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# Local veterans honored for service



Local World War II veterans are being honored this month with Quilts of Valor. From left, William Adamuska; Norman Czyzewski; Victor A. Lempicki; and Alfred Nowicki.

**BY KEVIN FLANDERS**  
**STAFF WRITER**  
WEBSTER – Local World War II veterans are being honored this month with a special symbol of thanks for their heroic service.

The Webster-Dudley American Legion Post 184 is presenting five WWII veterans with Quilts of Valor. A sixth local veteran of the Second World War chose not to receive a quilt, as he was already honored with one a few years back.

Terence Conville, the historian for Webster-Dudley American Legion Post 184, played an instrumental role in honoring the veterans. With precautions in place due to

COVID-19, individual ceremonies are being held for the veterans and their family members. Conville has met with each veteran to extend his thanks.

WWII veterans set to receive quilts this month are William Adamuska; Norman Czyzewski; Anthony Stefanik; Victor A. Lempicki; and Alfred Nowicki.

“It is a beautiful thing for him to be honored. I’m so lucky to have him as a father,” said Victor G. Lempicki, the son of Victor A. Lempicki. “These men never asked for anything in life.”

The elder Lempicki, who lives in Webster,

served in the Navy during WWII. In the years following his service, he achieved his pilot’s license and enjoyed flying. He has always enjoyed helping friends and neighbors whenever they need assistance.

Nowicki also served in the Navy, and his four brothers were also in the service. Now 96, Nowicki still has his uniforms and a foot locker he used during the service. It means a lot for him and his family members to be honored with the quilt ceremony.

“I think it’s wonderful that they are being hon-  
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# ELECTION DAY IN OXFORD

## King promises to “make voters feel like they’re heard”

**BY GUS STEEVES**  
**CORRESPONDENT**

OXFORD – Political newcomer Robert King sees improving communication as the key issue that would make Oxford’s town government run better. Based on talking with residents since July, he said many people are “disgruntled” over the lack of information and adequate notice for public projects and forums. “The town can do a much better job of having more forums and publicizing those they do have,” he said, referring particularly to those that are not formally public hearings (which have certain legal advertising

requirements).

King is running against Norman LeBlanc, Jr. in the Tuesday, Nov. 16 special election to fill the selectman’s seat vacated by the death of John Saad in June.

Regarding the board itself, King said he sees it as being in “a bit of tumult” since Saad’s passing, with split votes and disagreements stymying its effectiveness. That and other issues have helped make Town Manager Jen Callahan’s job “too political” by pushing the board’s policy-making role onto her, when she should be “a rock that’s just kind of there” for them to lean

on, he said.

“The board members should be walking the plank before anybody who’s appointed,” while the manager and department heads should not be politicians, he noted.

King described Callahan as “quite effective at the things the manager chooses to do,” but feels the board needs to “take public positions on policies” because they’re the elected ones, not her. But even reaching its members is a problem, he argues; getting their phone numbers to speak to them has been “difficult,” and he’d like to see

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## LeBlanc runs on experience

**BY GUS STEEVES**  
**CORRESPONDENT**

OXFORD – Norman LeBlanc, Jr. has never run for office before. But he has decades of experience in town government, and hopes voters will see that as a reason to elect him selectman.

“I was always brought up that you need to give back to your community,” he said.

The lifelong Oxford resident has served two years on the Housing Authority, 12 on the Zoning Board and is now in his 15th on the Planning Board, during which he chaired the Master Plan Committee a few years ago.

LeBlanc is running against Robert King for the seat vacated by the death of John Saad in June, with the special election coming next Tuesday, Nov 16.

He said he has “some concerns” about how things are running now on the Board of Selectmen. Primarily, there’s “a lot of division; members aren’t getting along,” he said, and he believes his experience can “calm things down.”

One aspect of that is a need to talk to Town Manager Jen Callahan about “how she communicates a little bit.” To him, all selectmen need to be included, and there needs to be “a good flow of information. I think some things get bogged down between the manager and some selectmen,” he said.

“Sometimes, the issues are no longer issues, they’re about the people,” he observed, noting he believes all of the current members can be assets to Oxford if they cooperate.

That said, LeBlanc said he feels Callahan has been “very cooperative” in providing information to the Master Plan Committee, and is happy to see her efforts to bring in \$13 million in grants during her tenure.

“It’s very important we keep our budget in line,” he noted.

To do that, LeBlanc “absolutely” opposes King’s idea of using free cash for roads. LeBlanc would hold that for emergencies. If Oxford uses it now, the town might have to borrow later at a higher rate than what’s

available today.

Instead, he supports the upcoming ballot question on a \$5 million debt exclusion for roadwork, which Town Meeting supported by a large margin last month. Voters rejected a \$15 million proposal for roads a couple of years ago.

“If we don’t start taking care of this, the roads will deteriorate,” he observed.

Similarly, LeBlanc wants to see Oxford focus on maintaining public facilities. It sets aside about \$2 million for such projects, but he noted one recent roof repair had been leaking for years, driving up the cost. Likewise, he cited the current Route 56 bridge project as being important to prevent more costly road repairs in the future.

“The town’s doing a much better job on that” since Oxford hired a facilities manager, LeBlanc said

On the other end of the spectrum, he wants to see Oxford “make the process easier” for new development. The Master Plan

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## School District prioritizing safety upgrades

**BY JASON BLEAU**  
**CORRESPONDENT**

DUDLEY/CHARLTON – The Dudley Charlton Regional School Committee’s Capital and Safety Subcommittee has laid out its priorities for the district after meeting in late October.

Subcommittee chair and School Committee member Jamie Terry provided an update during a school committee meeting on Oct. 27 where she stated that they met with the district’s facilities manager and a representative from Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services to sort through the absolute needs of the district and contemplate strategies to help pay for needed improvements.

“The top priorities are the roof at CMS, the roof at DMS, and the bleachers

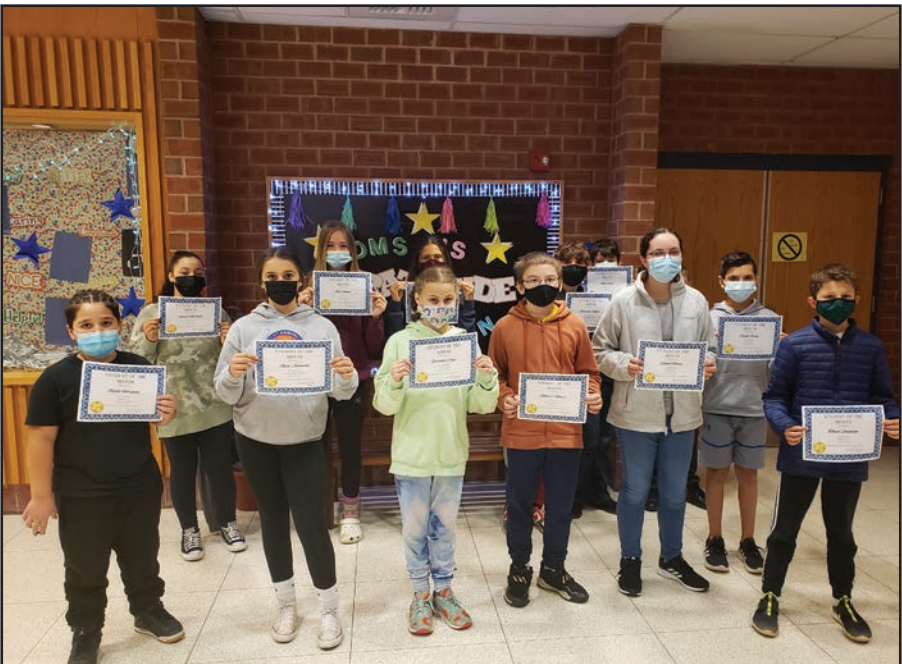
at Shepherd Hill Regional High School. Each of these items that is listed is a dire need for this district. Both roofs are under constant care and repair from our dedicated custodial staff. These repairs are no longer enough and the rain this year has continued to solidify how much each of these schools needs a new roof,” Terry told the committee.

She added that there have been discussions about purchasing or renting bleachers especially since a repair was needed to prevent the seats from being considered a major safety hazard, noting “The age of these rental bleachers and the cost associated with renting them has provided reason that this item has become front and center in our safety plan.”

It was noted later in the meeting that the cost of installing new bleachers is much higher than previous quotes, more than twice as much in fact from \$1.1 million to \$2.4 million. This new price is considered more realistic considering the ADA compliance and added facilities that would be part of that plan.

Other needs revealed included upgrades to fire alarms and suppression systems in several schools and a districtwide need for improved camera and communication technology. The final need Terry brought forward was to have a study done to assess the architecture within the district to assess all remaining structural issues on any of the district’s schools.

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Courtesy

## DMS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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## Wells being tested after landfill contamination found

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – A small group of Dudley residents had the opportunity to have their wells tested for potential contaminants in early November as part of the town's continued examination of the retired landfill side on Indian Road.

Several residents on Eagle Drive received letters during the first week of November informing them of opportunities for sampling of their wells by Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. as a precaution to ensure identified contamination in the groundwater had not leaked into residential drinking water

supplies. The tests were conducted on Nov. 4 and 5.

Copies of the letters were posted on social media noting that PFAS compounds, long lasting substances found in a variety of household products that have become major contamination concerns among many communities in recent years, was discovered in the groundwater of the landfill. In an interview, Town Administrator Jonathan Ruda, who authored the letter, explained that the town worked with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to determine which homes, if any, needed to be informed of the contamination due to its potential for extended impact beyond the property.

“Through our ongoing investigation around the town's closed sanitary landfill on Indian Road Mass DEP has advised that the town should include sampling of nearby private water supply wells as part of the investigation,” Ruda said. “We have reached out to five residents that are closest to the landfill. Those are the only five addresses we are interested in testing at this time.”

Ruda stressed that the contaminants were found in groundwater and that drinking water wells are usually much deeper. Even still, the town wanted to make sure the contamination was isolated to the landfill property. Since the town owns more than 500-feet of property around the

landfill, Dudley decided to go beyond the Mass DEP recommendation and focus on the closest homes to the property they could find.

“We're testing because we don't know if there's any risk. The levels of contamination came back in the groundwater test wells around the capped landfill. We just want to test the wells to make sure there is no danger. That's the whole point of it,” said Ruda. “The DEP requires a 500-foot bubble around these sites. Out of an abundance of caution the town of Dudley is testing beyond that, up to 620 feet away, to see if there's anything there.”

If contaminations are determined Ruda said the town will go about finding a source. The focus right now is identifying any contaminated wells and providing an alternate source of drinking water to impacted homes as necessary. Dudley is not testing any homes beyond the five designated properties at this time.

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## BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

WEBSTER — Bartlett High School has released its honor roll for the first quarter of the 2020-2021 school year.

Grade 12  
High Honor: Josephine Corridori, Talia Gardner, Camden Heenan, Jessica Peets, Samantha Tremblay, Amanda Warchal, Sabrina Yaw  
Honor: Zalma Abshir, Janichelle Aponte Torres, Jetzairy Beniquez Nieves, Felicia Benoit, Rebecca Cotton, Zaley DelRio, Phillip Duong, Brendan Falke, Kaya Flanders, Arianna Gardner, Alyssa Hallaman, Haleigh Hryzan, Jada Jones, Benjamin Koranteng, Jaden Lopez, Thomas McGonagle, Colin Minarik, Dylan Munson, Sofia Napierata, Cassandra O'Connor, Emmanuel Pierre, Yanaira Rivera Rosa, Victor Rivera-Diaz, Lilianna Sigalovsky, Artur Sochacki, Diego Taborda, Evangelina Torres, Gabriella Villegas, Omaris Villegas Garcia, Aryanah Walker-Sanchez

Grade 11  
High Honor: Yunge Assizo, Nyia Gonzalez, Anousone Manilut, Dakota Moore, Erikas Naujokas, Dawanee Phanthavong, Lily Piehler, Daria Piwowarczyk, Meghan Rice, Victoria Spitz, Colby Vinton, Hannah Walker  
Honor: Elisabeth Adams, Maxine Adu-Boahen Jones, Ariana Caron, Shelly Condon, Genesis Daniels, Matthew Forgotch, Emily Franks, Osvaldo Gonzalez, Veronica Graves, Aidan Hast, Olivia Johnson, Catherine McIntyre, Ethan Minarik, Justine Ofori, Camryn Phillips, Yostina Rezk, Noah Richards, Alymarie Rodriguez, Tiffany Salazar Vega, Andrew Sanford, Megan Tucker

Grade 10  
High Honor: Muhammad Aslam, Cash Frederick, Peter Lavache, Angel Marin Caceres, Hung Tran, Donovan Williams  
Honor: Kwadwo Agyemang, Reece LeBeau, Kaua Lima, Anthony Lopez, Eric Manilut, Haideeliz Martinez, Ariana Monroe, Madisynn Segarra, Dezmin Zona

Grade 9  
High Honor: Evelina Bagdonaviciute, Hope Cooper, Joshua Furtado, Justin Ilarraza, Natalee Kelly, Lexani Lewis, Leximee Phanthavong, Adam Phillips, Rafael Trivino  
Honor: Savannah Bjork, Owen Boisseau, Gracien Boucher, Lillyanna Cannon, Jayden Casey, Aiden Castillo, Ayden Do, Sydney Fuller, Taryn Gerber, Ayden Heenan, Savannah Keegan, Nicholas Lahens, Trinity Marland, Evangeline Mayotte, Janlucas Mercedes Morales, Ashley Millette, Jeremy Morillo Pena, Ian Mulbah, Isabella Richards, Adelina Roman, Perla Romero, Annika Stockhaus, Adam Urato, Odelis Valentin, Dakota Vaudreuil, Maya Wetherbee, Harry Zhu

## Nichols College to hold Raffle Basket event benefiting Blessed Backpack Brigade

DUDLEY — On Sunday, Nov. 14, the students of Nichols College are putting together a fundraiser for the Blessed Backpack Brigade.

