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### Town exploring property purchase

#### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD – The Oxford Recreation Commission has begun discussions with the Board of Selectmen to potentially purchase property near Carbuncle Pond to ensure the land remains a part of the aesthetic of the lake and maybe potentially to expand the amenities at one of the town's most visited recreational sites.

Recreation Chair Joel Masley discussed the plan with selectmen Feb. 7, explaining the property is a significant feature of the pond, the only natural pond in Oxford, and argued that purchasing it would fit in line with the town's master plan as many citizens in Oxford have expressed their interest in preserving the community's rural character.

The exact address of the property in question was not specified during the meeting however Masley did say that it is adjacent to the beach, within 50 feet to be exact, and that purchasing the land would allow for several possible initiatives including providing ADA compliant access to the beach property. Masley took it a step further and insisted the land allows for more recreation possibilities at one of the town's most utilized visitor destinations.

"At the present time there is not enough beach front for all desired activities. It would be difficult to expand for the future. The purchase would expand the public access considerably," Masley said. "According to the latest survey over 63 percent of Oxford residents wish to see more community events or activities offered. Open spaces such as parks can improve our local tax base, revenue, and even increase overall property values. Open space and recreational facilities may require fewer public amenities and municipal services than new land development."

Masley said Carbuncle Pond and the attached beach are already heavily used and play host to fishing, swimming, and a splash pad that opened last year. However the pond and beach have limited recreational space left and the properties adjacent to the beach, including the one discussed for purchase, have been utilized with owner permission in the past to expand on the usable space. Masley argued that if the town were to actually own the property it could solidify it as an extension of the recreation area permanently.

"There are activities going on in the summer time that restrict other activities along the beach. Another issue with that area is this parcel of land that's going for sale is being used right now and has been used for many years by the people for public access. They go fishing there, so a lot of times while a beach program is going on these people are fishing off to the side and the fishermen have used it explicitly. So that

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Jason Bleau photo

View headed down Harris Street toward Lake Street with the new "no parking" signage on the right side of the roadway, one of several changes approved for a few roads in Webster in late January.

## Sight lines and road signs: changes coming

#### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEBSTER — A few slight changes have been implemented for several roadways in Webster after the Board of Selectmen heard recommendations from the town's Safety Committee in late January.

As he does on a regular basis, the Safety Committee's Chair Kenny Pizzetti appeared before selectmen the end of January and provided recommendations for resolving three separate minor issues in different parts of town, the Beacon Park condos, North Main Street, and Harris Street At the condos Pizzetti said his committee has heard complaints concerning where the entrances are and how parking in that area has become an issue for residents in terms of line-of-sight.

"The Condo Association came to us and we're just looking at a small part, basically where their entrances are. If you come over the bridge Barry Equipment is on your right and that one strip there occasionally over the last couple of years we seem to have a lot of parking for some reason," Pizzetti said.

"Star of the Team"

Riley embraces role as

#### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — Sports has long been a staple of high schools across the nation and many athletes go on to become among the most popular and well known members of their respective classes. For many of these student athletes one or two sports define their four years of high school, but few take part in as many as four different sports in that time.

However, this is the case for Cameron Riley, an Oxford senior named the "Star of the Team" by the 2017 class officers in the school's ongoing "That's A Picture" campaign. As an athlete Riley has explored many different sports during his four years at OHS and has learned from each one and excelled in them in his own way.

Riley has been active in Oxford High School's basketball, football, soccer, and indoor track programs, the later being the sport he sees as his best. He participated in soccer and track in the fall and while his sports career is over at OHS Riley said he feels he gained a lot from working with so many different teams over the years.

"I've jumped around a lot. I'd say soccer is one of my favorites, but I have the most potential in track," Riley said. "I like the variety. Indoor track is one of my favorite sports, but being able to play all these different sports was fun.



Webster Times photo

Cameron Riley, the multi-sport athlete has been a part of four different teams at OHS over his four years, most recently participating in soccer wearing #4, and indoor track and field in the fall.

Basketball and soccer were fun and I found a talent with indoor track so that's what I stuck to in the fall."

With so many different sports on his resume, Riley acknowledges they are all different, but in many ways they are also the same. The amount of focus and determination needed to succeed in all

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## Contract signed to produce capital plan

#### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

DUDLEY – Dudley's Board of Selectmen has approved a contract with the Abrahams Group in Framingham to assist the town in producing a capital improvement plan.

Town Administrator Greg Balukonis brought the contract before selectmen Feb. 6, seeking approval of the document and explaining the partnership has one goal in mind, organizing Dudley's plan for the future.

"They will be assisting the town in the development of a multi-year capital improvement plan and financing strategy," Balukonis told selectmen. "The amount of the proposed contract is \$22,000 and we have \$25,000 available in grant funding to do this."

That funding is through a state Community Compact grant and will prevent the need for taxpayer dollars from the town to fund the deal, a fact that made the initiative an attractive one for selectmen. Balukonis said the plans would be completed in mid-June and will help the town not only organize what projects they want to proceed with, but also help formulate a plan of action to finance them.

"One of the things we have in Dudley is many capital needs," Balukonis said. "We don't yet have a system of prioritizing them and most importantly we don't have a mechanism in place for determining how these things would be financed so the Abrahams Group, through their proposal, said that they would do that."

Selectmen approved the contract unanimously. The move came two weeks after the most recent meeting of the town's Capital Improvement Committee, a committee Selectman Peter Fox sits on and one he enthusiastically said would benefit greatly from the assistance the Abrahams Group will provide.

"I'm very much in favor of this. Every year when we have Capital Improvement Committee meetings we just kind of throw darts at the dartboard and then hope we find the money," Fox said. "I definitely sup-

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### Dudley resident proposes forum on Islam

#### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

DUDLEY – With the controversy concerning the proposed Islamic cemetery in Dudley still at a peak and the Islamic Society of Greater Worcester preparing to apply to utilize property on Corbin Road for the project once again in the next month, one Dudley resident says she is hoping to hold a community event later this year to bridge any gap between the local Muslim community and residents of Dudley who may have questions about Islam and the Muslim faith.

Sarah White appeared before the

Dudley Board of Selectmen Feb. 6 explaining she is planning a follow-up event to a forum she held April of last year, only months after the cemetery proposal gained massive attention in the town and across the state. The forum brought together several members of the Muslim faith from the community and beyond to discuss their religion, and clear up any misconceptions locals may have about their belief system.

White said she plans the second forum to follow the same format.

"It's open to the public. It's open to anybody. It's not a worship service. There's a panel of four to five Muslims who talk about their experience here in the United States," White told selectmen. "They talk about their religion and it's open to questions and answers."

In the wake of the proposal for the Islamic cemetery, the town received significant backlash from the public at large as many attributed the movement against the project as an act of prejudice or racism by Dudley citizens. Town residents and officials alike have refuted this stigma many times in public with concerns about water quality, property values and other issues being more dominant topics of discussion during public hearings. Still, many from outside the community, and maybe some within Dudley's borders, continue to hold the belief there may be a lack of empathy or understanding behind why many do not wish to welcome the cemetery to the town.

Whether it's to inspire a more cohesive working relationship with the Islamic Society of Greater Worcester on the local level or to put to bed any misconceptions about the Muslim religion and Islamic culture some may have from the national discussion, White

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### Do I need a Real Estate Agent when buying a home?

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The answer is absolutely! However, I have heard reasons why people have decided to go it alone and not hire an agent. They may have had a bad experience in the past and didn't trust that this time would be better. They may think if they just go to the agent selling the home they can get a better deal. Sometimes they may have a close friend or family member that is a licensed Realtor and they think they are too busy and they don't want to bother them.

I strongly suggest you interview the agent you are going to hire and maybe interview 2 or 3 agents to ensure you are making a sound decision. Typically you will not save money by going to directly to the agent selling the home because for one they most likely will get paid

the same commission from the seller whether they have to split it or not and you do not have someone negotiating for

you. They have a fiduciary responsibility to the seller and since the seller is paying the same commission either way it is of no advantage to go with your offer. The 3rd objection of your friend being too busy is probably not true but if it is then find someone who can give you the time but a great Real

Estate Agent should be busy because everybody wants to work with them.

The reality of the need for a buyer agent is that you do not pay a fee to have them represent you as they will most likely be getting paid by the seller. They will do a comparative market analysis on the homes to help you come up with a price to pay and they should be highly skilled in negotiation and be able to save you money. You could ask questions to the agent such as what is the list price to sales price ratios for the buyers they represent to see if they are indeed saving their clients money. However if you are in a very competitive market this



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### Medical expenses hamper local family



Courtesy photo The Lavallee family are seeking help with their daughter's medical expenses.

REGION — Sarah Lavallee and her husband, James, are parents to eightyear old, Abigail. Abby was just five years old when she started having epileptic seizures. On her worst days, she has had more than 30 seizures per hour. Doctors have been working with Abby regularly and they have been able to get the amount of her seizures down immensely, but still, the different medications are not working 100 per cent. Some days her seizures are so bad she is unable to attend school. Abby has described her seizures as making her feel "scared, sad and lonely," and has also said that she feels that because of her seizures her friends do not feel comfortable playing with her at school.

Abby's mother and father describe her as a "funny, loving, caring little girl that has a great spirit." She loves school and playing with her older siblings. When she is at school, some of her favorite activities include gym class and music. Her mother also noted how she loves to run around with her friends, and sing and dance.

Recently, Abby has been referred to an epilepsy specialist at Boston Children's Hospital. The doctors there have suggested a method of treatment to hopefully stop the seizures all together. They want to see Abby on the ketogenic diet. To some, this low-carb, high-fat diet may be a way to help lose weight; however, research has proven that it can also control or even rid someone of epileptic seizures. Abby will have to spend the first week or so on the diet being monitored closely by her doctors at Boston Children's Hospital.

A study published in Pediatrics in

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2001 reported that within three to six years after the children who participated in the study (they were on the ketogenic diet to help eliminate epileptic seizures), 13 percent were seizure-free and another 14 percent had found a 90 percent+ decrease in their seizures. Many of the other children no longer needed their medication, either.

The new form of treatment seems promising for Abby and her family; however, this treatment does come at a huge expense. Between the specialized food, doctor's visits and other daily expenses that every family incurs, Abby's parents decided to reach out to their community for help, realizing that they can no longer do this on their own. They have started a page for Abby on GiveForward.com: Lavallee Family Purple Fund for Abby. The family has a goal of \$15,000 and whatever money that is raised but not needed will go toward epilepsy research. Any donation, big or small is greatly appreciated.

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

BOSTON — State Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Webster) will host office hours during the month of February on the following dates;

Feb. 17 from 11 a.m.-noon at the Free Public Library located on 339 Main St, Oxford.

Constituents are encouraged to stop by at any point during the hour or may reserve a specific time if they wish by emailing Joe Zarrella atJoseph. Zarrella@masenate.gov. Those who cannot make the office hour may call 617-722-1420 to have issues addressed by the Senator.

### FORUM ON ISLAM

DUDLEY — A forum on Islam, to be held in Dudley at the First Congregational Church, UCC at 135 Center Road on Thursday, March 2 at 7 p.m. In light of the controversy regarding the Islamic cemetery and the backlash over Trump's travel ban regarding seven predominantly Muslim coun-

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### ADDITIONAL FELLOWSHIP **MEALS**

The Webster Dudley American Legion Post 184 is pleased to announce it will be hosting The Blessed Backpack Brigade Free Community Fellowship Meals on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month beginning March 8.

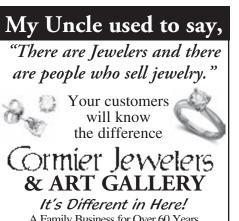
Meals will be served from 5-6 p.m. Dave Hebert, the director of dining services at Nichols College and his staff are volunteering their time to provide delicious well balanced meals to anyone in need. Rumor has it they're the best around!

This additional meal will complement the St. Andrew Bobola Fellowship Meals the first and third Wednesday of the month, and the Bread of Life Kitchen on the second and fourth Tuesday. This means a hot meal every Wednesday during the month, and every other Tuesday for area homeless and disadvantaged.

those who may need them.

The American Legion is located at 9 Houghton St, Webster — just off of School Street.

For more information, or to donate help or supplies, please contact the Blessedbackbrigade@gmail.com, or call Lisa Berg at (508) 330-7242, or Lauri Joseph at (774) 230-8988.



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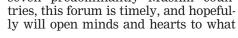
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### You've got a friend: court advocates concentrate on children

#### BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

REGION — For hundreds of Worcester County children who were removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect, there hasn't been much reason for hope in their young lives. But thanks to an ever-expanding team of volunteer advocates, the kids know they aren't alone.

The number of CASA volunteers (court-appointed special advocates) continues to grow throughout central Massachusetts. Earlier this month, 35 of the region's 51 new CASA volunteers were sworn in at Worcester District Court. All volunteers must pass a thorough screening process and complete comprehensive training exercises in child development, court and child welfare systems, and the process of interviewing children, among others.

