups! 7 Rus 1,820' Contemp Ranch! Granite Kit w Island! 14x2' Liv Rm w/Cathedrals! Frplc Fam Rm! Frplc Master/Master Bath! 2 Bdrms! 3 Baths! 28x5! "Indoor Pool" Rm! CA! 143 Acres! Super Convenient! \$449,900.00



WEBSTER – 17 Fort Hill Rd! Looking 30 ACRES OF PRIVACY & SERENITY! 5 Rm Ranchi Eat-in Kit w'Updated Cabinets! Formal Din Rm! Liv Rm Least S creened-in Porch Overlooking Pond! 2 Large Bdrms! Updated Bath! Full Basement w!Laundry! 2 Car Detached Garage! Oil Heat! Gas Hot Water! \$274,900.00









WEBSTER LAKE COMPOUND! 2 Checkerberry Is!! Private 2.09 Acre Waterfront Peninsula Estate! Park Like Grounds! 2,800°8 Rm Colonial Main House w/Lake Views from Most Windows! SS Applianced Granite Kit! Din Area w/Tile Flr! Lake acing 38° Din/Liv Rm w/Frplc, Recessed Lighting & Slider to Wrap Around Deck! French Dr Fam Rm Surrounded by Water! 3 Bdrms! 21' Master w/Cathedral Ceiling, Slider to Private Deck w/Lake Views, Master Bath! 2nd Bath w/Dble Vanity Sinks, 3.5 Baths! Skywalk Attached 750' 4 Rm Guest/In-Law Apartment w/Granite Kit. SS Applianced. Open Din & Liv Rm w/Slider to Lake View Deck, Bdrm, Nice Bathrm! Detached 3 Rm Yr Rd Guest Cottage or Rental Unit wKit, Frplcd Liv Rm, Bdrm & Bathroom! Enclosed 3 Season Pavilion Great for Entertaining! Tree Lined Private Drive! Rolling Lawn! Decks! Patios! Idea Dock Setup! Boat Ramp! For the Discerning Buyer! \$1,449,900.00













A/C'd, 3,832' Custom Colonial! Technical/Electrical Marvel! 2 Story Grand Entry! Fully Appliance Lake Facing Quartz Kit w/2 Dishwashers, Heated Flr & Pantry! Spacious Din Area w/Custom Wall Unit & Slider to the Waterfront Deck w/Elect Awning! Frplc Liv Rm w/Entertainment Center! Din Rm w/Tray Ceiling! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master w/Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Dble Vanity, Whirlpool & Corner Shower! Upstairs 3 Comfortable Bdrms, 2 Lake Facing, Both connect to a Full Bath, the 3rd has its Own Full Bath & Walk-in Closet! Walkout Lower Level Lake Facing Fam Rm w/2nd Kit, Cedar Sauna & Full Bath! Separate Utility Rm & Workshop! 3 Car Attached Garage! Detached 1 Car Garage! Security System! LP Gas Whole House Generator! Boat House that Auto Draws Boat Out of the Water, Launches It on a Rail System! Weather Station! Well Irrig System! See/Ask For All Attachments! \$1,195,900.00





WEBSTER LAKE! 39 Loveland Rd! Custom 13 Rm 5,252' Contemp! 130' South Facing Waterfront! 10' Ceilings! Granite & Cherry Kit w/Slate Fir, Wolf SS Gas Range w/Dble Ovens, Sub Zero Frig, Isl w/Dble Sink, In-Counter Steamer! Formal Din Rm & Frplc Liv Rm w/Brazilian Cherry Hrdwds! Granite Wet Bar w/Ice Maker, Bottle Cooler & Bosch Dishwasher! Office-1/st Fir 54 bdrim w/Marble LP Frplc Bhrm w/Walk-in Kohler Steam Shower! Beautiful Staival's 4 ddrims w/Water Views! Huge Lake Facing Master w/Cathedrals, 3 Dble Closets & Slider to Private Deck! Master Bath w/"Vita" Whirlpool Tub, Tile Shower & Dble Marble Vanity! Another Marble & Granite Bthrm! Lower Level Walks Out to Lake! 8 Seat Theater! Stone Frplc Fam Rm! Granite Wet Bar! Workshop w/French Pr to Lake, Possible Bdrm! Half Bath! House Sound System! Andersons w/Nicke! Hardware! 2 Car Heated Garage! Beach! Dock! \$1,299,900.00



WEBSTER LAKE – 17 Lakeview Rd! Middle Pond - Reid Smith Cove! West Exposure = Sunsets! 100' Level



Waterfront! 7 Rm Yr Rd or Ideal 2nd Home! Enjoy Music from Indian Ranch Free! Fantastic 12,298' Flat Lot w/Plenty of



Recent Trex Deck! Garage! 2 BOAT SLIPS! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach! \$299,900.00



Tons of Sun! 91' Waterfront! Yr Rd 7 Rm Colonial! Ideal 2nd Home! Panoramic Views of South Pond! Country Kit w/ Facing Picture Window! 3 Bdrms! Walk-out Lower Level! Fam Rm w/Summer Kit! Recent Roof & Siding! **\$394,900.00**

WEBSTER LAKE - 30 S. Point Rd!



WEBSTER LAKE - 36 Laurelwood ! Magnificent Lake Property! .75 Acres! estern Expo — Beautiful Sunsets! Frplc Liv Rm! Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm! 4 Bdrms! 2 Baths! 3 Car Garage! Mahogany Deck! Cabana! Sandy Beach! New Dock! Boat Ramp! \$799,900.00



WEBSTER LAKE - 103 Treasure Island! Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/ w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach! **\$279,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 17 South Point Rd! Middle Pond! 6 Room Cape! 72' Waterfront Completely Renovated! Center Island Kit! Mostly Lake Facing Rms! Master w/Bath & Private Deck! 2/3 Bdrms! 2 Baths! Oil by Buderus! 4 Electric Mitsubishi Heat Pumps w

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WEBSTER LAKE – 113 Birch Island Rd! Overlooking Middle Pond! Eastern Expo - Beautiful Sunrises! 5 Rm Year



WEBSTER LAKE - 14 Bates Crossing! South Pond! East Expo – Beautiful Sunrises! Expansive Water Views! 11,000' Level Lot! 6 Rm Colonial! 10x46 Porch! Open Flr Plan! 3 Bdrms! 2nd Flr Master w/Cathedrals, Master Bath! 2 Baths! A/C! Garage! \$559,900.00



Sink! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! 3 Bdrms! 1.5 Baths! Garage! Oil Heat Shed! Fenced Yard! \$181,900.00



SOUTHBRIDGE - 32 Glenview Ave! Custom 6 Rm Contemp! Open Kit & Din Area w/Cathedrals & Skylight! Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Slider to Deck! 1st Fir Master w/Private Deck! 3 Bdrms! 2
Baths! Finished Lower Level w/LP Frplc
New Kit Cabinets, Counters & Roof 2014! \$249,500.00



WEBSTER — 9-11 Lyndale Ave! 8 MEDSIER — 9 Thylader Avel Rm Colonial wGreenhouses! Eat-in Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm Open to Living Rm wWood Floors! Pull Bath! Den wBuilt-ins! 4 Large Bedrooms on 2nd Floor! Nice Level Lot! Walking Distance to Center of Webster! Town Services! Rte. 395 Near! Walk to Schools & Churches! \$117,900.00



CHARLTON - South Charlton Reservoi 302C Partridge Hill Rd! Full Recreational 75' Waterfront! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm Ranch! Great Water Views Open Flr Plan w/Cathedrals, Skylights, Frplce! 2 Baths! Fam Rm! Garage! Sandy Shore, Great Swimming! Dock!