Makenzie T., Timmy R., and Cassidy J. will be holding a basket raffle to raise money and donations to help them feed, clothe, and help the less fortunate in our own community during the holiday season and beyond. Food, music, and drinks will be provided, as well as face painting and caramel apple stations for the kids.

The festivities will be held at the Dudley Hill Golf Course, 80 Airport Rd., Dudley, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Donate \$5 or a physical donation and get 10 free tickets!

Want to donate and/or have any questions? Contact us at 508-494-7972 or email [Cassidy.jacobs@nichols.edu](mailto:Cassidy.jacobs@nichols.edu).



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your memory and you know you’ll never be the same again.” More succinctly, Garrison Keillor said “when Claudia sings a song, it stays sung”

Book Discussion Group – November 15th 6:30PM

The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group meets at 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome! Next month’s book discussion will be on Monday, November 15th at 6:30PM the meeting will take place via Zoom, and will be about the book The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmar.org for inquiries.

Indoor Movie Night – Third Thursday of the month, next on November 18th at 6:00PM

Join us monthly on the third Thursday of each month as we show a new release film. We’ll make theatre-style popcorn for you to enjoy!

The film selection changes each month, call the Library for this month’s title: 508-949-3880.

Children’s and Young Adult Programming

Stories with Mary Jo Maichack – November 13th 10:30-11:30AM

Join nationally recognized storyteller and singer Mary Jo Maichack in this fun mix of stories, songs, and dance. Suspense and high stakes for all ages are in this magical folktale event. Mary Jo always invites the audience to play along and co-create. Come Listen and play with this delightful story mix from a kind and funny expert storyteller!

Masks are required for everyone in the Children’s Room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

Fall into Reading at the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library – October 11th through December 20th  
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December 20, sign up at: gladyskellylibrary.beanstack.org, or download the Beanstack app on iOS or Android. Join this fun reading program for kids 0-12. Earn digital badges as you log reading, earn digital badges for attending library events, and earn book prizes by reading! Read 10 hours to complete the program. This new online reading platform has an app that is easy to download and use. Along with the app/website, you can also ask for a paper version. Questions? Contact Andrew at atai@cwmar.org.

Drop in Paint Hour – Mondays from 3:30-4:30PM

It’s Time to break out the paintbrushes! With a variety of paints and paper available, bring your artist of any age to join in the fun.

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LEGO Club – Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30PM

LEGO Club is back, and we’re so excited to have you build with us again. Stop by the story-time room every Tuesday at 3:30 to freplay with our BUCKETLOADS of LEGOs or try out our weekly challenge!

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Songs and Stories Storytime – Wednesdays at 10AM

Join Miss Emily Wednesday mornings at 10am (starting Sept. 1st!) to read books, sing songs, and do rhyme games. Meet other children and caregivers at this community event. After stories, catch up with other community members over a simple craft. This Storytime is best for children 0-5, but all ages are welcome!

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will be available.

STEAM Kids – Thursdays from 3:30-4:30PM

Join Miss Emily in a weekly STEAM event. That is... Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics! Each week there will be a new project to tackle from slime making and catapult challenges, to board game development and bath bombs. Every week contains some take home element!

These events are best for children 7-12, but siblings are always welcome. Some events may have a limited number of places, in this case children between 7-12 will have preference. Caregivers must remain for the duration of the event.

Masks are required for everyone in the children’s room over the age of 2 years. Disposable masks will be available.

## Dudley EDC partners with Nichols for promotional videos

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – The Dudley Economic Development Committee is continuing to explore news ways to promote Dudley as a growing economic center in Southern Worcester County and one way they are

accomplishing that mission with the help of the leaders of the future.

EDC member Mark Marzeotti discussed an ongoing partnership between Dudley and local business school Nichols College during a meeting in late October involving students creating promotional videos for the town. Marzeotti said the partnership involves students of Nichols College Visiting Assistant Professor of Information Technology Robert Russo and is meant to provide an easily accessible peak into Dudley’s sense of community and business friendly atmosphere.

“What we wanted to do is have a video made that we can put on the website about why come to Dudley, why have a business here, and essentially ‘why Dudley.’ We had battled around a lot of different ideas about should we focus on the financial aspect of it or the rural aspect of Dudley,” Marzeotti said. “We ended up with I think six or eight videos, some of them were amazing – We’ve got quite a range of different videos and I think that there’s one or two that are gems. We’re waiting for the board to weigh

in on which one do we all think is the one that we should go with.”

The videos range from a single minute to at long as five minutes with each having their own personality and focus. Some are specifically focused on the town hall while others highlight local business owners and lifelong residents. While the idea was to find one video that could help market the town, Marzeotti suggested the possibility that they allow multiple videos to highlight different aspects of the community.

“I think we could probably do a series. He’s running these classes regularly. I had posed when I first met with them that this was probably what we wanted to start with,” Marzeotti said. “We have to decide as a board, do we want to continue to take probably one that’s multifaceted and maybe use that one as our introduction and we can decide after that.”

The EDC members were provided with links to review the videos and provide input at future meetings.

## Historic preservation and genealogy through Find A Grave

OXFORD — The General Ebenezer Learned DAR Chapter of Oxford will be presenting a program showing how to use Find A Grave for historic preservation and genealogy on Saturday, Nov. 13 at the Oxford Police Station at 503 Main St.

The program will be conducted by Cathy Nikosey, chapter member, at 1 p.m. The program is free to the public, but donations are being collected for the Oxford Food Pantry. Registration is suggested as space may be limited. Parking is at the Oxford Junior High School which is adjacent to the Police Station. Please do not park in the police parking lot. To register or for more information, contact the chapter at: gen.e.learneddar@gmail.com.

## Christmas Bazaar, baked goods, and more at St. John’s

NORTH BROOKFIELD — On Saturday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. John the Baptist Parish in East Brookfield will be having a Christmas Bazaar, complete with baked goods and much more. It will take place in the St. John’s Parish Hall. Come and enjoy Christmas items, angels by Seraphim, baked goods, pies, cookies, fudge, raffle baskets, a lottery tree and more!

You will find us at 131 Blaine Ave., East Brookfield. If you need directions to St. John’s, please call us at 508.867.3738 or email: stjohneb01515@verizon.net. We will be glad to see you at our bazaar!

## DUDLEY POLICE LOG

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Oct. 29 to Nov. 5. Edward L. Suarez, age 43, of Southbridge was arrested on Nov. 2 for Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License, a Motor Vehicle Lights Violation, and in connection with an out of agency warrant.

## Leicester Women’s Club hosting Food and Beverage Auction

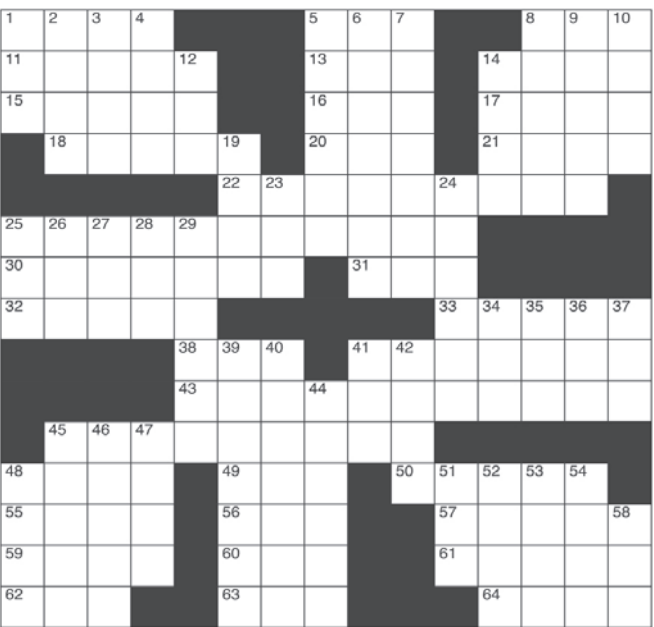
LEICESTER — The Leicester Women’s Club will host a Food and Beverage Auction Wednesday, Nov. 17 at Pine Ridge Country Club. Meal of Roast Pork will be served promptly at 6 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring a guest and arrive at 5:30 p.m. Members asked to bring something for the auction. Cost of the meal is \$20.



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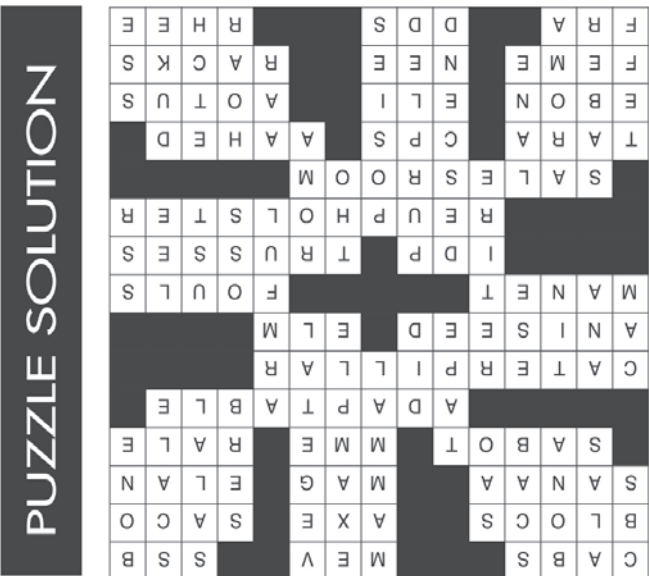


### CLUES ACROSS

1. Taxis  
5. Mega energy unit (abbr.)  
8. Single-strand break  
11. Combinations of countries  
13. Cutting tool  
14. Small bay in Gulf of Maine  
15. Actress Lathan  
16. Chatter incessantly  
17. Energy, style and enthusiasm  
18. Simple shoe  
20. Woman (French)  
21. Abnormal rattling sound  
22. Able to change  
25. Future butterfly  
30. Used in cooking and medicine  
31. A street for nightmares  
32. French modernist painter
33. Dishonors  
38. Integrated data processing  
41. Frameworks  
43. Apply new materials  
45. Where merch is displayed  
48. American figure skater Lipinski  
49. Cycles per second  
50. Oohed and \_\_\_\_  
55. Dark olive black  
56. Peyton’s little brother  
57. Plant in the bean family  
59. A wife: \_\_\_\_ covert  
60. Born of \_\_\_\_  
61. Arranges balls on the pool table  
62. Title of Italian monk  
63. Tooth caregiver  
64. American feminist poet

### CLUES DOWN

1. Dan Rather’s old network  
2. Expression of sorrow or pity  
3. \_\_\_\_ fide (Latin)  
4. Sign of healing  
5. Warm-blooded vertebrate  
6. Model  
7. Of or relating to plants  
8. Plant of the heath family  
9. Where to weigh something  
10. Internal structure  
12. \_\_\_\_ Paulo, city  
14. South Slavic person  
19. A way to record  
23. Have already done  
24. As much as one can hold  
25. Auburn legend Newton  
26. Comedienne Gasteyer  
27. Beloved dog Rin Tin \_\_\_\_  
28. Midway between east and southeast
29. Call it a career  
34. Former CIA  
35. American time  
36. Confederate general  
37. Soviet Socialist Republic  
39. Travel downward  
40. Made red-blue  
41. Vietnamese revolutionary Le Duc  
42. Capital of Italy  
44. Small bunches of flowers  
45. Calvary sword  
46. A distinctive, pleasant odor  
47. A well-defined track or path  
48. Cereal used to make flour  
51. Retrospective analysis (abbr.)  
52. Grayish white  
53. Engrave  
54. Famed men’s basketball program  
58. Midway between south and southeast



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WEBSTER POLICE LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Oct. 31 to Nov. 6.

