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Storm floods streets, basements in Dudley



Courtesy

Dudley Emergency Responders pull a vehicle from a flooded roadway on Aug. 19 using a military-grade Humvee.

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Severe weather in a short amount of time can cause a myriad of issues for both homeowners and commuters, a fact that many in Dudley learned the hard way on Aug. 19 when several inches of rain fell in a short amount of time resulting in a busy day for the Dudley Fire Department.

Fire Chief Dean Kochanowski said the department responded to several flooded basements and pulled cars from flooded roadways after a strong storm, which also dropped a tornado in nearby Thompson, Connecticut, doused the community with heavy rain. At least 12 emergency calls were answered in just one hour as vehicles became stranded and some homeowners experienced over a foot of flooding in their basements.

“When you get a lot of rain like that in a short amount of time, I think it was probably three or four inches of rain we got in an hour or two, the storm drains just can’t handle that flow, and everything becomes overwhelmed.

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Opening the Word Peer Recovery Center to host A Taste of Webster event

WEBSTER — Opening the Word Peer Recovery Center, Inc., 174 Main Street, Webster, presents A Taste of Webster Sunday, Sept. 12, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Davis Street/French River Park.

Opening the Word Peer Recovery Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose mission is to support people in recovery from substance use disorder (drugs and alcohol) in Webster and surrounding towns. We host recovery meetings as well as several sober activities every week. Recovery coaches are available for resources and guidance. The Center is open to anyone in recovery in need of support.

A dozen or more of your favorite restaurants in Webster, Dudley and Oxford are setting up booths on Davis Street (which will be closed to traffic) with hearty samples of their specialty items. You purchase a ticket (\$20 ages 12 and up; \$10 ages 11-7; and kids six and under are free) which entitles you to a sample from each booth. All proceeds from the ticket sales go to Opening the Word Peer Recovery Center, Inc. Highlights include Great food, live music, raffles and fun.

Tickets can be obtained in advance from participating restaurants: Point Breeze, Monte Bianco, Big Belly Café, B Kind Café, Mike’s Crunchies and Munchies, Lake Pizza, The Whistle Stop, Webster House of Pizza, Factor Level Nutrition, the Ice Cream Pharm, etc.

Tickets can also be purchased at the gate on the day of the event. This is a rain or shine event, and refunds will not be possible.

Baker defends stance on school mask policies

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

REGION — Facing increased pressure as the school year looms and the Delta variant spreads, Gov. Charlie Baker recently defended current policies.

During a press conference on Aug. 16, Baker said there are no imminent plans to alter masking recommendations statewide. Even with the nation’s steady rise in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations over the last month, Baker believes Massachusetts is in a far better position than other states in the battle against the virus.

“I’m not considering changing the mask guidance at this time. We pay a lot of attention to the data associated with case counts, hospitalizations, and the tragic loss of life,” Baker said. “The fact that so many people in Massachusetts have been vaccinated has put us in a dramatically different place than many other states across this country.”

Baker also supported the joint decision from the state’s Department of Public Health and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to leave masking policies up to individual school districts for the fall of 2021.

Statewide, each school committee has voted on policies that will determine how to address the highly contagious Delta variant in the classroom this fall. Information on policies has been mailed out to families.

“Giving the locals the

opportunity to own the decisions they make is a big and important issue,” Baker said. “If you look at what has played out in other states where the government has taken away the authority for locals to make their own decisions, that’s not the right way to play this game.”

Several local students, parents, and educators agree with the Governor’s current handling of the Delta variant. Others fear that his hands-off approach is a dangerous gamble. As of last week, every county in the Commonwealth had reached a threshold of COVID-19 transmission that automatically triggers a CDC recommendation for public indoor masking, regardless of vaccination status.

During his Aug. 16 press conference, Baker reiterated his recommendation that students in grades K-6 continue to wear masks indoors.

“We’ve made a very strong recommendation to our colleagues in K-6 education. Because there is not a vaccine currently available for that population, we recommend that those kids should be masked up until they have an opportunity to be vaccinated,” Baker said.

State officials also recommend that unvaccinated students in grades seven and above, as well as unvaccinated staff members and visitors to schools, wear masks indoors. Additionally, any individual at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19, or with a

household member who is at high risk, is encouraged to mask indoors regardless of vaccination status.

Looking ahead, Baker hopes the Commonwealth continues to serve as an example to states that are lagging behind with vaccinations.

“I hope that many other states move as aggressively as the people in Massachusetts have

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Dudley Board of Health urges diligence as Delta variant spreads

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Coronavirus news out of Dudley has been few and far between over the past few months as mandates ended and public limitations loosened with the increase in vaccinations. However, with the Delta Variant becoming the dominant strain across the United

States Dudley’s Board of Health is urging renewed diligence to help keep the local numbers low.

The Board of Health met on Aug. 17 where board member and public health nurse Roberta Johnson provided an update on the COVID situation in town. As of that date 23 active cases were recorded including nine new cases that day. While

Johnson couldn’t confirm how many of these cases were due to the Delta Variant the rise in prevalence on the national level of the strain led her to recommend citizens continue to take precautions in the months to come.

“I have seen a lot of folks come through posi-

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Courtesy

LIFELONG WEBSTER RESIDENT CELEBRATES 85TH BIRTHDAY

Virginia Woznicki celebrated her 85th Birthday over the weekend of Aug. 14 in Webster and Natick with her children, grandchildren, and new great-grandson Teddy. She is a lifelong resident of Webster and Dudley, worked at Nichols College and St. Joseph’s Basilica, and remains active and involved in the St. Joseph’s Basilica community.

Hernandez receives Community Service award



Courtesy

Kalie Hernandez and her daughter receiving award from Professor Lindsay Guertin, BSN, RN.

CHARLTON — Kalie Hernandez, LPN of Southbridge, a member of the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy Class of 2017, received the 2021 Community Service Award at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. The award was granted in recognition of Hernandez's volunteer work creating critical partnerships between the Academy, the Bay Path community and the Worcester County.

The Community Service Award was developed to honor a person who is making significant contributions to the Bay Path Practical Nursing community through their time, actions, talents and dedication through any volunteer work done. The honoree selected serves as a role model

for compassion, service, giving back, and striving to make the world a better place.

Hernandez's passion is in helping others. She has made important contributions to the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy. She remains connected with Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy serving as an active member of the Advisory Committee, volunteering as a mentor, speaking at information sessions & workshops, and participating in the Mock Code Team preparation day.

While a student at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy Hernandez was voted as a student representative. She was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society and

was a member of the UNICEF Club. Hernandez participated in the admissions panel interviews and competed in SkillsUSA earning a Silver Medal in both District and State level for the Practical Nursing category.

Hernandez takes pride in the work she does at the Holyoke Public Schools and credits her training and education at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy especially her School Nurse Observation experience in her success. Hernandez has formed a tight bond with the Bay Path Community that has allowed her to work cohesively with faculty, staff, students, and fellow alumni.

*Ladies Auxiliary of Quinebaug
Lodge to host Craft Market*



Courtesy

Just one example of the craft tents set up by Norah's Fabric Creations that will be at Quinebaug Masonic Lodge in Southbridge on Sunday, Aug. 29.

SOUTHBRIDGE — On Sunday, Aug. 29, the Ladies Auxiliary of Quinebaug Masonic Lodge, located on Route 131 at 339 Ashland Ave. in Southbridge, will be hosting a Craft Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This Craft Market offers a great opportunity to find all kinds of unique gifts and crafts for your home or anyone on your shopping list. Everything from hand sewn items, crochet items, candles, signs, soaps, jewelry, active wear, kids and women's clothing and much, much more. All Covid-19 Guidelines would be greatly appreciated.

Some Vendors including, but not limited to are, Little Hearts Custom Creations, Norah's Fabric Creations,

SOR Creations, Matilda Jane, Jackson's Creative Cakes and Crafts, Nicole Singer Arts. If you are interested in setting up a tent display and would like more details of space availability and setup information or have any questions or concerns, please contact Norah Proper at 1-413-297-8374 or e-mail her at norahsfabriccreations@yahoo.com.

Grange seeks Apple Fest vendors

DUDLEY — Dudley Grange #163 is seeking vendors for its Annual Apple Festival on October 2, located at 139 Center Road, Dudley. Artisans, antique vendors and local small businesses are welcome. Dudley Grange also supports non-profit organizations that service the Dudley-Webster area. Please contact Karen at 508-341-6289 to reserve a space.

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The Local's Market

Cornerstone Bank donates \$5,000 to Quinsigamond Community College Student Emergency Aid Fund

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank, a community bank with 12 locations throughout Central Massachusetts, has donated \$5,000 to Quinsigamond Community College's (QCC) Student Emergency Aid Fund, which was established in March of 2020 to help offset tuition costs for students at risk of having to drop out of school due to financial hardships.

"One of our major charitable goals revolves around access to education," said Cornerstone Bank CEO Todd

Tallman. "This past year and a half has proven difficult for so many people, and QCC has found a way to help their students stay enrolled and finish their degrees despite sudden financial hardships. We hope our contribution can help students continue to work towards their graduation goals."

The Student Emergency Aid Fund has helped almost 600 students stay in college, with 90 percent of those who received aid not having to drop a class. QCC serves about 10,000 students every

year with the vast majority coming from low- to moderate-income families. More than 80 percent of QCC students receive some form of financial aid.

"During the pandemic, 72 percent of students at QCC had a reduction in their working hours and almost half lost their jobs," continued Tallman. "Even in our newfound normal, many of these students are struggling to pay their tuition. We are committed to helping ensure that students who wish to continue their education have the opportunity to do so."

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Dudley partners with Sutton Center for hazardous waste collection event

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – The town of Dudley will launch a multi-month Household Hazardous Products Collection Event starting in September and stretching through the end of the calendar year.

Dudley Fire Chief Dean Kochanowski confirmed the events during a meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Aug. 9 where he explained the program is funded through donations and will be similar to hazardous waste events of the past.

"Basically, we'll be billed every single month until the funds are totally used up," the Chief told selectmen in a brief update. "Everybody has been asking about this including the (selectmen) so now we finally have the opportunity to do it."

The event runs from Sept. 1 until New Year's Eve or until funds dry up and can be extended into early 2022 if funds allow. The town of Dudley will pay up to \$100 of disposal costs per household for hazardous household waste disposal which will be sent to the New England Disposal Technologies Inc (NEDT) Household Hazardous Products Collection Center in Sutton. Homeowners with larger volumes of hazardous waste will be responsible for payments that exceed \$100. All waste must be brought to the Center itself at 83 Gilmore Drive in Sutton where positive identification proving residency in Dudley, such as a driver's license of property tax receipt, must be shown.

Among the products that can be disposed of in Sutton are latex and oil based paints, oil, gasoline and other automotive fluids, mercury and items containing mercury, pool chemicals, drain cleaners, driveway sealer, polishes and waxes, fluorescent lamps, computer monitors, and other electronic items such as batteries. The NEDT Household Hazardous Products Collection Center is open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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DUDLEY — The Ivascyn family of Charlton has brought to our attention that in selecting a photo to run with a press release published last week concerning the establishment of a scholarship in the name of Daniel Ivascyn, we inadvertently chose a photo of his son, who shares his first name.

