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Garden Club holds annual flower show



CROWNING GLORY

Jason Bleau photo

Evie Magee, 6-years-old of Lincoln Point, was one of many who enjoyed their time at Charlton's 122nd Old Home Day. More photos pages 6 & 7.



Jason Bleau Photos

More than 20 members of the Charlton Garden Club participated in the group's annual flower show during Old Home Day in Charlton displaying numerous plant projects showcasing the hidden beauty of the town.

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — For more than 80 years the Charlton Garden Club has served as an important group in town, raising awareness of the natural beauty of Charlton and the dif-

ferent vegetation that can be grown in the community successfully. Each year one of the group's biggest events is the annual flower show held in conjunction with Old Home Day on Labor Day Monday.

The tradition continued on

Sept. 3 as members and volunteers came together to host the flower show once again with a new theme and more than 20 members participating in showing off the plants

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Online applications now available for Bay Path

Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is pleased to announce eighth grade students and their families interested in applying for admission to the school for the Fall of 2019 may now apply to the school online at www.baypath.net.

The school has partnered with GO2CTE, a Massachusetts technology company, to manage the online admissions sys-

tem. The new system provides an easy way for the school to interact with prospective students and families throughout the admissions process. The secure online application is designed specifically for vocational technical schools to better manage the admissions process. Bay Path can easily track and monitor the entire application process from registration to enrollment.

Bay Path counselors will visit each of the middle schools in its 10 town district early this fall to make presentations to students. On Oct. 12, all eighth grade students are invited to attend tours of Bay Path during the school day. Students will be picked up at their middle school by Bay Path buses and returned to their town school after the tour. Four days later, on Oct. 16, the school will hold

its annual open house for students and parents/guardians from 6-8 p.m.

All students and families wishing to apply to Bay Path for admission in the fall of 2019 would go to www.baypath.net and look for the red APPLY button. The application is available in over 100 languages. Easy to follow instructions are embedded in the software. The school looks forward to

working with eighth graders and their families and guardians as they explore the possibility of attending Bay Path next year. Bay Path does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender identity, disability, religion or sexual orientation.

La escuela Superior Técnica Vocacional Regional Bay Path

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Jason Bleau Photo

Charlton Town Administrator Robin Craver congratulates local educator Erin Anderson who was named Citizen of the Year

Charlton honors local citizens

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON — The town recognized several of its own on Labor Day with the annual Old Home Day Committee Awards honoring standout members of the community who live and work in Charlton and have committed their time and effort to making the town a better place.

Nine awards were given out over the course of the annual Labor Day event,

including five community service awards, a youth award, a business award, a Citizen of the Year honor and the naming of the honorary marshals for the Old Home Day Parade.

The first to be honored were the Community Service awards, which were handed out to Karen Fierro, Frank Gaylord, Brenna Ann Larson, Judy Maskell and Gail Stokes. Each volunteer came with their own

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Primary voters choose November contestants

BY GUS STEEVES
VILLAGER
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — Local voters reflected the state-as-a-whole's choices across the board in last Tuesday's primary balloting.

In November the key races will be (listed as Democrat vs Republican, with * for incumbents): Jay Gonzalez vs Charlie Baker* for Governor, Quentin Palfrey vs Karen Polito* for Lt Governor, Bill Galvin* vs Anthony Amore for Secretary of State, Suzanne Bump* vs Helen Brady for Auditor, Maura Healey* vs James McMahon for Attorney General, and Elizabeth Warren* vs Jeff Diehl for US Senate. Because of his defeat of Tahirah Amatul-Wadud on Tuesday and the fact unenrolled candidate Frederick Mayock quit the race in August, US



Gus Steeves photos

Poll workers log a voter out before the voter adds her ballot into the scanner.

Rep Richard Neal* goes into November unopposed.

"A lot of issues are at stake, especially those concerning the welfare of the planet and people" in November, said voter Sarah Stone on her way out of the polls Tuesday. Among her specific concerns were the environment generally, the fact we're "not meeting the needs of poor-

er communities and elders," and what she saw as a "downward spiral of problems probably trickling down from the person in charge," meaning President Donald Trump.

But when it came to the primary itself, Stone said she didn't come focused on any particular

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Tyler Wolanin, District aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of September. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet with Tyler to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Attendants should RSVP to Tyler at tyler.wolanin@masenate.gov, or by phone at 508-641-3502. Town attendance is not restricted to residents of those towns.

Monday, Sept. 17: Barre town offices, 12:30-1:30 PM; Hubbardston town offices, 2-3 PM; Ashburnham Town Hall, 3:30-4:30 PM; Winchendon Town Hall (Auditorium), 5-6 PM
 Tuesday, Sept. 18: Warren Senior Center, 9:30-10:30 AM; Brimfield Senior Center, 11 AM-noon; Wales Senior Center, 12:10-1 PM
 Wednesday, Sept. 19
 New Braintree Town Hall, 11 AM-noon; West Brookfield Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Brookfield Town Hall, 2-3 p.m.; Ashby Town Hall, 6-7 PM

Monday, Sept. 24: Paxton Town Hall, 11 AM-noon; Spencer Howe Village, 12:30-1:30 PM; East Brookfield municipal building, 2-3 p.m.
 Tuesday, Sept. 25: Oakham Senior Center, 9:30-10:30 AM; North Brookfield Senior Center, 11 AM-noon; Rutland Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 PM
 Wednesday, Sept. 26: Charlton Senior Center, 12-1 PM; Holland Town Hall, 1:30-2:30 PM; Monson Town Hall, 3-4 PM.

CHARLTON CAPSULES

AUTUMN FEST & CRAFT FAIR
 St. Joseph Church of Charlton, 10 H Putnam Road, hosts its annual Autumn Fest and Craft Fair Saturday, Sept. 29 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Included will be craft booths, food and drink, bake sale, children's activities, a Big Money raffle, meat pie sale and a theme basket auction. On Sunday, Sept. 30, following 10 a.m. Mass, a breakfast will be held followed by the drawing for raffles.

GIANT MEAT RAFFLE
 On Saturday, September 22 at St. Joseph's Church Hall, Charlton beginning at 6 p.m. 6 Meat Tables and 1 Lobster Table; 3 Early Bird Tickets for arrival before 6 p.m. Sponsored by the Mary Martha Guild

GARDEN CLUB MEETING
 Come and join us! The Charlton Garden Club Monday, Sept. 10 meeting will feature Gretel Anspach from the Massachusetts Master Gardener Association speaking on Using Cold Frames to Extend the Season. Charlton

Garden Club meetings are open to all interested in gardening and related themes. Whether you're a novice or accomplished gardener, the Charlton Garden Club is a great place to meet other gardening enthusiasts, learn about plants and planting, and to share your gardening tips and experiences. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Charlton Federated Church. A \$5 donation is suggested for non-members. If interested in joining the Garden Club, please contact co-Presidents Virginia Charette at (508) 248-7300 or Marcia Liedigk at (508) 434-0507.

FREE PROGRAM
 The New Roxbury Land Trust will host, Kimberly Stone, PhD from the Ct Agriculture Experimental Station, "Planting for Bees". Learn where they live, plants they need to survive and more. Sunday, Sept. 23, 2-4 p.m., at the Barn at Roseland Park, Woodstock. Free.

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Nichols College honored as a National College of Distinction

DUDLEY — Nichols College has been recognized as a 2018-19 national College of Distinction for its expert blending of the liberal arts with professional programming in business as well as for its committed implementation of high-impact educational practices.

Nichols College has proven itself to be at the forefront of American higher education with a modern, student-centered approach to teaching, according to the organization Colleges of Distinction. With a unique learning environment, the Nichols experience engages students with character building, first-year seminars, alternative spring breaks, diversity and global learning programs, collaborative assignments and projects, undergraduate research, study abroad programs, and internships. In addition, today's job market demands employees who are stellar communicators and critical-thinkers. It is with Nichols College's well-rounded approach to career development that its students are prepared to take on the postgraduate world.

"We are absolutely thrilled to recognize Nichols College as a College of Distinction for its effective dedication to student success," said Tyson Schritter, chief operating officer for Colleges of Distinction. "Colleges of Distinction is so impressed with Nichols College's curriculum, which is enriched with the kind of 'High-Impact Educational Practices' that are most crucial for student development. Such innovative

engagement is preparing the next generation of young adults to thrive after college."

The fast-paced, modern world of business requires effective communication and innovative strategies. Nichols College's programs in accounting, criminal justice management, economics, finance, hospitality management, human resource management, integrated marketing communication, international business, management, and sport management, among others, keep future leaders ahead of the curve and ready to grow alongside the industry. Graduate & Professional Studies at Nichols boasts an array of competitive master's degree and certificate programs, and corporate partnerships that are designed for career-focused professionals ready to take the next step toward leadership, seek and conquer a new challenge, and expand their career opportunities.

Professor Luanne Westerling, associate dean for business at Nichols College, said, "We are honored that Colleges of Distinction continually recognizes Nichols College as a leader in professional education. We attribute our strengths to our focus on providing experiential learning and leadership opportunities for all of our students."

"Building on our extensive liberal arts and business curricula, Nichols students are prepared to take what they learn in the classroom and apply those skills to a real business environment,"

added Westerling. "We also ensure our students are career-ready upon graduation by offering our signature professional development seminars. Through these seminars, all Nichols students focus on the development of a resume, and are provided with interview skills training and experience."

Colleges of Distinction's selection process consists of a review of each institution's first-year experience and retention efforts alongside its general education programs, alumni success, strategic plan, student satisfaction, and more. Schools are accepted on the basis that they adhere to the Four Distinctions: Engaged Students, Great Teaching, Vibrant Community, and Successful Outcomes.

"Colleges of Distinction is far more than a ranking list of colleges and universities," said Schritter. "We seek out the schools that are wholly focused on the student experience, constantly working to produce graduates who are prepared for a rapidly changing global society. Recognized as a College of Distinction, Nichols College stands out in the way it strives to help its students to learn, grow, and succeed."

View Nichols College's Colleges of Distinction profile to find more information about the innovative learning experiences it offers.

Read about Princeton Review naming Nichols a 2019 "Best in the Northeast" College.

Colleges of Distinction has recog-



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nized and honored schools throughout the U.S. for excellence in undergraduate-focused higher education for over 15 years. The member schools within the Colleges of Distinction consortium distinguish themselves through their focus on the undergraduate experience. For more information, visit CollegesofDistinction.com.

Nichols College is a college of choice for business and leadership education as a result of its distinctive career-focused and leadership-based approaches to learning, both in and out of the classroom. Founded in 1815, Nichols transforms today's students into tomorrow's leaders through a dynamic, career-focused business and professional education. Nichols serves students interested primarily in a comprehensive business education that is supported by a strong liberal arts curriculum.

Village Toastmasters Hosts Speechcraft Program

STURBRIDGE, MA — September 14, 2018 — Village Toastmasters of Sturbridge will be holding a Speechcraft program at the Joshua Hyde Library in Sturbridge. This program will provide a fun introduction to public speaking and an opportunity to learn some new communication skills. The class will be offered on four Tuesday evenings (10/16, 10/23, 11/6, and 11/13) from 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. There will be a nominal charge of \$ 6.00 to cover materials.

The program will be facilitated by Bob Barnes, ACS, ALB of Village Toastmasters who will be joined by other club members. Topics include, but are not limited to, speech organization, impromptu speaking, vocal variety, and effective speech evaluations. The program will be hands-on with opportunities to practice in a friendly environment.

Call 508-347-2512 to sign up or if you have any questions.

Class size is limited to 10 participants.

About Village Toastmasters Village Toastmasters, located in Sturbridge, MA, is focused on helping members improve their public speaking and leadership skills while building confidence in their abilities. The group meets every Thursday night 7:00-8:15 p.m. at the Chamber of Central Mass South, located at 46 Hall Road. For more information, visit VillageToastmasters.org.