Edward L. Suarez, age 43, of Southbridge was arrested on Nov. 2 for Operating a Motor Vehicle with a

REAL ESTATE

Dudley

\$336,450, 1 Kruger Island Rd, Brezny Denise G Est, and Brezny, Brian, to Beatty, Kenneth M, and Bearer, Marie B.

\$100,000, Truman Dr #7, Galaxy Estates LLC, to Mcnamara, Nathan, and Mcnamara, Lindsey.

\$477,000, 6 Pondview Ter, Berthiaume, Mark D, and Konopaski, Kirsten L, to Skowron, Edward C, and Skowron, Joanne M.

\$370,000, 56 Airport Rd, White, Sarkhan, and Railean, Felicia, to Mwaura, Genshireh, and Abdalla-Mulgai, Natasha.

\$359,900, 42 Mill St, Carmignani, Richard A, and Carmignani, Cathleen, to Leboeuf, Lawrence R.

\$355,000, 27 Marshall Ter #1, Gruszecki, Peter, and Gruszewski, Elizabeth, to Katz, Robin A.

\$294,000, 24 Alton Dr, Wps Revest LLC, to Colon, Dylan E, and Walley, Solei T.

\$256,000, 15 Hall Rd, Soto, Nancy, and MHFA, to V & J LLC.

\$115,000, 1 Wysocki Dr #4, Matulis, Matthew P, and Matulis, Jocelyn, to Williams RT, and Williams, Patricia A.

Oxford

\$600,000, 49 Larned Rd, Stewart, Michael J, and Mcqueen, Patricia A, to Stephens, Todd, and Stephens, Faith.

\$300,000, 4 Gardner St, Saydaypaw, Juetar, and Tee, Paul, to Brunelle, Frederick D, and Brunelle, Christine C.

\$295,000, 20 Wheelock St, 20 Wheelock Street NT, and Barry, Richard C, to Britnell, Benjamin.

\$281,000, 8 Highland Ave, Beauregard, Justin P, to Sharif, Sarmad.

\$265,000, 70 Pleasant St #52, Canan, Howard M, to Gosselin, Louis, and Gosselin, Donna.

\$250,000, 618 Main St, SMS Enterprise LLC, and Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc, to Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc.

\$225,000, 17 Linden St, Morrow, Alma E, to Kelliher, Tammy, and Kelliher, Nicholas.

\$165,000, 68 Dana Rd, Stevens Floris M Est, and Stevens, Cheryl H, to Dyer, Julianne J.

\$392,000, 20 Old Dudley Rd, Kingston, Timothy, and Gasset-Kingston, Ruth, to Audette, Richard, and Audette, Debra.

\$333,750, 413 Main St, Zito, Douglas R, and Zito, Tracy E, to Teare, Alexandra, and Cattani, Domenic.

\$305,000, 43 Park St, Greene Gary A Est, and Greene, Michael A, to Percuoco, Rick.

\$300,000, 10 Nelson St, Jasukonis Dorothy Est, and Jasukonis, David M, to Nash, Caroline J, and Nash, Ryan T.

\$270,000, 15 Allen Ave, Ivanovitz Kenneth Est, and Ivanovitz, Jennifer, to Reese, Lisa.

\$200,000, 2 Russell Ln, Auger, Carolyn M, to Clearwater Capital LLC.

Webster

\$650,000, 121-131 Main St, Dowgiewicz, Mark G, to TT Chum LLC.

\$350,000, 7 5th Ave, Gibson, Michael, to Bremang, Felix P, and Annan, Bekki F.

\$306,000, 15 Elm St, E & M Slater Street LLC, to Abelha, Alexandre.

\$300,000, 388 High St, Baker, Justin, and Rocheleau, Bridgett, to Soifils-Guillaum, Maryse.

\$280,400, 3-13 Mill St, E & M Slater Street LLC, to Abelha, Alexandre.

\$1,600,000, 11 Bay View Rd, 11 Bay View Road RT, and Patel, Neil, to Sjogren, Carl P, and Siemienkiewicz, Cheryl L.

\$600,000, 1301 Treasure Island Rd #1301, J & J RT, and Ide, Jeffery W, to King, John E, and King, Susan E.

\$430,000, 3 Abbey Rd, Gagnon, Jamie P, and Gagnon, Karen A, to Dang, Jason H.

\$387,000, 991 School St, Mccool, Finn C, and Mccool, Lisa N, to Tsoumakas, Olivia.

\$375,000, 16 Poland St, Roque, Mario L, and Roque, Ana, to Cedeno, Jose A, and Torres, Madeline.

\$335,000, 268-270 Main St, Wheelie Realty LLC, to Real Est Online Systems.

\$304,000, 5 Pinehurst Dr, Dion, Michael J, and Dion, Deborah Q, to Liberty, Robert A.

\$285,500, 46 Park Ave, Williams RT, and Williams, Patricia A, to Nguyen, Thuy.

\$200,000, 76 Old Douglas Rd, Larose, Susan B, and Citizens Bank NA, to Doug Will LLC.

Suspended License, a Motor Vehicle Lights Violation, and in connection with an out of agency warrant.

Clifford L. Regimbal, age 43, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 2 for Distribution of a Class B Drug (subsequent offense).

A 22-year-old male from Woonsocket, R.I. was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on Nov. 2 for Failure to Use Care or Caution when Starting, Stopping, Turning, or Backing a Vehicle, Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License, and for not being in possession of a registration. Conor Kovaich, age 24, of Woonsocket, R.I. was arrested during the same incident in connection with a warrant.

Laura Jean Fay, age 56, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 2 for Operating Under the Influence of Drugs, Leaving the Scene of Property Damage, and

Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

Kellie Nan Alrbaee, age 51, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 3 for Operating Under the Influence of Drugs, Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and Failure to Stop or Yield.

Joel E. Griffith, age 46, of Dudley was arrested on Nov. 3 in connection with multiple warrants and for Possession of a Class B Drug (subsequent offense).

Jeremy J. Adams, age 44, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 3 in connection with a warrant.

Ernest Kwasi Asare, age 29, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 4 in connection with a warrant.

Andrew William Mongeon, age 35, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 4 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle, operating an Unregistered Motor Vehicle, Carrying a Dangerous Weapon, Operating Under the Influence

of Drugs, and in connection with a warrant.

Caitlin N. Peloquin, age 30, of Putnam was arrested on Nov. 5 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol, Failure to Stop or Yield, and making an Improper Turn.

Rhaya Winsky, age 24, of Webster was arrested on Nov. 5 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol and Possession of an Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle.

Brian G. Young, age 64, of Meredith was taken into protective custody and subsequently arrested on Nov. 6 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol, Possession of an Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle, and Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle.



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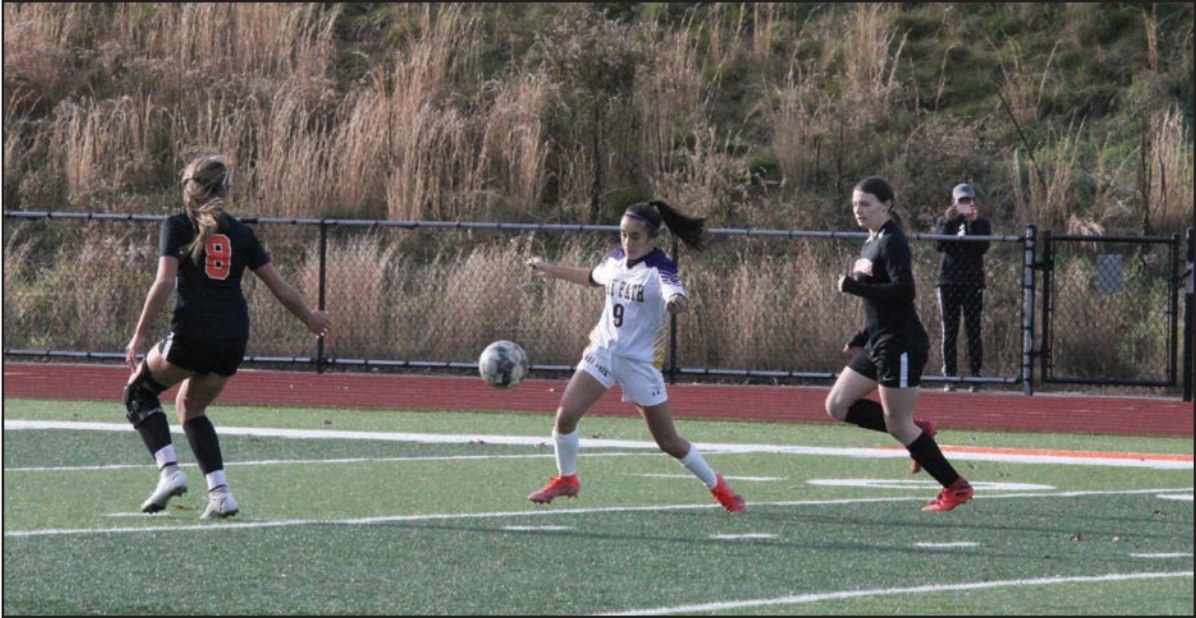
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# Minutemen fall to Uxbridge in State Tournament opener



Nick Ethier

Sandwiched between two Uxbridge players, Kayla Nguyen of Bay Path plays a loose ball while on the attack. At left: Bay Path's Kailey Jones runs up to the ball before making a play on it.

UXBRIDGE — Coming off a 9-4-3 regular season slate, the Bay Path Regional girls' varsity soccer team earned the No. 26 seed in the MIAA Division 4 State Championship bracket.

They tangled with No. 7 Uxbridge High in a Round of 32 contest, played on Thursday, Nov. 4.

And the Minutemen hung tough in the first half of play, trailing by a manageable 1-0 score. But

the Spartans' Kathryn Cahill, who scored the goal in the first half, added four more in the second half as she single-handedly led Uxbridge to the 5-0 victory.

Bay Path finished its

season 9-5-3, while the Spartans (8-5-4) were set to tangle with crosstown rival No. 10 Northbridge High (8-6-3) in the Round of 16 after press time.

Bay Path boys' also fall: On the same day,

the Minutemen's varsity boys' soccer squad par-took in the MIAA Division 4 State Championship Tournament. Bay Path, seeded 33rd, took on No. 32 Ipswich High in a preliminary round game.

Unfortunately for the Minutemen, they lost a 2-0 decision and finished the year 8-6-3.

## Oxford takes rematch with Cougars in first round of State Tournament



Nick Ethier photos

With plenty of protection administered by his offensive line, Oxford quarterback Lucas Lambert unleashes a deep pass down the field.



Brett Morgan of Oxford sheds himself from Quaboag defender Bryce Douglas while carrying the football.

### Mohegan Bowl fall leagues, week ending Nov. 7

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BY DEAN ST. LAURENT  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WARREN — On Friday, Nov. 5, the Quaboag Regional and Oxford High varsity football teams clashed for the second time in less than a month, but this meeting had a little more on the line. It was the first round of the MIAA Division 8 State Championship playoffs.

Quaboag, seeded sixth in the tournament, hosted their first playoff game in program history and No. 11 Oxford found themselves in the playoffs for the first time since 2010. Both schools were hungry for a win, which created great energy throughout despite the freezing weather conditions.

After losing 23-12 in their regular-season meeting, Oxford wanted redemption and they did just that.

Momentum was sparked by a touchdown right before halftime to take their first lead of the game. The Pirates never looked back and held Quaboag scoreless in the second half. This propelled Oxford to a 28-14 win, advancing the young Pirates (7-2) team to the second round of the playoffs, where they will take on No. 3 Palmer High (8-1) on the road at Legion Field on Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

"The defensive coach Jimmy Small had their number," praised Oxford head coach Jeff Clarkson. "I have never met someone who watches more film and he put the kids in the right place. He was all over them, the poor kid [Small] can't talk after a game. He just put the kids in position and the kids stepped it up. Honestly, we are a second half team and I am surprised by what we did in the first half. I didn't like all the fumbles, we need to clean it up, but it was unbelievable. Just an unbelievable effort, the kids worked so hard."