\$329,900.00



WERSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd Waterfront Dream! 100+' of Shoreline 53.94' Road Frontage! Land Area 8,147'! Town Water & Sewer Available! 2 Docks Rm w/Frplc! Listed by Another, **SOLD**Already in the Water! Lots on Webster Lake are a Rarity, Don't let this Slip By without Your Consideration! \$189,900.00



WEBSTER LAKE – 296 Killdeer Island! North Pond! 180 Degree Panoramic Water Views! Front Row Seat to 4th of July Fireworks! 5 Room Ranch! Ideal Second Home or Live Year Round! Winter in Florida – Summers on Webster Lake! Open Floor Plan! 2 Bedrooms! Nice Deck! Garage! \$299,900.00



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Welcome to the country at its best! This gorgeous 3 bedrm 2.5Bath contemporary home is nestled on a very private beautifully manicured yard on 2.64 Acres! Setback from the street! Spacious deck! Granite countertops and island! Brazilian cherrywood flows throughout from kitchen. Dining, and living room! Cathedral ceiling living room! Propane fireplace heater! Downstairs master bedroom has its own full bath! First floor half bath w/ washer dryer. Walkout basement! 2 Car garage. Huge bonus! \$304.900. New roof coming this month!

THOMPSON CT- 351 QUADDICK RD

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First Time Offeredt Beautifully Maintained Ranch has Something for Every-onel Custom Kilichen - Birch Cabinets & Breakdast Bart Finisherd Basement! Newer Pellet Stove for Alternate Heat Sourcel Full Bath! Kitchen Area w

HOLDEN-2 PIONEER RD

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Gracious classic New England Cape near Holden Center! Wonderfu

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flow to the first floor for entertaining or every day living! Large living
and dining rooms with hardwood floors throughout! Fireplaced family room! Two-lived deck! First floor bath! Spacious set in kitchen
with beautiful granite counters! Front to back master bedroom with
double closets! Lovely flat fenced yard. Two car garage!

assisted sale \$295,000



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Ionial! Large Upscale Kitchen w/ Solid Wood/Maple Cabinets! GE Profile Appliances! Granite Counters! Stunning Living Area open to Both the Formal Dining Room and Kitchen! Brick Fireplace! Cathedral Ceiling! Balcony! Desirable First Floor Master with Lux Bath Featuring Soaking Tub ~ Separate Shower! 3 Bedrooms ~ 2 Full Baths! Bonus Room above Garage! \$424,900



Own your own business! Opportunity to walk into a turn key operation! Full liquor license, full commercial kitchen with grill, double ovens, fryolaters, walk in fridge, freezers! Expand with catering or take out! Property sale is both the business and building with all bar/business fixtures. Outside has horseshoe pits for league games and volley ball court.



DUDLEY-23 INTERVALE RD

Welcome home to this charming 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath cape! One acre! First floor master bdrmw/full bath! Living room w/pellet stove! Lower level has additional heated family room! W/ 2nd full bath! Sit

New Price \$199.900

out and grill on the recent deck and enjoy the fr you put this one on your "to see" list!

Plan. Living-Dining Area. Country Kitchen with Eat in Dining Area Access to Rear Deck for Summer Fun. Walk out Basement for Convenient Access to Backvard, Electric Fence to Keep The Dogs Safe Needs some Cosmetic Updates but still a Good Value! \$257,000



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Webster- 122 Gore Rd. Lot Approx. 1-1.2 +/- Acres. Town Water

Dudley - Lot# 149 Southbridge Road - 4.5 +/- acres. 150 ft +/- of

Business Zoned \$110,000.

Webster - 114 Lake St. Multi-Family Zoned,

& Sewer. Level Lot.

New listing! Charming cape! 3 Bedroom 2 bath on a dead-end st! Newer roof and updated electrical panel! Second floor is perfect for teen suite, Complete with bedroom ~ large den area and full bath! Flat lot and very

resonable taxes! Call today~ don't delay! \$185,000.

WEBSTER LAKE - 113 BIRCH ISLAND RD





Beautiful Colonial Located In A Quiet Cul De Sac! Amazino

Grand Foyer With Cascading Stairway! 7 Room, 3 Bed 2.5 Bath Home! Gleaming Hardwoods! Fireplaced Living Room!

Applianced Kitchen! Master Suite! Jacuzzi Tub And Shower

Stall! Private Back Deck! 2 Zone Heating And Coo

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NEW PRICE \$445,000



NEW PRICE \$319,900



this one pass you by!



WATERFRONT: Summer has ARRIVED and so Should YOU! Roomy Ranch! Lots of House for the Money \$\$ 3 Floors of Living Space pro-vide Lots of Room for Family Get Togethers or Quiet Enjoyment of the Priceless "Waterfront" Living! Large Tiered Deck gives Access to a Level yard and Water Access! Spacious Lower Level with Wide Open Spaces for Game Tables and Movie Shows! Property is Located in a

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8 Jimton Ln. **SOLD**





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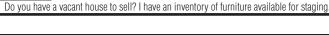


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baths with oversized 2 car garage Front to back living room. HUGI









bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths!

onnecticut line. \$239,900.

home with 4 bedrooms! Eat in kitchen! Sun room overlooking back yard. 6 year old roof. Big 2 story shed! 1.8 acres. Inground pool. Set back from

Southbridge

ovely Excellent Condition Cape with 7 rooms 4-5

Newer vinyl siding, roof

years old, remodeled and modern throughout! HUGE composite DECK in back plus front porch too! Finished

basement. Located on small dead end street near the

bedroom has walk in closet plus master bath! Hard nerator. Alarm system. Gas fireplace. Carport road for privacy. \$184,900.

or 2. \$169,900 plus park share. OPEN HOUSE • SUN 12-3pm 47 Jacobs Rd, Southbridge



One of a kind custom built home located in Country Club Location Beautiful 11 room 4 bedroom 3 ½ bath Cape with front to back living room with fireplace. 1st floor den with French doors leading out to great outdoor living room! Master bedroom front to back with fireplace & master bath! 4th bedroom has it's own bath-great for guests or in-laws or au pair. Separate Excerise room with hot tub which overlooks backyard. Hardwood floors! Basement is finished like an English Pub with fireplace. Fabulous private property! \$339,900.

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Master Bdrm Suite w/ full

Gourmet, Cabinet packed

w/ breakfast bar

OXFORD



Bath & Hot tub kitchen w/ loads of counter space & peninsula

PERENNIAL GARDEN

156 Charlton St • \$279,900

WEBSTER



- Central Air
- * 1/2 acre,
- * Town Service * 22' Living Rm
- * Fireplace
- * 2.5 Ba
- 14 Lake Pkwy \$334,900

4 Fairfield Dr • \$229,900

- * Handicapped * 1.5 Baths Accessible Living area
- * Motivated Sellers * Town Services * No Closing Costs
 - Family Room
 - * Minutes to highway

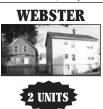
DUDLEY

* 1/2 Acre

LEICESTER DUDLEY time at 1:00

- * Central Air
- * Cherry Cabinets
- * Granite counter * Breakfast Bar
- * 2.5 Ba

3 Traci Pl \$379,900



- Live cheaper than Renting
- 2 bedrooms * 2 additional buildings
- 39 Lake St \$139,000

* USDA Eligible

- * 1/2 acre lot
- * Fireplace, Hardwoods * Inground pool

96 Charlton Rd \$234,900



3 Wayne Ave \$239,900

- * Den, 3 bedroom
- * Title 5 done
- * Sprinkler sysytem
- * Inground Pool

131 Old Webster Rd \$307,900

PAXTON





- * West side * 18x22 Cath Ceiling Fam Rm * Cherry Cabinets
- 9 Pinewood Ln \$384,900

WATERFRONT

* Central Air, Central Vacuum, Gas Heat

* Spacious floor plan, 1st floor family room

- * 220' Frontage
- * Merino Pond * 3 Baths * Contemporary
- * 2+ Acres 72 Flaxfield Rd \$479,000

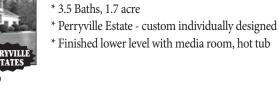
* Harwoods

- * Formal DR * 1st Floor Fam Rm * inground pool
- 15 Indian Hill Rd \$315,000

DUDLEY - Why build? Custom Colonial in Great Location!