The volunteers will now join a team filled with people who want to make a difference in children's lives – people like Warren's Carol Carpentier. A CASA volunteer for over two years, Carpentier has advocated for six children as they went through the long and often frightening transition process.

CASA volunteers work



Courtesy photo

Court-appointed special advocate volunteers from throughout Worcester County were sworn in earlier this month at Worcester District Court.

one-on-one with abused or neglected children, advocating for their best interests in the court and child welfare systems. Part of their responsibility is to ensure that children receive the many services they need, in addition to preparing reports that help judges get a clearer picture of each child's background and needs.

"I wanted to help children, and this seemed like a great way to use my skills to assist them," said Carpentier, whose freelance court reporting experience helped her greatly when advocating for kids in the courts. "Our job is to help ensure that each child's needs are being met."

Not long ago, Carpentier was able to do just that for one of her court-appointed children who required eye surgery. After noticing that the child's eyes were crossed and unfocused whenever someone approached him, Carpentier recom-

mended an immediate eye exam. Doctors eventually determined that corrective surgery was the best course of action.

Many of the children CASA volunteers assist have health, learning, emotional, or psychological struggles that must be brought to the court's attention. In times of great upheaval following the removal of a child from his or her home, the volunteers play an integral role in the transition process.

The ultimate goal of the courts is to reunite children with their parents once certain recovery obligations are met, but that often isn't possible in abusive situations. At that point, the goal for CASA volunteers is to help kids as they start down the path to a safe, permanent home elsewhere.

"CASA volunteers don't require any specific educational or professional background. All they need is compassion, objectivity, and a commitment to children. We'll train and supervise them to be effective voices in court," said Doug Stark, the director of community resources for CASA of Worcester County. "Our volunteers come from all walks of life. They are ordinary individuals who rise to the extraordinary by making a difference in the life of a child." But as the number of

CASA volunteers continues to grow each year, so too does the number of kids requiring their kindness. The opioid crisis has flooded courts with parents whose addiction struggles have cost them custody of their children. In many cases, kids alternate between staying at a different friend's house every night, often sleeping on couches and losing sight of schoolwork. Others drop out of school

and run away. Carpentier and her fellow CASA volunteers know they can't help every child, but they do their best for those they can assist. They receive no payment for the job, at least not in a monetary sense, but they describe each smile they bring to a child's face as the greatest reward imaginable.

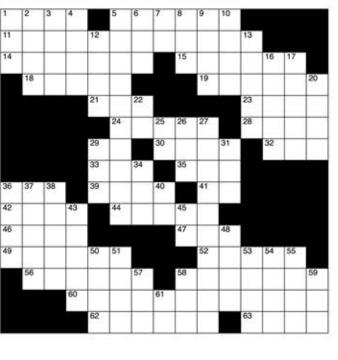
"The kids are on my mind all the time. I am always thinking about them," Carpentier recently said. "I have had a great relationship with each child I've worked with."

The volunteers each report to area supervisors who provide them with ongoing guidance. Dianne Starkey began her time with CASA as a volunteer, then became an advocate supervisor. She has enjoyed her experiences working with kids and then providing volunteers with the tools they need to succeed.

"The children are amazing. They go through so much, and it is a privilege to do this work," said Starkey, who lives in Warren. "All of our volunteers do a great job. They go through the training so they have the expertise they need, and they understand the issues these kids are facing."

CASA of Worcester County belongs to a national network of community-based nonprofit organizations that recruit, screen, train and supervise volunteers. CASA is the only program in Massachusetts that uses trained volunteers to work one-on-one with children.

Anyone interested in volunteer opportunities should visit www.worcestercasa.org. You can also contact Doug Stark at 508-TRY-CASA, or by email at volunteers@thecasaproject.org.

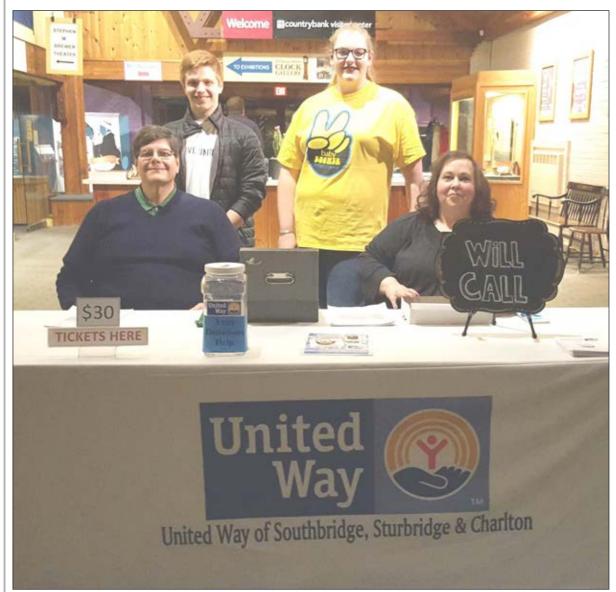


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Turner, rock singer

#### Event staff Ben Anderson, Emma O'Coin, Terry O'Coin and Cindy Capillo

REGION — Let's face it, we're all getting older, and it's the Baby Boomers' world right now. So when the United Way cast about for the ultimate fundraiser, what better than to laugh at ourselves?

United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton held a successful fundraiser the end of January. The Baby Boomer Comedy Show featuring the nationally known comedians, Jan McInnis and Kent Rader filled the Stephen M. Brewer Theater with an appreciative audience.

These talented comedians, known for their clean comedy, had the almost capacity crowd in the theater at Old Sturbridge Village laughing during the entire 90 minute show. No silent moments or heavy groans for inappropriate material.

Per Executive Director Mary O'Coin, "Good, clean comedy is so welcomed. Folks kept saying as they left how funny the show was. How refreshing it was to not hear 'blue' language and scenarios. It was a huge success! Thanks to Jan McInnis and Kent Rader for bringing humor to our little community."

The show was an hour and a half of hilarious clean standup comedy focusing on work, family, do-it-yourself projects, and many other topics to which audiences can relate. Rader and McInnis are both baby boomers who have spent the past 20 years performing for thousands of business groups, non-profit organizations and other professional events. They have a reputation for clean and funny humor; McInnis was featured in the Wall Street Journal and the Washington Post for her clean humor, and Rader's clean comedy won him the Branson Comedy festival.

This first time fundraiser was successful in raising almost \$3,000 through ticket sales and will benefit the 22 programs at 15 local agencies in Southbridge, Sturbridge, and Charlton that the United Way Funds each year. The United Way SSC is a non-profit organization that supports programs that promote health, education and financial stability in the Tri-Community.

For more information about the United Way SSC and the programs supported visit www. unitedwayssc.org, our Facebook page, or call (508) 765-5491.

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## **SENIOR CORNER**

### Webster Senior Center

5 Church Street, (508) 949-3845 Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Email: SeniorCenter@Webster-ma.gov

Tri-Valley Lunch: Served Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 11:30 am. Please call (508) 949-3845 at least 48 hours in advance to reserve your meal or to cancel a reserved meal.

The Senior Center will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of President's Day.

Progressive Pitch: Every Monday and Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Knitting/Crocheting Social: Mondays 10 am.-noon

Yahtzee Social: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m.

Adult Coloring: Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m. Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts at 1 p.m. promptly. Please plan to arrive by 12:45

p.m. to allow time to buy your bingo sheets. Sunday Bingo: Tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Sundays of

for the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Please call (508) 949-3845 for more information.

Advanced Line Dancing Class with Forty Arroyo. Class are held every Thursday from 9:30 –11 am. Beginner Line Dancing Class every Monday from 9:30-10:30 am. Each class costs \$3. Sign up at front desk or call (508) 949-3845.

Art Class: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, 9-11 a.m. Instructor: Linda Littleton. February 22 class is a Wood Hanging – School of Fish. Class is \$10 and includes all supplies and instructor. Please call (508) 949-3845 for more information.

David Resnik of American Senior Benefits will be at the Senior Center on Thursday, February 23rd from 9:30-11 a.m. to answer health care, health insurance and financial planning questions.

13 Card Pitch: Every Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Friday Exercise Classes - Instructor: Forty Arroyo. Chair Dancing Class 10-11 a.m. and Move While U Groove class 1-2 p.m. \$3 per class.

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Free Blood Pressure Screenings on the second Thursday of every month at 10:30 a.m. Sponsored by Webster Manor.

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

Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 for a complete list of additional activities and upcoming events.

### OXFORD SENIOR CENTER

The Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St. (behind town hall), is open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. except holidays. For information, or to make appointment for van services call (508) 987-6000.

The Senior van is available for appointments and shopping throughout Oxford, but out of town appointments require use of the Elderbus, call (800) 321-0243. Tri-Valley lunches served at 11:45 a.m., Monday-Friday, 48 hour notice needed.

Mondays: cards and games at 10 a.m.; WalMart (2nd & 4th Mondays) holiday exceptions (with option of TJ Maxx), cards & games, "Aging Backwards" stretch: 12:45

Tuesdays: grocery shopping (option of Dollar Tree) at 10 a.m., needle workers at noon, chair Yoga at 1 p.m.

Wednesdays: S.H.I.N.E. every other Wednesday, call for an appointment; Kmart - (3rd Wednesday of month) at 10 a.m., Zumba Gold at 9:30 a.m., Pitch at 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Thursdays: strength & balance at 9 a.m., grocery shopping at 10 a.m., Mah Jongg at 10:30 a.m.

Fridays: hair appointments, cards and games at 10 a.m.

MONTHLY: Jewelry making, Painting with Pam, health talks, entertainment, Book Club, Tea & Talk, The Friendly Visitor Program, movie days, blood glucose monitoring, blood pressure checks and surprise events.

### POLICE LOGS

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### WEBSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sunday, January 29

12:55 a.m.: MV stop (East Main Street) arrest: Craig J. Ritacco, age 25 of 20 Pinehurst Drive, Webster: speeding in violation of special regulation, OUI-liquor and negligent operation of MV.

9:13 a.m.: assault (Main Street) arrest: adult female, age 50 from Worcester: A&B on family or household member.

11:52 a.m.: attempt to serve (Bigelow Road) arrest: Kenneth Safford, age 42 of 43 Bigelow Road, Webster; warrant arrest.

9:20 p.m.: as sault, arrest: adult female, age 60 of Douglas: domestic A&B

Monday, January 30

1:48 p.m.: disturbance (Aldrich Street) arrest: Andre Peterkin, age 28 of 18 Perrin Road, Woodstock CT: warrant arrest.

8:04 p.m.: assault, arrest: adult male, age 30 of Webster: A&B on family or household

member, and A&B with serious injury. Wednesday, February, 1

4:11 p.m.: suspicious MV (East Main Street) arrest: Paul Vincent Jones, age



48 of 1223 Jay Hill Drive #1413, Mineola FL: fugitive from justice on court warrant.

Friday, February 3

1:25 a.m.: attempt to serve (Scenic Avenue) arrest: Jeffrey R. Mancuso, age 23 of 47R Scenic Ave., Webster: warrant arrest.

8:50 p.m.: disturbance (Boyden Street) arrest: Deanna M. Stickles, age 44 of 5 Boyden St. #2, Webster: harassment order violation and threat to commit crime.

Saturday, February 4

3:39 a.m.: disturbance, arrest: adult male, age 35 of Webster: domestic A&B.

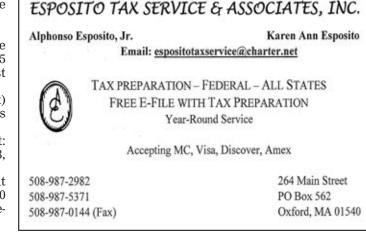
Sunday, February 5

12:33 a.m.: assist other agency (Myrtle Avenue) arrest: Steven Vega, age 34 of 37.5 Myrtle Ave., Webster: probable cause arrest from another agency.

11:18 a.m.: EMS request (Harris Street) arrest: Joseph Peter Kenadek, age 51 of 8 Harris St. #2R, Webster: warrant arrest.

5:46 p.m.: disturbance (Negus Street) arrest: Penny A. Tenney, age 52 of 41 Negus St. #3, Webster: warrant arrest.

9:31 p.m.: domestic dispute, arrest: adult male, age 40 of Webster: A&B on person age 60 or older or disabled and violation abuse prevention order.



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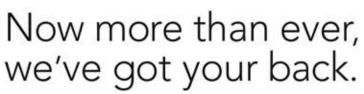
6:16 p.m.: MV stop (Airport Road) arrest: Angel W.

Vazquez, age 34 of 23 Pine St. #1, Dudley: failure to

stop or yield and operating MV with license suspend-

Tuesday, February 7

ed or revoked.



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Dr. George received his B.S. from the College of Engineering at Cornell University and his M.D. from Weill Cornell Medical College. His post-graduate studies included a general surgery internship at Brown University and Rhode Island Hospital, and an orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Vermont. He completed his training with a spine surgery fellowship at Penn State University and Hershey Medical Center.