Time was ticking off the clock and with just seven seconds left in the second quarter, Oxford found themselves

on Quaboag's 21-yard line. An incomplete pass thrown into the end zone stopped the clock, and Pirates quarterback Lucas Lambert gathered his offense for one last play before halftime.

Lambert got the offense set and the home crowd chanted for a defensive stand, but the junior signal-caller remained poised, dropped back, and threw a 21-yard strike to his favorite target, sophomore wide-out Connor Fantasia for a 21-yard touchdown with just one second left in the half. Oxford converted the two-point conversation and went into the locker room leading 22-14.

"We call timeouts for that reason, to try and get the ball back and score and it worked," expressed Clarkson. "The kids, they executed just like we wanted to."

Early on both teams fed off the play-off energy and it was a battle of the defenses until Quaboag was able to capitalize on a miscue by Oxford's secondary late in the first quarter to get on the board first. Quaboag quarterback Derrick Shepherd dropped back and stung it down the left sideline and hit wide receiver Alex Worthington in stride for a 46-yard touchdown. The Cougars led 7-0.

Following the Cougars scoring drive, Oxford responded with a touchdown of its own. Senior running back Darius Richardson capped a long drive with a 3-yard plunge to put the Pirates on the board, but Oxford was unable to convert on their two-point attempt. Early into the second quarter Quaboag led 7-6.

The Cougars offense remained hot and drove down the field, highlighted by a 51-yard rush by junior running back Brendan Burke. Moments later Burke powered his way into the end zone for a 3-yard score. Quaboag led 14-6 and had

all the momentum. Their offense was flowing.

But Oxford went on to tie the game on their next possession with a 16-yard sprint by Morales and never looked back.

Quaboag had a chance, but Oxford senior lineman Antoine Lacourt Ramos intercepted a screen pass and took off for what everyone thought was a long big-man touchdown. Unfortunately, a block in the back penalty negated the score.

"Poor Antoine, to have that play called back for the kid," stated Clarkson. "He has done it every year and this would've been the third year he has done it, an interception for a touchdown. It was unfortunate, I felt bad."

Despite the defensive touchdown being called back, Oxford was able to score offensively. A few plays following the turnover, Lambert got loose for a 33-yard touchdown. Oxford led 28-14, deflating the Cougars. The Pirates kept up an excellent defensive showing, which made it hard for Quaboag to do anything for the rest of the contest.

Lambert paced the Pirate offense with 175 yards on the ground and 32 passing yards to go along with two scores.

Although it wasn't Quaboag's night, they remain a proud program. The Cougars finished the regular season undefeated at 8-0, were SWCL champs and hosted a playoff game. They also have more goals going forward as their season is not yet over.

"I just told them now keep yours heads up, you still have a chance for a 10-win season," expressed Quaboag head coach Dave Shepherd. "If you can get a 10-win season as a coach I will take that any year. That is what we are going to fight for now, just push and get a double-digit winning season."

## POSTSEASON SCOREBOARD

### Local teams compete in state tournaments

The following are local results from teams that competed in MIAA State Tournament games last week:

Wednesday, Nov. 3

Division 2 Volleyball Preliminary Round  
(34) Chicopee Comp 3, (31) Shepherd Hill 1 — The Rams reached tournament play thanks to a Top 32 power ranking, but they were unable to defeat Chicopee Comp. Shepherd Hill finished its year with a record of 6-13.

Division 4 Volleyball Round of 32  
(14) Malden Catholic 3, (19) Bay Path 0 — Although the end result wasn't what the Minutemen wanted, they still finished off an impressive season at 13-6.

Saturday, Nov. 6

Division 2 Boys' Soccer Round of 32  
(11) Oliver Ames 2, (22) Shepherd Hill 1 — The Rams competed in postseason play for the first time in the seniors' careers, but in their first round matchup they fell one goal short. The Hill finished 11-4-2.

Division 5 Boys' Soccer Round of 32  
(21) Oxford 2, (12) Holbrook 1 (2OT) — Facing a 1-0 halftime deficit, the Pirates rallied to force overtime. Then, in the second OT session, Edward Flores scored the game-winning goal to lift Oxford to the upset victory. The Pirates (9-5-3) will next play No. 5 Sutton High in the Round of 16 after press time on Nov. 9.

Division 5 Girls' Soccer Round of 32  
(4) Sutton 4, (29) Oxford 0 — The loss ended the Pirates' season at 4-13, but they enjoyed a preliminary round victory versus No. 36 Smith Vocational, 4-0, to reach this Round of 32.





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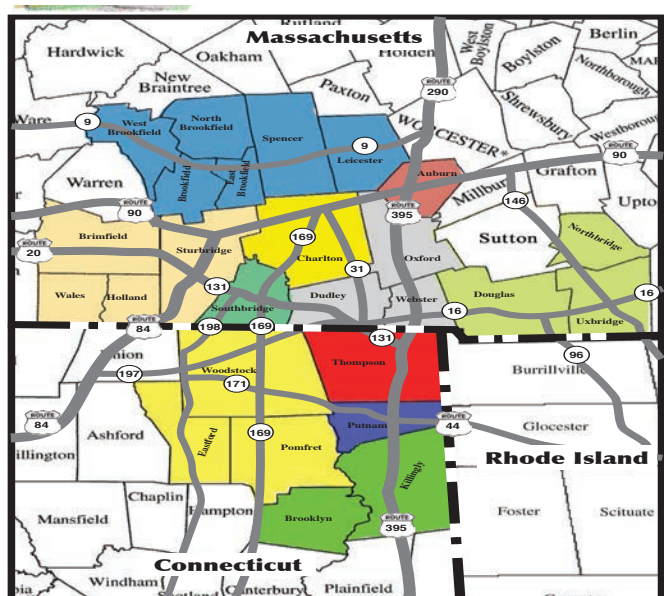
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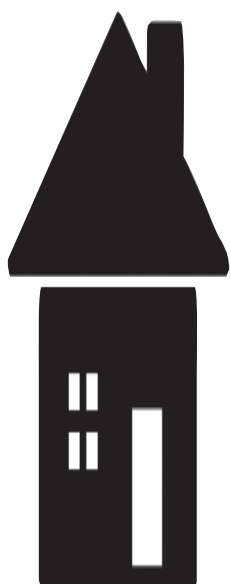
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EDITORIAL

The origins  
of Veterans  
Day

We would like to begin this Editorial by sharing words of gratitude to our veterans. Thank you for your valor, your sacrifices and your courage to defend our rights and to keep us safe.

In honor of all those who have served our country, past and present, we thought we would share some history behind how Veteran’s Day came to be.

The Great War was officially over when the Treaty of Versailles was signed in June of 1919, in France. Actual fighting ended seven months earlier between Germany and Allied nations, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Since then, Nov. 11, 1918 is known as “the war to end all wars.”

In 1919, President Wilson proclaimed Nov. 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day. Wilson stated, “To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations.”

In June of 1926, Congress officially recognized the end of WWI, passing a resolution. Part of that resolution stated, “Whereas it is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this date should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and Whereas the legislatures of twenty-seven of our States have already declared November 11 to be a legal holiday: Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the President of the United States is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples.”

In 1938, Nov. 11 became a legal holiday to celebrate all veterans in WWI and WWII. Armistice was replaced with Veterans. In 1954, Veteran’s Day would honor all veterans in all wars.

VIEWPOINT

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Noticing those around us

“During my second year of nursing school,” a student described, “Our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions until I read the last one: “What is the first name of the woman who every morning is cleaning the building?” Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was a tall, dark-haired, Hispanic woman, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our grade. “Absolutely,” said the professor. “In your work you will meet many people each day. Every one of them is significant. They deserve your attention and kindness, even if all you do is smile and say ‘hello.’ “I’ve never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Juanita.”

What about you? Do you know the name of the janitor at your work? Or the name of the woman you always see at the Super Market cash register? Or the post office worker? Or the gas attendant? Or those you encounter every day?

Noticing those around us, and expressing God’s love through a welcoming smile, a kind greeting, a polite acknowledgement, and especially through an encouraging, uplifting word can mean so much to those around us. And from the Christian point of view, such deliberate actions incarnate our faith in a very visible manner. We can’t talk about our love for God if we don’t offer concrete love to our neighbor. Divine love for neighbor can never occur solely in abstract intentions and ideas. Love must be tangible and actual.

In one of the most beautiful chapters of the entire Bible (1 Corinthians 13), St. Paul describes love as being patient and kind, not boastful, arrogant, or rude; it is not irritable or resentful, and does not insist on its own way. Before all else, divine love means noticing the other, and then acting in a Christ-like manner! Kindness, gentleness, goodness, politeness, joyfulness, and the such can be concrete ways of expressing God’s love to others.

BEYOND  
THE PEWS

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BY FR. LUKE A. VERONIS  
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Our society has become too rude, and mean-spirited. We often simply ignore those we pass by, but sometimes, instead of offering a kind word we are quick to say something harsh if they annoy us.

Whenever I walk pass someone on the street, in a store, or get in an elevator, I try to look people in the eye and greet them with a joyous smile. Yet, most people keep their head down and simply want to pass by without acknowledging me. Divine Christian love is first of all about noticing the other, and then responding in a Christ-like manner! We can’t just talk about Christian love, but we have to live it!

We can see a tangible example of this in the Gospel story about the Rich Man and Lazarus. The Rich man lived a prosperous, yet isolated life, where he ate sumptuously, dressed exquisitely, and enjoyed each and every day in celebration and festivity. Right outside his door, however, laid Lazarus, a pathetic figure suffering in his poverty from illness and want.

Although Christ condemns the rich man and praises Lazarus, we must take care to note why Jesus condemned the rich man. The rich man’s sin was not his wealth. The Church does not see riches and prosperity as sins, although the Bible clearly warns us about the dangerous temptations riches and wealth create for anyone in their journey towards God. Wealth and comfort can turn us away from our dependence on God. Riches can harden our hearts against the needs of others. Comfort and material security can make us feel fuel our pride where we forget that all good gifts – including our talents, our abilities, our brains, and our opportunities – come from God. Basically, wealth and riches are a dangerous temptation because they can lead us away from faith.

Yet, despite all this talk about riches as a dangerous temptation, today’s Gospel lesson does not focus on that. Instead, it

points to another danger. The Gospel contrasts the fact that just outside the door of the rich man laid the pathetic figure of Lazarus. Each day the rich man walked out his door, Lazarus was there. Every day the rich man returned home, Lazarus was there. The Gospel lesson today is all about compassion and kindness, about noticing those in need all around us.

The deadly sin of the rich man, which condemns him to hell, is his inability, or maybe unwillingness, to notice the poor man’s plight right outside his house. He either did not see Lazarus, or more likely he consciously ignored the desperate figure! By ignoring this person, by not taking the time to notice and see Lazarus as a fellow child of God, the rich man failed in one of the most basic principles of faith. From the beginning of time, when Cain asked God, “Am I my brother’s keeper?” God responded quite bluntly, “Yes! Each one of us is our brother’s and sister’s keeper!”

And not only is the person outside our door our brother or sister; they are also an image of Jesus Christ Himself. “I was hungry. I was thirsty. I was naked. I was alone. I was sick and in prison. I was in desperate need! Did you notice me? Whatever you did to the least of my brothers or sisters, those who are outside your doorstep crying out for help, you did to me!”

Noticing those around us and offering a smile of love, a gesture of kindness, a word to lift up and encourage are all ways we live out our Christian faith in simple, yet profound ways! And by noticing others, we actually acknowledge Christ!

So, tomorrow when we walk past the person cleaning your office building, or go into the post office, or get a coffee from the Dunkin Donut’s drive through window, notice the person right in front of you and give them your full attention. And the next time you walk past a homeless person or someone who seems a bit lost and confused, or simply struggling through life, be present to them and offer them concrete love and kindness.

Giant killers

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Everybody loves a good story about an underdog—who overcomes impossible odds. Many movies are made with the central character as the underdog. This is the accepted structure of most screenplays in Hollywood today. The protagonist must be up against impossible odds, facing a literal or a figurative giant.

Real-life underdogs include George Washington, Susan B. Anthony, Harriet Tubman, King David, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, and Gandhi, to name a few.

Only a tiny percentage of us want to slay giants. If you are called to battle giants in a given industry or profession, learning lessons from those who have done the same will be necessary.