Pictured here is the Daniel Ivascyn for whom the scholarship was, in fact, named.

Stonebridge Press deeply regrets any confusion that may have resulted from this unintentional error.



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Charissa shares that her favorite class is gym and her least favorite is history. When Charissa grows up, she has expressed interest in becoming a social worker to help others. Charissa has shared that she is proud of herself for reaching her goals. Charissa relates her experiences in life to climbing a mountain and not stopping until she reaches the stars.

Charissa is legally freed for adoption. When thinking about what she wants in an adoptive family, Charissa has expressed that she would like to have her own bedroom, to be able to go for walks in the community, to spend time with friends, go shopping, and work out at the gym. Charissa would like a potential family to know that when meeting someone new, it will take time for her to open up. Charissa has great relationships with her visiting resources and would like to stay connected to them.


Charissa
Age 17

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

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



Bay Path LPN named CNA Instructor



Kellsey Tillotson

NORTH GRAFTON — Kellsey Tillotson, LPN of Spencer was named Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Instructor at Grafton Job Corps in North Grafton. She plays a key role in the planning, selection, preparation, and implementation of learning activities to meet the course objectives of CNA students. She delivers instruction using active learning techniques to different learning styles and abilities. She assists in building health-care knowledge and developing clinical skills of the CNA students aimed at obtaining their certification.

Tillotson is an alumna of Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, PN Class of 2018. While a student at Bay Path she was a SkillsUSA District Champion earning a gold medal for competition in Medical Math. Tillotson was an officer of the UNICEF Club, spearheading many successful fundraising activities benefitting children. She volunteered for FAFSA Day, Blood Pressure Clinics at the Charlton Senior Center, and the Site Mobile at Paxton. Tillotson is certified in Mental Health Care, Dementia Care, OSHA10, OSHA 30, BLS Provider CPR and AED. In 2017 she completed the Medical Assistant Certification Program at Grafton Job Corps. The appointment of Tillotson as CNA Instructor comes at a very challenging time of the COVID-19 pandemic. Before joining Grafton Job Corps, Tillotson has held clinical positions with Washburn House and CareWell Urgent Care both of Worcester. As a novice nurse educator Tillotson is excited about her work and loves it.

End of an era for local business

REGION — What began as a chance encounter in January 2002 led to a business partnership which at one time had grown to more than 40 retail stores throughout New England. On Aug. 1, this chapter came to an end as Mark Amadio and Kyriakos “KK” Konstantakis have just sold their remaining five locations of AMCOMM Wireless and enabled a respected industry peer to enter the New England market. “Our initial stores were in West Boylston and Sturbridge,” said Amadio, “and shortly thereafter we grew to stores in Worcester, Webster, and Fitchburg before expanding throughout New England. We began paring down three years ago, selling twenty-five locations to Go Wireless. KK and I moved the corporate office to Charlton, and we retained five retail stores in New Hampshire, all of which will now be sold to BeMobile. While not an easy decision, he and I knew it was the right one for us at this time in our lives.” “We genuinely embraced each other’s strengths, maintained a win/win philosophy and a pas-

sion for our work. This provided the synergy to help us drive through adversity and celebrate our successes. This, along with the opportunity to leverage the power of the Verizon brand as an Authorized Retailer, enabled the AMCOMM team to provide the best in technology-based mobile and IT solutions. “We partnered with the right company at the right time as cellular service burgeoned,” remarked Konstantakis. “We are proud of the success we’ve had,” added Amadio. “Our mission was to deliver an exceptional customer experience and to be a vital part of the communities we serviced. We are proud to have accomplished that goal.” Over the years, Amadio and Konstantakis have employed hundreds of people and created relationships with industry partners, vendors, and consultants. “Having had the opportunity align our passion and our careers has been truly rewarding. We are proud of the lives we’ve changed through AMCOMM and grateful for those that changed our lives by helping AMCOMM succeed.

These individuals know who they are and have left a permanent mark ... period,” added Konstantakis. “While the sales team and technical teams drove growth and revenue, the back-office team was the glue that held it all together. KK and I were blessed to have had the best of both. Of course, the support of our families, friends and key mentors and advisors played a strategic role in the success of our business,” Amadio paused to smile then added, “and our sanity.” So what’s next for this dynamic duo? “More time with our families, certainly,” said Amadio. “It’s time to figure out what I want to be when I grow up,” he joked. “Seriously though, I will say this: Our partnership is not over.” “The next venture will be a bridge between our past and future,” added Konstantakis. When pressed as to what that next venture might be, Amadio remained coy, stating “As they say in your business, ‘Watch this space!’”

Individuals served by Open Sky participate in Worcester Bravehearts Pen Pal program

WORCESTER — Thirteen individuals served by Open Sky Community Services had the unique opportunity of getting to know Worcester Bravehearts baseball players this season through the team’s Pen Pal Program. The summer-long program culminated with a cookout at Fitton Field on Aug. 11 where the pen pals were able to meet in person.

The Community Membership team at Open Sky coordinated with Dave Peterson, Bravehearts General Manager, and Nate Gonelli, Director of Sales, to connect individuals served by Open Sky with Worcester Bravehearts players. The pen pals corresponded back and forth through a journal over the course of the summer to help the Bravehearts players feel welcome in Central Mass.

The individuals served by Open Sky who participate in the program had intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental health challenges or brain injury. This was an opportunity for them to be a part of the community and form a connection with the players.

At the season-ending cookout, individuals from Open Sky gave baseball caps with the agency’s logo to their Bravehearts pen pals and in return received signed books, baseball cards and Bravehearts baseball caps. Peterson welcomed the individuals from Open Sky, and Matt Small, COO of Open Sky was in attendance as well. Everyone had a chance to talk, get autographs and take photos. Several of the pen pals exchanged information and plan to stay in touch even once the season has ended.

The individuals from Open Sky attended the game that evening and Lori Holden, an individual served by the agency, got to take home a pop-fly ball after it landed near her and a kind baseball fan helped her grab the ball.

Open Sky is proud to partner with several local sports teams to ensure that the individuals served by the agency have every opportunity to be a part of the Central Mass community.

WEBSTER POLICE LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Aug. 15-21.

A 29-year-old male from Webster whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 15 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Francisco Javier Agron Mercado, age 35, of Southbridge was arrested on Aug. 17 in connection with a warrant.

A 33-year-old male from Webster whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 18 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member and in connection with a warrant.

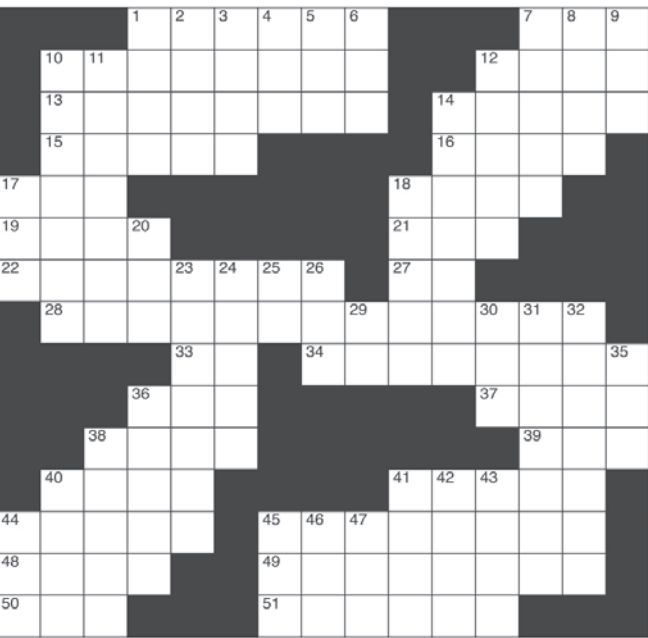
Alec J. Ramsey, age 24, of Spencer was arrested on Aug. 18 for Possession of a Class B Drug and in connection with multiple out of agency warrants.

Radames A. Morales, age 34, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 18 in connection with a warrant.

A 35-year-old male from Webster whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 19 for Assault & Battery on an Elderly or Disabled Person, Intimidation of a Witness, Juror, Police Officer, or Court Official, Possession of a Class A Drug, and Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Javoy Fitzroy Tulloch, age 25, of Oxford was arrested on Aug. 20 in connection with a warrant.

Garrett Joseph Jolin, age 29, of Southbridge was arrested on Aug. 21 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (second offense), Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, Failure to Stop for Police, and a One-Way Street violation.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Nature expedition
- 7. Take the energy from
- 10. Bungled
- 12. Young salmon
- 13. Botanical gardens
- 14. Source of chocolate
- 15. Country singer LeAnn
- 16. Yokel
- 17. Unit of energy
- 18. Plant of the lily family
- 19. Tusked wild pig
- 21. Form of “to be”
- 22. Formerly
- 27. Letter of the Greek alphabet
- 28. Former First Lady
- 33. News organization
- 34. Shining brightly and intermittently
- 36. Brew
- 37. Teams’ best pitchers
- 38. Edible fruit
- 39. Pitching stat
- 40. ___ or bust
- 41. Baby product manufacturer
- 44. Monetary unit of Finland
- 45. Small spherical structures in cells
- 48. Pouches
- 49. Reached
- 50. Investment account
- 51. Oft-repeated slogan

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Nuclear undersea weapon
- 2. Helps the skin
- 3. Evergreen coniferous trees
- 4. Relieve of employment
- 5. A way to drench
- 6. Journalist Tarbell
- 7. ___ and Venzetti
- 8. Alcoholic liquor
- 9. An athlete who plays for pay
- 10. Where to get drinks
- 11. Japanese art form
- 12. Baseball great Satchel
- 14. Winged angelic beings
- 17. One point south of due east
- 18. Group of islands in Polynesia
- 20. A place to play: ___ center
- 23. Masses of gray matter in the brain
- 24. Belgian city (alt. sp.)
- 25. Millilitre
- 26. Beloved Will Ferrell film
- 29. Railway above ground
- 30. Satisfaction
- 31. Aggregate of molecules
- 32. Type of barometer
- 35. Type of college teacher (abbr.)
- 36. Long periods of time
- 38. Native people of Nebraska and S. Dakota
- 40. Deliver
- 41. Thin, narrow piece of wood
- 42. Modern Israel founder
- 43. Small NY college
- 44. Pounds per square inch
- 45. Veterans battleground
- 46. Hollywood talent agency (abbr.)
- 47. Popular kids’ channel



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Greater Worcester Community Foundation awards more than \$600,000 in college scholarships

WORCESTER — The Greater Worcester Community Foundation (GWCF) recently awarded over \$680,000 in college scholarships to local students for the 2021-22 academic year. More than 400 students were awarded scholarships ranging from \$300 to \$5,000 to assist them in beginning or continuing their college education this upcoming fall.

“With help from the Foundation, our scholarship program is an important investment in the future of our next generation,” said GWCF President and CEO Carolyn Stempler. “By removing some of the financial pressure off of students and families, we can help build a greater sense of belonging and motivation to ensure a more rewarding and impactful college experience.”

Since 1978, nearly 9,000 Worcester County students have received more than \$13.3M in scholarship awards from the Foundation. Each scholarship is endowed by local donors with eligibility criteria that reflects various interests. Over 900 applications were received and reviewed by more than 85 dedicated volunteers.