Prior to joining the Center for Bone and Joint Care, Dr. George spent 23 years in an orthopedic practice in Northwest CT. He has been a scientific advisor and board member at a company that developed an antimicrobial spinal implant, which is approved for clinical usage in Europe.

In his spare time, Dr. George enjoys skiing, snorkeling, hiking, reading history books and visiting museums. He is an avid fan of Coast Guard Football, where his brother is the head coach. His greatest joy is spending time with his four children. If you suffer from back pain, relief is closer than you might think.



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### LEARNING **Oxford student** earns scholarship

OXFORD - Samantha Holton, daughter of Jessica and Jason Dulmaine of Joe Jenny Road, Oxford, was recently awarded a \$500 scholarship by ScholarTrips, for her essay entitled, "a New Jane Entering the Jungle.'

The essay was selected as "one of the best" in this national essay contest, for the creative and passionate way in which it addressed the question, "What inspires you to travel abroad?"

With over a thousand submissions nation-wide, the Review Committee noted the essay was "not only creative and unique, but also entertaining and refreshing.'

In her essay, Holton expressed "exploring ancient Mayan ruins, as well as the seasoned architecture of Spanish Conquistadors" as reasons for choosing the country of Brazil as her essay destination.

Samantha, a senior at Oxford High School and member of Ms. Krantz's college writing class, hopes to attend the University of Maine at Orono to study biology and environmental sciences. She anticipates working with animals, especially elephants and in improving the various environmental problems around the world.

Allianz Global Assistance, a world leader in the travel insurance and assistance industry is the creator and sponsor of Scholartrips, a scholarship program that awards creativity and the desire to learn through travel. Since its inception in 2004, Allianz, through ScholarTrips, has helped students explore the world and grow through their travel experiences by awarding over \$100,000 to students across the United States.



Samantha Holton

### Application process underway for preschool

WEBSTER — In September the Webster public schools integrated preschool program anticipates openings in both morning and afternoon sessions. This program provides children with and without special needs a quality early childhood educational experience. Each class will meet for either morning or afternoon four day sessions at Park Avenue Elementary School. The program follows the Webster public schools calendar.

Preschool applications can be picked up at Park Avenue Elementary and at the student services office in the Filmer Administration building. Applications are also on line on the special education page of the district website: www.webster-schools.org.

Applications are now being accepted, and will continue to be accepted until March 17 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Completed applications should be dropped off at the student services office at the Filmer building, 41 East Main St.

Applicants should bring a certified birth certificate for their child as well as proof of residency (such as a signed lease, utility bill or statement showing current address). At the time of registration, a more complete registration packet will be maintained with the application and forwarded to the school if your child is chosen for an open slot.

An open house for all applicants will be held at Park Avenue Elementary School in May.

All applicants will be expected to attend a screening appointment scheduled in late March or early April. Applicants will receive notification of this appointment at the time they complete the application.

Upon completion of the screening pro-

cess, children determined to be eligible to fill spots as typical, or non-disabled peers, will be maintained on an enrollment list and a lottery will be held, if necessary, during the week of April 24, to determine who will be placed in the available slots.

Should we receive more applications than there is space for, applicants not chosen at this time will remain on a waiting list to be considered for future openings. The enrollment waiting list will be maintained at the student services office, and used to fill vacancies should they become available in the future. Parents will be notified after all vacancies are filled, and asked to verify whether they wish to remain on the list.

Final registration will take place in May at Park Avenue Elementary. All registration forms, including immunization and health examination forms, must be received at the time of application for your child to be considered for placement.

There is no registration fee, and no tuition for the integrated preschool program.

Children must be four years old before Sept. 1, 2017 and be a resident of the town of Webster at the time of application in order to be eligible for enrollment for the 2017-18 school year.

Transportation to and from the preschool program is the responsibility of the parent.

Please submit your completed application in person at the student services office during the designated dates and times. Applications received after the enrollment period will be considered if slots are available.

For questions or further information contact the student services office at (508) 943-3646.

### St. Joseph students make Junior Ensemble Choir

WEBSTER — St. Joseph of our students made the chool continues to show cut." School continues to show its support for the Arts! Three of its students have been accepted to the Central Districts of Massachusetts Benjamin Duval (bari-

She could not be more excited for them. Congratulations to seventh grade students tone) who scored in the top three male voices in central Massachusetts, Seth Boudreau (baritone), and Elzbieta Gronek (soprano).



Music Educators Association Junior Ensemble Choir.

More than 400 students auditioned to join in a collaborative concert featuring the best vocal talents from across central Massachusetts. According to fine arts director and fifth grade teacher Kelly Bailey, this was the first-time the school participated.

She stated, "With less than half of the students who audition making the ensemble, it is truly a blessing that three

Elzbieta is quoted as saying, "It was a great experience auditioning. I can't wait!"

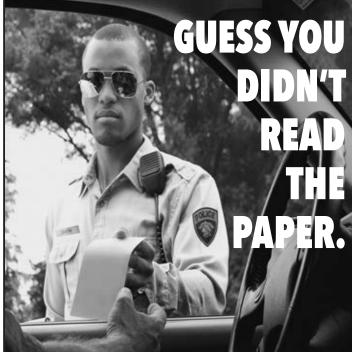
The administration, faculty, and staff are proud of these fine young people who will be representing St. Joseph School in the concert on April 29th.

Courtesy photo

- Elzbieta Gronek, Benjamin Duval, Seth Boudreau will be representing St. Joseph School at the Junior Ensemble Choir.



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## LEARNING

### Learning the skills

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In honor of Children's Dental Health Month, the preschool students at All Saints Academy were visited by Dr. Radivonyk and Abbey Gould to promote the benefits of good oral health.

The students learned about proper brushing techniques, the importance of flossing and how to floss, tooth decay and how sugar increases the risk, the importance of visiting the dentist, and the fun of losing your baby teeth.

The students received a dental treat package filled with all the supplies needed for good oral health and to keep a healthy smile for a lifetime!













\* \* Friday's Child \* \* \*



Areil, who also goes by Ari, is a friendly 14-year-old boy with a great sense of humor. Ari likes music, video games, com-



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puters, Pokemon, and his favorite type of food is Chinese take-out. Though he is not sure what he wants to be when he gets older, he enjoys his technology class in school. When asked if he could meet anyone, real or fictional, Ari stated Finn from Adventure Time because he goes on adventures with his dog. If Ari had a superpower, it would be to have super speed.

Currently, Ari resides in a group home. His social worker said that he has been making good progress this year and does

well going into the community and taking art classes. He has been processing his past and is now ready to find a family of his own, which he describes as "a good home with a mother, father, other children and pets." The professionals who work with Ari believe he would do well with any type of two-parent home where there might be other children who shared some of his interests. Ari is an easy-going teen who is open to trying new activities and could integrate well into a family's routine.

### Who Can Adopt?

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

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

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

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### African culture comes to Oxford

### BY JASON BLEAU NEWS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD - Oxford Middle School hosted a special presentation and day-long activities by the Crocodile River Music group Feb. 3 as the group took a break from it's nationwide touring to educate local students on African music and culture. Throughout the day students got to partake in a series of activities hosted by any of the many members of the group and at the end of the school day the band came together for an assembly where they introduced students to a variety o instruments, musical styles, and dances all common in Africa and other countries Brazil and the Caribbean islands.



Jason Bleau photos

Performers from Crocodile River Music perform a traditional African tune for the students of **Oxford Middle School.** 



opportunity to show her own musical talent when she played the guitar-like African instrument the n'goni.



Oxford Middle School student Erica got the A leader of Crocodile River Music, Issa Coulibaly, a master djembe drummer from Mali, West Africa, shows off his skills to the students of Oxford Middle School. Some students even got to enjoy one-on-one drum lessons from Issa earlier in the day.



Guitarist Ron Murray led many of the musical numbers performed and is a specialist of the seven string guitar.





Students got to enjoy a bit of Samba dancing on stage complete with their own shakable instruments to add to the fun.



While the assembly mostly involved African traditional music and dancing, students got to enjoy a few more modern dances as well including taking part in "the whip" and "the dab."

Balla Kouyaté, a member of Crocodile River Music from Mali, West Africa, plays away on his instrument, the balafon. Kouyaté has a family history with the instrument as his father is the guardian of the first ever balafon and spreads his love and talent for the instrument at events nationwide.



The Crocodile River Music group made a special appearance at Oxford Middle School.



Students of Oxford Middle School put their hands in the air for one of the any participation songs performed by Crocodile River Music.

### Legislators override veto, pay raise in place

### BY KEVIN FLANDERS NEWS STAFF WRITER

REGION — In spite of heavy opposition from Worcester County officials, Senate and House legislators overrode Governor Charlie Baker's veto of the pay raise they had initially approved for themselves.

Every Republican member of the state legislature voted against the initial bill, which called for increased pay and benefits for certain public officials. Governor Baker vetoed the bill, describing it as fiscally irresponsible, but legislators overrode that veto in a controversial vote last week.

Republicans were once again unanimous in their opposition stance to the override, and several Democrats crossed the aisle in agreement. Senators Anne Gobi (D-Spencer) and Michael

Moore (D-Millbury) each voted against the legislation on both occasions, and they will not accept an increase in the level of compensation they currently receive.

"Responsibility is my policy. While I recognize the merits of updating compensation formulas that have remained widely unaltered for years, or even decades, I do not feel comfortable accepting the level of compensation authorized by this legislation," Moore said.

Added Gobi, "I have declined taking the additional money, and I hand delivered a letter to the treasurer's office indicating that. I chose not to accept the money and then donate it, because I would still be taking the money and that income would count down the road toward my pension. Since I am not taking the money, that extra amount does not need to be budgeted for."

With the passage of the bill, compensation will be increased for constitutional, legislation and judiciary officers. In addition to raising some officials' salaries by a minimum of \$40,000, the legislation roughly doubles stipend amounts for officials who serve as the chairs or vice chairs of legislative committees. It also increases the salaries of judges by \$25,000.

The legislation represents the first increase in stipends for legislators since 1982.

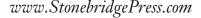
Moore and Gobi, two of only nine state senators to initially vote against the provision, cited recent cuts to the Fiscal Year 2017 budget and the difficult financial situation facing the state as major reasons for their opposition votes. Their Republican counterparts agree that now is not the time for officials to be focusing on their own compensation.

"In my opinion, this was far too excessive a package," said Spencer State Representative Peter Durant, who was frustrated by the lack of public hearings on the bill. "There was no need to do this right now."

The Governor's veto was overridden with a two-thirds majority vote in both the House and Senate. Many officials expressed disappointment that legislators supporting the bill weren't more concerned with allocating available funds to assist cash-strained programs and services.

"We were elected to advance the constituents and causes of our districts. That should be our focus right now,' Durant said.







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### EDITORIAL

# Dashing through the white stuff

It's interesting that the town of Webster should take up the problem of narrow streets just as the piles of snow should be narrowing them even more.

A trip through nearly any Massachusetts town or city this week would have found DPW workers trying to find another spot to dump excess, as the edges kept moving closer and closer.

We who clear our drive ways fuss about the end of it getting filled in once more as the plow goes by again, and again.

Or, we have the thaw, and freeze, and end up with a wash of ice under the snow that is then piled over with snow chunks.

So we can sympathize with Webster in trying to address narrow streets, bad intersections, bad sight lines.

There are others.

It's good these first few have gotten attention, but don't stop there.

And while you are at it, we would suggest another piece to the puzzle, one that isn't directly under the purview of the town or DPW directly. It has to do with shrubbery, low hanging trees, and greenery just too close to the road.

Often, trees and shrubs obscure road signs if they don't obscure vision; but sometimes it does both.

So while we would recommend the citizens of Webster become more aware of problem intersections and areas, with the thought of letting the Safety Committee, or the Selectmen know so action might be taken. And if it is sight line obscurity, then let's address that too.



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### <u>Letters to the Editor</u>

### Rousseau: new business

#### To the Editor:

I am very pleased to announce the opening of Do It Yourself In Court.

People today are going into Court unrepresented by lawyers at a very high rate. Do you know that up to 60% in some case types such as divorce or small claims involve one side with no lawver?

Reports show you don't hire a lawyer because of high costs or affordability. You don't hire a lawyer because you don't trust them and believe lawyers are liars. You don't hire a lawyer because you feel you can do a better job and look out for yourself like no other. And you don't hire a lawyer because you feel they don't care about you or your outcome.

If you want to start a legal case how do I do it? Where do I start? Do you know the personnel in Courts are restricted from any form of advice, help, or direc-tion? This blew me away! The only thing they can do is give you a form take a payment, then send you on your way. Now what?

I was one who felt I could do a better job representing myself and I did. The party opposing me had a lawyer at all times and all cases. I got a divorce with a trial involved and won! They appealed and we were subject to an important hearing of three Judges and I won! They also fought their loss at appeals to the

highest court in the state and I won! I won others since divorce issues and you can win too!