Arreguin-Toft is a political scientist who calculated the odds of weaker countries winning wars against stronger countries. He found that when weaker countries fight by the same rules as the stronger countries, they only win 28% of the time. When they fight using unconventional methods, they win 64% of the time.

Vivek Ranadive never played or coached basketball before. In his first year as coach of his twelve-year-old girl’s basketball team, he brought his inexperienced team to the national championships and almost won. How was this possible? He refused to play the traditional game of basketball. Instead, he taught his girls to play using unconventional methods.

George Washington sometimes fought the British using conventional warfare but often used guerilla tactics to win. If he had fought only using European-style tactics, he wouldn’t have won.

Never play by the Giant’s rules.

My favorite underdog is King David of ancient Israel. He was unappreciated by his family and considered unworthy of greatness. Until he decided to become a giant killer, he spent most of his time alone in the pastures tending his father’s sheep.

During this time, the Israelites were at a standstill against the Philistine army and were powerless to stop a giant named Goliath, nine and a half feet tall.

Every day Goliath emerged from his tent, dressed in armor, carrying a spear, a sword, and a weapon slung on his back. Daily he terrified the Israelites and challenged their best soldiers to face him in battle. Nobody was up to the challenge.

One day, David was called out from the fields and sent to bring food to his brothers. When he arrived, he learned of Goliath’s challenge and accepted. He was mocked and made fun of, but David paid them no mind. He prepared himself for the fight of his life.

The Israelites tried to outfit David with traditional battle weapons like heavy armor, a sword, and a spear. They wanted to get him to fight the way Goliath wished to fight. David found the weapons awkward; it was then he decided he wasn’t going to play by Goliath’s rules. David opted to use a sling and a stone.

Slings in David’s time weren’t like the slingshots we used as kids. Ancient slingers could defeat infantry armed with swords and armor most of the time. A good slinger could penetrate the skull of his enemy.

When the contest began, David didn’t hesitate. He sprinted to the fight, quickly finding a few smooth stones; swinging his sling, he released the rock and sunk it straight into Goliath’s forehead. David walked over to Goliath and chopped off his head using Goliath’s sword.

This was a great victory that cemented David’s position as a giant killer, and he went on to become the greatest king in Israel’s history.

How did David win? He refused to play by the giant’s rules. Indeed if David had approached Goliath dressed in full armor and armed with a sword, David would have lost his life.

Giant killers in modern times won’t be using slings, swords, and spears. Our weapon will be the knowledge of the giant’s weakness and a refusal to play the game the way the giant wants to play it.

If you choose to be a giant slayer, then remove all doubt and replace it with faith. People will laugh at you but do not pay attention. Sprint into battle, knowing your victory is secure.

There is no better  
candidate than  
Norman LeBlanc

To the Editor:

As the Oxford Special Town Election for Selectman approaches, I find myself remembering a time long ago when our elected officials acted with integrity, dignity, and respect. They cared about the residents and worked together to serve the community and its people. We need a leader who is dedicated to bringing these values back to our board, and committed to developing our town and community. There is no better candidate to do this than Norman LeBlanc, Jr. The unique combination of his experience and commitment to the town, along with his approachable and calm demeanor, make him the leader best qualified for the job.

I encourage you all to vote for Norman LeBlanc, Jr. as town selectman on Nov. 16.

NANCY MAKI  
NORTH OXFORD

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Some get treats and some pay

To the Editor:

’Tis the season for “Trick or Treat,” and Uncle Sam is looking to treat the world this year. The New York Post and The Wall Street Journal report that the Biden Administration “... is discussing paying out hundreds of millions of dollars to illegal immigrant families.” The keyword here is “illegal,” which used to mean people who the broke the law. Biden et al prefer the term undocumented. Using that logic, robbing a bank is merely an undocumented withdrawal.

Why, you ask, would our beloved resident of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue want to dole out millions to those whose only obvious skill is having been able to evade the legal authorities at the border?

The idea did not originate in the White House. As with

other attempts to destroy this country, the genesis is compliments of the ACLU, the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU may have started in this country, but it is no longer American in that its focus is no longer on this country. It has gone “global” and is now advocating on behalf of “... families who crossed into the US from Mexico.”

The average demand in the lawsuits filed by the ACLU “... adds up to \$3.4 million per family.” And you, as a legal citizen, thought you had to buy a lottery ticket for that sort of payout.

The purported reason for all this is that 5,500 or so children are alleged to have suffered physical and mental trauma when they were taken from their parents. To be sure, their parents broke the law and took take them across what “used to be” a legal international border. So, who caused this

trauma? How about the parents? Aren’t they the adults? Shouldn’t they have seen to it that their children were not traumatized? If the pain was going to be so great, why didn’t the parents go through the legal immigration process? With that big payoff now on the table, who would go the legal, no pot of gold, route today or any day?

The line at the southern border will soon be stretching all the way to Chile and why not? Equity means everyone who gets across the border gets a winning Megabucks ticket.

The Biden Administration, they of the “controlled border,” are looking to settle these suits for a mere \$450,000, per person, with a family cap of \$1 million. President Joe has felt our pain at the gas pump and the grocery store and is hoping to settle for millions less than the ACLU amount. The only downside to that is that we,

the taxpayers, would have to pony up the \$450,000 or \$1 million.

If this crazy money grab does happen, how long will it be before the ACLU sues on behalf of the children of all parents convicted of crimes then incarcerated? Surely, those children were traumatized when their parents were taken from them. That is certainly worth a few hundred thousand.

If this comes to a vote in Congress, is there any doubt astowhereourMassachusetts Representatives and Senators will stand? As President Obama said in November of 2014, shortly after Halloween, “Elections have consequences.” He could have added some get the treats, and some pay for the treats.

RICHARD CLARK  
DUDLEY







# OBITUARIES

## Raymond A. Frazier, 89

OXFORD – Raymond A. Frazier, 89, and three days short of his 90th birthday, of Wheelock Street, died Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. He was predeceased by his wife of 54 years, Pauline M. (Cunningham) Frazier, who died in 2010. He is survived by three daughters, Kathleen M. Lindell of Thompson, CT, Judith A. Anderson of Dayville, CT, and Michelle L. Auger of Woodstock, CT; six grandchildren and one great-grandson. He was born in Millbury, son of the late Harold T. Frazier and Anna R. (Dion) Pierce, and lived in Millbury before moving to Oxford in 1956. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Frazier worked at PresMet /

Mass Steel Company in Worcester for over 50 years. He was a volunteer firefighter and EMT for the Oxford Fire Department for many years. He was a member of the American Legion Post 58 and the V.F.W. Post 5663, both in Oxford. When his daughters were young, he was president of the Oxford Lassie League, where he also umpired many games.

A graveside service was held at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 8, 2021, at St. Roch's Cemetery, Federal Hill Road, Oxford. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 4550 Montgomery Ave., Suite 1100 N., Bethesda, MD 20814. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.



Androlewicz, died in 2017. She leaves a daughter, Patricia G. Zagrocki of Webster; 4 sons, Robert J. Anders and his wife Lisa of Webster; Richard J. Androlewicz and his wife Beverly, of Dudley, Ronald W. Androlewicz and his wife Tammy of Webster; and Raymond M. Androlewicz of Dudley; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her sisters Ann Iacobucci, Mary Anne Maciejewski and Agnes Rousseau and by her brothers, Walter Maciejewski, John Maciejewski, Jr., and Anthony and Louis Maciejewski, and

## Theresa E. Androlewicz, 92

by her son-in-law John J. Zagrocki, Jr. She was born in Webster on February 26, 1929, the daughter of John and Viola (Suczka) Maciejewski and graduated from Bartlett High School in 1946. She was a resident of Dudley for most of her life. Mrs. Androlewicz was the secretary for New England Landscaping Company, the family business. She was also a full-time homemaker. She enjoyed gardening and bird watching. Her life was devoted to her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her funeral was held Wednesday, November 10, at 11:00 AM in the Sitkowski, Malboeuf & Hickey Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster. Visitation was held from 9:00 to 11:00 Wednesday morning in the funeral home, prior to the service. Donations in her name may be made to Webster Manor Patient Activities Fund, 745 School Street, Webster, MA 01570. www.websterfunerals.com

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# Gift ideas for bird watchers and gardeners

Give a gift that provides beauty, entertainment, and health benefits throughout the year. With the recent increase in people gardening and bird watching, what could be more perfect than a gift that supports both interests?

Birds visiting feeders, munching on the coneflower seeds in the garden and perching in the shelter of evergreens help brighten the long, often dreary days of winter. Just like gardening, bird watching helps us connect with nature, reduces stress, and elevates our mood. Plus, the gardeners on your list will appreciate the help birds provide managing insect pests. Protein-rich insects and spiders are an essential part of the diet of 96 percent of North American terrestrial birds.

Growing a landscape filled with plants that provide seeds, berries and shelter is a great way to attract these welcome guests to our gardens. Providing additional sources of food, water and shelter can increase the number and diversity of the winged visitors.

Help your gift recipient create a bird feeding station so they can easily watch the birds and enjoy their songs. Include a variety of feeders suited to the birds they want to attract. Select feeders that are easy to fill and clean and protect seed from weather and squirrels.

You'll attract a wide range of birds with tray and platform feeders. Look for ones like the Gardener's Supply Twigs Platform Bird Feeder which has a cover to protect the seed from rain and snow and a removable mesh floor for easy cleaning. Platform feeders like this,

with excellent drainage, help minimize the risk of wet seed sprouting or supporting bacteria and fungi that can harm the birds. Help keep seeds safe and fresh with regular cleaning and by only providing enough seed for a day or two.

Hopper or house feeders protect seed against the weather and bird droppings. But if the seed gets wet, the closed environment is perfect for bacteria and fungi to thrive. Plus, they are more difficult to clean.

Tube feeders are cylinders with perches and feeding ports. Those with perches above the openings attract birds like goldfinches and chickadees that can feed upside down. Those with small perches discourage large birds from feeding. Select tube feeders with small ports for smaller seeds like Nyjer thistle and ones with larger openings for large seeds.

Look for ones with wire surrounds to keep out squirrels and those that are easy to clean like the Gardener's Supply Cleaver Clean Tube Feeder with a removable bottom. Reduce problems on other tube feeders by blocking the bottom of the tube that extends below the lowest feeding port. Seed and water can collect there, increasing the risk of fungi and bacteria.

Clean feeders regularly with a 10% non-chlorine bleach solution, commercial birdfeeder cleaner or mild solution of unscented dishwashing soap. Wash the inside and outside of the



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MELINDA MYERS

feeder, perches and feeding ports. Once cleaned, rinse with clear water and dry before refilling. Provide some shelter from wind, snow, rain, and predators for birds spending the winter in your landscape. Supplement what trees and shrubs provide by including a few roosting boxes and pockets. Gardener's Supply fair trade roosting pockets (gardeners.com) are attractive, easy to hang, provide some needed insulation and are easy for birds to enter and exit.



Courtesy — Gardener's Supply Company

Roosting pockets provide some needed insulation for birds and are easy for them to enter and exit.

investment in creating a bird habitat reaps wonderful benefits all year round.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Her Web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com).

# Halloween Leftovers = Post Holiday Treats

Halloween has come and gone and if you find yourself with a few perfectly good pumpkins and an accumulation of candy bars, read on for some creative ways to enjoy the post holiday leftovers without waste!

If your kids took home a huge Halloween haul, here are some "repurposing" ideas to save the sweets for later!

- \*Small, hard candies such as Jolly Ranchers and other bright treats are ideal to stow away to use for holiday gingerbread house decorations. Best of all, even stale candy works well!
- \*Collect plain Hershey bars and mix with chocolate melting wafers to make holiday bark and other seasonal chocolate confections.
- \*Individual bags of Skittles, M&Ms and other small candies can all be opened and tossed into a candy jar for a colorful candy dish medley to put out during the holidays.
- \*Even boxes of raisins, mini bags of nuts, and teeny chocolate buttons can be put to good use when mixed into a whole-

some trail or granola mix.

Butterfinger Brownies  
Butterfingers are one of the most popular candy bars in trick or treat bags. Instead of sending kids into sugar overload, save some of the sweets to make these impressive Butterfinger Blondie Brownies.