“Our scholarship program ensures that no one should have to limit their

education due to financial barriers,” said Jacob Vazquez, Philanthropy Officer for GWCF’s Scholarship Program. “With our support, we’re helping to ensure a brighter future for the leaders of tomorrow. That increases the value of our program two-fold.”

Recipients were selected through a highly competitive process based on merit, financial need, and special criteria established by Foundation donors. Through GWCF’s scholarship program, college-bound high school seniors can qualify for multiple scholarship opportunities through the Foundation’s single online application. The next application cycle will open in January 2022.

Students from the following high schools will be receiving scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year:

- Abby Kelley Foster Charter Public School
- Acton-Boxborough Regional High School
- Advanced Math and Science Academy
- Algonquin Regional High School
- Ashland High School
- Assabet Valley Regional Vocational High School
- Auburn High School
- Bancroft School
- Bartlett High School
- Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School
- Bedford High School
- Bellingham High School
- Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School
- Burncoat High School
- Claremont Academy
- David Prouty High School
- Doherty Memorial High School
- Douglas High School
- Dover-Sherborn High School
- Fitchburg High School
- Framingham High School
- Framingham High School- Resiliency for Life
- Franklin High School
- Grafton Memorial High School
- Groton-Dunstable Regional High School

- Holliston High School
- Hopkinton High School
- Joseph P. Keefe Technical High School
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- Leominster High School
- Lincoln-Sudbury High School
- Littleton High School
- Lunenburg High School
- Marianapolis Preparatory School
- Massachusetts Academy of Math & Science
- Maynard High School
- Medfield High School
- Medway High School
- Millbury Memorial Jr/Sr High School
- Millis High School
- Minuteman Regional High School
- Narragansett Regional High School
- Nashoba Regional High School
- Nashoba Valley Technical High School
- Natick High School
- Needham High School
- Nipmuc Regional Middle/High School
- North Brookfield High School
- North High School
- Northbridge High School
- Norwood High School
- Notre Dame Academy
- Oakmont Regional High School
- Oxford High School
- Phillips Academy Andover
- Quabbin Regional High School
- Quaboag Regional Middle/High School
- Shepherd Hill Regional High School
- Shrewsbury High School
- South High Community School
- St. John’s High School
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- Westborough High School
- Westford Academy
- Worcester Technical High School

For more information, please contact Philanthropy Officer for Scholarships, Jacob Vazquez at jvazquez@greater-worcester.org.

About the Greater Worcester Community Foundation
Greater Worcester Community Foundation (GWCF) is central Massachusetts’ leading community foundation dedicated to improving the quality of life in the region by connecting donors to high impact non-profits and community partners. The Foundation employs its expertise and resources to address the region’s most urgent needs. Since 1975, GWCF has worked in partnership with donors to build a \$163 million endowment and awarded close to \$125 million in grants that have helped transform communities and build a strong and vibrant region. We apply our knowledge, relationships, and resources to our work every day, combining passion and discipline to pursue a vision of Worcester’s success that works for everyone. For more information on GWCF programs and how to give, please visit www.greaterworcester.org.

DUDLEY POLICE LOG

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported only one arrest during the week of Aug. 13-20.
Ira L. Estabrook, age 52, of Dudley was arrested on Aug. 14 in connection with an out of agency warrant.

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Dudley

- \$420,000, 57 Mill Rd, Guerrier, David W, and Guerrier, Phyllis A, to Boapeah, Jeffrey, and Kwarteng, Hillary.
- \$355,000, 93 Dudley Oxford Rd, Hey LT, and Hey, Stephen A, to Baldino, Mande, and Yursha, Jonathan.
- \$345,000, 427 Mason Road Ext, Knott, Robert J, and Knott, Anne M, to Tsimogiannis, Odisefs.
- \$333,000, 102nd Ave #10, Kicilinski, Stanislaw W, and Kicilinski, Malgorzata I, to Agyepong, Akosua, and Achiaa, Gladys.
- \$299,000, 71 Southbridge Rd, Norcross, Geoffrey C, and Norcross, Nancy C, to Saez, Ramon L.
- \$230,000, 66-A W Main St, Hanlon, Wayne S, and Hanlon, James F, to Murphy, Patrick J.

Oxford

- \$1,400,000, 7 Pioneer Dr, 7 Pioneer Drive LLC, to 7 Pioneer Prop LLC.
- \$350,000, 2 Maple Rd, Mazzone, Anthony, to Mcconnell, Melissa E, and Mcconnell, Patrick K.
- \$316,000, 27 Forest St, Caporale, Jeffery, and Caporale, Kristin, to Thebeau, Christopher, and Landry, Jennifer.
- \$300,000, 78 Fort Hill Rd, Epstein, Jon S, to Augustynski, Tara A, and Raymond, Michael C.
- \$295,000, 2 Marcam Village Rd #2, Ciccarelli, Vanessa, to Vite, Vaness, and Cronin, Darcy J.
- \$245,000, 87 Leicester St, Mullins& Armington Rlty, to MJ RE Holdings LLC.
- \$242,000, 9 Camp Hill Dr, Maynard FT, and Nilsen, Jennifer L, to Maynard, Nicholas P, and Maynard, Kayla M.
- \$230,000, 258 Sutton Ave, Pytko, Carol A, and Pytko, Russell, to Pytko, Nathan.
- \$195,000, 7 Fremont St, Langway, Alan J, and Langway, Katherine C, to Langway, Mark A.

Webster

- \$420,000, 2 E Main St, B& C Rlty Hldg 4 LLC, to Baystate Inv Fund LLC.
- \$400,000, 504 Treasure Island Rd #504, Stone, Timothy W, to Corrigan, Terence M, and Corrigan, Amy M.
- \$370,000, 547 School St, Miftari, Xhelal, to Martinez-Bueno, Ingri Y.
- \$360,000, 4 Winter Haven Dr, Carbone, Ehtan T, and Carbone, Brittnei A, to Schlegel, Kati R.
- \$357,000, 40 Union St, Rheault, Ronald C, and Rheault, Karen L, to Rheault, Thomas.
- \$334,000, 33 Mechanic St, Rheault, Ronald C, and Rheault, Karen L, to Rheault, Bradford, and Kutz, Erin.
- \$318,000, 65 Myrtle Ave, Colon-Flores, Maria D, to DeJesus, Maria, and DeJesus-Hernandez, Juan.
- \$290,000, 3 Kenneway Ln, Polinski, Jeffrey, to Rivers, Diana M.
- \$270,000, 6 Day Ln, Stochaj, Benjamin J, to Barros, Carlos R, and DeBarros, Narcisa C.
- \$256,300, 4 Snow St, 4 Snow Street NT, and Conner Land T LLC Tr, to Brito-Deortiz, Susana B, and Concepcion, Marc A.
- \$219,900, 25 Stefaniak Ave #6, Skowronski, Samuel J, to Trudeau, Debora A, and Trudeau, Kenneth J.
- \$80,000, 56 Main St, Siozopoulos Vasilios Est, and Kiely, Despina, to Mroczka, Wesley.
- \$40,000, 2-A Cedar Dr #D, Webster Ventures LLC, to Milan, Denys.
- Z Development LLC, to McGowan, John R.

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Dorothy B. Morse, 80



WEBSTER – Dorothy B. Morse, 80, died Thursday, August 19, 2021 in her home in the presence of her family.

She leaves a sister, Marianne Morse Callahan and her husband Miguel Ramirez of Boston; 2 brothers, Paul Vernon of Phoenix, AZ and Dale Vernon of Quechee, VT; 1 nephew, 1 niece and many cousins.

She was born on December 4, 1940 in Worcester, a daughter of Joseph M. and Harriet B. (Hubbard) Morse and was a lifelong resident of Webster. She gradu-

ated from Bartlett High School in 1958.

Ms. Morse was the much beloved children's librarian at the former Chester C. Corbin Public Library, now the Gladys E. Kelly Library, for many years before retiring.

She was a member of Grace Episcopal Church in Oxford.

A graveside service will be held privately in New Boston Cemetery, Fabyan, CT. There are no calling hours. Donations in her name may be made to Gladys E. Kelly Library Children's Section, 2 Lake Street, Webster, MA 01570. Arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street.

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Peter U. Vandale III, 66



DUDLEY – Peter U. Vandale III, 66, passed away Friday, August 13, 2021 in UMass/Memorial University Campus with family at his side.

He leaves his wife of 42 years, Linda A. (Haskins) Vandale; a sister, Dolores A. Cloutier and her husband Joseph V. Cloutier, Sr of North Oxford; 3 nieces, Catherine A. Owens and her husband Patrick of Seabrook, NH, Christine J. Clark and her husband Don of Wethersfield, NH and Paula M. Cloutier of West Lebanon, NH; a nephew, Joseph V. Cloutier, Jr. of South Grafton; 7 great-nephews and great-nieces; and a sister-in-law, Lois A. Haskins and her partner Allan Thomas of Raynham. His brother, Robert A. "Bobby" Vandale, Sr., died in 2009.

He was born in Webster on January 12, 1955 and raised there, a son of Peter U. Vandale II and Evelyn (Cyr) Vandale. He graduated from Bay Path Regional Vocational High School in Charlton in 1974 and lived in Dudley since 1982.

Mr. Vandale first worked at Webster Lens as a supervisor. He then was a shipper at Stevens Linen in Dudley. He became a baker at Price Chopper in

Webster for 10 years, retiring because of illness in 2014.

He enjoyed watching sports, golfing, fishing and going to the beach at the ocean. He traveled to Aruba yearly for 10 years. He loved spending time with his family and friends. Peter was an excellent cook; he prepared all the meals. He enjoyed searching the Internet for new recipes, always wanting to try something new.

Peter's family would like to thank the doctors and nurses in the oncology department at UMass for the wonderful care they provided for the 7 years of his illness.

His funeral will be held Saturday, August 28, at 10:00 AM in Saint Anthony of Padua Church, 24 Dudley Hill Road. A time of visitation will be from 9:30 to 10:00 AM at the church. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Webster. In lieu of flowers (if desired), gifts may be made to UMass Memorial in memory of Peter Vandale to support the Oncology Department at: UMass Memorial Health, Office of Philanthropy, 365 Plantation Street, One Biotech, Worcester, MA 01605 or donate.umassmemorial.org Arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster.

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Give it your all!

Last week, I wrote about following your dreams and not listening to the naysayers.

I believe this with all my heart, and at the same time, I know that often the naysayers can be correct. Why? Lots of reasons. No matter how hard I tried, I didn't have the physical ability to be an Olympic swimmer. I gave it my all, but it wasn't in the cards; there were those around me who knew it.

If the naysayers are correct, don't let it be because you didn't try.

Some people are afraid of failure; for me, failing isn't the worst outcome. Failing because I didn't try, failing because I didn't care enough; That's the worst outcome! How do I know? I've done it; I've wept the bitter tears.

Knowing that I did everything I could to accomplish a dream is a great comfort.

John C. Maxwell said, "Dreams don't work unless you do."

Mahatma Gandhi said, "All good thoughts and ideas mean nothing without action."

People often fail in their dreams because they don't try, don't care, make excuses, and procrastinate.