About Toastmasters International

Toastmasters International is a nonprofit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization's membership exceeds 313,000 in more than 14,650 clubs in 126 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped peo-

ple of all backgrounds become more confident in front of an audience. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, please visit www.toastmasters.org. Follow @Toastmasters on Twitter.

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Lucky Duck and family day coming up!

SOUTHBRIDGE: — Save the date! The Harrington Auxiliary will hold its 27th annual Lucky Duck and Family Fun Day, in conjunction with Southbridge Business Partnership's AutumnFest, on Saturday, Sept. 22 on the Southbridge Common from 10 am to 4 pm.

In addition to the Lucky Duck Pluck, the event will include live entertainment, a beer/wine garden, arts and crafts, a farmer's market, food vendors and plenty

of fun activities for children.

Lucky Duck tickets will be available for purchase that day. One duck is \$5; a "6-quack" is \$25; a flock of 13 ducks is \$50. Awards include \$1,000, \$500, \$300, \$200 and \$100 for first, second, third, fourth and fifth prize, respectively. Winners do not have to be present.

Through the generous support of the Lucky Duck event in the past, the Auxiliary has been able to provide financial assistance for Harrington Hospital. For

example, the Auxiliary has conducted educational programs and projects that promote patient safety and has given new and/or updated equipment to several hospital departments.

So mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 22 for the Harrington Auxiliary Lucky Duck and Family Fun Day.

POLICE LOGS

Charlton Police Department

Arrests/Summons: Aug. 19-Sept. 1

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Police agencies can no longer print the names of people who are arrested or charged with domestic assault related charges. The new law is designed to protect victims, so they are not re-victimized through indirect identification.

Hector Cortes of Worcester: Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license

Amanda Digregorio of Southbridge: Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license

Sarah Ianniccheri of Charlton: Operating a motor vehicle with a revoked registration

Brian Strangle of Marlborough: Operating a motor vehicle with a revoked registration

Daniel Archambeault of Charlton: Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license

Odalys Velez of Fitchburg: Operating a motor vehicle in violation of license class

Nickolas Dejarnette of Boston: Defective equipment; Operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license

Unnamed Juvenile Male from Charlton: Speeding; Marked lanes violation; Negligent operation of a motor vehicle

Angela Landofi of Charlton: Warrant
Donald Rogers of Webster: Threatening to commit a crime

Jenna Gale of Charlton: Warrant
John Seibold of Charlton: Warrant (2X)

Christopher Rossik of Dudley: Marked lanes violation; Failure to wear seatbelt; Negligent operation of a motor vehicle

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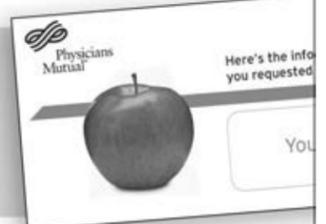
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go over and fix that or hire someone to do that. When one tenant is fighting with the other one and they call the police you usually end up with a phone call or when the tenants decide to have a bonfire going and the fire department shows up and calls you. With all that being said, Real Estate is a great investment and many people have built lots of wealth Real Estate Investing while others have lost a lot of money. If you are doing a buy and hold strategy on investing and keeping



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them for the long term it is tough to mess up big time because the equity paydown over the years will probably fix your mistakes. If you desire to invest in Real Estate do not just buy a book and go out and invest. I suggest either finding a mentor who has successfully done what you plan on doing or a Real Estate Agent who can advise you on such things and also has successfully invested in Real Estate themselves. It is even better if you can have both. You always

want to ensure you can afford to have vacant units in your buildings so you can be picky and only rent to qualified tenants. You also want to make sure you have trusted contractors such as Electricians, Plumbers and a handyman and possibly even a property manager if you do not have time to do any work yourself before making your first purchase. Lastly, ensure you have a business plan with how many doors you want to own and what is your target location so when looking you will not make emotional decisions in your Real Estate investing business.

Gateway To Present "Love/Sick" and Hold Auditions For "It's A Wonderful Life"

GATEWAY IS 'LOVESICK' THIS WEEK, BUT PLANNING 'A WONDERFUL LIFE'

Gateway Players has a big week ahead, with the premiere of "Love/Sick" Friday, Sept. 7 and auditions for "It's a Wonderful Life, Live Radio Play" beginning Monday, Sept. 10.

A darker cousin to "Almost, Maine," playwright John Cariani's "Love/Sick" is a collection of nine slightly twisted and completely hilarious short plays. Set on a Friday night in an alternate suburban reality, this 80-minute romp explores the pain and the joy that comes with being in love. Full of imperfect lovers and dreamers, "Love/Sick" is an unromantic comedy for the romantic in

everyone.

Performance dates for "Love/Sick" are Friday and Saturday, Sept. 7 and Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, Sept. 14 and 15 at 7:30 p.m., with another show Sunday, Sept. 16 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held at the Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church in Southbridge, 61 Elm St. Parking is available on the street or in the parking deck behind the Southbridge Town Hall.

This romantic comedy will be directed by Mike Dupuis and produced by Jeanne Dupuis. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for seniors and

youth under 18. Tickets may be reserved by calling Gateway at (508) 764-4531. Online credit card ticket sales are available at BrownPaperTickets.com. Presented by permission through special arrangements with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

Between the two weekends with showings of "Love/Sick," Gateway will also hold auditions for its holiday play, "It's A Wonderful Life - A Live Radio Play." Auditions for this play will be held Monday, Sept. 10, and Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church at 6:30 p.m. both nights.

Men and women are needed for this production scheduled for Friday, Nov. 30, Saturday, Dec. 1, and Sunday, Dec. 2. Auditions for this play, by Joe Landry, will consist of cold readings from the script.

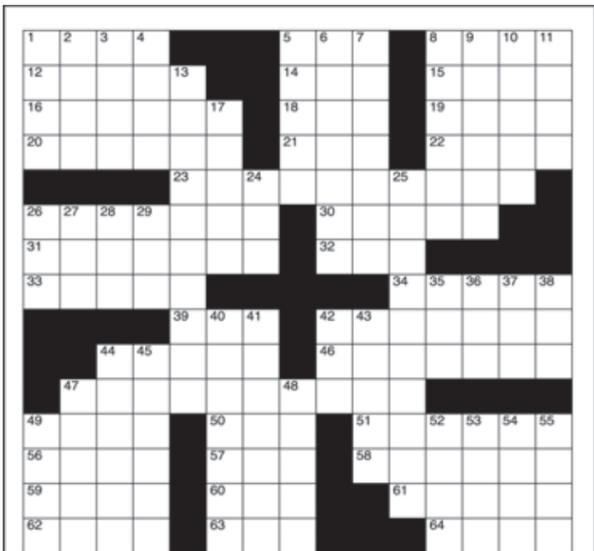
Those auditioning are asked to wear comfortable clothes and to plan to have a good time. Rehearsals for this play will be on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Mary Gahagan will direct "It's A Wonderful Life- A Live Radio Play" and Barbara Day will produce the play. This play brings the traditional holiday feelings to life, in a warm and friendly setting. This beloved

American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. With the help of an ensemble that brings a few dozen characters to the stage, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve. For questions about auditions, call (508) 764-4531.



Lovesick is playing this weekend

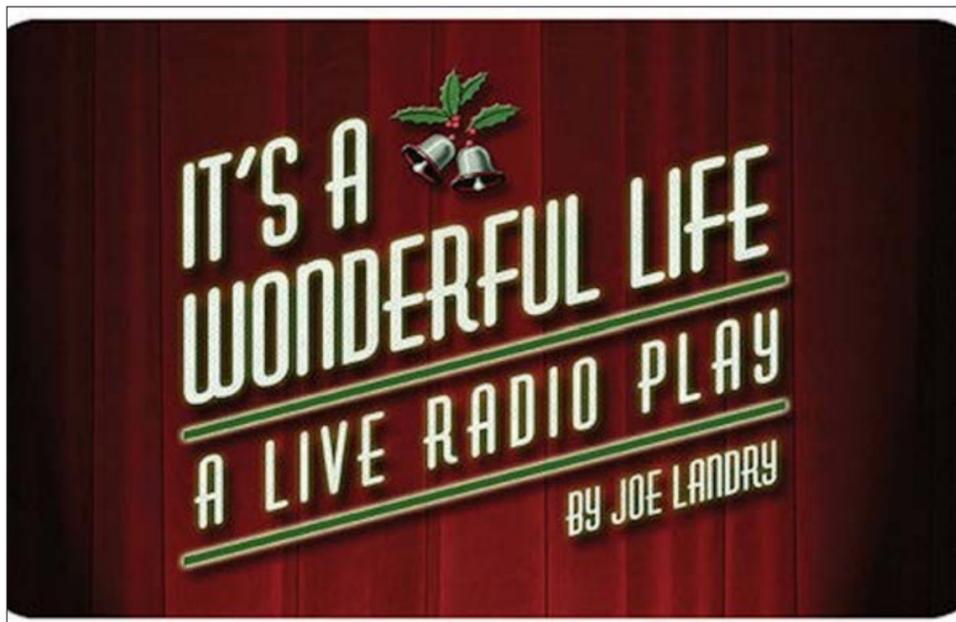


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- 8. Long narrative poem
- 12. Sedimentary rock
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- 15. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- 16. Sleep gear
- 18. One who buys and sells securities
- 19. Cincinnati ballplayers
- 20. Of the backbone
- 21. Car mechanics group
- 22. Iranian village
- 23. Canadian peninsula
- 26. For all ills or diseases
- 30. Known for his "razor"
- 31. One who plays the viola
- 32. Resinlike substance
- 33. Educational association
- 34. Inappropriate
- 39. A team's best pitcher
- 42. The cost of bus travel
- 44. Badgerlike mammal
- 46. Popular sport in Ireland
- 47. Written works
- 49. Pop
- 50. Consumed
- 51. Something comparable to another
- 56. Wild goat
- 57. One-time space station
- 58. Outline of a plan
- 59. Actress Petty
- 60. An electrically charged atom
- 61. Chewed and swallowed
- 62. Bones (Latin)
- 63. Central nervous system
- 64. Type of pipe

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Vipers
- 2. Pal
- 3. One who has been to Mecca
- 4. Energy and enthusiasm
- 5. Leaf-footed bug genus
- 6. Southern belle accessory
- 7. ___ de Mornay, actress
- 8. Print errors
- 9. Preceding
- 10. Asian nation
- 11. The people in a movie
- 13. Liberate
- 17. Strong laxatives
- 24. Tub
- 25. Happening
- 26. Polyvinyl acetate
- 27. Small island (British)
- 28. Neither
- 29. The G.O.A.T.
- 35. What Goodell oversees
- 36. One who engages in Dawah
- 37. Tall, rounded vase
- 38. Electroencephalograph
- 40. Made of clay and hardened by heat
- 41. Great happiness
- 42. Chinese surname
- 43. Supposed emanations
- 44. Travelers
- 45. Loss of bodily movements
- 47. Los __, rock group
- 48. Seabirds
- 49. Used to store grain
- 52. Whale ship captain
- 53. "Joker" actor
- 54. Portends good or evil
- 55. Organized group of criminals



Auditions are planned for the Christmas production It's a Wonderful Life

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se complace en anunciar que los estudiantes de grado 8 y sus familias interesadas en solicitar la admisión a la escuela para el otoño de 2019 ahora se pueden aplicar a la escuela en línea en www.baypath.net.

La escuela se ha asociado con GO2CTE, una compañía de tecnología de Massachusetts, para administrar el sistema de admisión en línea. El nuevo sistema proporciona una manera fácil para que la escuela puede interactuar con los futuros estudiantes y las familias durante todo el proceso de admisión. La aplicación en línea segura está diseñada específicamente para

escuelas técnicas y vocacionales para administrar mejor el proceso de admisión. Bay Path puede rastrear y monitor fácilmente todo el proceso de implementación desde el registro hasta la inscripción.