I found being in this system for six years some Judges respect or tolerate us self-represented and others roll their eyes in disgust when they see no lawyer involved. Judges are concerned about the hearing at hand, rules, the applicable laws, and the proper procedure for that issue and that's it. That is what they rule on and I had to learn it quick or lose! I have had Judges ask me if I was an attorney.

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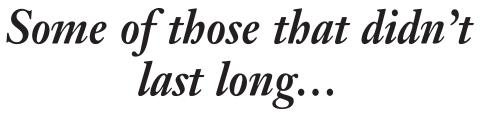


Now that February is here it seems we are in the midst of a tough winter weather cycle. Large amounts of snow can cause several however, issues; one seems to remain a constant. Many drivers allow several inches of snow and ice to remain on their vehicle hoods,

roofs, and trunks when they travel on the roads. Driving in this manner could cause an accident. I wanted to once again take this opportunity to remind people of the importance of taking the extra time to properly clean off your vehicles.

The laws are rather vague on exactly if removing snow from your entire vehicle is required. Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 Section 13 is the law which addresses "impeded" operation. Drivers are not allowed to have anything on or about their vehicle which may interfere with the safe operation of the vehicle. This can directly pertain to the removal of snow an ice from windshields. However; even though it is not specifically stated in this law, there may be circumstances where it may apply to snow on vehicle hoods, roof tops, or trunks. Decisions on this will be made by an officer on a case by case basis. The danger lies in not removing this snow in a prompt manner. Some drivers only turn on the wipers to clear the windshield before driving off. When the bulk of the snow is left on other parts of the car, chunks or "powder clouds" fly from vehicles. This makes it a challenge for those drivers traveling behind. If this is left in place for any significant period of time, it has a tendency to melt and re-freeze which creates an ice sheet. When traveling at higher speeds, such as on a highway, the wind can move under this ice and send it flying off the vehicle. It could then land on or around another vehicle traveling along the road.

In addition to clearing off the main parts of the car, your vehicle's license plates, as well as brake and other lights, must be clearly visible and free of snow and debris. It is a separate violation of the law to have an obstructed number plate or failing to display lights. Failing to sufficiently remove snow from your vehicle could have serious consequences. Drivers may not be able to see properly to prevent accidents. Flying snow/ice can land on another vehicle's windshield. If there is an accident, the fact that the snow/ice was not removed prior to the trip may be considered as a negligent act on the part of that driver. Therefore, this person will bear some responsibility for the accident. Please take a few extra minutes to completely remove the snow from your vehicle. This simple act could prevent an accident and possibly save a life (even your own).



Other than THE shortest lived series of U.S. coins (Flying Eagle small cents: 1856-58), there are only two other coins that lasted only four years...the 20¢ pieces of 1875-78 and the Susan B. Anthony dollars (1979-81 and then again in1999). Both coins suffered the same fate...they were too close in size and appearance to other, more popular circulating coins, and were often confused with those coins.

In the case of the 20¢ pieces, their Seated Liberty design was virtually identical to its slightly larger Seated Liberty quarter. The quarters had been circulating since 1838 and were a mainstay of everyday commerce. Tens of millions of Seated Liberty quarters were minted before even one 20¢ piece was struck.

First proposed to Congress in 1791 and again in1804, those HOME early legislators were smart enough to realize that two coins PAUL JOSEPH of such similarity in value and design would be confusing to ordinary people. Then in 1874 Senator John Percival Jones of silver-producing Nevada introduced the bill to mint 20¢ pieces. It would appear that during the 70-year period since the coin was last proposed legislators got dumber...A LOT DUMBER. In 1874 the Mint had production facilities in Philadelphia, New Orleans, San Francisco, and the newest in Carson Citv Nevada. The Carson City Mint was established to produce silver coins from the vast amounts of silver mined in that state. And the Mint correctly reckoned it was safer to melt and mint the silver within the state than to run the risk of shipping it to another mint facility. At the time Carson City was only producing small quantities of silver dimes and quarters. Silver half dimes were abolished by Congress by the Mint Act of 1873. As a result, many were individually hand tooled into LOVE TOKENS (which I collect and will be a topic for a separate column). While the obvious solution



his silver mine owner support-Their incomes had been greatly reduced when 1873 TREASURES Mint Act lowered orders for silver 3¢ pieces, half dimes and IN YOUR

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silver dollars (Breen).

It had been Mint policy to practice uniform designs for circulating coins. fact, that policy continued until 1916 when President Teddy Roosevelt caused

a Renaissance in designs with the Mercury dimes, Standing Liberty quarters, and Walking Liberty half dollars. Thus, in 1875 Mint Director Henry Linderman approved the confusing design for the  $20\phi$  piece (pictured with this column). President Grant signed the bill on March 3, 1875.

Mint Engraver William Barber essentially copied the Gobrecht-Hughes obverse design of a seated Liberty and used his own Eagle design from the reverse of the Trade dollar. The one major difference between the 20¢ piece and the quarter was that the quarter had a reeded edge while the  $20^{\circ}$  pieces were smooth. This was an apparent concession to the many illiterate citizens who could not read the two coins' denominations written on the reverse.

In our next column, we'll discuss mintages and values for the 20¢ pieces and the ubiquitous Susan B Anthony dollar. In the meantime, keep those questions coming.

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.

### On Valentine's Day, consider financial gifts

Last year, Americans spent more than \$19 billion on Valentine's Day gifts, according to the National Retail Federation, with the majority of this money going to flowers, candy, cards and an evening out. These gifts were thoughtful, of course, and no doubt appreciated, but they were also somewhat disposable, for want of a better word. On the other hand, some financial gifts can have a pretty long "shelf life.

Beyond simply enclosing some money in a card, what sort of financial gifts can you give? The answer depends somewhat on the recipient. For example, if your sweetheart is also your spouse, some of the gifts suggested below may be redundant to the financial moves you make together. However, if you aren't married, or if you and your spouse maintain separate finances, these ideas may make excellent Valentine's Day presents:

IRA contributions - Technically, you can't contribute directly to someone else's traditional or Roth IRA, but you can write a check to your loved one – although, of course, he or she is free to use the money for any purpose. Like most people, your valentine may not usually contribute

the yearly maximum amount - which, in 2017, is \$5,500, or \$6,500 if you're 50 or older - so your check should be quite welcome. A traditional IRA can grow on tax-deferred basis, and contributions may be tax-deductible. (Taxes are due upon withdrawal, and any withdrawals you make before you reach  $59\frac{1}{2}$  may be subject to a 10% IRS penalty. A Roth IRA's earnings are distributed tax-free, provided withdrawals aren't taken until the account owner is 59<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and has had the IRA for at least five years.

Charitable gifts - Consider making a gift to a charitable organization supported by your loved one. When you



send cash to a qualified charity, you can get a tax deduction, but you might gain even bigger benefits by donating appreciated securities you've held for more than one year. By doing so, you can generally deduct the value of the securities, based on their

worth when you make the gift. Plus, neither you nor the charity will have to pay capital gains taxes on the donated investments.

Contributions to an emergency fund It's a good idea for everyone to maintain an emergency fund to cover unanticipated expenses, such as a major car repair, a new furnace or out-of-pocket medical bills. If your valentine doesn't have such a fund, consider helping him or her establish one, with the money going to a liquid, low-risk account.

Gym membership – Although not actually a "financial" gift, a gym membership can nonetheless bring some positive economic results to your valentine. For one thing, the insurance industry is providing more incentives to encourage people to exercise and live healthier lifestyles. But even if a gym membership doesn't give your loved one a break on insurance premiums, it can nonetheless result in better physical conditioning, which, in, turn, could ultimately result in lower medical costs.

On Valentine's Day, you may still want to get your sweetheart something associated with the holiday. But if it's within your means to do so, also consider one of the above suggestions for financial gifts. Your generosity will still be felt long after the chocolates are eaten and the flowers have faded.

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## VIEWPOINT

### Reminiscin' instead of fishin'

I must be getting old! My buddy Steve says that I am older than dirt. Well maybe, I am not that old, but I am sure starting to feel a change in my daily activities.

Two weeks ago, I missed the fishing derby at Singletary

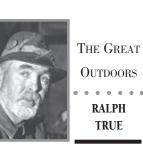
Rod & Gun. Then I missed the fishing derby at Whitinsville Fish and Game this past weekend. I passed up a couple of days ice fishing at a couple of small ponds that had safe ice. Staying in a nice warm house feels good. I started to read a few old hunting and fishing magazines and realized that the good old days are gone!

This week's picture shows an angler in 2013 with a nice brood stock salmon caught at Wallum Lake in Douglas. The state no longer is stocking these trout because of their unavailability.

Bill Bruno of Uxbridge is a life member of the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club and has started to clean out some of his old magazines sharing them with some of his fellow members. Magazines like Outdoor Life, Field & Stream, American Rifleman, Fin Fur & Feather, and numerous gun magazines caught my eye. Some dated back to the late '60s and early '70s. Those were the years of my young life and after reading some of the articles I realized that I was real old. Maybe my buddy was right.

Numerous articles pertaining to the rights of sportsmen to own or purchase firearms was mentioned in the November 1970 edition of the American Rifleman. The state of New York required gun owners to purchase a gun powder license with limited sales of 10 pounds of black powder a year.

An article in the 1970 November issue of the American Rifleman also had



Hubert Humphrey changing his views against
arr new gun legislation that would require every gun owner to register their
firearms while Robert Kennedy was in favor of gun registration submitted by President Johnson. The rights of gun owners continue to be attacked

even after nearly 50 years.

Reading the old classified ads is a reality check when it comes to quality of the merchandise and the prices. A pair of leisure shoes was selling for \$6.95 with shipping charge of \$1. A shotgun shell former that improved crimps on reloading spent shells was only \$10.95. A crossbow was selling for \$29.95. Old timer knives were selling for as little as \$7. A muzzle loader was selling for \$24.95. They were all made in the good old USA!

Mother Nature sure has been giving us enough snow to last a few weeks, but New Englanders are accustomed to the fast changing weather conditions. Ice fishing picked up this past week, and anglers are taking advantage of the time we have left before a big spring thaw. Hopefully the snow will be gone by March, as that is the time of year that this writer uncovers his boat and makes the boat ready for the first migration of striped bass at the Providence River.

A few trips to Wallum Lake in Douglas to do a bit of trout fishing in April also insures the safety of the boat prior to launching it in the ocean, and is an annual event. Tautog fishing at the Westport River is next, and usually has the run start near the end of April. Stripers start in May!!

The annual spring Sportsmen's show at the Big-E will open their doors on Feb. 24. A few changes in the days and



hours of the show should be noted. The show will run for three days opening on a Friday and running through Sunday Feb. 26. The show will open at noon on Friday and will close at 8 p.m. Saturday hours are 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. This is considered to be the largest show of its kind in the Northeast. Don't miss it. Check out the three day events and seminars on the web site at http:/www.osegsportsmens.com/

Bass Pro Shops will be holding their free spring fishing event at all Bass Pro shops across the US. The event will be held Feb. 17-March 5.

The event offers sportsmen & women, kids and families the opportunity to enjoy 17 days of fun filled fishing demonstrations, along with giveaways and fishing workshops for the novice angler. Check out all of the events and more at www.basspro.com/clasic.

Nipmuc Marine, formerly Jesse White Marine will be closing their doors soon. Ron Spindel owner, has decided to retire after many years of service to his loyal customers. Nipmuc Marine and Auto is located at 19 Uxbridge Road, Rt. 16 in Mendon on the shores of Lake Nipmuc. Ron would like to thank all of his patrons over the years, and we all wish him a well earned retirement. His number one mechanic Bob Choquette welcomes all of Ron's customers to his new shop just down the road at Bob's Marine Sales. His cell phone is (774) 473-2523 and the land line will remain the same at (508) 473-2523.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending !

### Hearty Soups Beat Winter Blues

What's the cure for the winter blues? Oftentimes the remedy for the side effects of a long, cold New England winter can be found in a simple bowl of soothing soup or stew. From boosting spirits and stifling sniffles to warming both belly and soul, a steaming sip of homemade soup is a cold weather cure that's not only healing, but deliciously healthy. Taking the cue from generations past, the following recipes are brimming with old fashioned, basic ingredients, making these soups and stews the epitome of "comfort foods." flour; 1/2 tsp salt; 1/4 tsp ground ginger; 1/8 tsp ground cinnamon; 1/8 tsp ground nutmeg; 1 Tbsp brown sugar; 2 cups chicken or vegetable stock; 1 cup cream or half and half (may substitute plain Greek yogurt).

Directions: In a blender process all ingredients



up with parmesan cheese and cream to create a mouth watering soup to warm you up on the coldest of days!

Note: Substituting low or no fat half and half will cut the calories and fat. When using fat free, add f cornstarch to each

stew.