What is belief? If you believe in something, doesn't that mean you live in a manner consistent with that belief? If you aren't doing the action if you aren't taking the necessary steps, is it possible that you never truly believed in it in the first place?

The ancient disciple James said, "Faith without works is dead."

If you're starting a business, but you're not writing down the goals, putting the business plan on paper, going to school, reading the books, building the team, raising the money, and executing the program, do you believe?

Jim Rohn said, "Ideas without labor never become tangible; they never become real."

Procrastination is a killer of dreams. That bears repeating; procrastination is a killer. Years can be wasted, and a whole lifetime can be wasted procrastinating. Everyone sometimes procrastinates; at times, I've been a great pro-

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crastinator. I could write a book teaching you how to be a better procrastinator!

What are some potential causes of procrastination?

Excuses can cause procrastination. "I can't go for my dreams until I lose weight." "I can't work towards my dreams until I get a new job." "I can't try for my dreams until I get out of debt." "I can't go for my dreams until my kids grow up."

The excuse maker says, "First let me focus on this other thing, and then after it's finished, then I can go for my dreams." Next week comes, and a new excuse is made; it can go on forever.

A lack of passion can cause procrastination. I've seen many actors who wanted to make it in Hollywood, but they weren't into the art of acting. They never took the classes, they never sought the auditions, if they did get auditions, they didn't rehearse.

They weren't passionate about what mattered. They pursued the lifestyle, but they didn't seek what makes the lifestyle sustainable. They majored in the minors, and they minored in the majors.

Drugs and alcohol can cause a lot of problems and are considerable procrastination. Many competent people cease to be competent when using drugs and alcohol. If you want to accomplish a dream, quitting the addiction can sometimes be the difference between success and failure.

Fear of failure can be a cause of procrastination. Sometimes the most successful people have failed the most, but they succeed because they keep trying; they never give up. Not pursuing a dream because you're afraid to fail is a failure in itself.

Some say Thomas Edison failed 10,000 times while trying to invent the lightbulb. That wasn't his perception; he is quoted, "I have not failed; I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."

I've been told that perception is everything. If you've tried 10,000 ways to accomplish your dream and haven't achieved it yet, but you keep on trying, have you failed?

Don't be afraid; put yourself out there. You are capable of great things!

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EDITORIAL

School days,
school days...

It's that time of year again, when back to school photos will infiltrate your social media feeds. We love this time of year when a more structured schedule takes hold; however come June, we are ready for the daily routine to be a bit more relaxed.

We always consider late August into September to be a new year. Yes, the actual new year begins on Jan. 1; however, the start of a new school year always brings a clean slate, and who doesn't love that?

This time of year brings with it memories for all of us, even if we are not headed back into the classroom. We recall in the height of the '80's when Trapper Keepers were all the new rave (a release of the vintage originals can now be purchased online). Back then, anyone who walked into a drug store would be greeted with a wall of the colorful organizers, with notebooks and pencil cases to match.

Having a brand new Trapper Keeper with pencils neatly tucked away the night before school started was step one. Next, the perfect outfit would have to be picked out, after all, the first day outfit set the standard for the rest of the year. During these first few days of school, the excitement was always at an all-time high. It's the famous week three, when things start to settle, and the groove of the school routine has become the norm, once again.

As with most things, we enjoy tracking history. The drastic changes that have occurred over the years are quite interesting, so we thought we would share our findings.

During the 1800's, a typical rural area would have one room schoolhouses, with one teacher for grades first through eighth. The younger students would sit in the front of the classroom, with the 'big kids' seated in the back. Memorizing lessons was the priority back then, where students had to recite what they had learned. Paper bags and lunch boxes were not used for lunch, instead children would pack a lunch and carry it to school in a tin bucket.

During the early 1900's, only half of the children between the ages of five and 19 attended school. This was during the Industrial Revolution where children were needed at home to help work the farms or were put to work in factories. One study reports that in the present, 264 million children are still not educated.

We've heard it all before, but it's true, most students would walk or ride their bikes to school in all kinds of weather up to five miles away. Today, most students take the bus or are dropped at school by their parents. In some areas, there have been initiatives taken to promote the 'old school' way of transporting kids via bike or walking.

Way back when, if a student misbehaved, they were placed in a corner and had to wear a dunce cap. Discipline has changed quite a bit, however; we remember a slew of kids standing along the brick wall during recess in the 1980's at a New Jersey elementary school. Some students may have had to stand against the wall for not returning a permission slip, or for talking in class, but we won't mention any names.

Home Economics classes have been replaced with a more modern swing than when they first emerged in the 1950's and lasted through the '70's. Back then, students, mostly female, were taught how to cook and sew. In the late 80's, those classes saw more male students as it became a requirement for all. We remember sewing 'Nerd' (as in the candy) stuffed animals and Oreo cookies in our class. When it was time to cook, we have fond memories of baking a holiday cake and forgetting to add baking powder, or was it flour? Either way, that cake took on a life of its own, we fondly remember taking red icing and writing 'Scrooged' over it.

Industrial Arts classes are few and far between, however are still offered in some places with a more technological twist. Back in the day, students would take large pieces of wood, run it through a planer, sand it, stain it and create all sorts of things from entertainment centers to cut out wooden apples using a jigsaw. We remember leaving notes for our friends in the afternoon class. We would slip them in the lockers and hope we remembered whose locker belonged to who. No texting back then.

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VIEWPOINT

The one thing needful

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things but one thing is needful and Mary has chosen the better part and this shall not be taken away from her.”

There is a story about Jesus visiting the house of his dear friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Martha wants to make sure everything is proper and beautiful for the visit of their dear honored guest, so she's busy hosting and serving and taking care of all the needs of proper hospitality. She gets frustrated, though, when she sees her sister offer little help with the hospitality and instead simply sit at the feet of Jesus and attentively listen to His words.

Anyone who has ever hosted a party or welcomed honored guests can surely relate to this story. Martha's doing all the work and her sister is just sitting around doing nothing but listening to the guest. Frustration quickly turns to irritation which turns to anger! Finally, Martha blurts out, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.” She's annoyed with her sister and hoped that Jesus would side with her and maybe chastise her sister's laziness. Yet Jesus does the exact opposite.

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things but one thing is needful and Mary has chosen the better part and this shall not be taken away from her.”

What does “One thing is needful” mean? We all know how important it is to have workers, people who are ready to put in the time and effort to do the task in front of them. In our churches, we deeply appreciate of all the volunteers who readily help out at our events!

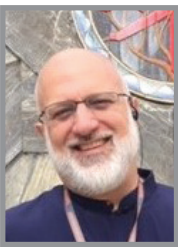
Martha's sister Mary chose instead to keep her eyes on Jesus, to give her full attention to Him and His teachings. Nothing else was important for Mary at that moment because she was in the presence of her Lord. He is the center of everything!

Of course, Martha was offering necessary hospitality, yet she was distracted from what was most important. She then allowed herself to get annoyed and irritated and angry at her sister. To serve with a spirit of joy and gladness is a blessed virtue. Yet once we allow the demon of irritability and anger enter, we destroy the blessing of the virtue.

One thing is needful! How many of us understand what this “one needful thing” is in our lives? How many of us prioritize what is truly needful? To be honest, many of us treat Jesus and His teachings and our relationship with Him as something nice, but not something central. We don't “seek first the kingdom of God” above all else. We allow ourselves to get distracted by many worldly pursuits that demand our attention. We turn to what we think is urgent and temporarily important instead of what is essential and eternal.

Last week on Aug. 15, people throughout the world celebrated the greatest feast of the Virgin Mary, when she died and went to heaven. In the Orthodox Church, it's interesting that we read this Gospel story about the sisters Martha and Mary at every celebration honoring the Virgin Mary. Even though the story has nothing to do with the Mother of God, we still read it because the Virgin Mary, above all others in the history of the world, offers the greatest example of choosing the “one thing needful.”

All the saints of our Church throughout history are examples for us to imitate, but the Virgin Mary is the first among the saints. When the Archangel Gabriel tells Mary at the Annunciation that she is the chosen one to give birth to God, the young virgin has the free



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choice to either accept or reject the Archangel's command. God never imposes His will on anyone. The greatest gift He has given us is freedom to choose to follow and obey Him or to turn away from Him.

Think about the Virgin Mary and her choice. She was a simple, unassuming, faithful young virgin, who despite her youth, willingly dedicated her whole life to God. She was raised in the Temple in Jerusalem from the age of two till 12. At that point in her life, she returned to Nazareth as a young maiden. She knew the trouble she could face if she accepted the Archangel's request - the misunderstanding of being pregnant outside of marriage, the difficulty of not having people believe her explanation, and even the threat of being stoned to death. The Virgin Mary could have responded she wasn't ready to make such a serious decision. She was only 14 or 15 years old. “I am too young to decide. Please, choose someone else because I want to live a normal life.”

Instead of excuses, however, we see courage. She humbly responds, “Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” From this faithful response, God uses Mary to carry the message of hope and salvation to the whole world. She is the first person to accept the coming of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world, and to share His Good News to all creation.

How many of us are willing to answer God, “Here I am, the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” The desire of Christ is for everyone to live a holy life which radiates His light onto others. It doesn't matter what we do, or what position we hold, or how old we are. Most of us are much older than the Virgin Mary when she made her life-changing decision. God seeks from us, just as He sought from the Virgin Mary, to “pursue the one thing needful” and commit our lives to Christ, obediently following the path of the kingdom of God.

We also see in the Virgin Mary's life humility. She never sought to glorify herself. When people come to her, she directs them towards her Son. In the Orthodox Church we have many different icons of the Holy Mother. In all the icons, Mary typically opens her hands and points to Jesus, inviting the whole world to come to Him and embrace Him. The Church honors Mary to such a degree “not only because she is Theotokos, but because she is Panagia, All-Holy,” notes Metropolitan Kallistos Ware. “Among all God's creatures, she is the supreme example of synergy or cooperation between the purpose of the deity and human freedom. God, Who always respects our liberty of choice, did not wish to become Incarnate without the consent of His Mother.”

St. Nicolas Cabasilas writes, “The Incarnation was not only the work of the Father, of His Power and His Spirit...but it was also the work of the will and faith of the Virgin...Just as God became Incarnate voluntarily, so He wished that His Mother should bear Him freely and with her full consent.” That is why the Church not only looks at Christ as the new Adam, but Mary as the new Eve. Her will of God counterbalanced Eve's disobedience in Paradise.

The humble response and life of the Virgin Mary can inspire us to live our lives focused on the “one thing needful,” in a way that will glorify God. Like the Theotokos, we can become instruments in the hands of God and glory Him with our lives.

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things but one thing is needful and Mary has chosen the better part and this shall not be taken away from her.” The Virgin Mary offers the greatest example of someone who “chose the better part.” May we strive to imitate her life and live out her prayer, “My soul magnifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.”



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Repeated hands-free citations can be costly

By Chief Steven J. Wojnar
Dudley Police Department

Hands-free cell phone use while driving has been the law for several years here in Massachusetts. Cell phones and electronic devices are only to be used with limited physical contact and should be properly mounted inside the vehicle. I was recently asked, if a person receives a citation for a violation of this law, does it carry an insurance surcharge?