Los consejeros de Bay Path visitarán cada una de las escuelas intermedias en sus diez distritos a principios de este otoño para hacer presentaciones a los estudiantes. El 12 de octubre, los estudiantes de grado 8 están invitados a hacer una gira por Bay Path durante el día escolar. Los estudiantes serán recogidos en su escuela intermedia por los autobuses de Bay Path y regresados a su escuela después de la gira. Cuatro días más tarde, el 16 de octubre, la escuela realizará

su acto anual de Puertas Abiertas para los estudiantes y los padres / tutores de 6-8 pm.

Todos los estudiantes y familias que desean inscribirse en Bay Path para el otoño de 2019 deberán ir a www.baypath.net y buscar el botón rojo APLICAR. La aplicación está disponible en más de 100 idiomas. Las instrucciones fáciles de seguir están incorporadas en el software. La escuela espera trabajar con los estudiantes de grado 8 y sus familias y tutores mientras exploran la posibilidad de asistir a Bay Path el próximo año. Bay Path no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, identidad de género, discapacidad, religión u orientación sexual.

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Baby boomer toys

In my last column, I discussed the history of toys and shared some valuable old toy prices. We often find toys from the 1950s and 1960s in the estates that we handle. Despite there being so many '50s and '60s toys produced for the Baby Boomer generation, some are still quite valuable.



ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES
WAYNE TUISKULA

There are too many types of mid-century toys to cover them all, but I'll describe some of the most popular and valuable. Character toys are one type that remain very popular with collectors. Superhero toys command some of the highest prices. A 1958 tin Linemar tank that Superman halts and lifts sold for \$5,500 in a November 2017 auction. A similar tank, this one featuring Popeye rescuing Olive Oyl, fetched \$14,000. A 1967 mint in box Ideal Toys Captain Action Spiderman sold for over \$7,100. A Japanese Yanoman Batman car with the box brought \$8,500 at a May 2018 auction. A mint in box 1966 Batman playset sold for \$10,000 in 2016.

Barbies are some of the most popular dolls from the '50s and

'60s. A 1959 #2 brunette doll in a Sweet Dreams silhouette box sold for \$5,500 in 2015 and a blonde #1 in near mint condition with the box brought \$9,000 in 2011.

Space toys and robots are another example of desirable toys. Masudaya's Gang of Five toy robots, from the late '50s and '60s, are some of the most highly collectible toys of the era.

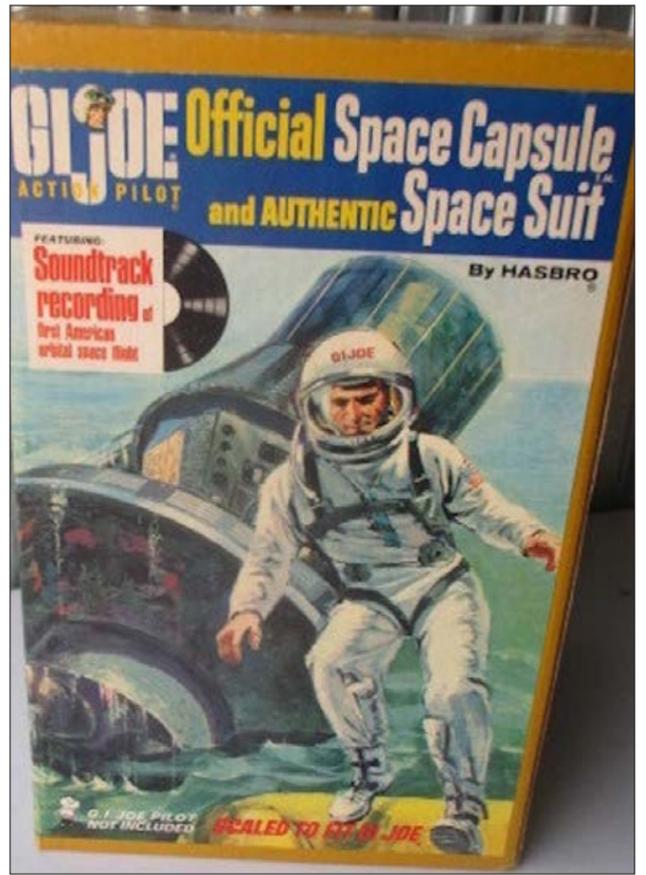
The five robots are: Radicon robot, Giant Sonic robot, Non Stop robot, Target robot and Machine Man robot. Masudaya Nonstop robot brought \$6,000 at a 2012 auction. A Giant Sonic robot sold for \$7,000 in a 2012 auction. A Target robot with the box sold at auction for \$20,500 April 2011. A Radicon robot with original box sold for \$25,000 in 2014. A Machine Man robot reached \$38,000 at auction in 2012.

Many other toys from the era have also brought great prices at auction. A rare Lesney Matchbox No.30 Magirus Deutz Crane recently sold for over

\$4,600. A 1965 James Bond 007 Road Race set sold for \$5,100. A Frankenstein bobble head sold for \$5,150 in 2008. Four 1960s GI Joe military police figures and accessories sold for \$5,500 at auction. A PEZ store display box picturing Bozo, Bullwinkle, Popeye, Mickey Mouse and other characters recently sold for \$9,999. Mint condition toys from the '50s and '60s could earn you plenty of money to play with.

Our live toy and collectibles auction will be on Sept. 27 in Worcester. I'll be teaching my "Evaluating your antiques" class on Oct. 15 at the Bay Path Evening School in Charlton. We are planning a multi-estate antique auction on Oct. 25. I'll also be appraising items for the Winchendon Historical Society's appraisal event on Oct. 28 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. See www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other upcoming events.

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Create a Healthy Foundation for Fall Plantings

Fall is a great time to start a garden or renovate an existing planting bed. The soil is warm while the air is cool – a perfect combination for establishing new plantings. It is also a great time to prepare gardens for the next planting season. Investing time up front to create a healthy foundation for your plants will pay off with years of beautiful, healthy and productive gardens.



GARDEN MOMENTS
MELINDA MYERS

When you read plant tags and seed packets you'll find that the majority of plants prefer moist well-drained soil. Unfortunately, most gardeners aren't growing in plant-friendly soils. Heavy clay, sandy and droughty soils are much more common. Understanding what you have is the best place to start when creating a healthy soil foundation for new and existing gardens.

Start with a soil test. Contact the local office of your Extension Service or state certified soil testing lab for details. They can direct you on how to take a soil test and where to send the sample. The test results will tell you how much, if any, fertilizer, lime, or sulfur is needed. Following soil test recommendations can save you money spent on and time applying unnecessary soil additives. Plus, following the results will increase your gardening success.

While waiting for the results you can do a bit of analysis yourself. Soils are made of clay, sand, and silt particles.

The feel and cohesive nature of this sample will tell you a bit about your soil. Take a handful of soil and create a ribbon by rubbing it through your thumb and index finger to get a feel for your soil type.

If the soil easily forms a ball or rolls into a sausage shape, feels slippery when wet and smoother when dry, you have a high percent of clay in your soil. Soils with a high percent of the very small clay particles are often called heavy soils. They stay wet longer and hold onto soil nutrients. Clay soils are slow to dry out and warm up in the spring. Avoid working them when wet. This leads to compaction and clods you will be contending with all season long.

Soils with a larger percent of sand particles don't form a ball when moist and feel gritty to the touch. The much larger sand particles create bigger pores in the soil for water and nutrients to move through quickly. They tend to be nutrient deficient, fast draining and dry. But they warm up and dry quickly in the spring.

Silt feels smooth like flour when dry and soapy slick when wet. They are the middle-sized particles that hold water and nutrients longer than sand, but not as much as clay particles. Silty soils drain slower and stay colder longer than sandy soils in the spring. Overworking soils with a high percent of silt leads to crusting and compaction, decreasing

drainage and water infiltration.

Consult your soil test report when preparing your new garden beds. Prior to planting is the easiest time to add organic matter to any of these soil types. It increases the water-holding ability, the infiltration rate so less water runs off the soil surface and builds plant-friendly soil structure. Incorporate several inches of compost, aged manure or other organic matter into the top eight to twelve inches of soil.

Further improve your soil by using a slow release fertilizer with a high percent of organic matter like Milorganite (milorganite.com). The 85% organic matter feeds the soil microorganisms and your plants as it improves all soil types. You get multiple benefits with this type of fertilizer.

So, as you plan your new landscape additions this fall, include testing and amending the existing soil into your plans. Understanding your soil can help you create a strong foundation important to the health, longevity and beauty of your gardens and landscapes.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything: Food Gardening for Everyone"* DVD set and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by Milorganite for her expertise to write this article. Myers' web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.



Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Shemar and I like to read and be read to.

Shemar is an adorable 6 year old boy of Caucasian and African American descent. Active and busy Shemar likes to play outside on his bike and his scooter. He also likes to read, play with Legos, play with his superhero figures, coloring and watching movies. He gets along well with all in his foster family including his foster dad, mom and 3 foster siblings. He needs clear expectations and limits and then he can easily follow a routine

Entering 1st grade in fall 2018 Shemar does well in school with the help of a sticker chart. He gets along well with his teachers and with his school peers.

Free for adoption, Shemar would do well in any family constellation with or

without other children in the home. The ideal family will need to keep him active, loved and provide him with a structured home with clear routines and limits. He has sibling with whom he would like to maintain contact with monthly. Right now, they visit with Shemar monthly.

Who Can Adopt?

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

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

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at 617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or visit www.mareinc.org. The sooner you call, the sooner a waiting child will have "a permanent place to call HOME."

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Charlton holds 122nd Old Home Day

The town of Charlton held its 122nd Old Home Day event on Labor Day Monday, Sept. 3 bringing a large crowd of guests from near and far to celebrate the history, culture and community of Charlton. Local businesses and organizations set up booths to network with residents and visitors while numerous activities and displays showcased the fun and diversity of the town of Charlton. The day-long event took place on the town Common with activities ranging from the Scottish Highland Games to dance demonstrations, live music, interactive games and more all closing out with a parade through the streets of Charlton.



Jason Bleau Photos

Addison Paradis of Charlton takes a ride on horseback courtesy of Blessing Farm



Eli Harmon and Matthew Gard challenge each other in the UMass Cancer Walk Cornhole for Cancer game



Local art was on display in the Charlton Town Hall where visitors could vote on their favorite pieces from different age groups



The students of Lee Irish Dance show off their skills in one of many displays of local talent during Old Home Day

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A few local youngsters try their hand at the rock wall



Gamesman Trevor helps a local youngster put together a free ribbon to wave through Old Home Day



Cub Scout Pack 165 of Charlton poses for a photo at their booth during Charlton's Old Home Day

Goose, goose, grouse....



Photos courtesy Fat Nancy's Bait

King salmon season is roaring on the Salmon River

The first segment of goose hunting opened in Massachusetts this past Tuesday, but it provided very little action for local hunters. Even if there were birds available to shoot at, the weather was too hot for this writer, and using a dog in this weather to retrieve them would have been a bit too much for them also. Gunners hunting on the water would at least provide some relief for the dog. I am sure some goose hunters did very well outside of the Valley area. Hunting private golf courses and fields still produce the best action during the early goose season!

Eight local bear hunters from the Valley had a great time in Maine last week with six out of eight hunters harvesting a black bear. One bear weighed in at more than 500 pounds but was not harvested by their group. The extreme warm weather had the hunters hoping for cooler weather, and when it arrived it proved to be just what the bear hunters needed. Changes in the regulations to register their bear caught many hunters by surprise. Some of the regular Mom & Pop tackle shops had their big game registration license discontinued because they could not use the computers to compile the data that Maine Fish & Wildlife required under the new regulations. One particular check station was given only one week to comply. This put a very unusual burden on bear hunters that tried to register their harvested bear. A 40 minute ride to a licensed check station to comply with the new regulations, had many hunters upset with the last minute changes. Fish & Wildlife personnel wonder why hunting licenses are down??