Ingredients: 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour; 1 teaspoon baking powder; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 3/4 cup butter; 2 1/4 cups light brown sugar; 3 large eggs; 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract; 4 regular-sized or 12 fun size Butterfinger candy bars, crushed

Directions: Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour a 13x9-inch baking pan. In a small bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder and salt; set aside. In a medium bowl, with electric mixer at medium speed, combine butter and brown sugar. Beat in eggs and vanilla until smooth. Stir in flour mixture and 1 cup of crushed butterfingers. Spread in prepared pan. Sprinkle remaining crushed Butterfinger bars over top of batter. Bake 30-35 minutes, or until brown-



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KAREN TRAINOR

ies are a bit firm to the touch. Cool completely before cutting into bars. Makes one dozen brownies.

Candy Bar Cookies  
What could be better than an assortment of fun size chocolate bars? How about melting them into a cookie! This recipe uses up candies big and small:

Ingredients: 1/2 cup brown sugar; 2 eggs ; 2 tsp vanilla shopping; 1 tsp salt; 1 tsp baking soda; 1 1/3 cups flour; 2 cups quick oats; 2 cups of chopped up candy bars (Milky Way, Snickers, Kit Kat, M&Ms, peanut butter cups, etc. all work).

Directions: Cream together sugars, butter and shortening. Add in eggs and vanilla. In a separate bowl mix together dry ingredients add into mix. Stir in candy. Drop by tablespoons onto ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 for 10-12 minutes.

Repurposing Pumpkins:  
Whether leftover pumpkins were used as harvest decorations, or just never ended up making the grade as Jack-O-Lanterns, the big question is: What to do with these perfectly good pumpkins? Freezing cooked, pureed pumpkin is a favored way to preserve the taste and texture of pumpkin. Sugar or pie pumpkins are ideal candidates for freezing as the pulp is thicker and firmer. To easily prepare a pumpkin for pureeing, simply place the whole fruit in the microwave for about a minute or so to soften the skin. This will make the pumpkin much easier to peel. Cut the pumpkin in large slices, peel the skin and remove the strings and seeds. Then cut the slices into smaller pieces. Boil the pumpkin pieces until tender, then mash or process the pumpkin pulp until it forms a smooth, thick puree.

Pumpkin Hummus:  
Pureed sugar pumpkin adds just the right flavor to this hummus. To do: Mix together in a food

processor until smooth: two cups pureed sugar pumpkin; one 15 oz can of garbanzo (chi chi) beans; one tablespoon tahini, two teaspoons vegetable oil; one teaspoon cumin; one teaspoon salt; one eighth teaspoon cayenne pepper; one crushed garlic clove, and three tablespoons of water. Adjust thickness by adding a little water if it is too thick. Makes two cups. Serve with pita bread or crackers.

Perfect Pumpkin Seeds:  
Roasting up a batch of pumpkin seeds is not only an annual treat, it's a great way to use up every bit of the vegetable: To properly toast pumpkin seeds, remove all pulp and clean strings from the seeds. Place seeds in a bowl and stir in melted butter or olive oil and salt to coat the seeds. Spread seeds on a cookie sheet and bake in a 275 degree oven for about an hour or until the seeds are golden brown and crisp. Avoid overcooking as seeds can become hard and tough. Prefer crisper seeds? Prior to toasting boil the seeds in salted water for about ten minutes, drain and prepare for roasting.

Win Dinner for Two

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

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



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NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE  
SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

LOCATION: 4 Prospect Street, North Oxford, MA 01537  
WHEREAS, on January 16, 2014 a certain Mortgage Instrument was executed by Kathryn M. Lane as Mortgagor in favor of Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a Subsidiary of Lehman Brothers Bank, PSB as Mortgagee and was recorded on March 8, 2004 in Book 32989, Page 259 at the Worcester County Registry of Deeds; and  
WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and  
WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of the Mortgage Instrument is now owned by the Secretary pursuant to an assignment dated May 7, 2015 and recorded on May 21, 2015, in Book 53745, Page 391 in said Registry of Deeds; and  
WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage Instrument because of the violation of Paragraph 9 Grounds for Acceleration of Debt: (b) (i) Property ceases to be principal residence of a Borrower for reasons other than death; and  
WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage Instrument to be immediately due and payable;  
NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. Section 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR Part 27, subpart B and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner filed for registration in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 54831, Page 144 notice is hereby given that on **November 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM** local time, all real and personal property, if applicable, at or used in connection with the property located at **4 Prospect Street, North Oxford, MA 01537**, as more particularly described in Instrument, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, subject to any and all outstanding real estate taxes and municipal charges.  
The foreclosure sale will be held at 4 Prospect Street, North Oxford, MA 01537.  
There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his/her prorate share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.  
When making their bid, all bidders (except the Secretary) must submit a deposit in the amount of 10% of the purchase price in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. The deposit of the successful bidder is non-refundable and will be applied to the purchase price. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within thirty (30) days of the auction or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. The balance of the purchase price must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the Secretary is the successful bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveyance fees, all outstanding real estate taxes, municipal charges, condominium charges, if any, and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.  
The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to close. All extensions will be for fifteen (15) days increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be paid in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD and delivered to the Foreclosure Commissioner. If the successful bidder closes prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied towards the amount due at closing.  
If the successful bidder is unable to close within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the deposit will be forfeited. At the election of the Foreclosure Commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, the successful bidder will be liable to HUD for ant costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Foreclosure Commissioner may offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. All other terms of the sale would remain the same. If the second highest bidder accepts the Foreclosure Commissioner's offer, the second highest bidder must remit a deposit in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD within twenty-four (24) hours. If the second

highest bidder rejects the Foreclosure Commissioner's offer, no further offers will be made and the sale will be canceled.  
There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagors or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale provided herein; HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.  
The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be canceled or adjoined if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than three (3) days before the date of the sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is/are based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the Mortgage Instrument are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before the public sale of the property is completed.  
Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below.  
Shabnam Mashmasarmi, Attorney & Foreclosure Commissioner  
Mashmasarmi Law, PC  
1359 Hancock Street, Suite 7  
Quincy, MA 02169  
(508) 846-6021  
October 29, 2021  
November 5, 2021  
November 12, 2021

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
Premises: 11 Old Depot Road, Oxford, MA 01540  
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Mark A. Lundstrom to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for Concord Mortgage Corp, and now held by **Bank of America, N.A.**, said mortgage dated January 2, 2008 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 42284, Page 139, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP by assignment dated September 20, 2011 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 47884, Page 114; said mortgage was assigned from Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by assignment dated May 28, 2003 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 51145, Page 50; said mortgage was assigned from Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by RBS Financial Products Inc. its attorney in fact to RBS Financial Products Inc. by assignment dated June 20, 2013 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 51368, Page 361; said mortgage was assigned from RBS Financial Products Inc. to U.S. Bank, National Association, as trustee on behalf of GRA Legal Title Trust 2013-1 by assignment dated August 1, 2013 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 51560, Page 13; said mortgage was assigned from GRA Legal Title Trust 2013-1, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee to Bank of America, N.A. by assignment dated July 18, 2018 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 59196, Page 61; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction** on December 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:  
*ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE OXFORD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER AND STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT NUMBER(S) 12A-201, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED DATED 04/22/2005 AND RECORDED 06/01/2005, AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE SET FORTH ABOVE, IN DEED VOLUME 36468 AND PAGE 269.*  
*The land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, located on Old Depot Road in Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts and being the parcel of land shown as Lot No. 1 on a plan dated September 8, 1961 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 259 Page 124, and to which plan reference may be made for a more particular description of said lot No. 1.*  
*Containing 25,055 square feet of land, more or less.*  
*ADDRESS: 11 OLD DEPOT ROAD;*

*OXFORD, MA 01540 TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 12A-C01*  
The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.  
For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated April 22, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36468, Page 269.  
TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.  
FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.  
Other terms to be announced at the sale.  
Brock & Scott, PLLC  
1080 Main Street, Suite 200  
Pawtucket, RI 02860  
Attorney for Bank of America, N.A.  
Present Holder of the Mortgage  
401-217-8701

October 29, 2021  
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November 12, 2021

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Timothy J. Hamlin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Pacific Union Financial, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated January 31, 2018 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58395, Page 141 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Nationstar Mortgage LLC successor by merger to Pacific Union Financial, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Pacific Union Financial, LLC, its successors and assigns to Pacific Union Financial LLC dated September 21, 2018 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 59443, Page 206, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 17 Thayer Pond Drive, Unit No. 5 a/k/a Unit No. 17-5, of the Thayer Pond Village Condominium, North Oxford, MA 01537 will be sold at a Public Auction at 10:00 AM on November 29, 2021, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:  
Unit No. 17-5 (the "Unit") in Thayer Pond Village Condominium, created by Master Deed dated September 28, 1983 and recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 7930 Page 203 as amended in accordance with M.G.L. c. 183A. The mailing address of said Unit is 17 Thayer Pond Drive, Unit 17-5, Oxford, MA.  
Said Unit is laid out as shown on a plan, to which is affixed to a verified statement in the form prescribed by M.G.L. c. 183A, Section 9, and which plan is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with an amendment to the Master Deed.  
The Unit is conveyed together with:  
a. An undivided interest of .7179% in the common areas and facilities described in the Thayer Pond Village Condominium Master deed. In the event that, and at such time as a subsequent Phase or Phases are added to the condominium by amendment of the master deed, the undivided interest of the Unit in the common areas and facilities shall be and become that specified in any Amended Exhibit B recorded at such time;  
b. An appurtenant easement for the exclusive use of Parking Space No. 98 as described in the Thayer Pond Village Condominium Master Deed and shown on the Plan of Land recorded therewith;  
c. An appurtenant easement for the exclusive use of Storage Locker No. 17-5 as described in the Thayer Pond Village Condominium Master Deed;  
d. The benefit of, and subject to, all easements, rights, observations, restrictions, agreements and provisions contained in said Master deed the Declaration of Trust creating the Thayer Pond Village Condominium and the By-Laws contained therein, dated September 28, 1983 and recorded with said deeds in Book 7930 Page 261, as the same may be amended of record, and the Rules and Regulations from time to time promulgated thereunder, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference and constitute covenants running with the land and are and shall remain binding upon any person or persons claiming through or under them.  
Subject to and with the benefit of the provisions of said General Laws, Chapter 183A as now in force and as from time to time amended, and subject also to (a) municipal taxes attrib-

utable to such Unit and common areas and facilities, assessed as of the current tax year and that are not yet due and payable, which the Grantee, by accepting this Unit Deed, assume and agrees to pay, (b) building and zoning laws; and (c) those encumbrances set forth or referred to in Exhibit A of the Master Deed.  
Title reference deed recorded herewith.  
For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58395, Page 138.  
The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.  
Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.  
Other terms to be announced at the sale.  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC successor by merger to Pacific Union Financial, LLC  
Korde & Associates, P.C.  
900 Chelmsford Street  
Suite 3102  
Lowell, MA 01851  
(978) 256-1500  
Hamlin, Timothy J., 19-035768  
October 29, 2021  
November 5, 2021  
November 12, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
Docket No. WO20D1873DR  
DIVORCE SUMMONS  
BY PUBLICATION  
AND MAILING  
Vanessa Rivera  
vs.  
Adrian Martinez**  
To the Defendant:  
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**  
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:  
**Vanessa Rivera  
66 Thompson Rd  
Webster, MA 01570**  
your answer, on or before **08/17/2021**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, in the office of the Register of this Court at WORCESTER.  
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: May 25, 2021.  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
November 12, 2021

**(SEAL)  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
Docket No. 21 SM 001389  
ORDER OF NOTICE**  
TO: Susan B. Larose a/k/a Susan R. Balcom  
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq):  
The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association fka The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JP Morgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., GMACM Home Equity Loan Trust 2006-HE1 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 76 Old Douglas Road, given by Susan B. Larose to Mortgage Electronic Registration  
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# United Way kicks Off 2021 Annual Campaign with \$432,000 in grants

SOUTHBIDGE — The 2021 United Way of South Central Massachusetts Campaign Chairman, Kris Marier kicked off the annual campaign at a special Jazz Dinner event held at Point Breeze Restaurant in Webster on Oct. 12. The Kickoff attendees included corporate partners, donors and member agencies.

The “READY TO LIVE UNITED” theme was introduced by Marier, stating “With all the changes in the world during the pandemic, we need to rebuild, reimagine and reconnect to the members of our community. By supporting the United Way, we are able to fund 22 local agencies that provide lifesaving and vital services to those that are struggling to make ends meet. Collectively, as neighbors and co-workers, we share a responsibility for the future of our community. When we exercise compassion for our neighbors, we build a foundation for prosperity. By offering a hand up to one, we influence the condition of many.”