According to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 Section 13B, drivers can only use electronic devices and mobile phones in hands-free mode. You are only permitted to touch devices to activate them for that purpose. Drivers cannot hold or support any electronic device/phone while operating. The penalty for a first offense is a \$35 civil fine. Sub Section (e) of this law further explains the penalties for violations, specifically those related to surcharges. It states in part, “A first or second offense under this section or section 8M shall not be a surchargeable incident under section 113B of chapter 175 or under a motor vehicle liability policy as defined in section 34A that is issued pursuant to said chapter 175; provided, however, that a third or subsequent offense under this section or section 8M shall be a surchargeable incident under said section 113B of said chapter 175 or under a motor vehicle liability policy as defined in said section 34A that is issued pursuant to said chapter 175.” Therefore, the answer to the surcharge question is both yes and no. No, if it is a first or second offense. The answer is yes if it is for a third or subsequent violation.

Again, with the prevalence of cell phones in vehicles today, more people are using these devices. Please do your best to limit distractions while driving and try to only use phones when necessary. If the call or message can wait, let it.

For those still seeking vaccination information, it can be found at www.dudleyma.gov or by calling 508-949-8036. Please continue moving forward with the “re-opening” of our state in a reasonable manner. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. During these challenging times, we, at the Dudley Police Department, greatly appreciate the support we receive from our community.

Thanks again for your questions and comments. Please send them to me at the Dudley Police Department, 71 West Main St., Dudley, MA 01571 or email at swojnar@dudleypolice.com. Opinions expressed in this weekly column are those of Chief Wojnar only and unless clearly noted, do not reflect the ideas or opinions of any other organization or citizen.

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Remember, libelous remarks and/or personal attacks are a no-no and could lead to your letter not being published.

So, what are you waiting for? Start writing!



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Chaos on the border

To the Editor:

Our southern border is in chaos. Covid, gang members (not good people), drugs, and guns are allowed to spread throughout our country by the very people who swore an oath to protect and defend it and us. The state of Florida a while back gave Covid infection numbers to the CDC, who more than doubled those numbers when the CDC reported it to the nation. Why? Yes, infection rates are going up in Florida, Texas, Massachusetts, and others, but ask the Border Patrol agents (it seems the only people put in harm's way who are still trying to protect us) why, and they will tell you. Infected Covid migrants, not vaccinated, are being transported all

across our country at the same time we're being told to get vaccinated or else! Go figure.

The FBI has an ongoing investigation for soon to be done New York Gov. Cuomo for Covid infections and deaths that occurred in his state's nursing homes. Now this administration is sending this disease everywhere! Joe Bidden, this is on your watch; you are responsible. You can stop it almost instantly with the stroke of a pen, but you do not. Why? The residents of our border towns and cities, indeed our country, are asking that you stop this madness — this chaos.

CARL W. WILSON
OXFORD

Changes in the weather

Mother Nature has decided to send a hurricane with wind & rain into our week at a terrible time, as many families and friends take vacation days, hoping to enjoy the outdoors. We cannot complain too much though as our neighbors to the West and South are enduring fires, mudslides and flooding for months. Global warming is real, and the change in our weather is only going to get worse. There are still many non-believers on global warming, and I do not know what it will take to convince them that it is real.

Fresh water bass fishing continued to provide some great fishing last week, with one youngster catching a three-and-a-half-pound smallmouth bass. Heavy rain causes a lot of high water on lakes and streams, but sometimes it improves fishing for some species on lakes and ponds. Back in 1954, Hurricane Carol hit New England and dumped a large amount of rain causing floods and devastation to the area. After a few days, anglers were



fishing the Arcade Pond in Whitinsville using shiners for bait, and the action was great. Huge pickerel and largemouth bass were caught during a week or more at the culvert on Main Street that once allowed water to flow into the Blackstone River. The area is now a parking lot!

A few local anglers fished aboard the Yankee Fleet in Gloucester, and had a great day of fishing, catching numerous Haddock, Cod, Cusk and pollock. Unfortunately, all of the cod had to be returned back to the ocean because of the closure of cod on all of the Gulf Coast. Starting in September anglers can retain one cod daily on the Gulf Coast.

Striper fishing on the Cape Cod Canal provided sporadic action for some anglers last week. Reports of great striper fishing in Rhode Island with



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many large fish being caught. Just about any striper baits and jigs are producing fish, including umbrella rigs, live eels and jigs. There are a lot of school stripers in the bays which are also holding some legal-size fish. Fly fishing anglers are enjoying

some great fishing.

Reports of some great fishing for fluke around the Five Cottages area was good news last week with numerous keeper fluke. The Snug Harbor fishing report stated that eight- and nine-pound fluke were caught last week at areas around Block Island. Seabass fishing is also very good around the rocky bottom areas.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

Antique and vintage cars selling well



Before I dive into today’s topic of collectible cars, I have some exciting baseball card news to share. The T206 Honus Wagner card that I thought might set an auction record did just that on Aug. 16. It’s now the highest priced baseball card ever sold, hitting a home run when it went for \$6.6 million.

America is said to have a love affair with cars. Some believe the love affair ended many years ago as styles have changed. The muscle cars of the 1960s have been replaced with today’s SUVs. But many baby boomers and middle-aged buyers want to own cars from the era when they grew up, or even from before they were born. Past columns have discussed automobile memorabilia like advertising signs and gas pumps. I’ll focus on the cars themselves in this article.

The New York Times reported that the pandemic did not hurt the collectible car market. In fact, the Times reported that “rather than back away from classic automobiles because of

the pandemic, buyers flocked to them, sometimes in stunning numbers.” The New York Times noted that collectors were “choosing to quarantine themselves in what some might consider the ultimate safe distancing bubble — the cockpit of a classic car.”

There are a few examples of older cars selling well at auction over the past several years. When they were first produced, Model Ts were mass-produced and therefore affordable. They were manufactured from 1908 to 1927. A 1910 Ford Model T Touring car sold for \$35,000 at auction in 2019. The Stanley Motor Carriage Company of nearby Newton, Mass., built steam powered “Stanley Steamers” (nicknamed “flying teapots”) beginning in the late 19th century until 1924. A 1919 Stanley Steamer sold for \$60,000 in 2019.

Cars that you may have seen on local roads in the 1960s and 1970s are also bringing phenomenal sums at auction.

Here are some 2020 auction results:

- 1958 Chevrolet Apache 32 Napco Pickup - \$68,200
- 1971 Dodge Charger R/T - \$86,900
- 1955 Cadillac Series 62 Convertible - \$88,000
- 1957 Ford Fairlane 500 Skyliner - \$99,000
- 1963 Lincoln Continental Convertible - \$106,700
- 1970 Plymouth Road Runner - \$176,000
- 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 429 Fastback - \$225,500
- 1970 Plymouth Superbird - \$151,800
- 1962 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible - \$242,000
- 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle Convertible \$154,000
- 1963 Chevrolet Corvette Split Window Coupe - \$151,250
- 1968 Mercury Cougar GT-E 1 of 101 Produced - \$132,000
- 1969 Chevrolet Camaro RS/SS Pro Touring - \$126,500
- 1968 Ford Mustang GT500CR Fastback - \$225,500



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an auction that will end on October 13th. There are also vintage boat motors, bicycles and other estate items in that sale. Our next online model railroad and die-cast car auction is underway. I’ll be appraising items virtually for the Townsend Historical Society on Nov. 13. My “Evaluating your Antiques” class will take place on Nov. 10 at Bay Path Evening School in Charlton. Please visit our website for more details on upcoming events: <https://centralmassauctions.com>

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Cursive writing was always fun. It was a great feeling when you made that lower case ‘j’ just right. Who knew that years later, hand writing would happen less and less and our cursive skills would be a thing of the past. Handwriting is, however, making a comeback in some schools.

We think it goes without saying, that the best memories involve a good old fashioned pencil sharpener. Trying to get the pencil as small as possible in one go, meant that you were talented. If that pencil still had a full eraser, you were batting a thousand. It was an even better day if you could get your hands on an electronic sharpener.

Cheers to a new school year, and to new memories.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Believe your own eyes, not discredited quacks

To the Editor:

Marcia Wagner ought to be embarrassed by the sources she cites in her letter, published in the Aug. 20 Webster Times, debunking the overwhelming evidence of the human role in climate change. And the Times ought to be embarrassed by the letter’s headline (“Climate scientists admit exaggerated warming”). Legitimate climate scientists have done nothing of the sort. Quite the opposite, in fact.

Vijay Jayaraj? He’s a former assistant director of the Federation of the India Chamber of Commerce and Industry and a contributor to the Cornwall Alliance which asserts that natural causes are responsible for global warming and humans’ best efforts to combat it are divinely ordained to merely expanding political and economic freedom.

The late Dr. Michael Coffman? A spokesman for the paper industry obsessed with fighting the presumed conspiracy to establish a tyrannical world government.

The late John Coleman? He may have founded The Weather Channel but his academic degree was in Journalism. He was notorious for spouting inaccurate and baseless claims about global warming, admitting that he had never conducted any scientific research on the topic.

Harold Ambler? A musician and English major, who has said that his passion for outdoor sports like water polo, surfing and rowing prompted his interest in the weather.

James Delingpole? An English Literature major and journalist who has boasted about attending parties and social events, knowing that he was infected with Covid 19. Oh and he just happens to doubt all the evidence of climate change.

At least Judith Curry has some

legitimate credentials and admits that she just doesn’t know what is causing climate change.

Yes, you are unlikely to hear about these people in the mainstream media because the mainstream media checks its facts and is highly skeptical of people who make incredulous claims.

While Ms. Wagner conjures the United Nations Panel on Climate Change admitting that their computer models have exaggerated warming, she totally ignores the I.P.C.C.’s recent and quite terrifying report asserting that anthropogenic warming (warming caused by human activity) has already raised the global temperature by two degrees Fahrenheit, causing fiercer heat waves, heavier rainstorms and more violent cyclones. The I.P.C.C. said that if we don’t take action soon, worse is yet to come.

Even now, the western United States is experiencing catastrophic drought, water shortages, record heat waves and wildfires. Last week the city of Siricusa in Sicily experienced record temperatures near 120 degrees. There were disastrous wildfires in Algeria, Greece and Siberia. Hundreds were killed by flooding in Germany and 80,000 people were evacuated in Sichuan, China because of flooding caused by torrential rains. Also last week the National Weather Service in the United States warned of stifling summer heat stretching from coast to coast. Massachusetts just experienced the hottest and wettest July on record.

So, Ms. Wagner... who are you going believe? A handful of insubstantial, unqualified and compromised quacks? Or your own eyes?

FRANK MAGIERA
DUDLEY

Women win one, but lose a big one

To the Editor:

In the early days of his administration, President Joe Biden announced that he had a zero tolerance policy for any abuse and/or mistreatment of anyone by anyone in his administration. The depth of his resolve was recently tested when the “Handy Grammy Award Winner” and former resident of the Governor’s Mansion in Albany, N.Y. was accused and convicted in the court of public opinion of multiple, unwelcomed, inappropriate acts against several women.

To his credit, Joe Biden was a stand-up guy who called out the man he once singled out for having done a “hell of a job as governor.” Clearly, Gov. Cuomo was at the point of no return, his fate sealed when the hammer came down from the White House.