Ingredients: 4 teaspoons olive oil; 1 pound fresh chicken, cut into bite-size pieces; 1 large onion, chopped; 4 medium parsnips, peeled and chopped; 2 medium carrots, peeled and chopped; 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper; 4 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth; 2 hard variety apples, peeled and chopped; 2 teaspoons cider

#### Root Vegetable Soups

Root vegetables, still fresh from storage, are the basis for the following two soups. Because root vegetables grow underground, they absorb more nutrients and minerals from the soil. Rich in antioxidants and complex carbohydrates, the vegetables are hearty and healthy. In addition, studies show the soluble fiber can help satisfy hunger without additional fat and calories.

#### **Rich Roasted Carrot Soup**

Cayenne pepper gives this sweet and creamy carrot soup a subtle, unexpected kick. For an even sweeter brew, use unsalted broth.

Ingredients: ten carrots washed and peeled; 32 ounces chicken or vegetable broth; four tablespoons olive oil; seasonings (salt, pepper, cayenne pepper) to taste.

Directions: Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Lay out carrots on a cookie sheet that has been sprinkles generously with olive oil. Cook for 40 to 45 minutes or until carrots have browned. When slightly cooled place carrots into blender, add broth and puree. Heat in a pan, add seasonings.

Health Note: Carrots are rich in Vitamin A, which aids in vision. Beracarotine, which gives carrots their bright orange hue fight heart disease and cancers. In addition, the antioxidants and phytochemicals in carrots may also help with blood sugar regulation, delay the effects of aging, and improve immune function.

#### Spiced Sweet Potato Soup

Creamy sweet potato soup and a dash of pie spices marry deliciously to elevate this dish to company-worthy status.

Ingredients: 1 1/2 cups diced cooked sweet potatoes; 1 Tbsp butter; 1 Tbsp

except cream until smooth. Pour into a pan, add cream and cook until slightly thickened, stirring constantly. Serve with a drizzle of cream or dollop of yogurt topped with an herb sprig. Ingredients: T

Health Note: Sweet potatoes pack a powerful nutritional punch. In addition, they are rich in fiber which not only fills you up, but helps steady blood sugar. The B vitamins in sweet potatoes are hailed as a mood booster. It's no wonder sweet potatoes have earned a Vegetable of the Month designation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

#### Classics in the Crock Pot

No time to assemble and monitor a big pot of homemade soup? These classic slow cooking comfort soups can easily be adapted to the crock pot. Best of all, they retain the taste and integrity of the original time tested favorite.

#### Crockpot Split Pea Soup

You don't have to spend all day at the stove to whip up this classic pea soup recipe. It's ready when you come home!

Ingredients: 7 cups water; 1 (16 ounce) package dried split peas, rinsed and sorted (2 1/4 Cups); 1 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper; 3 medium carrots, cut into 1/4 inch slices (1 1/2 Cups); 2 stalks celery, finely chopped (1 Cup); 1 medium onion, chopped (1/2 cup); 1 ham bone with some meat attached.

Directions: Mix all ingredients except ham in a crockpot. Add ham bone. Cover and cook on low heat 8 to 10 hours or on high heat up to eight hours or until peas are tender and soup has thickened. Remove ham from cooker and cut off meat. Stir ham into soup and stir again before serving.

Health Note: Rich in fiber, potassium and vitamin K, homemade split pea soup is not only a rich, hearty comfort food but healthy as well!

Tomato Parmesan Soup Fresh tomatoes, basil and garlic team cup of half and half to stabilize mixture and prevent curdling.

Ingredients: Ten to 12 fresh tomatoes or two15-ounce cans diced tomatoes: 1 10-ounce can tomato sauce or equivalent of fresh; ¼ cup fresh chopped basil, finely chopped: 2 teaspoons minced garlic 1 medium white onion, diced; 1 cup milk or lowfat cream; 4 cups chicken or vegetable broth; 2 cups low fat shredded parmesan cheese; salt and pepper to taste.

Roux Ingredients: 3 tablespoons butter; <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup flour; one cup half and half

Directions: Place tomatoes, tomato sauce, basil, garlic, onion, milk, broth and seasonings into crock pot. Cover and cook from 4 to 6 hours on low setting. Before serving, puree soup in a food processor or blender. Make the roux by melting butter, adding flour and whisking in the half and half until it is smooth and thick. Add the roux and parmesan cheese to pot and stir. Cook for another half hour until cheese is melted. Stir soup before serving. Sprinkle parmesan cheese as a garnish.

Health Note: Studies show tomatoes, rich in antioxidants and high in lycopene, can help protect your body against a number of health conditions, including cardiovascular disease, various forms of cancer and inflammation. Studies show tomatoes may also help halt sun damage and low aging of skin Tomatoes are also touted as a natural aid in the prevention of osteoporosis.

#### Savory Stews

Thick stews bubbling in the pot have long been a New England winter staple. Preparing a simmering pan of homemade stew is not only delicious, it can be therapeutic. The scent of savory stew wafting through the air on a cold afternoon is a simple pleasure that can spark generations of memories.

#### New England Stew

Apples, carrots, parsnips and fresh herbs surround this superb chicken vinegar

Directions: Heat 2 teaspoons oil in a Dutch oven over medium heat. Add chicken and cook, stirring occasionally, until just cooked through, 3 to 5 minutes. Transfer to a plate.

2.Add the remaining 3 teaspoons oil to the pot. Add onion, parsnips, carrots, rosemary, salt and pepper and cook, stirring often, until the vegetables begin to soften, 3 to 5 minutes. Add broth and apples; bring to a simmer over high heat. Reduce heat to maintain a simmer and cook, stirring often, until the vegetables are tender, 8 to 10 minutes. Return the chicken to the pot and stir in vinegar.

Health Tip: Parsnips are packed with potassium and folate, two nutrients important for cardiovascular health. Potassium helps protects you from high blood pressure.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

Your tips can win you a fabulous dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn! 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 thee to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdrr@aol.com.

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## **Sports**

### Bartlett finds win column versus Colonels, 59-26

– Amid some losses during the 2016-17 season, the Bartlett High girls' varsity basketball team showed that it can still dominate on the court when they took on South High of Worcester on Friday,

### Feb. 10.

The first quarter was in indicator of how the game would turn out, as the Lady Indians came out running and gunning to a 16-5 lead.

Bartlett added another 14 points in the second quarter to get to 30 before scoring another 29 second half points to close out a 59-26 victory.



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Alyssa Ward of Bartlett looks for an open teammate to pass to while being defended by a pair of South players.



toward the basket.



Bartlett's Isabelle Lathrop releases a layup Bartlett's Madison Podedworny goes in for a layup with a South defender right on her tail.





Julia Podedworny of Bartlett hustles to retrieve a loose ball before a player from South can do the same.



Bartlett's Alyssa Ward takes a shot while being well defended from a South player.

**United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Course** 

Ice Sports will host the Bruins FUNdamentals Learn-to-Play Jamboree at the Buffone Arena. The jamboree is open to all beginner-level partici-

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giveaways, greens fees, golf cart and a steak dinner. The tournament will include Holein-One contests sponsored by Sheldon's Harley-Davidson of



Bartlett's Sophia Kontoes dribbles the ball toward South's basket.

### **SPORTS** CORRESPONDENT



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

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

### at Webster Fire Department

On Saturday, March 11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Webster Fire Department Classroom (55 Thompson Road), there will be a boating course presented by the United State Coast Guard Auxiliary Tri-State Flotilla 1002. The boating safety course is developed to provide the skills and confidence needed to explore the coast and inland waters by boat. Basic knowledge and skills are needed to have safe and enjoyable boating experiences. Successful completion of the course will certify a minor, ages 12 to 16, to operate a powerboat in Massachusetts waters.

Register soon at edtavares@ verizon.net or call (508) 404-8088, as space is limited. There is no charge, however there is a \$40 fee for the cost of materials, ABS textbook, study guide and certifications(s), and only \$20 for each additional family member.

### Join the free Charlton/ **Dudley Women's Basketball League**

Please come and check out the Charlton/Dudley Women's Pickup Basketball League at the Heritage School in Charlton every Monday while school is in session from 7-9 p.m. There are no set teams and no fees. Come for the exercise and the fun of playing basketball. The league is for ages 18 and up. Call Deb at (508) 248-3600 for information.

Register now for the Learn-to-Play Jamboree on Feb. 20

WORCESTER — On Feb. 20, from 12:30 to 4 p.m., FMC pants enrolled in a learn-toplay or cross-ice program. This year marks the first year the Jamboree will be held at the Buffone Arena in addition to the established events in Brockton. Chelmsford and Revere.

This unique, end-of-season tournament utilizes a cross-ice format and will incorporate all skills learned throughout the year to give players their first exposure into organized game play. Each team will consist of 10 players and is guaranteed to play three games.

Blades, the Boston Bruins mascot, will be in attendance to join in the festivities, and will be available for photo opportunities with each team. Every child participating will also receive a special award at the end of the tournament.

Registration for the Bruins FUNdamentals Learn-to-Play Jamboree at the Chelmsford Forum is open now on either a team or individual basis. To register please contact Sean Kennedy at 888-74-SKATE x5049.

The Buffone Arena is located at 284 Lake Avenue, Worcester, MA 01604 in and is a Commonwealth of Massachusetts public ice skating facility, overseen by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and managed by FMC Ice Sports.

### Veterans Inc. to host annual Best Ball **Charity Golf Classic**

WORCESTER — Veterans Inc. will host its 20th annual Best Ball Charity Golf Classic on Wednesday, May 10 at the Heritage Country Club in Charlton. All proceeds will benefit veterans in need and their families.

The 18-hole golf classic will include an 8 a.m. registration time and a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Player registration is \$150. Golfer registration includes

Auburn, a men's and women's longest drive, a closest to the line contest and a closest to the pin contest. The deadline date for registration is April 26.

Sponsorship opportunities are available at many levels from major to hole sponsorships. Donations of raffle items are also being accepted. All donation amounts are greatly appreciated and recognized. For a list of Sponsorship Opportunities and to download Sponsorship and Registration forms, visit our website at www.veteransinc.org. The tournament is Co-Chaired by State Representative John J. Mahoney and Mayor Joseph M. Petty of Worcester. For more information on how to become a sponsor or register, please contact (508) 791-1213 extension 1162 or email golf@ veteransinc.org.

### Worcester State University set to host plenty of baseball clinics

Various baseball clinics will be held at Worcester State University this year. Please visit http://www.wsulancers. com/camps-clinic/index for additional information on any of the clinics.

10th annual Friday Night Baseball School: Feb. 17, Feb. 24, March 3, hitting from 6-7 p.m., pitching from 7 to 8 p.m. in multipurpose gym/cages.

22nd annual Hitting Clinic: Feb. 20-22, 9 a.m. to noon in multipurpose gym/cages.

10th annual Pitchers and Catchers Clinic: April 18 and 20, 9 a.m. to noon outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

Third annual U.S. Baseball Academy: June 26 and 29 outdoors on Lyons Diamond.

10th annual Instructional Prospect Clinic: Aug. 15, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Lyons Diamond.

## **SPORTS**

### Pirates down Leicester to reach district tournament for second straight season

#### **BY NICK ETHIER** SPORTS STAFF WRITER

OXFORD — When Joe Pietrzak took over the head coaching position of the Oxford High girls' varsity basketball

team three seasons ago, he spoke about the program's progression. The Pirates hadn't reached the Central Mass. district tournament in quite some time, and they went 8-12 in his

Nick Ethier photos Oxford's Kayla Soto drives hard into the paint on a Leicester defender.



first campaign, missing out again by two games.

Then, last season, Oxford won its second to last regular season contest to get to 10 wins and qualify for the playoffs. And now, on Friday, Feb. 10, the Pirates will be postseason-bound again following their 56-40 victory versus Leicester High, as they improved to 10-5.

"Our goal now is to get a home game in districts. It's loaded, it's a great division," Pietrzak said of the Division 3 bracket, which will include heavyweights such as Millbury High, Oakmont Regional, Littleton High, Grafton High and Northbridge High. "If we can get a first round home game that would be the next step in our progression."

Oxford sophomore Gina Parmenter has now scored 29 points in both of the Pirates' district-clinching wins. She also added 10 rebounds to complete a double-double versus the Wolverines.

"I just felt like I wanted it, so I kept shooting until it went in," said Parmenter. "It's honestly the best feeling getting to districts two years in a row with my sister."

Her sister is senior co-captain Karlie Parmenter, who posted totals of 4 points and a gamehigh 12 rebounds. She and fellow senior co-captains Kayla Soto (8 points, 8 rebounds) and Jordan Tremblay (7 points, 10 rebounds) have witnessed it all, from two sub-.500 seasons to a pair of district tournament appearances to close off their high school careers.

"From being a freshman to making it two years in a row now is an amazing feeling,' said Karlie Parmenter. "It just tells you that we've worked so hard.'

Karlie Parmenter called Gina "just amazing" and added that "it's going to be tough next year not playing with her.' But this year the Pirates

have all four players on the court, which Pietrzak feels is a blessing.

"We really have four players



Felicity Steiger of Oxford contemplates what to do next with the ball as Leicester's Caitlin Kemp defends.