Hiring a new Fish & Wildlife biologist and other personnel to run the agencies need to require them to not only have degrees in their particular field, but they also need to make sure they have the sportsman that pay their salaries, are being represented. A little common sense would also be nice!! Too often brilliant minds lack any common sense. Making sure that new hires hunt or fish should be one of the requirements before being selected for the job.

The stocking of trout in local lakes and ponds by Mass Fish & Wildlife should start soon but the water temperature needs to drop a lot more before the fish are distributed in local waters. Rushing the stocking of trout could prove to be disastrous to the trout if the temperatures are too high at the time of stocking. It would sure be a waste of sportsmen's monies to lose the fish because the stocking of trout was too soon. The trout can also get infected with a truck and be placed in a stocking truck and bounced around prior to stocking. It is not a pretty sight and the trout will eventu-



THE GREAT
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ally die. Last week this writer talked about the grouse population in the Valley and in neighboring states. It drew a lot of response from our readers an although some of the younger generation of bird hunters never experienced the great grouse hunting that we old timers enjoyed back in the '60s in the Valley, they do not miss it as much as we do. The heath hen was another game bird in the '50s that became extinct because of problems of mismanagement and numerous other problems. We do not want to see this happen to the grouse. Hopefully Mass Fish & Wildlife will become more involved with reasons for the dramatic population drop in this once fast flying game bird. Loss of proper cover and West Nile are a couple of reasons that have been uncovered, but more needs to be done.

With the Massachusetts bird hunting season only weeks away, there is little for the average upland bird hunter to enjoy afield this fall, other than pheasant hunting. Woodcock have also hit an all time low in the Valley. With an annual limit of six pheasant per bird hunter, there is little reason for owning a dog like a setter or pointer unless you have deep pockets and can hunt a couple of hunting preserves once a week. It is the sign of the times! I guess I just miss the good old days!!!!

Fat Nancy's Tackle Shop in Pulaski NY reported fantastic fishing on Lake Ontario for king salmon this past week. A few salmon have entered the river but it will be a week or two longer before fishing explodes with action on the Salmon River. The water was running at 335 cfs as of last week. This week's two pictures were courtesy of Fat Nancy's last year on the Salmon River. You have not had a real fish on the end of your rod until you hook up with a king salmon!!

The Canal got hot for a few days last week with anglers catching numerous strippers daily. There were many fish that tipped the scales at 30 pounds but very few were considered monsters. Stay Tuned!

The Whitinsville fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field Day on Sept. 22 this year at the club grounds on White Court in Douglas. The event is open to the public. Grounds open at noon. Plenty of free parking is available. An old fashion clambake with all of the fixings will be only a portion of the great food available at the event. A chicken barbecue will also be available. Plenty of entertainment, and dancing to a DJ will also provide some great music for young and old. Don't Miss It. See You There.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



Guitarist Chris Chute provides some lovely melodies



Charlton Old Home Day allowed teams of men and women to take part in some classic Scottish Highland Games including the hammer throw

Please join the Quiet Corner's three independent schools, Pomfret, Rectory and Marianapolis, for a series of events showcasing the benefits and value of private school education. To RSVP to any of the events, please email admissions@rectoryschool.org.

The series kicks off Tuesday, September 18 at 6:00pm at Victoria Station's upstairs event space with the Heads of School from all three.



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EDITORIAL

FYI – IMO

If you use Facebook, or your cell phone. If you message or Twitter, you probably know the new shorthand, or at least a bit of it.

It is frustrating to know, despite the very best efforts of English teachers everywhere, the new crop of students in school right now will eventually lose all knowledge of grammar, punctuation, spelling and sentence structure as they continue to communicate only in word bites of 140 characters or less.

We heard recently of someone who wrote a 'novel' using Twitter B/C, YOLO & they could.

If that is so, how small could the newspaper be, if we could CYE, dl, and Twitter the results directly with XOXO to our readers? YNT?

Of course, for most people, they wouldn't be getting the information they really needed; certainly never TMI. W/E.

Well, OBS.

There are some problems, beyond being understood with this language barrier; and parents are being warned to learn this new shorthand quickly as their kids have found ways to communicate in code. Sometimes to their own detriment.

Kids will find another way, if their parents figure it out of course, they always do. It's part of the rebellion IIRC.

FWIW, and AFAIK, there are no plans in the works to change the usual way of doing business at our own level. We will continue to double check our facts, edit for grammar and punctuation NTN.

Some of this shorthand is quickly recognizable of course, like ETA, TLC, OMG, or even LOL; in use so long and by so many they are no longer a mystery.

And a few need a good foreign language translator: TTFN (ta ta for now); or GOMB (get off my back), apparently in general use by teens worldwide.

We're just SMH (shaking my head) and realizing IDKWTD (I don't know what to do) with this information.

A language made only of initials completely understood by those in the know reminds us of an old Star Trek episode in which the entire population spoke in well know parables. Speaking just the name of the parable described an entire situation; that for the citizens gave them context. For the crew of the Enterprise, it was an infallible mystery.

And that is where we are at this point in our language development, as our younger, more savvy and technologically advanced citizens do initial speak to one another; they have a POA that OBS leaves out an entire 90 percent of the older citizens in the entire world. IKR?

So while you are geeking out over there at the veiled threat contained by this situation, realize this; in less than 10 years since the messaging world was invented, we could have written this entire essay in almost entirely initials, and only people younger than 25 could have read it.

As it is, we may have to translate those enigmatic initials we DID give you, but we can end with one those youngsters may scratch their heads over.

It may be that this is entirely a SNAFU.



TOUCH DOWN!
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Car care and tips

Summer will soon be a memory, but few simple pleasures compare to cruising down the highway with the fresh breeze blowing in the open window! While savoring late season joyrides are a summer tradition, do you really know how much that carefree cruise is costing you in gas? And are you sure your tires are giving you your money's worth? For answers to these questions, along with some frugal car washing tips, read on!



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

pay to slow down!

Here are some tips for the do it yourself car washer:

Experts claim you should wash your car every ten days, and especially after it rains or snows. Waxing is recommended only every six months.

From Consumer Reports: When rinsing, use a hose without a nozzle and let the water flow over the car from top to bottom. This creates a sheeting action that helps minimize pooling of water.

Did you know more frequent waxes are needed if your car is red, black or white? The reason for this is because these colors are more susceptible to acid rain and UV rays. And one of the most critical times to wash your vehicle is immediately after a rainfall. Even after the lightest rain shower, the water evaporates, but the acid remains on the vehicle's finish.

When you wash your car, be sure to use a separate sponge to clean the wheels and tires. They may be coated with sand, brake dust, and other debris that could mar the car's finish.

Never wash your car when the body is hot, such as immediately after driving it or after it has been parked in direct sunlight for a while. Heat speeds the drying of soap and water, making washing more difficult and increasing the chances that spots or deposits will form.

If you need to get all the water off the car, try using your leaf blower. It will blast water from even the tiniest crevices.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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

Consider financial gifts for your grandchildren

National Grandparents Day was observed on Sept. 9. If you're a grandparent, you may get some gifts or cards – or maybe even a phone call! But you might feel that it's better to give than to receive, especially when it comes to your grandchildren. And you can make a real difference in their lives by making a financial gift for their future.



FINANCIAL FOCUS
JEFF BURDICK

For starters, think about your grandchildren's education. If college or some type of vocational school is in their future, you may want to help them meet some of the costs, which can be considerable. One common education-savings vehicle is a 529 savings plan. With this plan, earnings on withdrawals are tax free, provided they are used for qualified education expenses. (Keep in mind that 529 savings plan distributions not used for qualified expenses may be subject to ordinary income tax and a 10% IRS penalty on the earnings.) You also may be eligible for a state income tax incentive for contributing to a 529 savings plan. Check with your tax advisor about these incentives, as well as all tax-related issues pertaining to 529 savings plans.

A 529 savings plan's contribution limits are quite generous. And, as the owner of a 529 plan, you have flexibility in choosing where the money goes – if your grandchild decides against college or another type of advanced education, you can transfer the plan to another beneficiary. And due to recent tax law changes, the scope of 529 plans has been expanded to include qualified withdrawals of up to \$10,000 for tuition expenses per year per beneficiary at public, private or religious elementary or secondary schools. Be aware, though, that a 529 savings plan could affect any financial assistance your grandchild might receive. Although a 529 plan owned by a grandparent won't be reported as an asset on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), withdrawals from the plan are treated as untaxed income to the beneficiary (i.e., your grandchild) — and that has a big impact on financial aid. So, you may want to contact a financial aid professional about the potential effects of any gifts you're considering.

A 529 savings plan isn't the only financial gift you could give to your grandchildren. You also might consider giving them shares of stock, possibly held in a custodial account, usually known as an UTMA or UGMA account. However, you only control a custodial account until your grandchildren reach the age of majority as defined by state law, at which time they take it over. They then can use the money for whatever they want – and their plans may not have anything to do with books or classes. Still, your grandchildren might be particularly interested in owning the stocks contained in the custodial account – many young people enjoy owning shares of companies that make familiar products. And your gift may even get your grandchildren interested in long-term investing. No matter what type of financial gifts you give to your grandchildren, make sure you keep enough money to pay for your own needs. It's important to balance your personal savings needs with your desire to be generous. Giving financial gifts can be rewarding – to you and your grandchildren. Consider exploring some possibilities soon.

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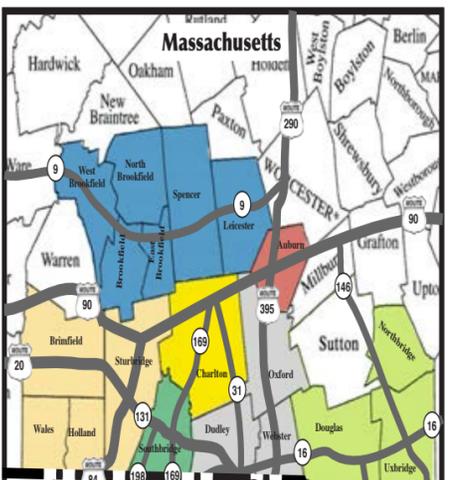
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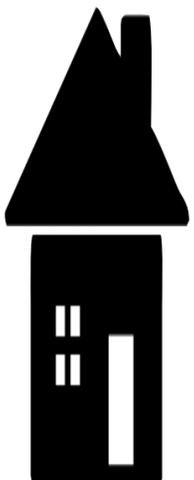
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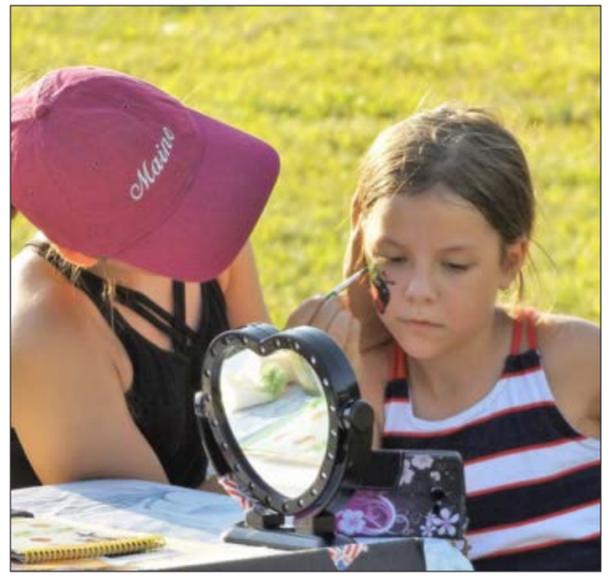
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SPORTS

Gillespie (4 TD's) outduels Lazo (3 TD's) as Bay Path edges Pioneers



Nick Ethier photos

Bay Path quarterback Michael Keeler sends a pass down the far sideline.



Xavier Adamuska of Bay Path runs past his defender upon catching a pass.