Along with the disgraced former governor, we now have another former leader who has betrayed women, this one on a grotesquely larger scale. The former President of Afghanistan, Ashraf Ghani, with the Taliban hot on his heels has fled the country he once led. Ghani’s departure was motivated by fear of something more lethal than the editorial board of the New York Times but, as with Ex-Governor Andrew, no less final.

Life for women and girls in Afghanistan has changed in ways that we can hardly imagine. They have been forced back into the Dark Ages. Only weeks ago, Ghani and the army he led, was according to the Biden Administration, more than able to defend that country and at the same time assure any possibility Afghan women had of living in the 21st century. As recently as July 2, 2021, Afghan wom-

en’s rights champion Shabana Basij-Rasikh reported “... education, particularly girls’ education, is the lever that will raise Afghanistan above extremism and into a peaceful and prosperous future...” Regrettably, that hope, and that future collapsed with barely a whimper the very next month as the Taliban routed the so-called Afghan Armed (but not for long) Forces.

That was the very same U.S. coached Afghan military that we have supported for twenty years with blood, money, training, and equipment. These phantom defenders of Afghan women and girls fled at the first sign of armed insurgents in sandals toting AK-47’s and riding motor bikes. Insurgents badly in need of shoes and a bath defeated the Afghan military in a matter of days. This was an army that disappeared faster than a Dave Copperfield prop and with them, the only hope women and girls in that war ravaged country had.

Indeed, we might want to take a hard look at the members of the U.S. military/political establishment who spent 20 years tutoring the Afghans. Many are not sure we or the Afghan people got OUR money’s worth. Does it really take that long to teach someone to drop his weapon and run?

Cuomo’s victims will hire lawyers, file suits and sign cash laden non-disclosure agreements.

If only the Afghan women had had an army of lawyers rather than one of toy soldiers.

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Adult Programming

Yoga with Julie – Saturdays in September 10:00AM-11:15 AM

Join Julie at Gladys Kelly for a vinyasa yoga class for all levels. In Sanskrit, Vinyasa yoga translates to the “uniting of movement with breath”. A typical

class involves a centering of the mind with the breath, aromatherapy, movement of the body to release energetic blockages and, finally, a rest and relaxation. Classes are free for Gladys Kelly patrons, and will take place in the Library’s Community Room.

Edible Wild Plants of the Northeast with John Root – September 9th 6:00PM

“Edible Wild Plants of the Northeast” is a power point presentation offering a comprehensive

introduction to the identification and uses of wild plants for food and beverage. Distinguishing characteristics, seasons of availability, habitats, methods of preparation, and nutritional and medicinal value of our region’s most common and appealing wild plants are discussed. Questions and comments are welcome throughout the presentation, and illustrated pamphlets with plant descriptions, guidelines for responsible and safe foraging, and a bibliography for further study are

distributed as well.

Fall Concert Series: Mark Mandeville & Raianne Richards – September 11th 2:00PM

Mark Mandeville & Raianne Richards have contributed their first decade to the legacy of American folk and country music, sharing emotively intelligent lyrics, unmistakable vocal harmonies, and a unique blend of instrumentation with audiences throughout the US and Canada. The songs poetically reflect their per-

sonal experience as factory workers, teachers, community organizers and natives of postindustrial mill towns in central Massachusetts. Accompanying themselves on guitar, harmonica, ukulele, penny whistle, electric bass, and most uniquely clarinet, their live performance is often punctuated by humorous commentary.

Indoor Movie Night – Third Thursday of the month, beginning September 16th at 6:00PM

Join us monthly

on the third Thursday of each month as we show a new release film. We’ll make theatre-style popcorn for you to enjoy! The film selection changes each month, call the Library for this month’s title: 508-949-3880.

Book Discussion Group – September 20th 6:30PM

The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group meets at 6:30 pm on the third Monday of the month. New members are always welcome! Next month’s book discussion will be on Monday, September 20th at 6:30PM the meeting will take place via Zoom, and will be about the book A Woman of No Importance by Sonia Purnell. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmars.org for inquiries.

MINI GOLF IN THE STACKS - Friday, October 1 from 6:00 – 9:00 and Saturday, October 2 from 10:00 – 1:00

Do you love watching that little ball bounce along the artificial turf headed for the hole? Do you know how to use the wall to guarantee a hole in one? The Friends of the Gladys E Kelly Library are planning their fall welcome back to the library event. Mini Golf in the Stacks will be played throughout the library on Friday, October 1st from 6:00 – 9:00 PM and Saturday, October 2nd from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM. The holes will have book themes of course. Adults will be invited to compete and socialize on Friday night. Saturday will be open for family fun. So start practicing your swing this summer so your golf balls will roll and not bounce, and watch for updates about the event. In the immortal words of Ben Hogan: “The most important shot in golf is the next one.

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Answers: 1. Tire is black 2. Extra letter on cart name 3. Golf ball on green 4. Extra clubs

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

- 1859: EDWIN DRAKE DRILLS THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL U.S. OIL WELL IN TITUSVILLE, PA.
- 1939: THE WORLD’S FIRST JET AIRCRAFT, THE HEINKEL HE 178, TAKES ITS FIRST FLIGHT.
- 2003: MARS MAKES ITS CLOSEST APPROACH TO EARTH IN NEARLY 60,000 YEARS.

New Word

PUTT

hit a golf ball gently

How they SAY that in...

ENGLISH: Golf

SPANISH: Golf

ITALIAN: Golf

FRENCH: Golf

GERMAN: Golfspiel

Did you know?

GOLF BALLS ORIGINALLY WERE MADE OF WOOD. TODAY THEY HAVE A SOLID RUBBER CORE, A MANTLE AND A HARD COVER.

GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: GOLF CLUB

QCC announces Super Saturday registration event

WORCESTER Quinsigamond Community College is hosting two “Super Saturday” registration events before the fall semester begins on Sept. 8.

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to bargain hunting. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 4 = E)

A. 15 11 12 26 10 1 24 23
Clue: Money off

B. 12 14 20 4
Clue: Reduced price

C. 6 18 11 26 4
Clue: Cost of something

D. 6 1 18 26 9 14 12 4
Clue: Buy

Answers: A. discount B. sale C. price D. purchase

SUDOKU

1			2		5		4
			7			8	1
			5				9
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9	3		5	4			7
	6			9			
	9		4	8	6		
	3				4		
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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

8	5	6	2	9	1	6	7	4	8
8	1	4	5	6	7	9	2	3	9
2	7	9	8	4	3	6	1	5	1
5	4	4	3	6	1	8	9	7	2
2	7	1	2	4	5	9	3	8	6
9	6	8	7	3	1	5	9	4	4
6	3	3	7	1	8	1	5	9	2
1	6	3	8	4	7	9	2	2	3
4	6	5	3	2	6	8	7	1	4

ANSWER:



Tax-Free Sales Event on windows!

★ We're celebrating our Tax-Free Sales Event all month long! ★

Through September 4th only, **save \$330 on every window** and **save \$725 on every patio and entry door**, and **get 6.25% off your entire project** with **\$0 down, 0 monthly payments and 0% interest for one year!**¹

- From last year we know that these appointments fill up quickly, so call today
- You must call by September 4th



Save on every window!



Save on every door!



Must call by September 4th, 2021

1

SAVE \$330
on every window¹

SAVE \$725
on every patio and entry door¹

Minimum purchase of four.

AND

2

6.25% OFF
your entire project¹

Minimum purchase of four.

WITH

3

\$0 0 0%
Down Monthly Interest
Payments

FOR 1 YEAR¹

Minimum purchase of four. Interest accrues from the purchase date but is waived if paid in full within 12 months.

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by **SMS Enterprise LLC** to **Visio Financial Services Inc.** dated **October 17, 2017** and recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in **Book 57921, Page 236** and assignment from Visio Financial Services Inc. to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee of Residential Credit Opportunities Trust II, dated October 25, 2017 recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 58071, Page 209 of which mortgage **Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee of Residential Credit Opportunities Trust II** is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at **11:00 AM on September 10, 2021 at 618 Main Street, North Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts 01534**, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage:

TO WIT:

The land with all buildings and improvements thereon known as 618 Main Street, Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being bounded and describer as follows;

Parcel 1: A certain tract of land located in Oxford, on the northeasterly side of the road leading from Oxford to Leicester, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stone post at the northwesterly corner of the premises on the northeasterly line of the road leading from Oxford to Leicester, Thence N 55 degrees 30'E, nine (9) rods to a stake and stones; Thence N 34 degrees W, eight (8) rods and three (3) links; Thence N 38 degrees E, five (5) rods; Thence N 35 1/2 degrees W, ten (10) rods and twenty (20) links to a large rock at two chestnut trees; Thence N 48 1/2 degrees E, nineteen (19) rods to a large rock; Thence S 17 degrees E, twenty-four (24) rods; Thence S 55 degrees 30' W, sixteen (16) rods; Thence S 34 degrees 30' E, two (2) feet to a point at land now or formerly of one Goodnow; Thence S 55 degrees 30' W, nine (9) rods by kind now or formerly of said Goodnow to a point on said road leading from Oxford to Leicester, Thence N 34 degrees W, by the northeasterly side of said road two (2) feet to the point of beginning.

Said premises are conveyed together with easements for septic installation, construction, use, repair and maintenance as recorded in Worcester South District Registry of Deeds in Book 13135 Page 205 and Book 13735 Page 207.

Parcel 2: The land with all buildings and improvements thereon in Oxford, bounded and describes as follows:

Beginning at the center of a stone post on the northerly side of the town road leading from Oxford to Leicester; Thence N 51 degrees E nine (9) rods and four (4) links to a stake and stones; Thence S 33 4 degrees E, one (1) rod and one half (1/2) link; Thence S 56 1/2 degrees W, nine (9) rods and four (4) links to said town road; Thence N 20 degrees W seven (7) links to the point of beginning.

Commitment No.: T217003518

Containing six and one half (6 1/2) rods, more or less. Reserving the right of way to the barn and orchard.

Parcel 3: The land with all buildings and improvements thereon in Oxford, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the westerly corner of said premises at a stone post by the easterly side of a town road leading from Oxford to Leicester and near the watering trough and by land now or formerly of Thomas Clark; Thence N 55 degrees 34' E, nine (9) rods by said land now or formerly of Clark to a stake and stones by land now or formerly of Joseph Stone; Thence S 34 degrees 30' E, three (3) rods by said land now or formerly of said Stone to a stake and stones by land now or formerly of Josiah Wolton; Thence S 55 degrees 30' W, nine (9) rods by said land now or formerly of Wolton to a stake and stones by said town road; Thence N 34 degrees 30' W by the easterly side of said road, three (3) rods to the point of beginning.

SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL RESTRICTIONS, EXCEPTIONS, RESERVATIONS, STIPULATIONS, CONDITIONS, RIGHTS OF WAY AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

Being the same property as conveyed from McCormick 110, LLC to SMS Enterprise, LLC, dated January 15, 2017 and recorded on July 19, 2017 in Book 57443 at Page 99, Worcester County records.