10 Johnathan Pass \$399,900











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OPEN HOUSE PETERSHAM:

SUN 25th • 2-3:30 15 E APPLEWOOD DR CHARLTON Move-in ready quality built home in excellent condition, located in an awesome area of Charlton near Leicester line & of ownership both inside 190 and Rte. 2. Large brick easy Hwy & major routes! Well and out, is located just off fireplaces add character cared for 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA home the common, on the corner to both living room and 1/ 2 att garage, fireplace, & of west street and Hardwick family room. New windows. bonus room above garage, road, a very short stroll to Good size, bright & sunny

call home" \$317,000

SOUTHBRIDGE 60 Sayles St - 2-3 SAT Bright & spacious 4 BR, 2 bath Colo-nial. Deleaded. Completely renovated. \$219,000. Ingrid Helena Karp.

PALMER

3 BR, 2 bath Ranch on 1+

Acres. Open floor plan, MBR,

FR w/FP, garage. \$149,000.

Stewart & Stewart.

STURBRIDGE

Hard to find Sturbridge 2

Family! 5 total BR, 3 garages. **\$179,900. Dorothy Fontana.**



Lovely, Antique Greek Revival with efficient home in country "Old New England character," setting on over 1/2 acre is located in a community of historic charm! This stately home, showing pride of ownership, both inside

of ownership both inside of ownership both inside

Call Donna for your real estate needs!



& office \$199,900

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BROOKFIELD: Commercial SOUTHBRIDGE: property on route 9. Many Great location on a beautiful possibilities for the use of this country road. At the street is building. New roof & furnace wooded with mature trees (11 years ago). Building for privacy, then opens up Englands prettiest commons! An has been used as auto body to a grassy level lot. Very repair family business for the close to Charlton line and when Channel 5, Chronice visited last 40+ years. It's in turn- easy highway access. Close in Oct., 2012, describing the town as located in a quaint country the Petersham general store, subdivision, w/ inviting curb and new school. \$399,900 opening to deck! \$249,900 garage doors. Holds 6 cars to new Southbridge Middlekey condition! Three 10x10 proximity (walking distance)



Land a "self proclaimed piece of paradise out by the Quabbin reservoir" as well as, "a well respected, well educated, nside (including paint room) High School and Torrey



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farming community" \$285,000

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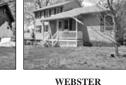
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Webster Lake Waterfront. 3 BR, 2 bath Colonial, views. FP. \$450,000.



Next best thing to Waterfront! 2 BR, deeded beach rights, sunset views! \$99,900. Lisa Boudreau





HOLLAND 4 BR, 2 bath Cape. Deck, patio, screened porch, private setting. \$154,000. Ingrid Helena Karp



STURBRIDGE Waterview of Cedar Lake! 2 BR

skylights. \$139,900. Dennis Bottche

eady! Cathedrals

Ranch, mov

WEBSTER Income opportunity! 6-family conve-



STURBRIDGE

Leadmine Lake Waterfront!

100' frontage, 3 BR, 2 full

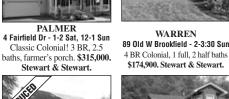
baths. \$379,000.

Laura Eliason

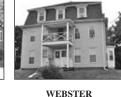
Lisa Boudreau



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WARREN 3 BR, 3 bath Ranch privately situated on 1A. MBR w/bath, sliders to deck. \$254,000 Ingrid Helena Karp



niently located. Many updates. Delead-ed. \$280,000. Sarah Gustafson.



Gas FP, cathedrals, \$350,000.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Friday, September 30, 2016

12:00 PM-DOUGLAS 182 Perry Street

sgl fam, 2,040 sf liv area, 2.24 ac lot, 7 rm, 3 bdrm, 2.5 bth, fpl

Worcester(Worc): Bk 48643, Pg 164

TERMS: \$5,000 cash or certified check at the time and place of the sale. The balance to be paid within thirty (30) days at the law offices of Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851, Attorney for the Mortgagee.

Auctioneer makes no representation as to the accurac of the information contained herein

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OXFORD

2 BR, 1.5 BA Townhouse condo; Recent updates include Paint throughout the unit, French Doors, Front door, Windows (2014), Carpet in Master(2015),

Hot Water Heat w/in 5 yrs & Hardwoods in LR. \$179,900



BOYLSTON

4 BR, 2 Full/2 Half BA, 3,087 sq. ft. Colonial in Mt. Pleasant Estates neighborhood. Seller has done extensive updating during ownership including gorgeous master bath, all new Harvey windows, recent roof, interior painting & much more.

\$549,900



3 BR, 2.5BA 1,728 sq ft Cottage style home located at the end of a dead end road & up a private driveway. Beautifully landscaped yard in front & spa-like patio with koi pond in the rear. Master BR has private balcony.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

DUDLEY 207 Dresser Hill Rd S 1-2

\$599,900 Conrad Allen Professional Associates 508-400-0438

WOODSTOCK, CT 4 Fairfield Dr

12:30-2 \$229,900 ReMax Advantage/Joann Szymzak 774-230-5044

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

CHARLTON 15 E Applewood Dr S 21 AF Putnam Rd S

ReMax Professional Assoc./ Donna Plouffe \$317,000 508-320-0684 10-11 #379,900

11-12:30 \$229,900

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10 Johnathan Pass 3 Wayne Ave 96 Charlton Rd SOUTHBRIDGE

DUDLEY

47 Jacobs Rd 14 Upland Ave

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Granite Kitchen, fireplace, sun room,
Master Suite, IG heated pool/cabana.

Mary Collins 860-336-6677

Pomfret \$550,000 NEW LISTING





















OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/24 2:00-4:00











OPEN HOUSE SUN 9/25 10:00-12:00

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136 Ference Road, Ashford \$299,900 G10153504.bhbsNEproperties.com Custom built 4 BR home features classic mial style wheated garage. Private level yard w/pool and bonus room! Paige Anderson 860-604-2278

Putnam \$134,000 NEW LISTING

THE RESERVE

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ole 2 Bdrm home with hardwood floo inroom, level fenced yard, Garage, ential for additional living upstairs!



Collins



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OPEN HOUSE SUN 9/25 11:00-1:00

519 Route 169, Woodstock \$375,000 G10150766.bhhsNEproperties.com

G10150766.bhhsNEproperties.com eat space, great light, great location! 3 or 4 rooms, 2.5 baths, excellent kitchen remodel, private back yard. John Rich 860-315-2615







215 Tracy Road, Killingly \$219,900 G10162895.bhhsNEproperties.com G10162895.bhhsNEproperties.com Completely updated 1800s Cape, 1 acre, 2000SF, 3 Beds, 2 Baths. New Roof, kitchen, insulation,



598 Center Road, Woodstock \$350,000 G10159232.bhhsNEproperties.com



G10167700.bhhsNEproperties.com Sweet country home. Master bed addition, new bath, vinyl siding, windows, septic. Move in condi

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White/Cook Team 860-377-4016

cabinets, 3 baths, IG pool, cabana, 4 Garages, Mary Collins 860-336-6677

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1.8 acre lot includes large meadow & barn. Chet Zadora 860-208-6724

G10118672.bhhsNEproperties.com onderfully sunny 2007 Ranch, great one living, gleaming hardwoods, 3BD 2BT,





LAND FOR SALE

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Build your home on the knoll. Nearly 6 acres situated on a less traveled country road.