Oxford's Jordan Tremblay keeps her eyes on the prize — the basket while dribbling closer.

that can score the basketball," he said. "That's a formidable quartet right there."

But Leicester displayed a never-say-die attitude and didn't allow Oxford to pull away until the game's final couple of minutes. At the end of the first quarter it was only 13-9, and at halftime just 30-22.

"We made some baskets to keep ourselves close, but there were too many times — and this has been our theme all year — too many times where we get out of control, we get lackadaisical, it's that inconsistent play that's got us all year," said head coach Dave Stanick.

As a result, the Wolverines are now just 5-11.

"The kids are working hard, we just lose our focus a little bit here and there and give them some easy baskets, and

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Despite getting hit in the face by Leicester's Colleen Lamprey, Oxford's Gina Parmenter continues her drive to the basket where she ultimately finished a layup for a pair of her 29 points.

yet we're working our tail off on offense and nothing is going in for us," Stanick added.

Pietrzak knows all about the trials and tribulations of trying to put a winning team together, and he feels that Leicester is well on its way to accomplishing that.

'Dave just does a phenomenal job, and they're going to be good," he said. "They're young and they do a great job.

The Wolverines started just one senior, Abigail Meyers (9 points, 11 rebounds), but then went all underclassmen with

sophomores Emily Fontaine (8 points), Colleen Lamprey and Caitlin Kemp, as well as freshman Madison Hippert.

One area of the game that helped the Pirates and hurt the Wolverines was rebounding, as Leicester held a 16-board advantage at 54-38.

"I thought we had an increased effort in terms of getting all five white jerseys on the glass. If we can split the glass in any game, we should be in good shape," concluded Pietrzak.

### **February Vacation** basketball skills academy at 1 Stop Basketball

The February Vacation skills academy is a youth and middle school (third through eighth grade) camp that focuses on developing the complete player. We will develop shooting, ball handling, passing, footwork, defense and other essential skills to become a better basketball player. In addition, players will get the chance to take the skills practiced and apply them in a controlled game setting. This camp is designed to be both fun and intense.

The camp runs from Feb. 21-24 and costs \$149, or \$45 per day. Visit 1stopbasketball.com to register.

### Webster Fastpitch to hold Winter Softball Clinic

The Winter Softball Clinic, presented by Webster Fastpitch, is a multi-station, skills development clinic. Groups will be broken down by age and skill level. Training balls will be used, which are much softer than regular game balls.

The clinic is scheduled for Tuesday nights through March 28 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. There will be no clinic the week of school February vacations. If there is no school due to inclement weather, there will be no clinic.

The clinic is open to athletes age 5 to 16 (as of Jan. 1, 2017) and will be held inside Webster Middle School's gymnasium. Athletes need to bring sneakers, a softball glove and a water bottle.

The cost is \$30. Please visit www. eteamz.com/websterfastpitch/ for any questions and/or updates about the clinic.

Registration for the 2017 regular season will be held online and in person at each clinic until March 7. If your child has not been registered with Webster Fastpitch in a previous year, please bring a copy of their birth certificate for us to keep on file.

### Online registration now open for Webster Little League spring baseball

Please visit WebsterLittleLeague. com to sign up for the Webster Little League spring baseball season. The final day to register (with late fee) is Feb. 28. There will be no in-person registration this year — all registrations must be done online. Any problems or questions, please contact Bobby at (508) 948-9637.

Fees are \$65 for T-Ball (starting at age 5), \$100 for Coach-Pitch, Minors and Majors, and \$150 for Junior League and Senior League. Player Evaluations ("tryouts") for all players ages 7-12 who wish to play in our Minor or Major Divisions will be Saturday morning, March 18 in the Bartlett High School gym. This year, all new and returning players ages 7 to 12 must attend even if on a Major division team last season. All players will be placed on a team in the division appropriate for them based on their age/skill level. More information is available online and during the registration process. Don't forget to sign up for coaching and volunteer opportunities when registering especially T-Ball and Coach-Pitch parents. We are looking forward to another great season and the more volunteers we have the better it will be.

### Webster Youth Soccer accepting online registration

Webster Youth Soccer is accepting registrations for its in-town league for boys and girls in grades K-2. Parents can register their children online via https://www.sportsmanager.us.RegistrationWizard.htm or by visiting the Webster Youth Soccer website at WebsterYouthSoccer.org and clicking on the Registration button. The registration fee is \$60 and the deadline for registration is March 15. Registrations may be accepted after the deadline if space permits, however, a \$25 late fee will apply. The spring season starts in April.

## **Sports**

### Rams rally to take care of Leominster, 50-35



Mathew S. Plamondon photos

Shepherd Hill's Bailey Savage enters the lane and lofts a floating shot toward the basket.



#### BY OLIVIA J. CAPPOLI SPORTS CORRES

DUDLEY — For the last three seasons, the Shepherd Hill Regional girls' varsity basketball team has held its ground in a prominent Mid-Wach A Conference and has earned three consecutive trips to the Western Mass. Division 1 district tournament for its efforts.

So what is it that makes the Rams contenders each season? According to Shepherd Hill head coach Jim Hackenson, it's his players working as a cohesive unit.

"You know, they don't always listen to me, they sometimes listen to each other," Hackenson laughed. "We play together as a team and I think that's what is the biggest part of our success."

In the Rams' rematch against Leominster High on the night of Friday, Feb. 10, a full team effort is what powered The Hill to a well-fought out 50-35. The Rams improved to 12-3 and have now defeated the Blue Devils (12-5) twice. They also won back on Jan. 13, 68-44.

Sophomore Molly Springer poured in a team-best 16 points and junior Bailey Savage chipped in an additional 14 in the win for the hosts, while Megan Hutchinson put up 16 points and Rylee Skinner tallied 13 for Leominster.

From the opening tipoff to nearly the four-minute mark of the second quarter, the Blue Devils was winning on both sides of the ball. Hutchinson and Skinner led the in-yourface defense and unstoppable offensive charge as Shepherd Hill could never get any closer than a four-point deficit.

To make matters worse for the Rams Springer, who Hackenson said is a big part of the team, went down early in the first quarter and her absence within the post became evident.

Fortunately for Shepherd Hill, Springer reentered the game and with the return came the Rams' momentum. The defense kicked into overdrive and began to make the Blue Devils more vulnerable to costly mistakes. With the defense stepping up, the offense followed.



Morgan O'Malley of Shepherd Hill cradles the ball to keep it away from three Leominster defenders.



"Their defense really frus-trated us in the beginning and we were trying different things," Hackenson said of his team's early first half troubles. "We just had to go back to our basics and that's when I thought our defense did really well...the kids that went in there and did a good job, Makayla Norton and Sarah Bellantoni, they had some crucial shots and did a great job."

After Savage's layup squared the score at 14-14, Bellantoni sank the go-ahead 3-pointer, which was perhaps Shepherd Hill's most crucial shot of the game to push the Rams ahead for the first time, 17-14. Now with 3:43 left to play in the half and the lead in their hands, Shepherd Hill racked up 10 more points, including six from Springer, to put the Rams on top 27-21 entering the second half.

Hackenson's "back to basics" method that was instilled in the late minutes of the first half carried into the third quarter as The Hill tacked on 13 more points to extend their lead to nine at 40-31 going into the final eight minutes.

Shepherd Hill shut down Leominster within the fourth and only allowed the frustrated Blue Devils to a mere four points. The dynamic duo of Springer and Savage registered all 10 of the Rams' fourth quarter scores to close out a 50-35 rout over its foes to the north.

With 11 wins in their last 12 contests and a conference record of 6-1, Shepherd Hill is gaining momentum as they prepare for the district tournament. One team Hackenson wants the Rams to avoid is Springfield Central, who has ended their season for the last three years.

Hackenson laughed and said that if his team faces the Golden Eagles once again, they need to hold them to a single shot.

"They take a lot of 3's and they're good at it, but we

Shepherd Hill's Molly Springer goes up for an inside basket over a Leominster defender.



Morgan O'Malley of Shepherd Hill drives the ball down the court on a fast break opportunity.

have to make sure that if it doesn't go in that we're there to get the rebound. They out-rebounded us in that first half at Springfield [last year] and that

was the difference in the game. We're going to make sure that if anything is going to be taken care of, it's going to the defensive board," he concluded.

Bailey Savage of Shepherd Hill attempts a left-handed layup against a pair of Leominster defenders.

## **Sports**

### Shepherd Hill indoor track and field program enjoys successful regular season

The following are the accomplishments the Shepherd Hill Regional boys' and girls' indoor track and field athletes accomplished over their successful regular season run, which recently came to a close:

#### **NEW SCHOOL RECORDS**

Girls' 600 Meters: Emma Sullivan — Decade old school record broken on Jan. 7, running a 1:40.35 and then broke her own record three weeks later running a 1:38.18.

Boys' 4x440 Relay: Colin Stoddard, Lucas Roberts, Kyle Belmonte, Brian Burns — 3:47.4

Boys' 55 Meters: Kevin Mensah — 6.61 seconds

#### MEDALS

MSTCA Winterfest: Dec. 17, 2016 at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

Freshman Emma Sullivan — Second in girls' 600 meters

Senior Kevin Mensah – First in boys' 55 meters

MSTCA Auerbach Freshman-Sophomore Meet: Jan. 7 at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center. Emma Whitehead — Fourth in girls' one mile Emma Sullivan — Third in 600 meters

MSTCA Division 3 State Relays: Jan. 14 at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

Girls' 4x800 Relay: Rebekah

James, Gabby Lawrence, Emma Sullivan, Emma Whitehead — Fourth with a time of 9:59.05

Girls' Distance Medley: Gabby Lawrence, Halley Shoemaker, Emma Sullivan, Emma Whitehead — Fifth with a time of 13:18.04

Boys' 4x800 Relay: Chris Ethier, Joshua Martin-Jaffe, Dan Roy, Dan Stevens — Fifth with a time of 8:36.54

MSTCA Coaches Invitational: Jan. 28 at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

Junior Gabby Lawrence — Third in one mile

Senior Kevin Mensah third in 55 meters Freshman Emma Sullivan

— Fourth in 600 meters

Qualified to compete at the State Divisional Meet Girls:

Senior Julia Carrier, one mile

Junior Gabby Lawrence, one mile and two mile

Freshman Emma Sullivan, 600 meters Sophomore Emma Whitehead one mile and two

Whitehead, one mile and two mile 4x800 Relay Team

Boys:

Senior Kevin Mensah, 55 meters and long jump

Junior Lucas Roberts, 300 meters

Senior Harrison Rotondo, shot put

Senior Dan Roy, two mile Senior Dan Stevens, two mile



From left, the 4x800 relay team of Emma Whitehead, Rebekah James, Emma Sullivan and Gabby Lawrence.





**Gabby Lawrence** 





**Emma Sullivan** 



Kevin Mensah



**Emma Whitehead** 



Dan Roy

Mohegan Bowl winter Leagues, week ending <u>Feb. 12</u>

Monday Men's Business

Single — Ed Brill 144, Michael Kustak 143, Jon Dufield and Ryan Pelletier 136

Series — Michael Kustak 370, Pete Caffrey 362, Eric Kokoszka 356

Series over average — Jeff Bonina +48

Tuesday Chet's Social

Single — Ryan Pelletier 137, Dave Lamontagne 120, Richard Girouard 118, Joan Lavalley-Leary and Marsha Kallgren 108, Diane Levesque 107

Series — Ryan Pelletier 334, Joe Pranaitis 323, Dave Lamontagne 318, Diane Levesque 308, Marsha Kallgren 293, Joan Lavalley-Leary 289

Series over average — Trevor Collins +33, Diane Levesque +47

Tuesday Bowlerettes

Single — Brenda Mayer 108, Charles Knorr and Pam Martin 103, Maureen Laprade 100

Series — Brenda Mayer 294, Charles Knorr 285, Maureen Laprade 284

Wednesday Women's Industrial

Single — Monique Pierangeli (Nikki's Doghouse) 118, Jayne Hinchliffe (D&G Home Improv) 118, Joanne Grzembski (Nikki's Doghouse) 114, Tiff Jarmolowicz (Barber's Nook II) 113

Series — Joanne Grzembski 325, Pam Wunsch (Keegan Const) 288, Monique Pierangeli, 285

#### Saturday Youth

Single — Ben Gervais and Caleb Kozlowski 92, Jarrett Towne 91, Amelia Peterson, Hayden Towne and Isabelle Baldwin 88

Series — Jarrett Towne 264, Jordan Ashton 243, Caleb Kozlowski 236, Amelia Peterson 253, Hayden Towne 241, Chloe Appelt 230

Series over average — Jordan Ashton +45, Chloe Appelt +44



**Julia Carrier** 

**Dan Stevens** 

### ROADWAYS

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"It inhibits their vision from coming in and out of there. They did monitor it and they had come before us before. They came back just asking for that one spot where Birch Island is pretty much one side parking only as you come all the way up and around and at this point if we could help out with that safety issue."