Bay Path's passing game was on target as the Minutemen completed 16 passes, including this one here.



Defender Nicholas Marcotte of Bay Path drags down Southbridge's ball carrier.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

SOUTHBIDGE — Simply put, the final score of the Bay Path Regional versus Southbridge High varsity football game could have been 4-3. That is because when the two teams took to Harry J. McMahon Field on Friday night, Sept. 7, the Minutemen's Tyler Gillespie scored four touchdowns to Garrett Lazo of the Pioneers' three to make a 28-20 victory for the visitors.

"He's young and he's figuring it out as we go," Fall began on Gillespie. "He's really liking contact and he's just raw talent. I couldn't be more proud of him. He's a sophomore that came through in a big moment. He's definitely someone to look forward to in the future."

Fall and Southbridge head coach Frank Koumanelis also had strong words on Lazo.

"Garrett Lazo, that kid put his team on his back and carried them," said Fall. "Hats off to him because he was a warrior out there for them."

"I thought Garrett Lazo had a heck of a football game, both ways," added Koumanelis of Lazo playing both fullback and defensive end. "I think we've got to start using him a lot more. He's a tough kid."

Gillespie had nine carries for 77 yards

and a trio of touchdowns, plus three receptions for 43 yards and another score. Lazo rushed 10 times for 40 yards and a touchdown, and also grabbed three passes for 35 yards and another TD.

The Pioneers scored first on their opening drive of the season. Alex Torres scampered for a 20-yard gain on the second play from scrimmage, and Lazo eventually scored from 2 yards out to make it 6-0 early.

The Minutemen responded on their first drive, as Gillespie had a 26-yard run four plays before grabbing a 14-yard pass from quarterback Michael Keeler for the touchdown. Keeler then connected with Joseph Rosario for the two-point conversion to make it 8-6 in Bay Path's favor.

At halftime the score remained 8-6 until a wild, back-and-forth second half ensued.

There, the Minutemen took a 14-6 lead when Gillespie strolled into the end zone from 5 yards out, but the Pioneers cut into the lead, 14-12, when quarterback John Cortez threw an 18-yard TD pass to Lazo.

Then, with 4:56 to play in the fourth quarter, Southbridge regained the lead. Facing a fourth-and-goal from the 6, Lazo barreled his way up the middle

and in for the score. Cortez then hit Simon Gonyea with a two-point pass to make it 20-14.

Bay Path rallied, though, and tied the score at 20-20 with 2:35 to play. There, following a Southbridge offside penalty on fourth down, Gillespie took advantage of the flag and scored from 2 yards out.

After forcing the Pioneers to go three-and-out and punt, the Minutemen scored with just 51 seconds to play. Gillespie found the end zone from 6 yards out and tacked on the two-point conversion to make it 28-20.

"It was a dig deep moment," Fall said of the game's waning moments. "I thought that these guys have been preparing hard, they've been playing hard, they've been forcing each other to

be better in practice, and I think when things were tough on the line they kind of gathered together and they were able to take care of business. Hopefully this transfers into another week of hard work."

Fall was proud to have beaten a Southern Worcester County League team before facing another one in Bartlett High on Friday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at Webster's Memorial Athletic Field.

"Any time we play a SWCL team it's going to be a tough game," said Fall. "Even though we're a 10-town school, border wars are huge. It's all sending schools and you can never discount that type of rivalry."

And despite the loss, Koumanelis knows that his team battled hard and is a better group than 2017's squad that finished 1-10.

"We're a better football team than last year. These kids are committed. They were freshmen and sophomores last year, so now they're sophomores and juniors," he said. "I think they played their heart out tonight, but penalties killed us. We shot ourselves in the foot."

Southbridge will play at Ayer-Shirley Regional, also on Friday at 7 p.m.



Quarterback John Cortez of Southbridge has plenty of time in the pocket to throw a pass down the field.

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SPORTS

Shepherd Hill falls short to Marlborough in Brotherton's debut



Avery List of Shepherd Hill fights through two defenders for possession of the ball.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Four different players scored — two in each half — for Marlborough High's girls' varsity soccer team, which ruined the debut of Shepherd Hill Regional's new head coach Amanda Brotherton, beating the Rams, 4-0, on Tuesday, Sept. 4 at Carmignani Field.

The game was the season-opener for both teams.

"Marlborough has a very strong team; they've got some great talent," Brotherton said. "It's nice to see where we're at so I can move on and make some changes. We have the potential; we've just got to make it work."

Brotherton, who teaches at Shepherd Hill, replaces Sarah Garneau, who also teaches at the school.

Despite that fact that she surrendered all four of the Panthers' goals, Shepherd Hill goaltender Alyssa Trueman was clearly the Rams' best player on the pitch against Marlborough.

"Alyssa is very strong," Brotherton said of her net-

minder. "She's a very good goalie with a lot of talent and a lot of heart."

Trueman finished the game with seven saves, including a pair of diving and leaping stops. The final score of the game could have easily been double what it was had it not been for the play of the senior, who along with Reese Hammond, serves as a team captain for the Rams.

Marlborough took a 1-0 lead in the game's 14th minute, junior Madelyn Seder scoring from right in front of the net, faking a move to her right before firing the ball into the left side of the goal. The Panthers doubled their lead with 6:32 left in the first half, freshman Lindsay Lefebvre scoring on a long shot from the right side that got over Trueman's head and nestling into the upper left corner.

Seniors Carrie Sibole and Halle "The Wizard" McCabe each scored in the first eight minutes of the second half to put the game away for Marlborough.

Offensively, Shepherd Hill appeared to struggle putting

any momentum together. While the Rams did carry the play into the Marlborough net at times, they were unable to have any extended pressure on the Panthers' net.

"The talent level that I have up top is something I have to work on," Brotherton said. "We have to be cohesive; our practices have shown that. I think putting it out on the field tonight in our first game we had some first-game jitters and we spent a lot of time trying to figure each other out. It was a challenge for us, but now we know what we need to work on and we can go forward from here."

Shepherd Hill faced the Auburn High girls' varsity team in a scrimmage during the last week of preseason and defeated the Rockets, 3-0.

"We have it," Brotherton said. "We just need to find it."

Brotherton, who said several of the Rams' players have returned to the team after not playing last season, believes good on-field communication is important to winning games. "Communication on the field is extremely key," Brotherton said. "I have four seniors that lead the team and a lot of the communication [against Marlborough] came from them. I think some of the other girls are trying to step into some sort of leadership roles so I want to make sure that their communication is on and they're learning to trust each other in the process."

"When we did communicate on the field, that's when we actually moved the ball around and got the ball out wide and used our outside midfielders the way we should have," Brotherton added. "That's one thing I've been working on and I've been pushing to work on with them."

Brotherton is well-known in girls' and women's soccer circles, both locally and nationally.

Known then as Amanda Brodeur, Brotherton was a standout soccer player at Auburn High, graduating in 2004. While at Auburn — she was inducted into the Rockets'



Maddie Marsh of Shepherd Hill plays a ball in the air.

Mathew S. Plamondon photos

Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016 — she helped lead the girls' soccer team to three Central Mass. titles and was a four-year SWCL All-Star as well as a Central Mass. and All-State All-Star for three years. She also played varsity basketball and ran indoor and outdoor track at Auburn.

After high school Brotherton attended William & Mary University in Williamsburg,

Va., where she played Division 1 soccer for The Tribe on an athletic scholarship and helped lead the team to three NCAA appearances. She has previously served as a head girls' soccer coach at St. Peter-Marian High School and as an assistant women's soccer coach at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., and at the College of the Holy Cross.



Shepherd Hill's Maria Holland dribbles the ball up the field.

Rams hang with powerhouse Wachusett until giving way in second half

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Despite having given up a double-digit number of goals two days earlier to Central Mass. powerhouse Marlborough High, the Shepherd Hill Regional boys' varsity soccer team battled the Mountaineers of Wachusett Regional every step of the way in the game between the two teams on Thursday, Sept. 6 at Carmignani Field — and it showed.

Wachusett won the game, 4-0, thanks to a pair of second-half goals by Kevin Skagerlind and single markers by Luke Miller and Tanner Gigliotti, but the Rams showed that they can play with the top-tier teams in the area as the game was tied, 0-0, after the first 40 minutes.

For the Mountaineers, the game with Shepherd Hill was their season-opener; the Rams fell to 0-2 on the young season with the loss.

"We played so well in the first half; they threw everything they could at us and our keeper kept making good save after good save," Shepherd Hill first-year head coach Tim Cormier said. "I'd like to have the first three goals we allowed back."

The first two goals, which came in a four-minute span in the first 10 minutes of the second half were, according to Cormier, a result of the game conditions — it rained off and on throughout the game.

"They were a result of a wet ball on wet turf getting under the goalie," he said. "That was a blow to the team. The boys had been working very hard up to that point and that was a defeating aspect. Then, the third goal, from my perspective came right after a handball by a Wachusett player. On the play my player stopped, thinking there was going to be a whistle and it gave [Wachusett] the room it needed to score the ball. So, those three were easily avoidable goals, given the circumstances."

The significance of being in a scoreless tie with one of the dominant programs in the area was not lost on Cormier.



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Shepherd Hill's Alex Benoit fights off two defenders for possession of the ball.



Ethan Lilley of Shepherd Hill throws a ball from out of bounds.



Shepherd Hill's Matt Nguyen dribbles the ball through midfield.

"I was in a good mood after the game. I thought that we played well. Wachusett is a big program; we highlight the games with those teams — the Wachusetts, the Marlboroughs, the Algonquins — basically our league, so we know what we're in for," Cormier said. "So, for it to be 0-0 at half, I was super excited. And I was pumped after the game, too. I knew for the kids the loss was terrible and that they had just worked really hard, but I was positive. We're trying to build something here and I think we took a very positive first step with the way we played against Wachusett in the first half."

Cormier said several Shepherd Hill defensive players performed well against Wachusett, starting in net with Jake Fortin. The junior made seven saves in the first half, including a few of the diving, leaping and lunging variety.

"Jake is a madman; he is just so focused and intense in his approach. He was everywhere in that first half," Cormier said. "I feel bad that through

two games he's got 14 goals allowed, but I feel confident with him back there. And I know the boys really appreciate what he brings to the team. His intensity is where it needs to be."

While the entire defense in the first half caught Cormier's eye, the play of Cam Hackett, Matt Nguyen and Gabe Roach really got his attention.

"Cam is a sophomore center back. Last year I just dropped him back there in the middle as a freshman because he had confidence for the position and a body to play the position, and he's really stepped up. Last night he made so many plays that were all hard work and will," Cormier said. "Matt is a sophomore captain for us. He plays in the midfield and he leads by example. He's steady; he never puts his head down and he does the work."

Roach, a freshman who was making his first varsity start, is a midfielder.

"I thought Gabe player really well," Cormier said.

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they have grown. Emilie Smeltzer, the club's historian and co-chair of the flower show event, said that 2018 had a special theme acknowledging one of the most famous plant illustrators of our time.

"The club has been in existence 81 years. Every year we have a different theme. This year it was based on the gardening illustrator from Holland, Marjolein Bastin. She wrote books and she does water colors. We themed our categories using her work as inspiration. It's just club members. Last year our theme was 'Around the World in 80 Years' so the theme covered different countries," Smeltzer said.

For the members of the Garden Club, the flower show is more than just a chance to embrace a theme. Since there's no prizes or rewards for best in show it's all

about showing the very best Charlton has to offer using the theme as inspiration for creating a presentable and memorable piece. Smeltzer said every year visitors enjoy seeing what club members come up with and 2018 was especially popular thanks in part to the location. Because the show is held in the Charlton Federated Church, the allure of air conditioning on a hot Labor Day made the flower show a popular stop for guests.

"Our visitors have enjoyed it. They compliment how nice and beautiful everything is and they want to know more about the plants. We have nametags that identify the plants, so people will know what our members have grown and what will grow here in the town," Smeltzer said.