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LEGALS

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Michael K. Olson and Jennifer A. Olson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Ally Bank Corp. f/k/a GMAC Bank, its successors and assigns, dated July 31, 2009 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 44843, Page 1 subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Ally Bank Corp. f/k/a GMAC Bank, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 50632, Page 365 and subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust by Ocwen Loan servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 55640, Page 180; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on October 7, 2016 at 10 Bemis Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

Real property in the Township of Spencer, County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, described as follows: THE LAND WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON OF EVERY DESCRIPTION NATURE AND AND ALL THE PRIVELEGES AND **THERETO APPURTENANCES** BELONGING, SITUATED NORTHERLY SIDE ON THE STREET, IN THE OF SPENCER, OF BEMIS TOWN WORCESTER COUNTY OF COMMONWEALTH AND MASSACHUSETTS AND BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: ON THE SOUTH 132 FEET BY SAID BEMIS STREET; ON THE WEST 132 FEET BY LAND FORMERLY OF PIERRE VANDALE AND JOSEPH BEDARD; ON THE NORTH 132 FEET BY LAND FORMERLY OF MRS. SYLVANUS CLAPP; ON THE EAST 132 FEET BY LAND FORMERLY OF TOUSSAINT RICHARD. Being all of that certain property conveyed to MICHAEL K. OLSON AND JENNIFER A. OLSON, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY from RICHARD W. MESSIER AND RUTH A. MESSIER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, by deed dated 10/12/2006 and recorded 10/27/2006 in Book 40049, Page 290 of official records. APN #: SPEN-2U-24

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants

and parties in possession. **TERMS OF SALE:**

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

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

U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 14-015670

September 16, 2016 September 23, 2016 September 30, 2016

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 Christine A Cabana and Edward P. Cabana to Mortage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Residential Mortgage Network, Inc d/b/a SurePoint Lending, dated September 22, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 39897, Page 270, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Residential Mortgage Network, Inc d/b/a Surepoint Lending to Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-20 dated May 31, 2012 and recorded with said registry on June 7, 2012 at Book 49093 Page 128, 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 October 11, 2016, on the mortgaged premises located at 42 WOODSIDE RD, SPENCER, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, TO WIT:

The land in Spencer with buildings thereon on the Easterly side of Woodside Road bounded and described as follows.

Being a tract of land shown as Lots #9 and #10 on a plan of land entitled Plan of Land in Spencer, Mass, owned by Raoul Chalifoux by Theodore P. Drazek, dated December 3, 1971 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 358, Plan 19. See also Plan Book 186, Plan 107.

Being the same property conveyed to Edward P. Cabana and Christine A. Cabana, husband and wife, by Quitclaim Deed dated February 8, 1999, of record in Book 21018, Page 290, in the Office of the Registry of Deeds of Worcester County, Massachusetts.

Being the same property commonly known as:42 Woodside Road, Spencer, MA 01562

Tax ID No.: Map R39; Lot 24 For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 21018, Page 290.

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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.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE-HOLDERS OF THE CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,

> SERIES 2006-20 Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys, HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C. 150 California Street Newton, MA 02458 (617) 558-0500

> > 201504-0249 - PRP

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Joshua E. Buckley and Jacquelynn Buckley to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Sunset Mortgage Company, LP DBA SMCPA Mortgage Company, a Limited Partnership, its successors and assigns, dated April 27, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 41052, Page 303 subsequently assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Sunset Mortgage Company, SP DBA SMCBA Mortgage Company, a Limited Partnership, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 47871, Page 21; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on October 7, 2016 at 29 Clark Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in the Town of Spencer, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, situated at the corner of Clark and Salem Streets, bounded and described as follows: On the South by Clark Street: On the East by said Salem Street: On the North by land, now or formerly. of Pierre Kashy: and On the West by land formerly of John Lacaire. For title reference see deed dated December 16, 2003 and recorded December 18, 2003 in Book 32486. Page 341.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession. **TERMS OF SALE:**

deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

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

> Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys. ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 15-015052

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TOWN OF SPENCER PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE

The assessors are in the certification process of the town's triennial revaluation program for fiscal year 2017, in order to equalize assessments at 100% of fair market value. The Massachusetts Department of Revenue has completed its preliminary review process. The purpose of this notice is to give you the opportunity to review, ask questions, discuss and request changes in proposed values during the public disclosure period. Preliminary property values will be available for public review from September 26, 2016 until October 5, 2016 at the Assessor's Office in the Town Hall, at the Richard Sugden Library and on the assessor's page of the town website at www.spencerma.gov. For more information or to set up an appointment, our office is open Monday through Wednesday from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm or you can call 508-885-7500 x 165. September 23, 2016

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

DATED: SEPTEMBER 20, 2016 By virtue and in execution of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Thomas D. Snow a/k/a Thomas Snow, of West Brookfield, and Rebecca A. Peterson a/k/a Rebecca Peterson, of North Brookfield, both in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the Southbridge Savings Bank, dated May 26, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 36454, Page 306, which mortgage has never been assigned, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction, on the premises described in said mortgage, and known as 156 New Braintree Road, West Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, on Thursday, the 20th day of October, 2016, at one o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage, and therein described as follows:

The land with the buildings thereon situated in said West Brookfield, on the westerly side of the highway leading from West Brookfield to New Braintree containing one (1) or more acre more or less and bounded and described as follows:

On the north, west and south by land formerly of William M. Richardson and on the east by said highway.

Being Tract I conveyed to Thomas Snow and Rebecca Peterson by deed of One Princeton Street Realty Trust, Jamie Brown Trustee dated September 12, 2002 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 27485, Page 296.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

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.

A Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollar non-refundable deposit will be required to be paid by certified check or in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale and the balance upon delivery of Deed within forty-five (45) days of said sale at the office of Montague & Desautels, 334 Main Street, Southbridge, Massachusetts, 01550. The successful bidder shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Terms of Sale immediately after the close of bidding.

As an additional condition and term of the sale, in the event the successful bidder refuses to sign the Memorandum of Sale or fails to complete the purchase in accordance with the terms and conditions of said foreclosure sale, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the mortgaged premises to the next highest bidder ("Second Bidder") and to accept all bids upon the condition that the Second Bidder shall deposit with mortgagee's attorney the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder. Upon deposit of the Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars earnest money by the Second Bidder, the Second Bidder shall become the Buyer for purposes of the foregoing paragraphs and completion of sale. In addition, in the event of default by the successful Bidder and the Second Bidder, Mortgagee reserves the right to assume the Second highest bid and proceed with the purchase of the property in accordance with the Memorandum of Sale.

This sale may be postponed adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the Mortgagee at the scheduled time and place of sale.

Other terms and conditions to be announced at the sale.

SOUTHBRIDGE SAVINGS BANK By its attorneys, Montague & Desautels 334 Main Street Southbridge, MA 01550 Telephone: (508) 764-3244

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Amy L. Fredette and Caryn Fredette to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, First American Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns, dated April 16, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 33350, Page 266 subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, First American Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 52464, Page 236 and subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust by Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 55640, Page 178; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 AM on October 14, 2016 at 67 & 67 1/2 Chestnut Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land with buildings in Spencer, MA on the South side of Chestnut Street, bounded and described as follows: On the North about 58 1/2 feet by said street; On the East about 10 rods by land formerly owned by Alex Wedge and land formerly owned by Augustus Delude. On the South about 60 1/2 feet by land formerly of Jeremiah Earley; and On the West about 10 rods by land now or formerly of Francois Collette II. Granting also a right of way on the East side of said tract and a right to a well on said Collette land. Being the same premises conveyred to Donald R. Faucher, Jr. and Linda C. Faucher by Deed of Charles J. Comeau and Anne T. Comeau dated July 15, 1988, recoreded with the Worcerster District Registry of Deeds in Book 11479 at Page 52. For our title reference see deed recorded in said Registry at Book

25890, Page 7.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession. TERMS OF SALE

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

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

U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust

Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 14-014472

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Notice of Public Hearing-Spencer **Zoning Board of Appeals**

At the regularly scheduled Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 in the McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:15 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:

Special Permit (Renewal) - Applicant/ Owner: Leo Aucoin. Location: 89 Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R2-211. The applicant is looking to renew his Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district.

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial Town Hall located at 157 Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30-4:30 Monday-Wednesday. September 23, 2016

September 30, 2016

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Special Permit (Renewal) - Applicant **Bond Construction Corp, Owner:** Edward Hubacz & Joseph Hubacz, Jr., Location: Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R9-1& 2. The applicant is looking to renew their Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district.