The area impacted is about 150 feet and selectmen approved a parking ban on either side of the area to accommodate residents going forward.

That was not the only line-of-sight issue discussed that night however, as the second item Pizzetti explained involved a similar problem on North Main Street, across from Slater Street, that also involved the safety of drivers pulling onto North Main Street.

"There's a third cross street which is Mill Street where the Booster Club is. At that intersection we were just looking to put up a 'no parking' on the corner to Mill Street right there so if you were coming out of Slater looking at it, with North Main on the left and right, it'll be that one corner if you're looking at Mill Street. It's just a regular Massachusetts DOT guideline of probably 30 feet. We'd put the sign behind the sidewalk saying 'no parking here to the corner'," Pizzetti explained. "Lately, for some reason, there have been a lot of cars parking all the way to the end of

the corner — It hampers the cars on Slater Street if they have to go left. It puts them into the other lane. So we feel that 30 feet will be a big plus to at least give some room in that area."

Selectmen unanimously approved this change as well, noting it to be a credible safety and lineof-sight issue with no real debate on the matter.

The third and final request involved Harris Street, an area notable for it's lack of room to travel despite being a two-way street due to traffic parking on both sides of the roadway on a daily basis in any season. Pizzetti said that after receiving several requests the Safety Committee felt something needed to change.

"We've had a couple

of requests for Harris Street from Lake Street to Lyndale Avenue, mainly over the last six months," Pizzetti said. "I don't know if it's just more resident parking there or what. It seems to be a little bottled up from that entrance — We had a couple requests, one six months ago and one recently, and I wanted (selectmen) to know these are just two requests that came through. We kind of took it as a Safety Committee where we went and looked on our end after a while to see when it is filled up later at night when everyone is home and it seems like it would be a little tough to get the bigger emergency vehicles through that road."

Pizzetti said that Webster Fire Chief Brian Hickey also felt emergency vehicles could have an issue getting through Harris Street and considering the many one way streets that surround that roadway, and the nearby schools like Bartlett and bar facilities like the TSKK and PACC, having easy access through that road for emergency responders was a primary concern. After walking it and discussing the matter with local residents the Safety Committee ultimately decided to make the left side of the road, coming from Lake Street, a "no parking" zone.

"We just felt we needed to make a decision. We had a couple residents and they were waiting patiently," Pizzetti said. "That one section would really hamper bigger

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trucks like fire trucks late at night. I also wanted (the Selectmen) to know that after walking that and talking to a few residents some did feel the opposite and that if you were just patient enough it could be done. Some days are better than others, but this was the second request we had in six months so we kind of came to this judgment."

Selectmen did not debate whether or not to extend the parking limits to the entire roadway but instead settled on just limiting parking to the right side of the road headed toward Lyndale Avenue instead. As of this report, the signage for the approved changes had been put into place, as the changes were considered effective immediately.

### CAMERON

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of them is consistent and with each team he joined he gained a new understanding of how important teamwork was to every sport.

"When you go to track meets a lot of people are focused, but they support their team and you see a lot of that in all the sports. On the track team we always had that firm attitude that we want to win and that we need to do whatever we need to do to get that win. That's the attitude with every team," Riley said. "All these teams want to work together and work hard and get the win. There's a lot of determination with all the players." Riley has also learned from his own fellow athletes as well. He said that each of his teammates had their own way of approaching things and he was been able to take their advice and input and apply it to the sport he was playing at the time as well as other sports that he joined in the seasons that followed.

"Playing all of these sports you learn from your fellow players. Some of them are very committed to their sport and jumping around different sports I can use what they tell me to open up a variety of possibilities for me as an athlete," he said. "The transitions from sport to sport have certainly challenged me. I have to keep working out and stay in shape just to even match some of these others players who play these sports all the time. It's a lot of hard work, but it's worth it in the end."

As a senior Riley has tried to be come a leader and inspire his fellow students in his own way. He has taken what he has learned on the court, the field, and the track and applied it to his studies and he has worked to become a mentor for his fellow teammates both in his own class and those in younger grades as well.

"Being the 'Star of the Team' or being a leader is a big responsibility. It's the same way in the classroom. I want to get the work done for me and I need to go on to college and get my education. In sports you're responsible for inspiring your fellow players and getting everyone in line to get the win," he said. "One of the hardest things is adapting to working with a team and you can't do it without the whole team. If everyone works together anything can be possible. You learn teamwork, responsibility, and what it's like to work with a group to make something happen. If you're determined to win the team will work hard to get there. From the beginning you have to work hard and work as one."

Possibly one of the most important lessons Riley has learned and that he shares as an athlete is that the game is not about what he can do alone. As an individual he set his own goals that he wanted to meet, but as a teammate he has looked out for everyone else and tried his best to inspire them the way he was inspired by teammates in the past. If there's anything any student can learn from sports, Riley said this might be the best lesson of them all.

"It doesn't matter what my personal stats are. I want the team to win. Getting to that goal is what's important,' Riley said. "I set goals for myself with each sports, but I want to motivate my team to do the best so I may set goals for myself, but I'm going to push my teammates and try to get the best out of them too. I want what's best for the group and as we accomplish goals as a team or myself as an athlete then I look ahead to what else we can accomplish."

### POND

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area would be lost. The owners allowed people to go and use it. I don't know if people knew that was not town property. It has been used over the year's and it would be a substantial loss to that property," Masley said.

Selectmen didn't object to the idea of making the purchase, however the big question was how to pay for it. The property is not actually up for sale yet thus and actual price won't be made available until the property is officially on the market. However, selectmen are thinking ahead with Selectman Dennis Lamarche saying he would like to see the land purchased, but the town needs to find a way to offset any price tag if they were to move forward with the idea

"I'm 100 percent on board. I think it would be a great purchase and would

other town operations or create issues for the taxpayers.

"I do see a lot of positives to having this property. Maybe we can even turn it into a profit making venture. I'm familiar with that area. It's heavy with pine trees. It abuts the waterfront. There's the possibility for an outside pavilion that we could lease out during the summer for family events. That may be a way of recouping some of the cost involved here. I certainly support it wholeheartedly, but I do have concerns about the funding. I'd hate to see it go because we can never get it back. It's a natural resource. It's close to the waterway, and that's becoming rare these days," Saad said.

In addition to Saad's idea of utilizing the property itself to offset its own cost, Masley brought forward the concept of selling current town property to make the purchase. Town Manager Brian Palaia said he has instructed the town's treasurer to organize an auction of current town properties to determine their value and whether or not selling one or several properties could be a viable option, which would effectively trade less valued town owned land to buy into the Carbuncle site and permanently add to the recreation area for years to come.

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hopes that any questions or concerns can be resolved by what she believes to be a great opportunity for members of the Dudley community to learn about the truths of the Muslim faith.

"In light of the Islamic cemetery and everything that's been going on in the town it might be beneficial for people who might be interested to come and get more information on what Islam is truly all about," she said.

The forum has been scheduled for

### CAPITAL PLAN

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port this study especially since it's paid through grants."

Thursday, March 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Dudley on Center Road.

The official flier for the event says following the question and answer portion of the event guests will also learn about wearing the hijab, a traditional Muslim headpiece usually worn by women.

In an unrelated agenda item, White also proposed a Bucket Brigade fundraiser to benefit H.A.N.D.S, Helping Address the Needs of Dudley Seniors, on Memorial Day weekend on the Dudley and Webster town line, which selectmen approved calling it a "wonderful cause."

to see included in that plan during the recent meeting, there have been several initiatives in recent years that have come before taxpayers at town meetings, many of them associated with the town's emergency response groups and highway department. Solar farms, new town and emergency vehicles, a fire department expansion project and others have all taken center stage during that time. The hope of selectmen is that this contract will bring all these projects together, and others that have been on the backburner, and set up a plan of action to see them through as needed.

be a great addition to that area. A lot of what we could do, like everything else, my biggest question is how do we finance it," Lamarche said.

Selectman John Saad has similar concerns, solidifying his support of the idea but also remaining realistic that the town would need a means of financing the purchase that wouldn't impede any Other selectmen called the contract a "no brainer" before taking part in the unanimous vote of approval. Balukonis said with the contract approved he will work with the Abrahams Group to proceed with the production of an organized capital improvement plan. While selectmen did not provide any specific examples of projects they would like

### Fattman explains 'transparency' recommendations

BOSTON — State Senators recently adopted a number of Republican proposals designed to broaden public awareness of matters in so-called informal sessions, generate opportunities for government savings and expand accountability of Senate members.

Several Republican amendments were adopted unanimously to two separate bills establishing rules which will govern Senate sessions and the procedures used with the House of Representatives.

"Transparency on Beacon Hill should be the highest priority for all Legislators," Senator Fattman (R-Webster) states, "These rules reforms are the next step to accomplishing this goal."

Measures included in the final Senate Rules bill which were initiated by Republicans include:

Requiring that matters considered in an informal session shall have either received a public hearing or other disposition by a committee,

Requiring that all matters to be considered in an informal session must first be posted on the legislature's website at least 24 hours in advance,

Requiring that committees

provide a written explanation in the senate journal if a scheduled formal session conflicts with a hearing,

Granting authority for Senators to make a written objection on a particular matter, at least 30 minutes prior to the start of an informal session. The objection would result in preventing a matter from being considered in the session,

Eliminating the practice of "pairing", which allowed a member to be recorded on a vote when they were not present in the chamber,

Requiring that members of the committee be provided the

text of the bills, or comprehensive summaries, prior to the beginning of a committee vote.

"The Senate Republican Caucus and I have offered several amendments which will make the legislature more transparent and accountable. We believe that the public and members benefit when obstacles to the legislative process are removed," said Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). "We also believe that we should prevent midnight sessions where votes are cast in the dead of night. In combination, our rules reform initiatives are designed to compel committees to recommend government savings and efficiencies, maximize disclosure of our proceedings and minimize interruptions in informing citizens of what actions are being contemplated, and we seek to compel committees with using their expertise to recommend government savings and efficiencies to know, in advance, the text of legislation that will be voted on."

The Senate's package of joint rules will now move to the House of Representatives for further consideration.

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### When Disaster Strikes: Helping Kids In The Aftermath

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### (NAPS)

Hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, earthquakes, mass violence, or acts of terrorism-disasters can happen at any time, but you can help your kids deal with them. While adults focus on preparing for potential threats or trying to restore safety and resume a normal life in the aftermath, kids often try to make sense of what may seem utterly senseless. The trauma of a disaster or other type of emergency can bring up different feelings and emotions; it can also be a teachable moment for children and their families to come together to talk and support each other.

For adults, it's important to recognize the effect that traumatic events can have on mood, stress level, job attendance and performance, and routine. The disruption caused by natural and man-made disasters is common and often difficult to manage. Adults may try to cope with alcohol, by isolating themselves or by exhibiting outbursts of anger, which may be uncharacteristic. Because children often model adult behavior, self-care is especially important. Finding healthful ways to get through difficult, stressful experiences can set the stage for healthy dialogue and support for the whole family.

There are some key tips for parents, teachers and other adults on how to approach the conversation:

Talk. It can be difficult to talk about what's happening but kids need to share what they're feeling, think-ing, seeing and hearing. Children need to know there are no bad emotions and that it's normal to have a range of reactions. They may also bring up fears or concerns that are unrelated to the crisis. Staying connected with open communication will opportunity for deeper understanding and can help identify a need for extra reassurance and support.

know what's happening and when. It's important to be honest and open, while being reassuring and speaking at a level that the child can understand.

Balance with the positive. While focusing on the loss, grief and distress experienced in times of crisis is normal in the aftermath, it will be beneficial to help children also identify and see the good that is happening around them. Emergency responders, volunteers and others in the community who mobilize are great examples of resilience and strength and can provide a sense of hope and healing.

• Return to routine. Getting back to a schedule, in which kids can engage with friends, teachers and other mentors, can be very helpful. People they interact with on a daily basis are a support network, so maintaining those connections and daily activities can keep children feeling connected and safe in familiar surroundings.

Limit media exposure. It's normal to want lots of information during and after a disaster. Staying tuned in to the latest news can help to bring back a sense of control and awareness but it can also be a little overwhelming. For parents, it's especially important to limit exposure and to be present when kids are watching, listening or reading about an event. News coverage can often bring about new questions for children, so being there to discuss what's happening will be important.

Reinforce peace tolerance. Things and can be chaotic during and after a crisis. While the news media or people interviewed may highlight or blame a particular ethnic or cultural group's actions, it is important to keep a peaceful and inclusive perspective with kids. Be sensitive to cultural, ethnic, religious or other experiences, as they can also influence how people respond differently in times of crisis. Make a crisis plan. Times of disaster or emergency can highlight what people might do differently or better to stay connected, respond together and to feel prepared for the future.

Developing a crisis plan for your family gives everyone something to do and participate in and will help you all feel on the same page about each person's role and responsibility. Kids should also be encouraged to discuss their safety concerns, including those they may have for extended family, friends and family pets.