Ginny Charette, co-chair of the Charlton Garden Club, said seeing that support is important for the group, because it not only helps spread awareness of the

flora that can thrive in Charlton it also makes people aware the club exists and helps spread their longstanding mission to embrace and raise awareness of the hidden beauty in their town.

"We want to show what's grown in Charlton," Charette said. "We don't do prizes or anything like that. It's a show of what can grow here in Charlton and we appreciate that people show an interest."

The Charlton Garden Club holds meetings and forums nearly monthly and is always looking for more support. Those interested can visit the club's website at www.charltongarden.club.

Jason Bleau Photos

More than 20 members of the Charlton Garden Club participated in the groups annual flower show during Old Home Day in Charlton displaying numerous plant projects showcasing the hidden beauty of the town.



Charlton Veteran Frank Gaylord is honored with a Community Service award



Roland and Nancy Jackson are named the Honorary Parade Marshals for the Charlton Old Home Day Parade



Matt Gagner proudly accepts the Business Award for his local company Advantage Enterprises



Jody Maskell (center) poses with town officials and state legislators after receiving a Community Service award.



5. Cutter Beck received the Youth Award as well as citations from Senator Anne Gobi and state Representative Peter Durant

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story of commitment to their town. Some gave through helping organizations, others through patriotism, but all of them were unanimously voted as award winners after being nominated by members of the community at large.

It was a particularly special honor for Jody Maskell, who got to celebrate her honor with her father who turned 100 years old earlier this year. Maskell held back tears as she shared her emotions about being selected as an honoree.

"It's very generous. You never do things by yourself. I have a lot of support from family and friends and from my Helping Hands Society membership and others so when you can receive something like this you have to extend it to everybody," Maskell said. "My father is a hundred years old this past March and we try to bring him to events like this so he can enjoy them to so it's nice to have him here to be a part of it."

Karen Fierro and Frank Gaylord also expressed gratitude and their sincere thanks to the town for honoring them while Gail Stokes and Brenna Ann Larson were not able to attend the ceremony in person to accept their awards.

The next to be honored was young Cutter Beck who was recognized for his longstanding work as a volunteer with Chip In as a local Scout. Since

beginning his work with the organization, he has helped with initiatives, and in the eighth grade he even held a drive filling two vans full of food. It's this commitment that earned the young man the Youth Award which he humbly accepted.

"I like being recognized a lot, but I don't do what I do for recognition. It does feel good and it's appreciated," said Beck.

The biggest award of the day was the Citizen of the Year Award which was presented to local educator Erin Anderson who, despite living in Dudley, has become known as an important asset to the youth of Charlton, helping inspire them to think green and to respect not only their town but the planet they call home. Anderson said it was an unexpected but great honor to be informed of the award.

"I'm humbled. I've worked in Charlton Middle School for 18 years as a teacher and I was shocked. I'm involved in the Earth Day here and I try to get my students as involved as I can there," Anderson said. "I want them to be responsible and caring citizens in the town and of the Earth in general so it's nice to be recognized for it." "It is nice that people recognize what you do and the work you put in. I love this community. I've had a lot of kids come through the fifth grade and met a lot of the families and all of them have

become near and dear to my heart." Other awards handed out at Old Home Day were the Business Award which was presented to Advantage Enterprises, Inc. and owner Matt Gagner while the honorary parade marshals were revealed to be Roland and

Nancy Jackson who helped lead the Old Home Day Parade to close out the annual Labor Day celebration. While that was a great honor itself, they also took pride in the fact, granddaughter Stella Worters was first place Charlton resident in the Old Home Day road race.

OBITUARIES

Therese A. Brodeur, 85



STURBRIDGE - Therese A. Brodeur, 85, of Pleasant Pkwy, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 5th, in the Overlook Health Care Center, Charlton, after an illness.

She leaves her five daughters, Judith M. (Paquin) Payeur and her husband David of Southbridge, Denise T. (Paquin) Dargie and her husband Michael of Southbridge, Betty Anne (Paquin) Marino and her husband Dan of Woodstock, CT, Jane M. Paquin of Auburn and Amy L. (Paquin) Lemieux and her wife Cindy Graybill of Ware; a brother, Robert E. Brodeur of Charlton; a very special friend, Robin Rano, her close friend Barbara Vosburt, her beloved dog Max; her grandchildren, great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Therese was born in Southbridge the daughter of Edmond and Eva (Bosse) Brodeur.

She graduated from Notre Dame High School. Therese worked for JI Morris, Galileo, Russell Harrington and Sturbridge Host in the gift shop. She later worked at Big Y and as a greeter

at Walmart. Therese enjoyed traveling, playing Scrabble and Words with Friends. She was a member of Notre Dame Church of St. John Paul II Parish and its Ladies of St. Anne's Sodality. Therese was an active member and volunteer at the Sturbridge Senior Center and this past May she received citations from both the State Senate as well as the House of Representatives for her significant contributions to the Sturbridge Senior Center and her dedication to community service and her commitment to her family, friends and neighbors.

The family would like to thank Christopher Hart of Overlook Hospice for all his care and support, the staff and nurses from skilled nursing SNF2 for their loving care especially Marie, Jamie and Kamby.

A Memorial Mass for Therese will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29th at 10:00am in Notre Dame Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 446 Main St., Southbridge. Burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

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

www.morrillfuneralhome.com

Marcia J. Jewell, 75



MONSON - Marcia J. (Wiles) Jewell, 75, of Colonial Village, formerly of Webster, passed away Thursday, August 30, 2018 in Brookside Rehab & Healthcare Center, Webster, after an illness.

She leaves 4 children, Daniel R. Jewell of North Grafton, Darlene M. Jewell and Scott W. Jewell, both of Webster, and Chad A. Jewell of Monson; 5 grandchildren, Donald, Victoria, Tyler, Althea and Caleb; a brother, David Wiles of Fort Lauderdale, FL.; a special sister-in-law, Gloria Van Van of Webster; and 7 nieces and nephews.

She was born in Malden and raised in Shrewsbury, the daughter of Sidney and Eleanor (Knipe) Wiles. She attended Oxford High School. She resided in Oxford and North Grafton, in Webster for 16 years until 1993, and then in Palmer and Monson.

Marcia was a specialist doll maker. She owned and operated Marcia's Dolls in Webster and then in Palmer. She created soft sculpture, porcelain and reborn dolls and also repaired antique dolls.

As she wished, no services are planned. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster.

www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com

Anthony Grybowski



CHARLTON - Anthony G. Grybowski, 21, died at home Tuesday, August 28, 2018.

He is survived by his twin sons James and Bryce Grybowski and a daughter Sally Marie Grybowski all

of Charlton, fiancée Sarah Langley of Charlton, his mother and step-father Donna (Pelkey) and Joseph Senosk of Constable, New York, his father Stephen Grybowski of Ware, MA, a brother Christopher Grybowski of Lake Placid, NY, his maternal grandparents Paulette and Gerald Gauthier of Constable, NY, maternal grandfather Bruce Pelkey of

Duane, NY, and his grandmother "G". He also leaves an uncle Bruce Pelkey, and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Anthony was born in Southbridge, September 17, 1996. He graduated from high school earning his GED, and worked as a landscaper for several years. He was a former member of Notre Dame Church.

He lived many years in Southbridge, and in Malone, NY, before returning back to Massachusetts.

A Prayer Service was held at NOON on Saturday, September 1, 2018, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial services will be private. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Ann Marie Dumont, 76



DOUGLAS - Ann Marie (LeBel) Dumont, 76, of Douglas, passed away peacefully surrounded by her beloved family on September 6, 2018.

Born in Worcester on April 30, 1942, she joins her son

Richard B. Dumont and great-grandson Christian Richard Dumont in the afterlife. She is survived by her beloved husband of 54 years, Ronald Dumont, of Douglas; daughter René Brown of Charlton; son Randy Dumont and his wife Tina of N. Andover; and grandchildren Adam Labonte of Tampa, Fla., Michael McEleney of Worcester, Jena McEleney of Spencer, and Nicole Dumont of N. Andover. She was predeceased by her parents, Louis and Helen LeBel.

While her main occupation was raising her children and later babysitting her grandchildren, she enjoyed stints of employment with Mr. Christmas in

Douglas and Beaumont Nursing Home in Northbridge. Upon her husband's retirement, they enjoyed traveling to Maine and New England attractions. Ron and Ann joined the Douglas Senior Center, and, when her health permitted her, she was a frequent attendee at bingo games at senior centers throughout the Blackstone Valley.

Ann was an avid New England Patriots and Boston Red Sox fan. A frequent TV watcher, she likely saw every episode of Law & Order twice. Ann loved animals, and over the years she provided loving care for countless dogs and cats her children would bring home.

A calling hour was held Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018 from 10-11:30 AM in the BUMA FUNERAL HOME, 480 Church St., Whitinsville followed by a funeral service at 11:30 AM in the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Epilepsy Foundation, Attn: Donor Services, 8301 Professional Place East, Suite 200, Landover, MD 20785. www.bumafuneralhome.com

CALENDAR

Saturday September 22

GIANT MEAT RAFFLE: On Saturday, September 22 at St. Joseph's Church Hall, Charlton beginning at 6 p.m. 6 Meat Tables and 1 Lobster Table; 3 Early Bird Tickets for arrival before 6 p.m. Sponsored by the Mary Martha Guild

Sunday September 23

INTEGRATIVE THERAPIES EXPO: At Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center, 366 Main Street, Sunday Sept. 23 1:00-5:00 pm, Free admission. Connect with local practitioners in the complementary holistic fields of Oncology Massage, Restorative Yoga, Reflexology, Lymphedema, Acupuncture, Meditation, Hypnosis, Reiki, Aromatherapy, Music Therapy, Skincare, and more

Saturday September 29

AUTUMN FEST & CRAFT FAIR: St. Joseph Church of Charlton, 10 H Putnam Road, hosts its annual Autumn Fest and Craft Fair Saturday, Sept. 29 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Included will be craft booths, food and drink, bake sale, children's activities, a Big Money raffle, meat pie sale and a theme basket auc-

tion. On Sunday, Sept. 30, following 10 a.m. Mass, a breakfast will be held followed by the drawing for raffles.

Saturday October 27

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

Month of October

PUMPKINS! The Pumpkins are Coming! The Pumpkins are Coming! Spread the word that the best place to get your fall decorations is at the Sturbridge Federated Church where the best pumpkins and gourds will be for the month of October. Proceeds will benefit many local and regional charities as well as support the daily opera-

tion of the church.

ONGOING

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

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

Free Playgroup at the Hitchcock Academy; sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation Five Grant. It includes: Music & Movement on Wednesday 9-9:45 a.m. and Playgroup on Monday & Thursday 9-11 a.m. For more information about these and a variety of other classes visit us at www.hitchcockacademy.org or call 413-245-9977

Grief Support Group: at Overlook Hospice, Charlton: Have you recently experienced the loss of a parent, child, sibling, friend or spouse? We are here to help. Join a safe, supportive and caring group to share your stories and support others who are learning to live again after the death of a loved one. Drop-in group for adults meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 1-2:30 p.m. Contact Susan Fuller at (508) 434-2200.

THRIFTY: Saint Paul II Parish's Flea Market, at 40 Charlton St., Southbridge, is open each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and each Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items for sale include household, linens and furniture. We also have a holiday room. Donations are appreciated. All proceeds go to the support of the church.

NUMISMATICS: Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Rd. (Route 20), Sturbridge.

27th annual National Public Lands Day planned

It's that time again! Buffumville Lake and Hodges Village Dam are once again hosting the large scale volunteer event known as National Public Lands Day on Saturday, Sept. 29.

Volunteers are sought. This is your personal invitation. The volunteer activities will begin at 8:00 a.m. SHARP with registration at Buffumville Park at 229 Oxford Road, Charlton. Participants will be given snack packs to take with them to their project work sites.