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial Town Hall located at 157

Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30-4:30 Monday-Wednesday. September 23, 2016 September 30, 2016

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Division** 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2000 Docket No. WO16P2844EA Estate of: **Ronald Scott Gray** Also Known As: Ronald S. Gray

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Nancy J. Gray of North Brookfield MA

Date Of Death: May 23, 2016

INFORMAL PROBATE

Nancy J. Gray of North Brookfield MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

September 23, 2016

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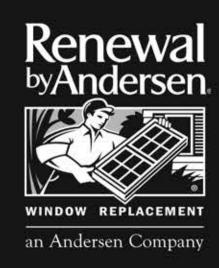
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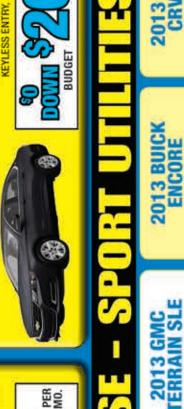
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\$24,900 LAW513- \$22,900 OR \$347/Mo



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AWD Turbo - 44,365Ml - Leather - One Owner - Traction control, Transmission hill holder, Signal mirrors - Turn signal in mirrors, Sabitility control with anti-roll, Front togothriving lights, Leather sads, wireless phone connective, Heated sats, Automatic Transmission, Compressor - Intercooled Jurbo, 4-wheel ABS brakes, Ari conditioning with dual zone climate control, Cruise control, Audio controls on steering wheel, Universal remote transmitter, Driver ouar zure curiare comor, cruise comor, nous conso un sear y weet, cruives ar lenter eraniment, en memory seals, Memory settings for 3 drivers, 2 liter inline a Gylinder DOHC engine, Multi-function remote - Trunk/ hatch/door/ballgate, Power healed mirrors, 6-way power adjustable drivers seal, Healed passenger seal, Tilt and tele-scopic steering wheel, Four-wheel drive, 4 Doors, Rear spoiler - Lip, Trip computer.

\$18,950 LAW476- **\$16,921 OR \$256/Mo**



2012 Mini Cooper S

6-Speed Manual - Lurbo - 53,455Mf - Iraction control, transmission hill holder, Stability control, 4-wheel ABS trakes, Compressor - Intercooled turbo, ice-cold air conditioning, Cruise control, Audio controls on steering wheel, 1.6 liter inline 4 cylinder DOHC engine, 181 hp horsepower, Multi-func-tion remote - Trunk/hatch/door, windows, Power mirrors, Tilt and telescopic steering wheel, 2 Doors, Front-wheel drive, front flogithring lights, Remote window operation, External temperature display, Tachometer, Rear spoiler, Rear wiper, Speed sensitive window wipers, Interior air filtration, Speed-proportional power steering. Tric computer

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wheel, Power mirrors, 4 Doors, Compass, External temperature display, Tachom

\$24,770 LAW468- **\$22,873 OR \$346/Mo**

2012 Ford Fusion SE

2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee

4x4 - 66,946MI - Four-wheel drive, Traction control, 4-wheel ABS brakes, Front fog/driving ugnus, ice-cold Air conditioning with dual air conditioning zones, Remote power door locks/ Power windows with 2 one-touch, Automatic Transmission, Cruise control, Audio controls on steering wheel.

dows with 2 one-touch, Automatic Transmission, Cruise control, Audio Cotinus on seening mices, 3.6 litler V6 DOHC engine, Till and telescopic steering wheel, Multi-function remote - Trunk/hatch/ door/Raligate, windows, Power heated mirrors, 4 Doors, Compass, External temperature display, Tachometer, Trijc computer, Interior air filination, Dusk sensing headilights, Intermittent window wipers, Privacy/tinted glass, Rear spoiler, Speed sensitive window wipers.

\$21,460 LAW497- **\$19,4170R \$294/Mo**

\$12,960 моо27- **\$10**,915 OR **\$165/Mo**



\$8,900 LAW377 - \$7,7730R \$117/Mo



2014 Chevrolet Equinox

900 mb019 - **\$19,979 OR \$303/Mo**



2001 Porche Boxster

2dr RWD Convertible, 69k Miles, Leather seats, Front fog/driving lights, Rear fog lights, 4-wheel ABS brakes, Air conditioning with climate control, 2.7 liter flat 6 cylinder DOHC engine, 217 hp horsepower, Telescopic steering wheel, Power heated driver mirror, 2 Doors, Tachometer, Heated passenger mirror Heated, Heated Windshield Washer Jets - Jets, Interior air filtration, Convertible occupant rollover protection

\$12,870 LAW428 - \$10,976 OR \$166/Mo



2014 Ford Taurus SEL

sitive window wipers, Trip computer, Video Monitor, Speed-proportional power steering, 4WD ull-time, Dusk sensing headlights, Limited slip differential - Brake actuated, Remote engine start

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2013 Cadillac ATS

al zone climate control. Audio controls on steering wheel. Aenon headlights, Universal remote transmit-Driver memory seats, Memory settings for 2 drivers, Multi-function remote - Trunk/hatch/door/bail-le, remote engine start, Power headed mirrors, 10-way power adjustable drivers seat, Till and teleposite sering wheel, 3.6 liter V5 DOHC engine, 321 hp hosespower, 4 boors, Exterior Parking Camera - Front of are wiver camera, Tachmoette, External tempreture disciplay. Compass, Pade-ty oil splay, Interior air ration, Transmission controls on steering wheel - Gear shift controls, Trip computer



2014 Nissan Altima 2.5 S

II - One Owner - Traction control, Stability control, Transmission hill holder, 4-wheel kes, CVT Transmission, ice-cold Air conditioning, Audio controls on steering wheel, Ignition - Push button start, 182 hp horsepower, 2.5 liter inline 4 cylinder DOHC regines "I find of letescopic steering wheel, Multi-function remote - Trunk/hatch/door/ahligate Power mirrors, 4 Doors, Front-wheel drive, Tachometer, External temperature display, Speed sensitive window wipers, Speed-proportional power steering, Trip computer, Video Monitor Location - Front, airbag, Bluetooth.

950 TAW460 - **\$14,015 OR \$212/Mo**



2011 Mercedes Benz C300 AWD

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\$17,900 mb026 - **\$15,900** OR **\$286**



2009 Audi Q7

mirrors, Tilt and Belescopic steering wheel, All-wheel drive, 4 Doors, Exterior Parking Camera - Front and rear wylrear camera, Front tog driving lights, External temperature display, Tachometer, Compass, Trip computer, Clock -Power Activated Trunk/Halch - Power litt gate, Rear spoile

-\$22,900 LAW514 \$18,900 OR \$286/Mo



Twin turbo - 53,826M - Newgation - Leafter - Surnout - Traction control, 4-wheel ASS brakes, power glass surnout, Power windows with 2 one-houch, Surnout - Express speechose glass, Air conditioning with dual zone dimate control, Cruise control, Audio controls on steering wheel. Varion headinglies, Till and before CRMC engine, 300 hip hospower, 2 blows, Real-wheel diver, Permite window operation, External proposative display, Taid ordined CRMC engine, 300 hip hospower, 2 blows, Real-wheel diver, Permite window operation, External proposative display, Taid ordineder, Sale-heeling headilghis, Headilghis charactify sale with the American Headilghis Comering Turks. Degline nurning light, but severing headilghis, Reit spoiler Permite surnod/convertible no operation - Remote surnod operation and propation - Remote surnod operation.



2013 Dodge Caravan

2014 Ford Focus SE

13.470MI - One Owner - Traction control, Stability control, Limited slip differential - Brake actuated, 4-wheel A85 brakes, ice-cold Air conditioning, Cruise control, wireless phone connectivity, Audio controls on steering wheel, 2 liter inline 4 cylinder DOHC engine, Multi-function remote - Trunk/hatch/door/laiglate, Power mirrors, Till and telescopic steering wheel, 4 Doors, Tachometer, External tem-perature display, Compass, Interior air filtration, Trip computer, Video Monitor, Intermittent window wipers, Privacy/tinted glass.