For informational purposes only: 618 Main Street, North Oxford (Oxford), MA 01537 Tax Parcel #11C-A09

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

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of **FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS** by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at **Braucher & Amann PLLC, 764 Chestnut Street, Manchester, New Hampshire 03104, Tel (603)-486-1530** within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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

Wilmington Savings Found Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee of Residential Credit Opportunities Trust II

Present holder of said mortgage.

By its attorneys,
Martha L. Davidson, Esq.
Braucher & Amann, PLLC
764 Chestnut Street
Manchester, NH 03104
Tel (603)-486-1530
August 20, 2021
August 27, 2021
September 3, 2021

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Vincent V. Strzelecki to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc., dated September 9, 2005 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 37317, Page 299, as modified by a certain modification agreement dated April 7, 2016, and recorded with said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 56729, Page 85 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, recorded on May 19, 2009, in Book No. 44263, at Page 238

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee to U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for RASC 2005-EMX4, recorded on October 12, 2011, in Book No. 47951, at Page 150

U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for RASC 2005-EMX4 to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, for Residential Asset Securities Corporation, Home Equity Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-EMX4, recorded on July 30, 2015, in Book No. 54080, at Page 181

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on September 17, 2021, on the mortgaged premises located at 54 Ennis Road, North Oxford (Oxford), Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

Property Address: 54 Ennis Road, Oxford, MA 01540

Tax Assessor's Information: 08C-B02

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner of the tract to be conveyed at an iron pipe driven in the ground on the easterly line of the road leading from Texas Village to Taft Hill known as Ennis Road and also being at a corner of land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara and said pipe is located 141.6 feet, more or less, northerly, measured along the easterly line of said road, from the northeasterly corner of land owned by Carl Abrahamson. From said pipe:

THENCE by the easterly line of said road; South 37° West, 105.6 feet, to an iron pipe driven in the ground at land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara.

THENCE by land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara; South 3° 41' West, 159.4 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground.

THENCE by land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara; South 75° 01' East,

275.0 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground.

THENCE by land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara; North 14° 59' East, 254.0 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground.

THENCE by land now or formerly of Katherine A. Mara; North 74° 36' West, 266.0 feet to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING 73,829 square feet of land together with a right of way over the westerly end of an existing drive way.

For prior title reference see that deed of Gerald J. Butler and Irene A. Dineen, fka Irene A. Butler to Gerald J. Butler, dated May 3, 1994 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds on May 6, 1994 in Book 16265, Page 22.

For our title reference see that deed of Gerald J. Butler to Vincent V. Strzelecki, dated July 9, 2004, and recorded with the Oxford, Worcester (S) County Registry of Deeds on July 12, 2004 at Book 34100, Page 387.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34100, Page 387.

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

TERMS OF SALE:

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

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

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-EMX4 Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.

150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
17131
August 20, 2021
August 27, 2021
September 3, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court

**Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate
and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200**

**Docket No. WO21C0363CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO
CHANGE NAME**

In the matter of:

Amir Carter Thompson-Boisvert
A **Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **Amir Carter Thompson-Boisvert of Oxford MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Amir Carter Boisvert**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/07/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: August 09, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate

August 27, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**The Trial Court
Worcester Probate
and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Docket No. WO21D1436DR
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**

**Michael J. Caruso
vs.
Ashley J. Caruso**

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown

The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411. You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:

**Michael J. Caruso
23 Dalessandro Avenue
Dudley, MA 01571**

your answer, on or before **11/02/2021**.

If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, in the office of the Register of this Court at WORCESTER.

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

Date: August 10, 2021.

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate

August 27, 2021

(SEAL)

**COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT
21 SM 000806
ORDER OF NOTICE**

To:

**Kenneth F. Guarnieri and
Bethene L. Guarnieri**

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. 50 §3901 (*et seq*)

U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the holders of the CIM Trust 2021-NR1, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2021-NR1 claiming to have an interest in a mortgage covering real property in Webster, numbered 370 Thompson Road, given by Kenneth F. Guarnieri and Bethene L. Guarnieri to HomeAmerican Credit Inc DBA Upland Mtg, dated May 8, 2004, and recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 33705, Page 288, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 9/13/21 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of non-compliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on 7/29/21.

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder

August 27, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court

**Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. W021P2654EA**

Estate of:

James Ernest Rose

Also Known As:
James E Rose

Date Of Death: June 03, 2021

**INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Dawn R. Hellwig of Woodstock CT**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Dawn R. Hellwig of Woodstock CT

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

August 27, 2020

Put kitchen scraps and landscape trimmings to work in the garden

Convert landscape and garden trimmings into valuable compost. Incorporate this soil amendment into garden soil to improve drainage in clay soil and increase water-holding ability in fast draining sandy soils. It also promotes healthy plant growth more resistant to insect and disease problems and keeps plant-based kitchen scraps and garden waste out of landfills.

Composting is as simple as placing disease- and insect-free plant debris into a pile and letting it rot. Don't add meat, dairy, or fat that attracts rodents or weeds that have gone to seed, invasive plants or perennial weeds that can survive the compost process and end up back in the garden.

You can enclose the pile in a bin to keep the process neat, tidy, and out of sight. Some gardeners prefer tumbler composters for added ease when it comes to loading, unloading, and turning the pile. Dual bin tumblers allow you to stockpile the raw materials in one bin while actively composting in the other.

Always check with your municipality first. Some have restrictions on the type of bins that are acceptable while others

may offer them at a discount.

Start your pile in an accessible space hidden by nearby plantings, fences, or decorative bins. Turn the pile frequently, moving the more decomposed materials in the center to the outside and less decomposed to the center.

Speed things up by mixing nitrogen and carbon rich plant debris, topping with soil or compost, and adding a bit of fertilizer. Including equal parts of nitrogen rich (green) materials like herbicide-free grass clippings, fruit wastes, vegetable clippings and manure with carbon rich (brown) cornstalks, evergreen needles, straw and fall leaves will speed the process. But don't let this recipe prevent you from composting. All plant waste will eventually decompose as weather, insects and micro-organisms digest the materials over time.

Start with an eight- to 10-inch layer of garden trimmings. Cover with an inch of soil or compost and sprinkle with



GARDEN MOMENTS

MELINDA MYERS

fertilizer to help speed things along. Repeat until the pile is at least three feet tall and wide. Moisten the pile to a consistency of a damp sponge.

Turn the pile as time allows or frequently for faster results. Move the more decomposed

materials from the center to the outside of the pile. It's a great work out and speeds up the decomposition.

The more effort you put into composting the sooner you will have rich organic matter for your garden. But even casual composters end up with a wonderful amendment for the garden.

Compost is ready when it is brown and crumbly. Mix finished compost into potting mixes for containers, work it into garden beds or spread a one-inch layer over the soil surface of perennial gardens every other year.

Start putting your landscape trimmings in a heap and watch the magic happen.



Melinda Myers

Composting can be as simple as collecting disease- and insect-free plant debris, placing it in a pile and letting it rot.

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

LEGALS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. W021P2704EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Nancy Jean LaFramboise
Date of Death: 10/13/2020

To all interested persons:

Paul F Laframboise of Webster MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Paul F Laframboise of Webster MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/14/2021.

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

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

Date: August 13, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

August 27, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. W021P2177EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Stephen Francis Morrow
Also known as:
Stephen Morrow
Date of Death: 04/14/2021

To all interested persons:

Alma E Morrow of East Douglas MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that William K Morrow of Douglas MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

of 09/07/2021.

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

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Date: August 11, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

August 27, 2021

URBAN CENTER HOUSING
LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF DUDLEY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED UCH-TIF ZONE,
UCH-TIF PLAN AND
UCH-TIF AGREEMENT FOR THE
STEVENS MILL

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Dudley, as Chief Executive of the Town, will hold a public hearing on September 13, 2021 at 6:35 p.m. in Room 321A in the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA in order to review and receive public comments on a proposed Urban Center Housing-Tax Increment Financing Plan (UCH-TIF Plan), an Urban Center Housing-Tax Increment Financing Zone (UCH-TIF Zone), to be known as the Webster-Dudley French River District, and a proposed Urban Center Housing Tax Increment Financing Agreement (UCH-TIF Agreement) for the Stevens Mill, consisting of "Parcel I" with buildings thereon, known as and located at 8 Mill Street, Dudley, containing approximately 5.942 acres of land; "Parcel II", a small triangular parcel of land containing approximately 3,110 square feet of land, and "Parcel III", a parcel of land containing approximately 1.01 acres, all shown on and further described in Exhibit B to the TIF Agreement. All three parcels are included in the UCH-TIF zone.

Copies of the proposed UCH-TIF Zone, UCH-TIF Plan, and UCH-TIF Agreement are available for inspection at the office of the Town Administrator and on the Town's website at: www.dudleyma.gov.

August 27, 2021

September 3, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. W021C0338CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:
Matthew Sturgis

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Mathew Sturgis of Dudley MA

requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Matthew Richard Sturgis

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes

of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/07/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: August 03, 2021

Stephanie K. Fattman
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August 27, 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. W021C0342CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:
Nicholas Walter Seagrave

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Nicholas Walter Seagrave of Dudley MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Natalie Irene Seagrave

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

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LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matthew J. Bonney and Sheryl A. Bonney, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for H&R Block Mortgage, dated June 30, 2004, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34045 at Page 8, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., to Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, dated June 28, 2012, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 49271, Page 345; by assignment from Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, dated May 21, 2014, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52556, Page 210; by assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC, to MTGLQ Investors, L.P., dated January 5, 2017, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 56662, Page 27; and by an assignment from MTGLQ Investors, L.P., to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Chalet Series IV Trust, dated August 26, 2019, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 61191, Page 268, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 P.M. on the 22nd day of September 2021, at 10 Sullivan

Boulevard, Oxford, MA 01540, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit:

Property Address: 10 Sullivan Boulevard, Oxford, MA 01540

Tax Assessor's Information: 48 C 01.14

The land in Oxford on the westerly side of Sullivan Boulevard, so called, and shown as Lot 11 on a Plan of Land in Oxford, Massachusetts owned by John D. Sullivan and Margaret A. Sullivan, dated April 3, 1989 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 621, Plan 113, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point at the northeast corner of tract herein described on the westerly sideline of Sullivan Boulevard, at the southeast corner of Lot #10; THENCE: south 02 degrees 41' 48" west along the westerly sideline of said Sullivan Boulevard a distance of twelve and twenty-eight hundredths (12.28) feet to a point; THENCE: running southerly along the westerly sideline of said Sullivan Boulevard on a curve to the right having a radius of 375.00 feet and a length of 143.99 feet to a point; THENCE: north 76 degrees 49' 25" west along Lot #12 a distance of two hundred fifty-one and ninety hundredths (251.90) feet to a point; THENCE: north 02 degrees 41' 48" east along land now or lately of one Germain, a distance of one hundred fifty-seven and no hundredths (157.00) feet to a point; THENCE: south 76 degrees 59' 11" east along said Lot 10 a distance of two hundred and seventy nine and fifty-two hundredths (279.52) feet to a point; The above described tract contains an area of 41,958 square feet.

For our title reference see that deed of Steve Campbell and Nancy Campbell to Nancy A. Campbell, Individually, dated August 19, 1996, and recorded with the Oxford, Worcester (S) County Registry of Deeds on at Book 18192, Page 128.