Pre-registration advised. You have two ways to pre-register: by calling (508) 248-5697- ask for Park Ranger Jamie Kordack x399 or e-mailing Jamie at jamie.r.kordack@usace.army.mil. With an expected turn-out of greater than 125 volunteers, it is important you pre-register. If you are an organized group, please let us know that too!

Preliminary Projects: You have several important tasks to pick from: Parking Lot Rehab & Cleaning, Hodges Village-

MUA (moderate in difficulty), Hodges Village Dam Pollinator Garden Plots (easy/students/scouts), HVD Disc Golf Course-install tee box (moderate in difficulty), Invasive (plant) Species Removal (moderate in difficulty), Bridge repair at Hodges (difficult in difficulty/adults only), Trail maintenance at both projects (moderate to difficult, trail experience a plus), Rid BVL Bog of Purple Loosetride Invasive (must have own vessel & PFDs), Anchor blacktop, Erosion Control at

Dam (moderate in difficulty), Rehab Horseshoe Pit in

Park (moderate-difficult, need folks with constr. /carpentry skills), Painting and/or Water Seal Projects (4 separate easy/kid's project), Improve Park Gardens- add plants & bushes, mulch (easy/kid's project).

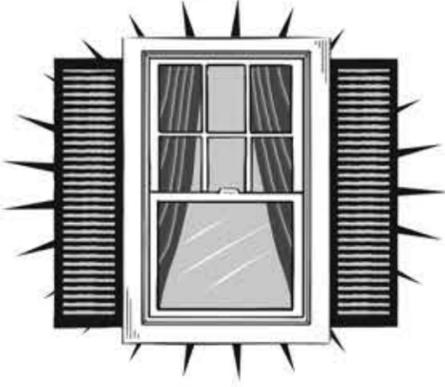
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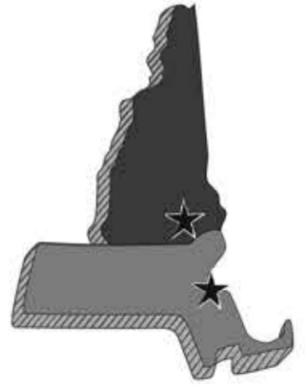
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race, just “to do my part for the Democratic Party.”

“It’s important everyone cast their vote,” she said. “If you’re going to raise issues about politics, you have to vote.”

Although on the opposite side politically, Trump supporter Joseph Jalbert agreed with Stone’s last statement. To him, the most critical issues are stopping what he sees as a slide toward socialism, keeping taxes low and “the immigration thing.”

“We need some kind of stop to illegal people coming in,” Jalbert said. “They should be going through a legal process.”

As a conservative, Mike Decarolis was more aligned with Jalbert than Stone, but he’s concerned that politics, especially at the national level, is becoming increasingly “personality driven, not policy driven.” To correct that, he advocates for educating voters and having people “shut their mouths and open their ears more.”

Decarolis said he felt the most important aspect of the primary was a de facto “referendum on Baker.” He predicted Baker would win, but his opponent, Scott Lively, would have a good showing.

In fact, Baker won by about 75,000 votes statewide, a ratio



Republican Joanne Powell and one supporter had the shade to themselves at the Charlton polls. She was unopposed, so will go to the November ballot to face incumbent Democrat James McManus for the Clerk of Courts seat.



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of 64-36. In Charlton itself, he won 543-224. By comparison, the two Democratic gubernatorial candidates split fewer votes in town than Baker received, with Jay Gonzalez besting Ed Massie 282-183.

Going into November, the Democrats and Republicans in several of the key races will face at least one third-party candidate, according to The Green Papers (www.thegreenpapers.com). The Green-Rainbow Party is fielding three candidates: Juan Sanchez for Secretary of State, Edward Stamas for auditor and Jamie

Guerin for treasurer, while the Libertarians are fielding one, Dan Fishman for auditor. (The Libertarians are also the only third party currently with ballot status.)

For US Senate, Green Papers lists six other people running, all of them unenrolled: Shiva Ayyadurai, John Devine, Joshua Ford, Louis Gallo, Sarah Pimental and Allen Waters (who first tried to get a Republican nomination); of them, the Ford and Gallo links go to dead pages and Pimental has no link. The Open Secrets campaign finance website

doesn’t list most of them, just Ayyadurai and Waters, but includes the three primary Republicans (Diehl, John Kingston and Beth Lindstrom) plus a fourth, Heidi Wellman, who ran out of money in March.

MAJOR RESULTS IN CHARLTON:

Source: https://elections.ap.org/masslive/election_results/2018-09-04/state/MA

US Senate
 DEM: Elizabeth Warren unopposed
 GOP: Geoff Diehl: 287, John Kingston: 236, Beth Lindstrom: 223

US Rep 1st District
 GOP: no candidates
 DEM: Richard Neal: 393, Tahirah Amatul-Wadud: 156

Governor
 GOP: Charlie Baker: 543,

Scott Lively: 224
 DEM: Jay Gonzalez: 282, Ed Massie: 183

Lt Governor
 GOP: Karen Polito unopposed
 DEM: Quentin Palfrey: 285, Jimmy Tingle: 166

Secretary of State
 GOP: Anthony Amore unopposed
 DEM: Bill Galvin: 413, Josh Zakim: 146

Attorney General
 DEM: Maura Healey unopposed

GOP: James McMahon: 378, Daniel Shores: 261

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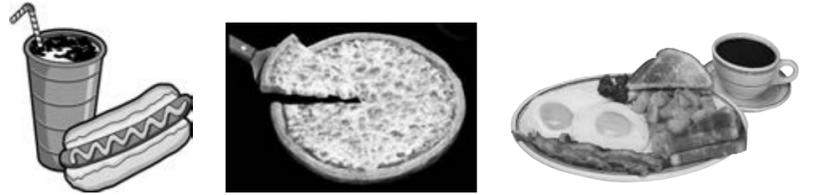
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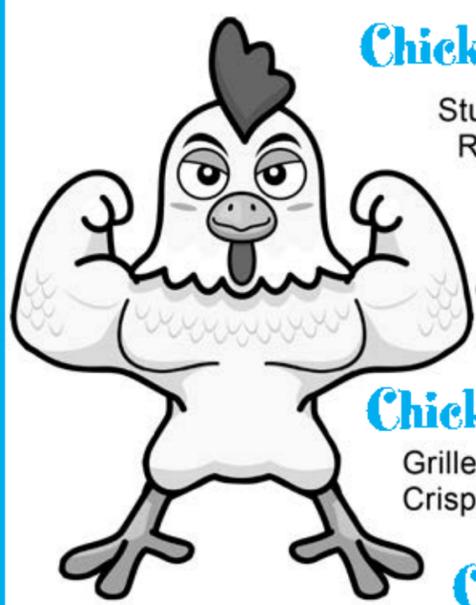
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"We wanted to do something for the community that was fun and free – a 'get away' from everyday life, even if it was only for a few hours," said Sabrina Grillo, branch manager of the bank-Hometown Sturbridge branch.

This was the first ever Family Fun Day in Southbridge, and due to the event's success, sponsors are looking into making this event happen annually.

Hometown Bank Community Foundation, Inc. was formed in early 2016 by bankHometown, a state-chartered cooperative bank headquartered

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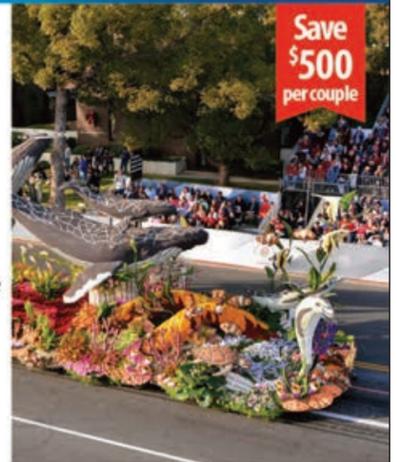
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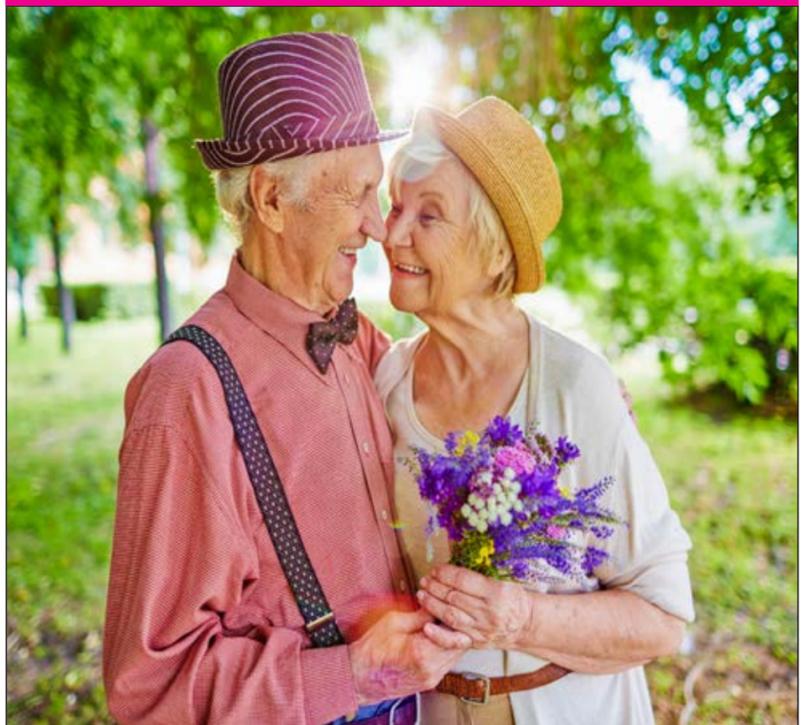


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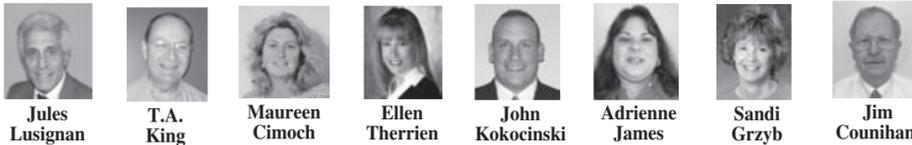
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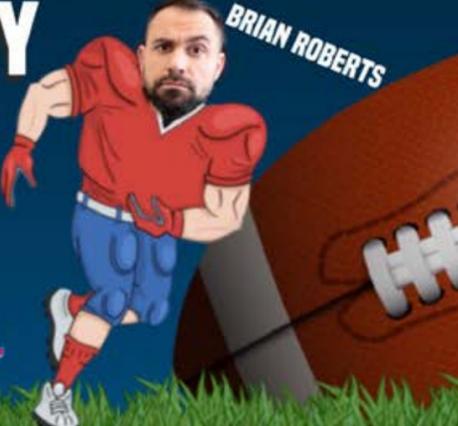


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FALL

Plan your fall foliage excursion

Autumn means different things to many people. Students may embrace the dawn of a new school year, while others might embrace the crisp weather after a season of heat. One of the more widely enjoyed aspects of autumn is the chance to take in the brilliant foliage.

Although New England may be renowned for its bright, orange, red and yellow panoramas, dazzling displays of foliage can be witnessed anywhere temperatures descend enough for deciduous trees to shed their leaves.

The first step to a successful fall foliage excursion is to find the right spot. The Catskill and Adirondack Mountains of New York, Amish Country in Pennsylvania, the Great Lakes from Michigan to Ohio, and many other areas can be great places to witness nature at its most colorful. To make the most of fall foliage road trips, drivers can keep the following suggestions in mind.

- Get off the highway. To see great fall vistas, take a detour from major thoroughfares and visit small towns and mountain passes. Invest in some maps, as cellular networks may be inaccessible in remote locales.