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2013 Chevrolet Silverado

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2009 Jeep Wrangler

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Mid-Century Bedroom Set:

Dressers; Cedar Chests;

Kitchen Table w/ 4 Chairs;

Maple Hutch;

Occasional Chairs; Small

Stands, Tables, and Cabinets

Tea Cart; Grandfather Clock:

Coffee & End Tables; Iron

Loveseat and Chair:

Cupboards and More

LARGE QUANTITIES:

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Accessories: Glass & China:

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Kitchen-Aide Flectric Stove:

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Washer and Dryer Duet

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Microwave; Fireplace Insert

Wood Stove; Kitchen-Aide

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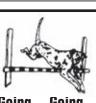
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300 HELP WANTED

310 GENERAL HELP WANTED

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North Brookfield

Highway Department Gary Jean, Superintendent 58 School St. No. Brookfield, MA 01535

nbhighwaydept2@verizon.net

North Brookfield **Highway Department Full-time** Driver/Laborer w/ CDL

CDL license, minimum Class B airbrakes endorsement with current DOT Physical Hoisting Engineers license with MINIMUM HE-2B Must be available for emergency calls days, nights, weekends & holidays. Must have two (2) years minimum plowing experience with commercial vehicles.

Applications available at the

Highway Garage

58 School St.

North Brookfield

M-F

7AM-3PM

(508) 867-0213

Equal Opportunity Employer Board of Selectmen

Part-Time Property Maintenance Job in

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Some Handyman Skills

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310 GENERAL HELP WANTED

Temporary Winter Position

December to April Seasonal employment is available with the Town of Southbridge, Public Works Department from December 2016 to April 2017

This is an on-call position to supplement snowplowing and snow removal operations. Pay rate \$16.39/hour. Requires valid, clean MA Driver's License, CDL/Class B preferred.

Snow plowing experience preferred but not required. Requires ability to follow written and verbal instructions and good physical health. Position subject to CDL Drug/Alcohol Testing Policy. Must be at least 19 years old.

Please submit a completed

Employment Application,

available on the Town website at

http://www.ci.southbridge.ma. us/human-resources to the Office of the **Town Manager**

41 Elm Street

Southbridge, MA 01550 Positions are open until filled with a review of applications will commence on October 14, 2016 The Town of Southbridge is an

equal opportunity employer **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

SUPERINTENDENT The Town of North Brookfield, approximately 4,500 and 70 miles of paved road, is in search of a Highway Department Superintendent. The Highway Superintendent performs highly responsible supervisory and administrative work in planning, organizing and directing all aspects of Highway Department operations. The ideal candidate must be capable of efficiently supervising staff as well as ability to plan and manage department budget. This position requires both physical labor and nonphysical work. The Superintendent must communicate effectively with government officials, other Town employees personnel and the public. Attendance at night meetings is required as needed.

Superintendent is appointed by the Board of Selectmen and also reports to the BOS

Education/Job

The Superintendent must be

available to respond to

emergencies on evenings,

weekends and holidays, and

must live within a half hour

commute to the highway

garage. The Highway

Requirements: * High school diploma or G.E.D. required * Supervisory experience * A minimum of five years of

responsible employment in

public works or related field of industry * Possession of a valid C.D.L., minimum class B, Hoisting Engineer's license with a minimum of 1B, 2B, and 4A * Possession of a valid Mass

DOT medical certificate

* Ability to acquire a positive

CORI report

* Salary Range: \$55,000-\$65,000 depending upon previous experience, plus benefits

Interested applicants must

submit a cover letter, resume, and three references to the Screening Committee, c/o the Board of Selectmen, 215 North Main Street North Brookfield, MA 01535 by September 26, 2016. The Town of North Brookfield is an equal opportunity provider and employer

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Certified Nurse Aides/Certified Home Health Aides

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Community that has full and part-time positions available for first and second shifts and per diem for

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325 Professional

HELP WANTED

BUSINESS CREDIT ANALYST-

Analyzes cash flow and nancial statements, monitors existing business loans, reviews appraisals, processes SBA loans and evaluates risk and credit worthiness of business loan applicants.

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325 Professional HELP WANTED

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325 Professional **HELP WANTED**

OFFICE MANAGER

I am looking for an Office Manager to be part of our team at Valley View School. Manager who will take

I am looking for an Office responsibility for the smooth running of school related business. I am looking for an individual with professionalism initiative, dedication, and excellent office skills. You must have good interpersonal and presentation skills.

As our Office Manager, your role will include providing a full range of office management duties including but not limited to the following:

Day-to-day running of the office Provision of administrative support to the Executive Director Staff office management

Accounts management Payroll Production of reports and other business documents Marketing

Other duties as requested

Under the direction and supervision of the Executive Director you will have the flexibility of implementing procedures that will improve the smooth operation of our office.

The Office Manager must feel comfortable working independently as she/he manages the business aspects of the school. You must have good office management experience as evidenced by your organizational and problem solving skills.

The applicant must have:

Experience in Quickbooks or similar accounting packages and be proficient in processing payments and preparing financial reports Extensive experience with Microsoft Office Suite products including advanced Microsoft Word and Excel Experience using database management systems Excellent oral and written communications skills A positive attitude

Please forward your resume that outlines your qualifications and demonstrates how your experience and skills match the aforementioned job requirements to:

a.gonzalez@ valleyviewschool.org

Fax: (508) 867-3300 By mail: Valley View School 91 Oakham Rd. North Brookfield, MA 01535

325 Professional **HELP WANTED**

PAYROLL SPECIALIST

A rapidly growing local company seeks a detail-oriented payroll specialist. Ideal candidate will have experience with Paylocity or Harpers payroll systems. Proficiency with Quickbooks and Excel a plus.

This position is 25-30 hours a week (Mother's hours) and located in Webster MA

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Class A CDL with Hazmat Based in

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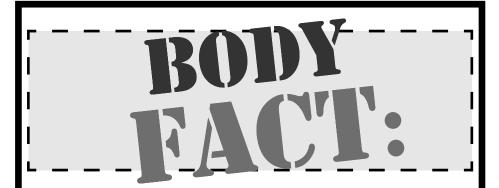
What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?





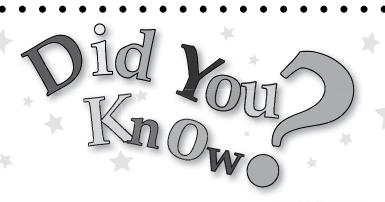
Answers: 1. Missing cloud on picture 2. Two cups on table 3. Hearts on girl's picture 4. Boy's shirt is darker



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•1846: JOHANN GOTTFRIED GALLE AND A PAIR OF FELLOW ASTRONOMERS DISCOVER THE PLANET NEPTUNE

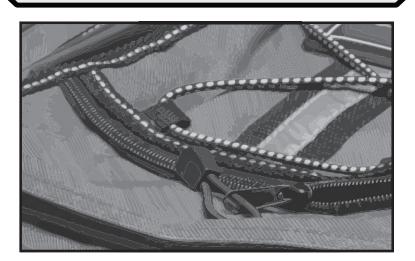
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POSTURE

position of a person's body when sitting or standing

GETTEP PICTURE?



CAN YOU GUESS WHAT THE BIGGER PICTURE IS?

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3 pre-winter lawn care pointers



be harsh, especially on lawns. Homeowners who spend much of spring and summer tending to their lawns may fear the impact that winter will have on their once-lush landscapes, making the fall a great time to fortify lawns against any harsh conditions to come. Homeowners must take

grass type into consideration before taking steps to prepare their lawns for the winter. Some grasses are best fertilized in late-summer, while others should be fertilized in autumn. Cool-season grasses, including fescue and bluegrass, are best fertilized sometime between the months September November. Warm-season grasses, such as Bermuda or zoysia, should be fertilized between July and September. Once homeowners have gained a greater understanding of their lawns, they can begin exploring the various ways to prepare their lawns for whatever winter has in store.