The United Way of South Central Massachusetts focus is education, income, and health. In May of this year the Community Investment Committee met with local non-profit agencies to review applications and make their recommendations for funding for this new campaign year. The UWSCM continues to strive to align its funded programs within Southern Worcester County. It was determined to fund 27 programs that directly impact the residents of the towns of Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge,

Sturbridge and Webster.

During the Jazz Dinner event, representatives from the funded agencies described the programs that are funded by the United Way and how this direct support affords them the opportunity to truly make a difference to the lives most affected by the ongoing pandemic, the need for accessible services and how everyone from the youngest infant to seniors recovering from hospitalizations are helped through these programs. Whether it is affordable childcare, food for families, elderly and disabled, health and dental services, homelessness prevention, fuel assistance, legal aid and many more important services that assist the vulnerable in our society, United Way of South Central MA is there to lend support to the non-profit organizations in our area that do so much for our neighbors and fellow community members.

UWSCM Executive Director, Mary O’Coin, stated “That when the pandemic started, MASS 2-1-1, a United Way sponsored program was designated by Governor Baker as the number one resource for all Covid-19 questions. Hundreds of thousands of calls were answered. Many dealt with mental health issues and Covid relief questions. So many were affected and needed that resource line. Thankfully, United Way was there.”

This year, \$432,000 has been committed through grants to the following member agencies and programs. UWSCM forward funds to the agencies prior to the annual campaign and depends

on the contributions of the general public and businesses in our service area to fulfil this commitment. Please consider donating this year so that these worthwhile programs can continue.

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- Southern Worcester County Mentoring Programs
- BOYS’ & GIRLS’ CLUB OF WEBSTER-
- Youth Development Programs
- BOYS SCOUTS OF AMERICA - HEART OF NEW ENGLAND
- Scouting and Learning for Life – Explorers Program
- CARE CENTRAL VNA
- Telehealth Remote Patient Monitoring in South Worcester County.
- CASA PROJECT, INC.
- CASA Child Court Advocacy Volunteers
- CATHOLIC CHARITIES
- Emergency Stabilization and Homelessness Prevention Program
- COMMUNITY LEGAL AID
- South Worcester County Legal Assistance Project
- FAMILY HEALTH CENTER OF WORCESTER
- Southbridge Family Dental Care Program
- Southbridge Family Health Center
- Webster School based Dental Program
- GIRL SCOUTS OF CENTRAL AND WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
- Girl Scout Leadership Experience
- GUILD OF ST. AGNES
- Behavioral

Health counseling for pre-school aged children

LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL MA

- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- NEW HOPE, INC.
- Southern Worcester County Violence Prevention Project and Counseling
- OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE
- Learning Through Experience (LTE) Program
- OPEN SKY COMMUNITY
- South County Recreation Program
- South County Homeless Assistance Program (SCHAP)
- OUR BRIGHT FUTURE, INC.
- Afterschool Enrichment; Homework Help, Sports and Robotics Program
- PATHWAYS FOR CHANGE, INC
- Sexual Assault Youth Education Program
- SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
- Fuel Assistance - Webster
- LUKE’S GUESTHOUSE
- Homeless Shelter for men, women and children
- YMCA of Central MA—TRI-COMMUNITY FAMILY BRANCH
- Childcare for All Financial Assistance (Childcare, summer programs, Camp Foskett)
- Growing Strong Together Program (Strengthening Families)
- Mind, Body, Spirit for Teens (Youth Development)
- TRI-VALLEY, INC.
- Nutrition Program (Meals on Wheels and Community



Courtesy

Janet Scheffler and William Keefe.

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WORCESTER COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

- Behavioral Health counseling for pre-school aged children
- MASS 2-1-1 24 Hour service that connects people who need vital resources in their community.

The evening concluded with a special award presentation to Janet Scheffler, former Executive Director of United Way of Webster & Dudley who retired upon the merger of UWWD and the United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton. An

engraved vase was presented by former UWWD President, William Keefe, recognizing Mrs. Scheffler’s 22 years of hard work and dedication to the communities of Webster and Dudley.

The United Way of South Central Massachusetts serves the communities of Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge, Sturbridge and Webster and is located at 176 Main St., Suite 400, Southbridge, MA 01550. To learn more about programs and donate, visit [www.uwscm.org](http://www.uwscm.org), follow on Facebook @UWSCM or call (508) 765-5491.

## LEGALS

Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Sherwood Mortgage Group, Inc., dated January 30, 2006, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38334, Page 206, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s/ Defendants’ Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 12/13/2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 11/1/2021. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, RECORDER November 12, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
(508) 831-2200  
Docket No. WO21P3434EA  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Estate of:  
Norma I Kitka  
Date of Death: 07/14/2021**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Gail L. Wixon of Grafton MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Gail L. Wixon of Grafton MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/23/2021.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: October 20, 2021  
Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate  
November 12, 2021

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Worcester Probate and Family Court  
225 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608  
(508) 831-2200  
Docket No. WO21C0359CA  
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME  
In the matter of:  
Theresa Ann DeMaio-McGuinness**

**A Petition to Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Theresa Ann DeMaio-McGuinness of Oxford MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Theresa Ann McGuinness**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/30/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.**

**WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: October 28, 2021  
Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate  
November 12, 2021

**(SEAL)  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
Docket No. 21 SM 001342  
ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO: Roland E. Savageau, Irene A. Savageau and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq): Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 19 Millbury Road, given by Roland E. Savageau and Irene A. Savageau to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, dated May 8, 2006, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 38950, Page 272, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s/Defendants’ Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 12/13/2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 10/27/2021 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder November 12, 2021

**(SEAL)  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
21 SM 001317  
ORDER OF NOTICE**

To: Alexsy Ginel and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq) Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust I

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 94 Lake Street, given by Alexsy Ginel to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated October 17, 2013, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51636, Page 131 and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s/ Defendants’ Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before December 06, 2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on October 22, 2021. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 19051 November 12, 2021

**A.C. 75A  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
WORCESTER, SS  
18P3532EA  
PROBATE COURT**

*To all persons interested in the estate of Adeline A. Bek late of Douglas in said County, deceased.*  
A petition has been presented to said Court for authority to sell at private sale certain real estate of said *deceased*. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Worcester before ten o’clock in the forenoon on the seventh day of December 2021, the return day of this citation. Witness LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of November 2021  
Stephanie K. Fattman  
Register of Probate  
November 12, 2021





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**STURBRIDGE!** Big Alum Lake! 243 Big Alum Rd! 6.58 Acres of Privacy! Sub-Dividable! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 3,313' 10+ Rm Cape w/3 - 4 Bdrms & 4 Baths! Features Applianced Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar & Tile Flr! Frplcd Din Area! Din Rm w/3 Walls of Glass & French Dr to the Deck! Cathedral Ceiling Fam Rm w/Hearth & Wood Stove & Wall of Picture Windows! Spacious Liv Rm w/Pine Flr! Office! Full Bath w/Laundry Closet! 1st Flr Master w/Slider to the Inground Pool, Walk-in Closet, Marble Bathrm w/Separate Tub & Shower & Dble Vanities! 2nd Flr w/2 Spacious Bdrms, Lots of Closet Space & Pine Flrs! Full Hall Bath! Lower Level w/Game Rm, Wine/Root Cellars! Utility & Storage! 2 Car Attached Garage w/Office/In-Law Suite Above! New Driveway Access needs to be Installed! Cosmetic Repairs Needed! **\$679,900.00**

**WEBSTER** - 6 Slater Street! Professionals Take Notice! Ideal Office Setup! 1st Floor w/Waiting Rm, Reception Area, 4 Offices w/Lake Views! 3 Alcove/Prep Areas, Handicap Accessible 1/2 Bath, and Hrdwd Flrs! 2nd Floor Currently w/Employee Breakroom w/ Full Kitchen, Cabinets & Closet Storage, 3/4 Bath and additional office/bedroom! C/Air C/Vac! Security System! **\$349,900.00**

**DUDLEY** - 50 Brandon Rd! 3 Family! 5/54 Rms! 2/21 Bdrms! 2/21 Bathrms! Investors take Notice! Fully Rented! Solid Rental History, Long Term Tenants! Conveniently Located! Washer & Dryer Hookups in the Basement for Each Unit! Efficient Natural Gas Heating! Two Driveways provide Off Street Parking for up to 5 Vehicles! Dudley's Low Taxes & Desirable School System! **\$349,900.00**



**DUDLEY** - 10 Camelot Circle 9 Rm, 4 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath, 2,520' Center Hall Colonial featuring an In-Ground Pool on a 28,131' Lot! Tile Entry Foyer w/Guest Closet! SS Applianced Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Spacious Dining Area, Tile Flr, Pantry Closet, Recessed & Pendant Lighting! Formal Din Rm w/Hrdwd Flr & Chair Rail! Formal Liv Rm w/Crown Molding! 13.6X27' Fam Rm w/Fireplace w/Wood Pellet Insert, Soaring Cathedral Ceiling, Ceiling Fans & Skylight! Half Bath! 3 Season Porch! 1st Flr Laundry! The 2nd Floor w/4 Bdrms! Spacious Master w/Walk-in Closet & Full Bath w/Dble Granite Vanity! Full Hall Bath w/Dble Vanity! C/Air & Vac! 2 Car Garage! Fire Pit! Many Updates! Original Owner - Pride of Ownership! **\$570,000.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 62 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 51' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Fantastic Panoramic Lake Views! 11 Rooms, 6 Bedrooms, 4 Bathrooms, 3,269' AC'd Colonial! Custom SS Applianced Granite Kitchen! Formal Dining Rm w/Cherry Hardwoods! Lake Facing Living Rm w/Cathedrals, Cherry Hardwoods! Slider to Waterfront Deck! Spacious 1st Flr Master Bedroom w/Full Bath, Cherry Hardwoods & Walk-in Closet! Fireplace Lower Level Family Rm! 1st & 2nd Floor Laundries! 2 Car Garage! **\$979,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 50 Laurewood Drive! 90' Waterfront! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! Half Acre, 22,729', of Natural Privacy! 6 Room Custom Built Cedar Home with 2 Car Attached Garage! Dining Area and Fireplace Living Room with Soaring Cathedral Ceilings! First Floor Master Bedroom with Full Bath! 2 Second Floor Bedrooms and Second Full Bath, Large Second Floor Expansion Area! Additional Garage Space Under! Lighting Strike Fire Damage Repair Required! Tons of Potential! **\$889,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 33 Loveland Rd! South Pond - Fantastic 19,243' Waterfront Lot with 125' of Prime South Facing Natural Shoreline which Highlights this 5 Room, 2 Bedroom, 3 Season Cottage! Start Your Lake Memories Here! Cute & Cozy, the Way the Lake Use to Be! Open Floor Plan with Lots of Glass and Panoramic Lake Views! Just Enjoy it as it is, or Add on to it, or Take it Down and Build Your Dream Home Here! Don't Need the Entire Lot, Subdivide it and Bring the Cost Down! Perfect Gentle Slope to the Water! Town Services! **\$949,900.00**



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#### DUDLEY - 10 MILL ROAD



Beautiful family home! 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, newer widows & heating system. Mini split system. Hardwoods. Lg eat-in kitchen /Corian counters & Island! Warming fireplace with handsome mantel. Generous dining room, spacious enough for your family gatherings. lower level fireplace family room. Harmon pellet insert! 2 car garage. Reduced **\$340,000.**

#### WEBSTER - 23 EMERALD AVE.



Extraordinary Find! Beautiful 2 Family! Owner occupied with pride and it shows. Grand Front Entry! 3,012 SF +/- living area. 12 rooms, 6 bedrooms, 2 updated Baths. 2nd Flr - Granite Countertops! High ceilings & Hardwood Floors, Modern Kitchens. Manicured 13,525 SF Lot with a Hip roof 3 car garage! **\$439,900**

#### WEBSTER - 135 LAKE STREET



A RARE FIND! A TRULY ABOVE AVERAGE-TOP NOTCH-HIGH QUALITY-TWO FAMILY! SPACIOUS, CLEAN, UPDATED! Apt# 2 - 1,536 SF+ & 3 BRs, 2nd Flr. Apt# 1 - 1,290 SF+ & 2 BRs - 1st floor. Oil & Natural Gas Heat. Hardwood flrs! granite tops. Enjoy the L-Shaped Covered Farmers Porch! Level Lot! **\$399,900.**