- Avoid tourist-heavy areas. Drivers may prefer less crowded roadways to accompany the great scenery. Such drivers should visit areas that are not tourist meccas. Any area that plays home to forests and sprawling landscapes will do.

- Go on foot. To get the best photos, head out at sunrise or sunset. Soft, golden light dappled by leaves will bring out the golden tones in photos. Going on foot will help you discover the nuances of the season



Fall is the time of year to take in colorful foliage and landscapes.

and slow down for a change.

- Don't overlook overcast days. Traveling in the rain may not be fun, but overcast days might be ideal. On such days, the sun won't be too warm and drown out the colors.

- Bring along binoculars. Wildlife is often mobile and abundant in the fall, as ani-

mals scurry to feed and gather supplies before the winter. As a result, autumn is a great time to spot wildlife that's normally hiding in thickets and woodland areas.

- Plan for stops along the way. Don't forget to bring some spending money in the form of cash so that you can enjoy the

small farm stands and shops that often dot rural landscapes. Pick up farm-fresh produce or choose a plump pumpkin. Yard sales also are abundant this time of year. Small shops may not take credit cards, so if you plan to buy, cash is king.

Trees begin shedding their leaves as early as the beginning

of September in Canada and the northern United States. As the days press on, the fall finery will gradually shift southward. For those who can afford to take a weekday off, do so, as weekends might be overcast with fellow nature enthusiasts.

Creative ways to recycle leaves



Leaves cascading down from trees indicate the arrival of autumn. However, colorful and awe-inspiring autumn leaves can be a hazard if left to lie on the ground too long.

Fallen leaves form a dense insulator to protect trees' roots and prevent competing plants from growing. Decomposing leaves also provide nutrients for the tree. But wet leaves can be a safety hazard and leaves left on the lawn through the winter can pose a threat to the grass. These are just a couple of reasons why so much effort is placed on leaf clean-up in the fall.

The following are some creative ways to recycle leaves that fall from your trees in the weeks to come.

- Mulch: Shredded leaves can make for a great amendment to fertilizer for garden beds and even the lawn. Leaves lying on the grass can be mulched into small pieces with a mulching mower so they don't choke the blades of grass. Leaves also can be broken down with a string trimmer, a leaf blower that has a vacuum function or a commercial shredder/chipper. Add the shredded leaves to a compost pile or use them

to fill container plants before adding regular potting soil.

- Insulation: Collect leaves to mound over delicate perennial plants and shrubs. The leaves will add more warmth to the soil and may help plants make it through harsh winters. Just remove the leaves slowly when spring arrives so that the soil underneath can get the sunlight and water it needs to thrive. Leave some leaves in the yard so that animals can use them as nesting material and line their dens for the winter.

- Stuffing: Create whimsical scarecrows as

part of your autumn decoration scheme. Gather older clothes that you no longer use and stuff the sleeves of shirts and the legs of pants with leaves, which are less expensive and easier to come by than straw. Use a few pieces of straw around the neck and hand areas of the scarecrow for visual effect. Tie off with twine and display your scarecrow.

- Bedding: Chicken owners can use fallen leaves as bedding in their chicken coops. Dry leaves also may create more comfortable and drier conditions for goats and other livestock. Goats

may look to recently fallen leaves as a nutritious food source. Gather the leaves and let the goats munch before you further rake and compost the leaves.

- Decorations: Natural leaves can be used as decorations both inside and outside a home. String freshly fallen leaves together and wrap them around a grapevine wreath for a rustic door decoration. Leaves can be placed in clear vases and put on display for a cheap way to showcase some autumn color. Preserve favorite leaves with a lamination machine or by sealing them between

heated sheets of waxed paper. Cut out the leaf shapes and use for hanging window decorations.

- Recreation: Leaves have long been favorite toys for children, who eagerly await jumping into large piles of fallen leaves. Fill paper bags with leaves and draw a target on the front. Let kids test their skill aiming for the targets. Children can camouflage their clothing with leaves and masking tape and have a more intense session of "hide and seek."

FALL

Leaf peeping planning guide



Millions of people each year look forward to the magnificent colors on display in autumn. Fall offers irreplaceable views, whether you're atop a mountain ridge or thick in the folds of a forest. In addition, the crackle of leaves underfoot and the earthy smell of the soil tempts the senses even more.

Some advance planning can help make fall foliage trips that much more enjoyable and awe-inspiring.

PEAK VIEWING TIMES

Areas of the north-

ern-most latitude will start to show color earlier than more southern areas. Generally speaking, the leaf-viewing season begins in late September and runs through early November for much of North America. Peak times for viewing depend on areas of travel and time of year. For large swaths of Canada and the United States, plan trips for late-September to mid-October. The Weather Channel offers maps and charts at www.weather.com/maps/fall-foliage for the peak times for many areas of

the U.S.

PICK YOUR DESTINATION

Anywhere with deciduous trees provides the opportunity to witness blazing autumn color. During leaf-peeping season, travelers can go coast to coast and see awesome vistas. Some regions are particularly known for their leaf displays. New York's Catskill and Adirondack regions are prime spots for visitors in the autumn. Those who live further north will find that leaves in Vermont are such an attraction that routes

are published indicating where to enjoy the best views. Further south, Central and Eastern Virginia peak in late October. And don't forget the shores of the Great Lakes, which are awash in reds, oranges and yellows by mid-September. The travel resource Frommer's offers more leaf-peeping locales to visit.

PACK THE RIGHT GEAR

While most people are not without a smartphone that can capture amazing high-resolution imagery, serious leaf

photographers may want to take out their prized camera equipment for leaf-peeping excursions. Also bring along a map or a GPS-enabled device so you can explore back roads and areas off the beaten path more readily.

There are plenty of apps that can help with foliage-finding adventures, so a phone is a handy tool. When packing, also bring along hiking boots, comfortable layered clothing and any equipment you'd normally take for an afternoon in the great outdoors.

Another idea is to hit the ATM machine prior

to the visit. Many smaller towns and their local shops may not take credit cards, so it's best to have cash on hand for food and souvenirs.

EXTEND THE DAY

Make leaf-peeping part of a larger series of events for the day. Scope out vineyards where you can sample local wines or plan trips around orchards, where you can come home with beautiful photos as well as fresh-picked apples and pumpkins. You may find a county fair or street festival while exploring.

Natural ways to fight fall allergies



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

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

According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology,

ragweed is one of the more common triggers of autumnal allergies. Ragweed contributes to "hay fever," which is a term to describe allergic rhinitis that occurs as a symptom of ragweed pollen in the air. Ragweed releases pollen in mid-August, and it can continue to be problematic until a deep freeze arrives.

Other sources of fall allergies include leaf mold and pollen that is

present on fallen leaves. This gets circulated when people begin to rake or blow fallen leaves. Classroom pets and chalk dust in schools (although chalkboards are largely a thing of the past) are other autumn allergens.

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

the fall allergy blues.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Autumn is a prime time to tend lawns and gardens

Autumn is gardening season. That statement may not seem right to those who think of the spring as the peak time to care for lawns and gardens. However, autumn is an ideal time to get into the garden and ensure that flowers, trees and garden beds will over-winter successfully.

A number of things make autumn a prime gardening season. The cooler days of fall enable gardeners to spend ample time outdoors without the threat of blazing heat. In addition, soil harbors a lot of residual warmth in autumn. Also, the colder temperatures haven't yet arrived in autumn, nor have the leaves completely fallen, making fall a prime time to assess what's already in the landscape, what needs pruning back and where to address planting for next year.

Gardening enthusiasts can focus their attention on these areas this fall.

- Pamper perennials. As annuals and perennials start to fall back, mark the spots where perennials are located so they can be easily identified later on. This way, when planning spots for spring bulbs or other spring layouts for next year, perennials won't be overlooked or covered over.
- Prune shrubs. Look at shrubs and trees and cut out dead or diseased wood.
- Clean up borders. Weed and tidy up borders and lawn edging.
- Install pavers or rock wall. Embrace the cooler temperatures to work on labor-intensive projects, such as putting in a garden bed, retaining wall or walkway.

- Remove spent summer veggies. Take out vegetable garden plants that have already bloomed and borne fruit. Tidy up vegetable gardens and start to sow cooler weather plants, such as onions, garlic, beans, and sweet peas.
- Rake and compost. Rake the leaves and gather grass clippings to add to the compost pile.
- Plant spring bulbs. Get tulips and other spring bulbs ready for planting so they'll burst with color next year.
- Dig up herbs. Relocate herbs like parsley or basil to indoor gardens. Otherwise, strip all leaves and freeze for storage during winter.
- Consider mums. Chrysanthemum plants are perennials. While they look beautiful in pots, if planted, maintained and winterized, they can bloom every fall.
- Fertilize the lawn. Fertilizing in autumn helps ensure grass will stay healthy throughout the winter.
- Add mulch and compost to the garden. Replenish spent soil with mulch and compost so garden beds will be revitalized for spring planting.
- Prune hedges. Tidy up hedges, as they won't be growing much more this year.
- Clean and store equipment. Clean, sharpen and oil all equipment, storing lawn and garden tools properly so they are ready for spring and not lying out all winter.

Autumn may not seem like gardening season, but there are plenty of lawn and garden tasks to tend to during this time of year.



Mums are perennials. When properly planted and cared for, they can bloom every autumn.

10 FUN FACTS IN TIME FOR FALL

Autumn is a season of many changes, with some of the most notable including the dramatic multicolored displays that occur just prior to trees shedding their leaves. It's also a time of year when many people feel reenergized by cooler temperatures and spend many hours outdoors enjoying all that fall has to offer.

Whether one is collecting leaves, picking apples, exploring corn mazes, or driving the countryside enjoying the foliage, autumn is full of fun facts that can make the season that much more enjoyable.

1. Autumn begins on the autumnal equinox, which occurs on or near September 22 in the northern hemisphere. This year, September 22 is the day when the sun crosses the celestial equator moving southward. When the equinox occurs, there are an equal number of daylight and nighttime hours.

2. Since ancient times, autumn has been an important time of year for many civilizations. Autumn is a main harvesting time in many areas, and a successful harvest was once necessary for survival. Many steps are, and have long been, taken to ensure a bountiful autumn harvest.

3. Fall is a time when trees and other plants prepare for dormancy during winter. As autumn progresses and the hours of daylight gradually decrease, trees begin to close down their food production systems and reduce the amount of chlorophyll in leaves. Chlorophyll is the chemical that makes tree leaves green, and as it declines, other chemicals become more prominent and shine through in the leaves. That is why leaves change color.

4. Some scientists believe that global climate change can impact autumn colors, such as delaying the change in trees. Also, red pigments may start to decline as trees use sugary fuel to grow new twigs rather than to cause red leaf displays.

5. Americans more readily refer to this time of year as "fall," while the British use "autumn." Both terms date back to around the 16th century. Prior to this period, autumn was known as "harvest."

6. Much of the United States bids farewell to monarch butterflies in the fall. Each autumn, monarch butterflies migrate from the United States to Mexico and some parts of Southern California. They fly at

speeds ranging between 12 and 25 miles per hour.

7. A study of U.S. centenarians born between 1880 to 1895 published in the Journal of Aging Research, found that babies born during autumn months are more likely to live to age 100 than those born during the rest of the year. Thirty percent of the centenarians followed were born during the fall.

8. Squash, pumpkins and other gourds are prominent in the fall. The largest squash grown on record belonged to Joel Jarvis of Ontario, and his huge winner weighed in at 1,486.6 pounds in 2011.

9. The many-colored leaves are not the only display one might see during the fall. The autumn equinox signals the aurora borealis, also called the Northern Lights. Besides the lengthening of nights and cool evening weather, which are great for stargazers, autumn is "aurora season," according to NASA. That's because, during the fall, geomagnetic storms are about twice as frequent as the annual average.

10. Full moons are named for the month or season in which they rise. The Harvest Moon is the full moon closest to the autumnal equinox.



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