1. Explore winterizing fertilizers.

Homeowners want to make their grasses more winter hardy can consult landscaping professionals to determine

Winter weather can if winterizing fertilizers will work for their lawns. These specially formulated fertilizers, many of which are made exclusively for cool-season grasses, contain higher levels of potassium and lower levels of nitrogen than early-season fertilizers. Potassium helps strengthen and harden plants, and cool-season grasses may need extra potassium as winter settles in. Homeowners who are not sure if they should apply winterizing fertilizer can conduct soil tests to determine the potassium levels in their soil. If the test indicates the soil has sufficient potassium, then applying a winterizing fertilizer is likely unnecessary. In addition, homeowners who have fed their lawn a balance of nutrients throughout spring and summer likely will not need to apply winterizing fertilizer.

2. Get rid of fallen leaves.

While fallen leaves may be integral components of idvllic autumn landscapes, leaves left on the lawn throughout the winter may lead to disease in the grass. Leaves trap moisture and block sunlight and air from reaching grass, and that can encourage the devel-

Winter is rarely easy on lawns, but homeowners can take sev-

eral steps to prepare their lawns for potentially harsh winter

opment of disease. In addition, leaves can harbor insects that also may contribute to disease. While it might seem like common sense to delay leaf removal until the end of autumn when all the leaves have fallen, that, too, can prove harmful to lawns. Leaves left laying on lawns for long periods of time can contribute to the same types of damage as leaves left on the lawn throughout winter, so do your best to remove leaves as they fall.

3. Take steps to fight snow mold.

Homeowners who live in regions where snow falls into spring or where spring tends to be cold and damp may want to take steps to prevent snow mold. Gray snow mold typically looks fuzzy and gray, and lawns infested with snow mold may develop unsightly gray or brown spots indicative of dead grass. Pink snow mold may be even worse than gray snow mold because pink mold attacks the roots as well as the leaves. To prevent snow mold, continue mowing into the fall, even as lawns grow dormant, clearing the lawn of grass clippings and leaves after each mow. Thick lawns may provide a breeding ground for snow mold, so homeowners whose lawns have a history of developing snow mold may benefit from mowing their lawns into the

weather. FH168291

Landscaping can be rewarding hobby that instills a sense of pride in homeowners. Whether you prefer to get your hands dirty planting perennials or devote the bulk of your attention to crafting a lush, green lawn, chances are you will run into a problem during lawn and garden season.

Some problems are easy to identify, while others are more complex. The following are a handful of diseases homeowners may encounter when spending time on maintaining their lawns and gardens over the next several months.

ANTHRACNOSE

Anthracnose is a term used to describe various diseases that produce a host of unsightly symptoms. Those symptoms include tan to brown leaf spots or blotches; distorted, cupped or curled leaves; irregular defoliation, such as leaves falling in spring; and dieback, a condition in which trees or shrubs begin to die from the tips of their leaves or roots backward. Permanent damage due to anthracnose is rare, but the diseases can weaken trees over time and that can leave them vulnerable to pest infestations.



Identifying problems that can threaten lush lawns

BROWN PATCH

Brown patch is unsightly and most likely to occur during $summer.\,According \,to \,the \,Penn$ State Center for Turfgrass Science, perennial ryegrass, tall fescue and bentgrasses are the grass species most susceptible to brown patch. When a lawn is suffering from brown patch, its leaves and stems die out in large, circular patches. In high-cut grasses, these patches can stretch from a few inches to several feet. Tall fescue grasses may not exhibit symptoms of brown patch in patches. In such instances, the brown patch may be noticeable on individual leaves that feature tan or light brown lesions, and the Center for Turfgrass Science notes that these lesions will be surrounded by dark brown borders.

DOLLAR SPOT

The American Phytopathological

a disease of the leaves of turfgrass. Grasses suffering from dollar spot will have white to straw-colored lesions that progress downward from the leaf tip or laterally across leaf blades. Leaf blades affected by dollar spot may have several small lesions or one large lesion, and in some instances, the entire leaf blade may be affected. Turfgrass affected by dollar spot may be susceptible to weed invasions.

notes that dollar spot refers to

SUMMER PATCH

Summer patch is most common in warm climates and is characterized by yellow to straw-colored patches that can be several inches or several feet in diameter. According to Scotts Lawnservice, summer patch is often linked to shallow root systems that result from poor soil conditions. Large swaths of grass suffering from summer patch can be an eyesore, appearing as though the grass has burned under the summer sun.

Lawns, gardens, trees and shrubs are susceptible to the elements. Identifying lawn diseases quickly can help homeowners find solutions before the problems escalate. GT164990

Autumn yard work gone 'green'

Autumn marks the time to transition from the hot days of summer to the chilly weather of winter. As people remove sweaters and long pants from storage, cleaning up their yards also may be on their minds.

Fall is a season of beautiful foliage, but once that magical color show is over, thousands of leaves have fallen to the ground, necessitating a few weekends' worth of yard work. Some homeowners may be on the lookout for environmentally friendly ways to handle autumn yard work, and thankfully there are plenty of eco-friendly ways to tackle such tasks.

Leaves

The tallest task with regard to fall yard work is collecting the leaves

that fall to the ground. Some homeowners prefer to wait until all of the leaves have fallen before starting the collection process, while others handle the task in stages to make it more manageable. Regardless of your timing, skip the noisy gas- or electric-powered leaf blower in favor of a reliable rake. Raking not only collects the leaves but also helps men and women burn calories while ensuring they are not creating any noise or air pollution.

Invest in a durable, ergonomic rake to get the job done quickly and without injury. Innovators are constantly reinventing the rake, and now there are designs that do not trap leaves, saving homeowners from the

time-consuming tasks of cleaning the rake's teeth. Rake on a calm day so the wind isn't thwarting your efforts.

When it comes time to bag the leaves, use biodegradable paper bags or look for mesh-like bags that are made from cornstarch. These are more eco-friendly than plastic bags, which can take much longer to decom-

You won't need to dispose of all the leaves you collect. Shred some to use as mulch, which can prevent soil erosion during the winter. Some leaves can be added to compost piles or used as a soil ammendment in planting

Compost

Autumn is an ideal time of year to get started on building a compost bin. Take advantage of the cooler temperatures to make outdoor work

more comfortable. According Society, Audubon American yards generate two tons of clippings each year. A lot of that waste ends up being bagged and thrown away. Instead of producing waste, compost leaves and grass trimmings to use as valuable fertilizer come the spring planting season.

When choosing a location for your compost bins, be sure to place them a good distance away from the house but near enough to garden beds. Most yard waste and food debris can be added to the compost pile. Just avoid animal products, which can produce



Skip the leaf blower and pick up a rake for eco-friendly leaf cleanup.

harmful bacteria.

Keep the compost damp and turn it periodically to facilitate the decomposition process. Soak finished compost in water to create "compost tea." This liquid mixture can be sprayed on lawns in the fall to give the yard

a nutrient boost that promotes healthy regrowth when the warmer weath-

returns.

Eco-friendly lawn care can save energy, money and natural resources.

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Strategies for proper pruning

As the leaves fall off the trees and greenery thins out for the season, exposing branches and undergrowth along the way, homeowners may be tempted to prune their trees and shrubs. But while autumn pruning may seem like a good idea, many gardening experts say it is often best for homeowners to wait until winter or early spring before pruning.

Although pruning does thin out branches and tame spent blooms, which can be eyesores, pruning also stimulates new growth. Pruning in the autumn, when plants are naturally preparing to go dormant, can weaken the plants considerably. This can compromise their chances of surviving into the next growing season.

Fall temperatures also can be deceiving. While it may be warm during the day when the sun is shining, temperatures can quickly drop overnight. Pruning during the warmth of day, when the sap has risen in the plants, may deplete energy from the plant. When the mercury drops at night, the plant can suffer.

If you must spend time in the yard in the fall, tend to the leaves and debris that have already fallen to the ground rather than focusing energy on fall pruning. If you have been diligent during the spring and summer, your shrubs and other plants likely won't need pruning at this time of year.

Wait until winter before taking out the shears. At this point, the woody parts of many plants are dormant and will not be harmed or primed to grow by the pruning. Chances are you won't prune too much as well, as chilly temperatures will keep you from spending too much time outdoors.

When it's time to prune, consider these other pointers.