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

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U.S. Bank Trust National Association,
as Trustee of the Chalet Series IV Trust,
Present holder of said mortgage,
By its Attorneys,
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(617) 337-4444

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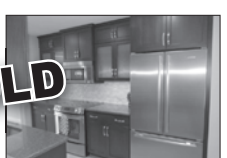
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Celebrating Apple Season

Here in “apple country” we welcome in the harvest season each year with apple fairs, apple festivals and various apple theme parties. Going to the country on a weekend afternoon to pick fresh apples from the trees has become a tradition for many New England families. And coming home to steam fresh applesauce, bake sweet pies, and candy coat apples is a delightful autumn ritual anticipated all year long!

In celebration of apple season, this week’s column will feature some interesting apple ideas and recipes. And remember readers, send in your best apple recipes and you could win a three course dinner for two at the Publick House!

Pleasures of Picking: If you’re picking apples off the trees, don’t pluck or pull! Twist the apple firmly yet gently and the apple will come off the branch with the stem intact - picture perfect!

Perfect Pick: Can’t make it to the orchard to pick your apples? In the store, look for apples are firm with an even color and smooth skin. Apples with a green stem means they’ve been freshly picked and not stored away. And if the apple has a blossom, it should be green.

Chill Out: Always refrigerate your apples. An apple at room temperature spoils ten times faster than if its refrigerated. The optimum temperature to keep apples at their best flavor is about 35 to 38 degrees. While refrigerators aren’t typically that cold, be sure to keep apples in the chilliest area of your refrigerator. To further extend the freshness of apples, store them in a perforated plastic bag in the refrigerator. With this method apples can last up to four weeks, depending on the apple and how ripe it was when picked..

Frozen Assets: Did you know you can freeze apples? Simply peel, core, slice them and seal in heavy-duty zipper free-



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

apple pie, simply transfer the frozen apple filling into a pie crust and follow your favorite recipe.

A is for Apple: Cornell University researchers reported in the journal Nature in 2000 that one apple packs more cancer-fighting antioxidant capability than a 1,500-milligram dose of vitamin C.

Food for Thought: Research from the University of Massachusetts Lowell suggests that apple juice may protect against oxidative damage that contributes to age-related brain disorders such as Alzheimer’s disease. And it may also help to maintain brain performance.

Superior Strains: Studies show apples are not all alike when it comes to health benefits. In fact, Red Delicious apples, which account for 27% of U.S. apple production, have two times more antioxidant activity than Empire apples, according to a Canadian study. Northern Spy came in second; followed by Cortland, Ida Red, Golden Delicious, McIntosh, Mutsu and Empire.

Coffee Cider
Apple cider is at its best this time of year, and coffee cider merges the fresh New England cider taste with classic coffee. This hot drink is a favorite at fall get togethers. Here’s how you can make it easily in your drip coffee maker:

Place one quarter cup of coffee grounds and one quarter teaspoon ground cinnamon into the brew basket of coffee maker. Then place one quarter cup brown sugar or honey and one cup of apple cider in the bottom of the pot. Add three cups cold water to the coffee maker and brew. When brewing cycle

er bags.

Easy as Pie: To make quick work of apple pie preparation, freeze prepared apples in a metal pie tin. When frozen, pop out and transfer to a ziplock freezer bag. When you want to make a homemade

is complete, stir until well mixed. Serve in mugs with cinnamon sticks. A quick note: The glass pot and brewing basket may require a little more cleaning after this recipe, but it’s worth it!

Guilt Free Baked Apples
On a diet? You can indulge in this sweet treat - sans the guilt!
Ingredients: Six firm apples; granulated sugar substitute; raisins; butter (optional)

Directions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Peel six apples and core, leaving about an inch at the bottom. . Mix together cinnamon and about a cup of granulated sugar substitute to taste. Arrange apples in a glass baking dish. Fill each apple with the cinnamon mixture. Add a dot of butter or butter alternative to each apple. Sprinkle raisins on top. Pour about a half cup of hot water into the bottom of the pan. Cover loosely with tinfoil and bake for about 45 minutes or until apples are softened but not overcooked.

Note: New England apples popular for baking include Cortland, Rome, Jonagold, Gala, Golden Delicious, Northern Spy, Ida Red and Braeburn.

Shrunken Apple Heads
Made from apples, these hideous heads are sure to be the hit of your Halloween party!

Materials: whole apples, whole cloves, rice, lemon juice, salt.

Instructions: Peel a large apple and brush with a mixture of lemon juice and a couple of teaspoons of salt to prevent browning. Use a vegetable peeler or sharp knife to carve out eyes, nose, mouth and ears. Don’t be too fussy, as details won’t show once the apple has dried. Some suggestions: Poke whole cloves in eye sockets; place raw rice in the mouth for teeth. Allow apples to dry in a warm, dry place for two weeks. To expedite the drying process, place apples in the oven at lowest temperature for several hours, then allow to sit at room temperature for a few days. Shape the faces as they shrink and harden.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House – Contest has resumed!

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

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

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moved to get vaccinated,” Baker said. “Vaccinations are the pathway out of this pandemic – period. I can’t tell you how grateful I am that so many people see that and have gotten vaccinated.”

As the start of school rapidly approaches, state officials continue to promote vaccine clinics for eligible students. Governor Baker said Massachusetts is a national leader among young people ages 12-19 getting vaccinated.

To learn more about the state’s efforts to combat the virus, visit www.mass.gov.



Worcester Academy congratulates local graduates

WORCESTER — Worcester Academy held its 187th Commencement Exercises June 4 with 129 seniors graduating. Commencement speaker was WA alumnus and Billboard-charted American jazz performer, Victor Fields, Class of 1971.

Among the graduates were: Michael Berberian of Webster Mackenzie Ryder of Oxford Joseph Thompson of Dudley Hunter Hutchings of Oxford

In addition to Fields, speakers included the Academy’s Class of 2021 valedictorian Zoe Alpert of Southborough and salutatorian Ava DeAngelis of Shrewsbury. Worcester Academy Board of Trustees President James Pietro officiated.

About Worcester Academy
Worcester Academy, founded in 1834, is an independent day and boarding school for boys and girls in grades 6 to 12 (and postgraduates). Located in the thriving city of Worcester, the

Academy provides an exceptional educational experience that fosters personal growth, nurtures a sense of belonging and well-being, and develops intellect and understanding through authentic community engagement and real-world experiences. Students define what it means to “Achieve the Honorable” and are equipped to honorably impact the world wherever they go.

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tive that have been vaccinated, but as we all knew with the vaccine, we could still get it. Just hopefully the symptoms are not that bad, and I have seen that. A lot of people don't feel super ill like people did before the vaccine. They're time with the illness is generally tent to eleven days. I've seen two kids pop up under ten," Johnson said. "I think the message is still out there. We still have to wear our masks. We still have to wash our hands and try to do the best we can."

As of the Aug. 17 meeting, no new mandates had been passed down by Gov. Charlie Baker. The Commonwealth had recorded more than 1,500 new COVID cases as of Aug. 20 with a seven-day average of 1,321. While limitations on social gatherings and requirements for mask use remain minimal in the state, Johnson said her personal recommendation is to continue safe practices established in 2020 although she acknowledged that at this point it's

everyone's personal choice how they respond to the ongoing pandemic.

"I know the restrictions have been lifted as far as we can go wherever we want. I'm hesitant with this new variant, but part of me knows that people are going to get it. The hospitalization rate has gone up a little bit, but people are not that ill. I'm not sure what the fall looks like for school — I think we just have to continue to be diligent about wearing our masks. It's a personal choice to keep your circle small. I'm not saying that we have to, but I'm just seeing the numbers are spiking and perhaps we just have to continue to be a little self-conscious about what we do because we still just don't know. We have to live too on the other hand. One day at a time and we'll see what the schools and businesses look like," said Johnson.

Board of Health Chair Jennifer Cournoyer also commented on the continued use of masks further acknowledging that it is a personal choice and that, at this point, the Board of Health is in no position to recommend any man-

dates on the local level.

"We've had a lot of people reach out, even people who've come in the town hall, and ask if they have to wear their mask. We tell people it's their choice. There's no mandate. You do what's comfortable for you and we're going to follow the guidance of the Department of Public Health. That's the best thing that we can do. I don't feel we're in

a position where we should overstep anybody. They have the professionals and we're going to follow them. Do what feels best for you. Take every day that you can. We just have to continue to be diligent," Cournoyer said.

Citizens can continue to stay up to date on the COVID-19 pandemic in Dudley by visiting www.dudleyma.gov/departments/board-of-health/.

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That's where the flooding happened. It was mostly along West Main Street but there were a few other areas of town and we had to pull three or four cars out that got stuck," said the Chief. "We will pump basements if it's impeding on the electrical service or if it's going over the boiler because then you're usually talking about a foot or more of water at least."

Emergency respondersevenemployed a rarely seen piece of equipment from the fire department, a military-grade Humvee loaned to the community by the Federal Surplus to service Dudley full time as needed. The vehicle used a wedge to pull vehicles from flooded roadways and is often used for rescue operations in forested areas as well.

This Aug. 19 storm predated the arrival of Hurricane Henri which had yet to impact the region as of the writing of this story. However, whether it's a minor storm or a major weather event, Chief Kochanowski said it's important for everyone to stay aware, alert

and informed and, if possible, consider avoiding the roads altogether if heavy rain and wind is forecasted.

"I would just advise people in vehicles not to try to go through high standing or flowing water. It's going to get in the exhaust pipe and that will stall the engine," said the chief. "If people are known to have water problems in their basement make sure your pumps are operational and that you have a backup pump in case the other one goes down. A lot of times the department will get overwhelmed and not be able to respond right away just because of the influx of calls. It can be overwhelming because there's so many. We'll just keep going from one house to another if necessary, but it takes time."

Dudley citizens can also sign up to receive Reverse 911 notifications of emergencies on the town's website by visiting www.dudleymas.gov/residents/disaster-recovery/ and clicking the Emergency Notification Service link. This page also contains contact information to report any emergency situation including flooded streets, downed trees and power outages.



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Local residents named to Clark University’s Dean’s List

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DUDLEY — The Dudley Conservation Land Trust (DCLT) invites the community to an educational program on native wildflowers with Robert Bertin, Professor Emeritus of Holy Cross, who has studied the flora of Massachusetts. His areas of expertise include Ecology and Evolutionary Biology of Higher Plants. His talk will include the definition of a native plant, the problems caused by replacing native species with introduced species and how the environment has changed large amount of species over time. It’s important to note that native plants growing in the wild can be adaptable in your gardens and give you many years of enjoyment. DCLT is also conducting a “Native and Pollinator Bulb Sale” and most of the plants for sale will be noted in this program. “Native Wildflowers through the Seasons” presentation is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 21 at 7 p.m. (sharp) at The Dudley Grange, 139 Center Rd., Dudley. Event is free, however registration is necessary, as space is limited. Please call 508-949-0250 to register and leave voice mail with your name and number. Visit the DCLT website [www.dudleyclt.org](http://www.dudleyclt.org) for added information of the above program and our bulb sale, now showing limited quantities.



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