#### WEBSTER • 22 EASTERN AVE



LOOKING FOR AN AFFORDABLE, HUMBLE ABODE, THAT WON'T BREAK THE BANK? Convenient Location, corner lot! 1288 SF+/-, 4 BRS w/1st Flr Mstr BR, Half Bath! Eat-In Kitchen, Dining/Living Room Combination! 3-Season Porch. 2nd Flr - 3 BRs, Reshingled Roof, Replacement Windows, Updated Electric, Buderus Boiler. Part finished walk-out bsmt! Garage! **\$215,000**

#### WOODSTOCK CT - 110 JOY RD



WELCOME TO MIDNIGHT FARM! 1876 Antique Colonial. Included separate Building - Studio/Store both situated on 2.5 Acres Professionally Landscaped! 5 Bedroom, Lg Living room, Fireplaced Dining room, Library, Master Bdrm, Renovated Kitchen! 3 Stall Garage! Picturesque Location! **\$455,000.**

#### Featured Island Listing! Webster Lake - 22 Long Island



Once in a lifetime opportunity to own a Webster Lake Waterfront Cottage on Long Island! Properly named the "Grand View". Sandy beach, boat house! Antique Cottage w/5 Rms, 3 BRs, a stone fireplaced w/pellet stove, eat-in kitchen w/modern appliances, full bath! washer/dryer. Screened porches. Included, 25% ownership share in a main land waterfront lot at 38 Point Pleasant Rd, in sheltered Mumford Cove! land provides boat slip & winter storage. A FAR AWAY PLACE NEAR BY! **\$389,900.**

#### WEBSTER LAKE - 1301 TREASURE ISL.



Quiet Summers & Fall Seasons on Big & Beautiful Webster Lake. Completely updated Hardwood & Ceramic. Center Island Kitchen. 6 Rooms. 2-1/2 Baths, a must see. Overlooking the Marina. 2 Deeded boat slips. assisted sale **\$600,000.**

#### LAND WEBSTER/OXFORD/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS

Oxford - 2 Meriam Rd 80 +/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton! Great Location for Horses! **ON DEPOSIT \$329,000.**

Oxford - 4 Leicester St - Approx. 8.47 ACRES! River Frontage Possible to be Subdivided! **\$89,900**

WEBSTER - DOUGLAS RD 26 ACRES on SUGARLOAF HILL. 1000+/- ft of frontage! **SORRY, SOLD! \$200,000**

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# Deer season in full swing

Deer hunting is in full gear, with archers harvesting numerous big bucks in the last couple of weeks. The rut is now entering its peak time, and should provide archers with some great opportunities to bag a big buck prior to shotgun season. The shotgun season in Massachusetts opens on Nov. 29, and will close on Dec. 11, with primitive arms season opening



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Dec. 13 and closing on Dec. 31. During the first week of the shotgun deer season, all deer must be brought to a Mass. official

checking station within 48 hours of the harvest. For the remainder of the deer hunting seasons, they must be registered within 48 hours online. Antlerless deer permits for zones 13 -14 are still available for \$5 each, and can be purchased on line at the Web site MASSFISHHUNT. Zones 13-14 have an extremely high population of deer in them and often require

land owner permission to hunt them. Keeping a legal distance from an occupied dwelling is the biggest challenge. Bow hunting these areas is the best way to harvest a deer. During the youth hunt held on Oct. 2 of this year, 76 deer were recorded with MFW. Youths ages 12 - 14 could hunt deer with an adult that had a valid hunting license. The youth were also required to have a valid youth permit for the one-day hunt. What a great way to start a youngster to enjoy the sport of hunting!

Although Mass. Fish & Wildlife failed to pass a crossbow permit for hunters, the sales are going through the roof. Most states allow the use of a cross bow for hunting, and sportsmen are flocking to the nearby states to use them. Keeping a good inventory of crossbows in their sports section has been a bit hectic, especially for some of the high-end bows like the Raven. The Raven is extremely accurate up to 100 yards. Crossbows also required extreme caution when using them. They should never be dry fired (firing them with-out an arrow in them). That goes for any bow.

The bow strings need to be constantly inspected for wear, and sporting goods stores that carry the new crossbows are seeing a lot more wear on the new bows because of the extreme pressure that the bows are under.

One bow hunter was using his cross bow for the first time, when the bow exploded as he was resting the bow alongside his leg. The bow suddenly exploded and caused severe damage to his leg. It may have been damaged previously, but the crossbows are at an extremely high pressure, and need to be used with the utmost caution. A warning from some of the companies that manufacture the cross-bows state that they should not be left cocked for more than six hours. You should have your crossbow checked by a dealer every year, to make sure that they are safe to use.

Goose hunting in the valley area has been good for hunters that had private corn fields to hunt. A lot of flight birds were observed by hunters, and if they were hunting the day that the birds were passing through the had the opportunity to harvest a couple of the migrat-

ing birds. Snow geese are often accompanying the Canada geese as they migrate south giving the hunter an opportunity to harvest a few of them also. Fifteen snows are the daily bag limit. Goose hunting ends Nov. 27, and reopens Dec. 13.

Wild Turkey hunting in the fall is a real challenge. Their eye sight is amazing, and sneaking up on one to shoot is not easy. During the spring hunting season, they are receptive to turkey calls, and are a lot more exciting to hunt. Basically, you need to ambush the bird which is not easy.

Trout fishing has been great for most anglers that have not put their boats into winter storage. Shore fishing anglers are also catching some impressive trout.

Veterans day will be celebrated this coming Monday by thousands of people paying respects to the fallen, wounded veterans and those who served in our armed forces. It is because of them we get to enjoy our freedom every day. A big thank you to all those that celebrated this special day, and to all of our veterans.

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## School District seeks options to keep lacrosse program alive

BY JASON BLEAU  
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY/CHARLTON – In an effort to keep the district's lacrosse program alive the Dudley Charlton Regional School District is exploring adding eighth graders to the fold as well as potentially combining the program with other local communities.

District Superintendent Steven Lamarche discussed the proposal with members of the regional school committee at the end of October where he stated that the district's athletics department started looking into options for lacrosse last year. The decreasing interest from local students has left the department looking for ways to continue to offer the sport and increase student involvement rather than cutting it altogether. The department requested permission from the committee to seek an MIAA school waiver for the Dudley and Charlton Middle Schools that would allow for eighth graders to par-

ticipate in the program at the high school level and a co-op waiver that would allow the district to explore a partnership with other communities.

"We are looking to continue to offer that as a comprehensive competitive program and this is the first step to make sure that we have enough participants to (play) in the boys and girls lacrosse at Shepherd Hill Regional High School," Lamarche stated. "The numbers have been waning over the past few years. I've been working with Athletic Director Jim Scanlon and secondary principals to ensure we keep this program and keep it competitive."

If successful the waivers would not only allow the district to add eighth graders to the team, but also work with other local communities to combine lacrosse programs to be more competitive. Lamarche stressed that they have not made any pending agreements with other districts and only wanted the waiver so that they could start to consider the option. Responding to questions

from the school committee Lamarche noted that adding middle schoolers to teams and creating cross-town programs has become increasingly popular for many sports due to decreasing student involvement in the programs.

"It's actually been more common than you think across our state because the numbers have waned for certain sports. The numbers I can think of the most are football and hockey. It's more common than you might think," said Lamarche.

It also wouldn't be the first time the Dudley-Charlton district has allowed younger students to compete on the high school level or teamed with another town to keep a program alive. In the past both seventh and eighth graders have been included in varsity sports and the district currently has a hockey partnership with Auburn. The school committee unanimously approved seeking the waivers which will be the first step in helping enter a new era for the district's lacrosse program.



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This week's picture shows a Bonito taken last week in front of the lighthouse at Point Judith, R.I.

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them all listed on the town Web site. If elected, he said he'd set three main goals for Callahan: more effective outreach regarding forums, which should happen more often; budget some of the

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ored. He loves the town of Webster," said Nowicki's stepdaughter, Linda Stewart.

Nowicki is an avid viewer of football, baseball, and basketball. He is also well-versed on the history of local sports teams.

Yet another WWII veteran from Webster, Joseph LaPlante, chose not to receive a quilt this year, as he was previously honored with a quilt. The Army veteran landed on Utah Beach in France during the Normandy Invasion.

"It's something I would have never expected," LaPlante said of previously earning a quilt. "It was a very good ceremony."

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Freedom Quilters of Millbury, a group of women who create each of the quilts.

"I love to sew and it is very gratifying to present these quilts," said Deborah Havalotti, who leads the Freedom Quilters of Millbury. "We are a small group of women that sew together quilts for our veterans."

To date, the Freedom Quilters of Millbury have created more than 200 quilts. The group started in 2016, and each quilt requires a detailed process to create. This involves picking out the different fabrics needed; cutting the proper pieces; and sewing the pieces together. Sometimes quilters begin their process by drawing and coloring on graph paper for each design. It's a labor of love for each member, and they always appreciate the opportunity to honor veterans.

town's free cash for roadwork, based on the selectmen specifying a percentage; and implementing a policy to ensure Oxford meets its affordable housing requirements. Regarding the latter, he added, "we should be getting serious about a housing production plan. ... It's important to focus on compliance, not just hating on 40B."

King said he personally "would not feel the pinch of [the upcoming roadwork] ballot question as a lot of other voters would" and sees the DPW's proposal as "extraordinary." But he doesn't think the time is right for a debt exclusion, in part because many people are "already unhappy about existing taxes." Instead, he thinks using free cash for roads would allow the town to "show what we can do ... and build some more trust" that would promote support for a debt exclusion down the road.

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looked forward 10 years and he said they anticipated the arrival of a 40B project, in part because "the market right now is for condos or apartments." That is also fueling a big mixed-use project near the Auburn line featuring 100,000 square feet of commercial space and 320 condos. LeBlanc sees that as a benefit to Oxford because it's "going to

"Making voters feel like they're heard" is key to getting support for such efforts, King noted. To him, that means going beyond "the bare minimum" in terms of notice; he said he subscribed to the town's internet notice service but has "never received a single one."

Despite such issues, King said he feels "Oxford is pretty self-sufficient" and "relatively well-resourced." He'd like to see it focus on maintaining "lower density" in development and target filling the various vacant buildings (including three banks) before building anew.

"Voters' perception would be improved by seeing those be filled," he said.

Describing himself as somewhat libertarian in outlook, King doesn't "think it's a good idea to decide what types of business are best for a given spot," and dislikes "micromanaging it." Doing

that, he argues, tends to favor specific kinds of firms rather than what's available for infrastructure and what might "thrive" there.

King recently moved to Oxford after serving 10 years on a Navy submarine, now working at IPG. He has no children and feels that gives him time to focus on being a selectman.

"I'm running for selectman, not against Norman," he said, expressing concern the campaign online has "gotten a little too negative." "... If he wins the election and has the same platform as me, that's great."

Election Day polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., with Precincts 1 and 4 voting at Chaffee School, while Precincts 2 and 3 go to the Middle School.

Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

pretty much fund itself" and the town doesn't have to maintain its roads.

Over the last several years, he said, Oxford's tax base has seen a shift from 16 percent commercial to 20 percent, but "we've got to prepare for the growth we're going to have," which is mostly residential, he added. That'll mean "thinking ahead" and trying to balance it with business.

Regarding his opponent, he said he "give[s] the guy a ton of credit" for running, but he feels King needs to under-

stand that state grants often "tell you what you need to do" regarding public outreach and construction standards.

"A forum wouldn't have made any difference," LeBlanc added.

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"We are proposing an architectural review of each school building with the exception of Shepherd Hill and the reason for that is because we're hoping that it will fall under the Massachusetts School Building Authority application. This review will provide a true understanding of where we are at for each of our buildings in order to continue our path and trajectory for a living and breathing five-year plan for our district which will help inform our Board of Selectmen and Finance Committees in each community as we make decisions and a well-informed committee, including the School

Committee, can make solid recommendations and decisions regarding the building needs in the district," said Terry.

With the understanding that these improvements will, of course, cost money in a time when the district and towns are trying to manage budgets as carefully as possible the subcommittee had also met with David Einsenthal, Vice President Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services, who provided some guidance on how the district could move forward and finance these upgrades over the next few years. Terry did not provide specifics on that conversation during her report. The school committee did not act on any of the recommendations as this was merely an update for officials to consider in the months and years to come.

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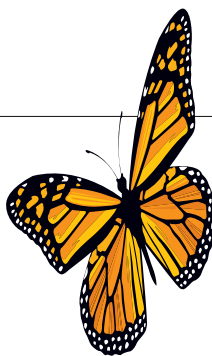
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- Hearing and hearing aids • Fitness and wellness services
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