* Keep tools clean and in good working order. You risk injury if your tools are dull and in poor shape overall. Spend time sharpening pruners and keep manual tools oiled and clean. Debris can lodge itself in clippers, making it more difficult to open and shut them. Wash and dry tools after use, especially when dealing with diseased plants. Otherwise you risk spreading disease to healthy plants.

* Cut back stems completely. It's usually a good idea to prune branches back to the main stem. Leaving a portion sticking out can catch on people or animals and produce a gathering spot for bacteria and insects. Take out thinner,



Fall pruning can stimulate growth in plants preparing for winter dormancy, threatening their ability to return next spring and summer.

smaller shoots first before moving on to any dead or dying branches.

* Prune dry branches. Do not prune when plants are wet. Pruning damp plants encourages the growth of microbes that can infiltrate the plant. This is not as significant a problem in the winter, when microbes have already been killed.

* Ask an expert. If you are

unsure of how and when to prune particular plants, consult with an expert at a nursery or wherever you buy your plants. FH149522

Simplify fall leaf cleanup

Apple pie, pumpkins and blooming chrysan-themums are symbols of autumn. But nothing signals the arrival of fall more than the millions of leaves that begin to cascade from the trees as the temperatures dip.

Many people feel nothing is more beautiful than the yellow, red, purple, and orange leaves that coat neighborhoods and countrysides each fall. But in spite of their beauty, leaves might be a nuisance to homeowners tasked with removing the growing piles of them from their lawns. Those with large oak and maple trees in front of their homes understand the seemingly endless work of leaf removal.

As the days begin to grow shorter and colder, these changes trigger a hormone release in trees, prompting them to drop their leaves. This chemical message causes the formation of abscission cells where the leaf stem meets the branch, say botanists at the Missouri Botanical Garden. So rather than merely dropping off of trees when the wind blows, the leaves actually fall off deliber-

Left untouched, fallen leaves can contribute



to lawn problems such as poor aeration, mold growth and moisture issues. Leaves also can cause staining on driveways and walkways. Prompt removal can help prevent any problems. To make faster and easier work of leaf removal,

keep these tips in mind.

• Mow over thin leaf coverage. If only a few leaves have fallen, use a mulching mower to shred the leaves until they are small enough that they won't suffocate the lawn.

The small pieces will decompose in the lawn, reintroducing nutrients

as a result.

• Use an ergonomic leaf rake. Ergonomic rakes can prevent back and arm pain, much in the way that ergonomic

shovels do when shoveling snow.

• Invest in a quality leaf blower. Using a rake is good exercise, but homeowners with large properties might want to use a leaf blower. These machines can dislodge leaves from bushes and hard-to-reach crevices, and they work faster than rakes.

• Use a tarp. Rake or blow leaves onto a tarp and then drag the tarp to the curbside or to the back of a truck for proper disposal. Special leaf scoopers enable you to grab more leaves if they need to be picked up and transported. Otherwise, you can use the covers from two garbage pails to achieve a similar effect.

• Work with the wind. Rake in the direction the wind is blowing and downhill if your property slopes. This way it will be easier on you, and you won't be working against Mother Nature.

• Spread out the job. Do not attempt to remove all fallen leaves in a single day. Schedule a few cleaning days during the season to make lighter work of the job than if you tried to do it all at once. Keep in mind that leaves will continue to fall throughout the season and you may need to spend a few days removing leaves from your yard.

Removing leaves is a large part of fall home maintenance. Employ these tips to make this task less strenuous. FH168298

Creative ways to recycle leaves



Leaves cascading down from trees indicate the arrival of autumn. However, colorful and awe-inspiring autumn leaves can be a hazard if left to lie on the ground too long.

Fallen leaves form a dense insulator to protect trees' roots and prevent competing plants from growing. Decomposing

leaves also provide nutrients for the tree. But wet leaves can be a safety hazard and leaves left on the lawn through the winter can pose a threat to the grass. These are just a couple of reasons why so much effort is placed on leaf clean-up in the fall. The following are some creative ways to recycle leaves

that fall from your trees in the weeks to come.

· Mulch: Shredded leaves can make for a great amendment to fertilizer for garden beds and even the lawn. Leaves lying on the grass can be mulched into small pieces with a mulching mower so they don't choke the blades of grass. Leaves also can be broken down with a string trimmer, a leaf blower that has a vacuum function or a commercial shredder/chipper. Add the shredded leaves to a compost pile or use them to fill container plants before adding regular potting soil.

• Insulation: Collect leaves to mound over delicate perennial plants and shrubs. The leaves will add more warmth to the soil and may help plants make it through harsh winters. Just remove the leaves slowly when spring arrives so that the soil underneath can get the sunlight and water it needs to thrive. Leave some leaves in the yard so that animals can

use them as nesting material and line their dens for the winter.

• Stuffing: Create whimsical scarecrows as part of your autumn decoration scheme. Gather older clothes that you no longer use and stuff the sleeves of shirts and the legs of pants with leaves, which are less expensive and easier to come by than straw. Use a few pieces of straw around the neck and hand areas of the scarecrow for visual effect. Tie off with twine and display your scarecrow.

• Bedding: Chicken owners can use fallen leaves as bedding in their chicken coops. Dry leaves also may create more comfortable and drier conditions for goats and other livestock. Goats may look to recently fallen leaves as a nutritious food source. Gather the leaves and let the goats munch before you further rake

and compost the leaves.

• Decorations: Natural leaves

can be used as decorations both inside and outside a home. String freshly fallen leaves together and wrap them around a grapevine wreath for a rustic door decoration. Leaves can be placed in clear vases and put on display for a cheap way to showcase some autumn color. Preserve favorite leaves with a lamination machine or by sealing them between heated sheets of waxed paper. Cut out the leaf shapes and use for hanging window decorations.

• Recreation: Leaves have

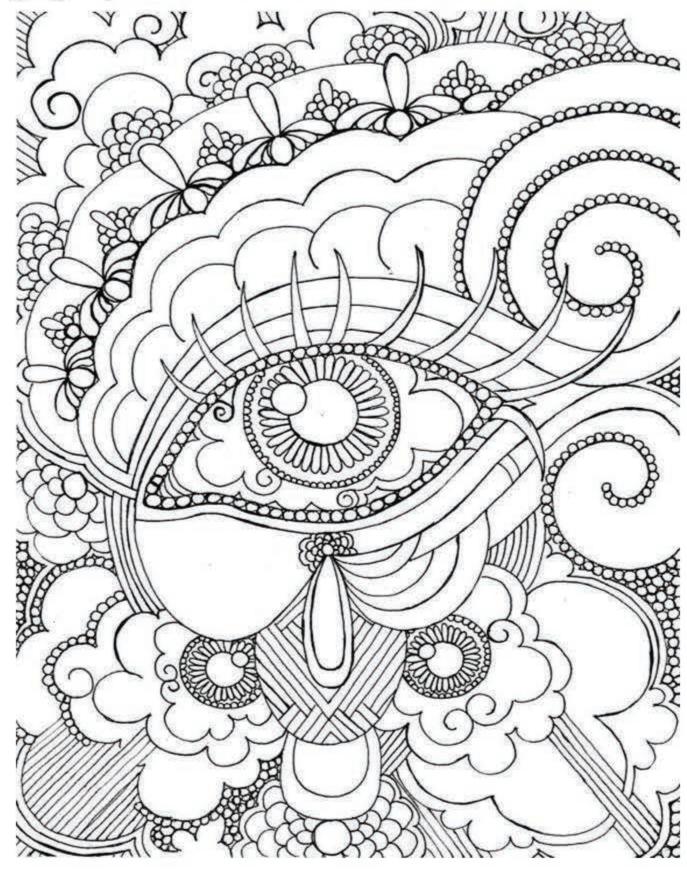
• Recreation: Leaves have long been favorite toys for children, who eagerly await jumping into large piles of fallen leaves. Fill paper bags with leaves and draw a target on the front. Let kids test their skill aiming for the targets. Children can camouflage their clothing with leaves and masking tape and have a more intense session of "hide and seek." TF159521



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