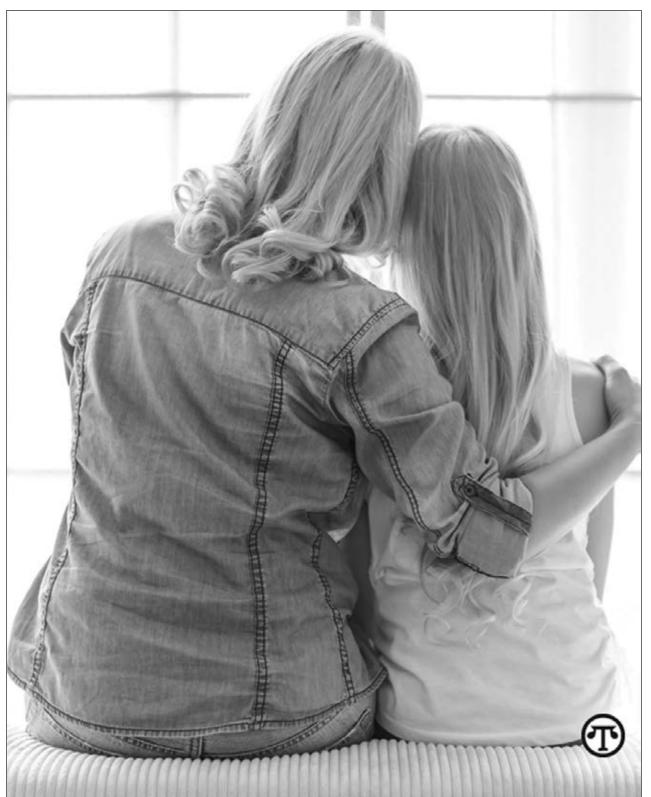
Because each stage of a child's development offers new opportunities to learn and process stressful events, ma and tips on how to talk about what's happening during a crisis. "Tips for Talking With and Helping Children and Youth Cope After a Disaster or Traumatic Event: A Guide for Parents, Caregivers, and Teachers" is at http://store.samhsa. gov/product/ Tipsfor-Talking-With-and-Helping-Children-and-Youth-Cope-After-a-Disaster-or-Traumatic-Event-A-Guide-for-Parents-Caregivers-and-

time talking about what they're feeling or have a sudden shift with their grades at school, the trauma of what's happened may require more attention. Seeking assistance from a counselor or mental health professional may be helpful.

"Crises can take a heavy toll on people and communities, including on their emotional health and well-being," explained Kana Enomoto, SAMHSA's acting administrator. tress, visit www.samhsa. gov/ find-help/disaster-distress-helpline/ warning-signs-risk- factors. To help you find a nearby mental health provider, SAMHSA has a Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator at https:// findtreatment.samhsa.gov.

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After a disaster or crisis, kids need to share what they are feeling, thinking, seeing and



• Be honest. While children look to adults for answers, during times of crisis it can be difficult to

it's important to know what's manageable for a child at a specific age. To help, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) offers age-specific information on how kids respond to trauTeachers/SMA12-4732. Kids are resilient but some may need a little extra support to navi-

some may need a little extra support to navigate through a difficult disaster or crisis. If kids are struggling to sleep, aren't connecting with friends, having a difficult "Although most people bounce back, others may need extra assistance to cope and recover." This is true for children, just as it is for adults. To learn more about

some of the warning signs of emotional dishearing. Staying connected with open communication will provide an opportunity for deeper understanding and healing.

### Making The Grade: Getting High School Seniors Ready For College

#### (NAPS)

Nearly 17 million high school seniors graduate each year, the U.S. Department of Education estimates, and many plan to attend college. But are they all really college-ready?

Data suggests the answer is a resounding "no." According to the 2015 "Condition of College & Career Readiness" report from American College Testing (ACT), 31 percent of the ACTtested graduating class is not meeting any of the four subject benchmarks: reading, English, science and mathematics.

These low-readiness test scores coincide with college dropout figures that top 29 million, making the number of Americans who have dropped out of college greater than the number of American adults who have not obtained their high school degrees.

"While test scores provide a benchmark for high school seniors, college readiness is an important issue for everyone headed to college, whether they are a new high school graduate or an adult learner returning to the classroom," said Jennifer Fletcher, Ph.D., program dean for general education at University of Phoenix. "Being prepared for the challenge can help ensure students aren't forced to take remedial course work and are able to stay motivated and on top



A few simple steps before you go to college can help make sure you do well when you get there.

of their workloads, ultimately resulting in a successful collegiate experience."

The pressure to earn a college degree is higher than ever. The White House has set an ambitious goal of producing a higher share of college graduates than any other nation by 2020. The plan is to return the United States to the topranked nation after dropping into twelfth place.

"More and more, employ-

ers are seeking college graduates for jobs that previously required a high school diploma or other subbaccalaureate training," Dr. Fletcher said. "For the nearly two-thirds of U.S. adults who do not have a bachelor's degree or higher, this can create barriers to career growth, unless they are able to pursue higher education."

She offers the following advice to high school seniors

and adult learners heading off to college:

• Use summer months to take courses in English and mathematics to refresh high school level skills. Courses can be taken at community colleges or via online professional development resources such as University of Phoenix's continuing education programs, Udemy, StraighterLine and Lynda.com.

Don't overburden

your first semester course load. There are always opportunities to add courses deeper into your college career or over summer and winter intersessions.

• Team up with your college adviser your first semester. College advisers are available to discuss your goals and a graduation timeline and can offer guidance on the best ways to manage coursework.

• Attend skills center sessions for assistance in coursework and free proofreading.

• Organize study groups with peers to work together on complex materials and to gain different perspectives to approaching assignments.

• Take advantage of college tools and resources. Computers, Internet access, office hours and a study location free of distractions are all things students can access that affect student success. When you couple this with healthy organizational and study habits, students can improve their chances of having a positive academic journey.

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### WHAT THIS MEANS: There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant we did not properly test for and/or report to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) during the required monitoring period.

Monitoring Period	Contaminant Group	Monitoring Period	Contaminant Group
7/1/2016 to 9/30/2016	PERCHLORATE		

#### STEPS WE ARE TAKING: Our system is taking the following corrective actions:

In response to monitoring and reporting violations of the Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations, our system has taken the following corrective actions.

- We are notifying our customers of the violation by providing this public notice to you as well as submitting a copy of 1. this public notice to the DEP and the local board of health.
- 2. Sample Collection (check appropriate boxes):
  - We have scheduled to IMMEDIATELY collect and analyze sample(s) for the contaminants listed above and will submit copies of the sampling results to the DEP upon completion.
  - We have already collected and analyzed sample(s) for the contaminants listed above and have submitted copies of the sampling results to the DEP. These contaminant(s) were collected AFTER the required monitoring period(s) on: Dec. 1, 2016.



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- If our system has two or more monitoring and reporting violations within the last 12 months, we are required to submit a plan to the DEP detailing the specific actions that we will take to prevent further noncompliance.
- 4. We will continue to collect samples for all contaminants according to our most recent sampling schedule.
- 5. Other Corrective Actions Taken:

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For more information or questions regarding this notice, please contact:

Doran Crouse, Superintendent at Phone#: **Responsible Party Name:** 508-949-3861





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### CALENDAR

### Friday, February 17

OFFICE HOURS: State Senator Ryan C. Fattman (R-Webster) will host office hours Feb. 17 from 11 a.m.-noon at the Free Public Library located on 339 Main St., Oxford. Constituents are encouraged to stop by at any point during the hour or may reserve a specific time if they wish by emailing Joe Zarrella at Joseph.Zarrella@masenate.gov. Those who cannot make the office hour may call (617) 722-1420 to have issues addressed by the Senator.

### Saturday, February 18

ROAST TURKEY & TRIMMINGS: The First Congregational Church of Dudley, 135 Center Road, is having a Roast Turkey Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 18. The menu will include roast turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, butternut squash, turnip & cranberry sauce. Dessert will be pumpkin squares with real whipped cream. Servings will be at 5 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Adults: \$10; Preteens: \$5. Children 5 and under free. Ticket reservations are recommended. Please Call MJ at (508) 943-1684. Tickets are also sold at the door. Handicapped accessible.

COMMUNITY DINNER: Life Church in Webster is hosting our monthly community outreach dinner on Feb. 18, 4-6 p.m. at 1 Nelson Road, Webster

### Thursday, February 23

PAINTING WORKSHOP: The Webster Public Library at 350 Main St. will host award-winning pastel artist Gregory John Maichack to present an adult hands-on workshop, "Pastel Paint the 45-Million-Dollar Flower," on Feb. 23, 6-8 p.m. This pastel painting workshop is designed for sheer beginners to experienced artists. Seats may fill quickly so call (508) 949-3880 to pre-register. Participants will freely experiment with hundreds of the artist's professional grade pastels, pastel pencils, and pastel paper, in this fun pastel painting workshop. Maichack will demonstrate again how beginners to accomplished artists can pastel paint easily using

techniques of masters such as O'Keeffe. As always, all will keep their pastel paintings.

This project is supported in part by a grant from the Webster Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

PAINT NIGHT: on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m., at REALTOR Association of Central Mass, 492 Washington St., Auburn. The cost is \$40 per person, which includes two drink tickets, appetizers and all the painting materials needed to create a beautiful canvas painting. All proceeds to benefit Oxford High School's Operation Graduation 2017. To purchase tickets, contact Colleen Pappas at (508) 667-7604.

### Saturday, February 25

The SPEAKER: Western Massachusetts Republicans will be hosting a luncheon with special guest and keynote speaker, Massachusetts Republican Party Chairman Kirsten Hughes. The event will be on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017 from noon-1:30 p.m. at Old Sturbridge Village, Oliver Wight Tavern, 1 Old Sturbridge Village Road. Tickets are \$40 per person. To purchase tickets, please mail a personal check payable to WMR to Janet Garon, PO Box 24, Southbridge, MA 01550. Please include the names of attendees. You may also purchase tickets online at <u>www.westernmarepublicans.com</u>. Limited tickets may be sold at the door. For more information, call or text Janet at 774-230-7382.

### Sunday, February 26

PAINT PARTY: Dudley Woman's Club Painting Party on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 1:30 p.m., at Sinni's Pub, 6 Chase Ave., Dudley, join fellow DWC member and professional artist Andrea Kane as she leads us through an afternoon of fun and creativity! \$30 per person includes table snacks and all the painting supplies (bottle included) to create a beautiful lighted wine bottle!! Basket raffles and a cash bar will be available. Seating is limited, so sign up early! Find us on Facebook: DudleyWoman'sClub or our website www.dudleywomansclub.org. For reservations and payments, please contact <u>imajoy@charter.net</u>.

### Thursday, March 2

LEARNING FORUM: A forum on Islam, to be held in Dudley at the First Congregational Church, UCC at 135 Center Road on Thursday, March 2 at 7 p.m. In light of the controversy regarding the Islamic cemetery and the backlash over Trump's travel ban regarding seven predominantly Muslim countries, this forum is timely, and hopefully will open minds and hearts to what is currently occurring in our country.

### Sunday, March 4

A TASTE OF THREE COUNTRIES: at St. Roch Church Hall, 332 Main St., Oxford beginning at 7 p.m. An evening of wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, and songs from France, Italy, and the USA. Tickets are \$25 per person, and must be purchased by Monday, Feb. 27. For nonwine drinkers, \$20 tickets are available for music and hors d'oeuvres only. For tickets and information, contact Jim Gondek, (508) 987-2382. Proceeds benefit St. Roch Church.

### Saturday, March 11

PLAN FOR WATER SPORTS: ABOUT BOATING SAFELY, a one-day boating safety course to fit your schedule Saturday March 11, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Webster Fire Department classroom, 55 Thompson Road, Webster. Register soon as space is limited. Email <u>edtavares@verizon.net</u> or call (508) 404-8088. Course information is available at: <u>http://wow.uscgaux.info/pe\_class\_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=18432</u>

\*Discount for additional family members attending

### Sunday, April 2

FASHIONISTA: annual fashion show by the Dudley Woman's Club at Point Breeze. \$35 per person, visit the website: dudleywomansclub.org or mail a check to: DWC, PO Box 294, Dudley MA 01571 for the number of tickets you need. Raffles, baskets, money raffles and boutique vendors.

### ONGOING EVENTS

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT: The Webster Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at Webster Manor, 745 School St., from 6-8 p.m. Anyone in the area who feels they are in need of help, doesn't know what to do, or is a caregiver for someone with Alzheimer's, is invited to attend and express their concerns regarding the care for their loved one. The members of the group will discuss the ways, means, and the help you will need as your loved one progresses in this disease. Please come join with us at each meeting and you'll be glad that you did. Each person has a different story to tell and you will be given tips to help you work through this agonizing and dreadful disease.

LEAGUE OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: The St. Louis League of Catholic Women is holding its annual membership drive. The purpose of the league is to bring together women to further their cultural, social, and religious interests. The league meets every first Wednesday of the month, with the exception of January, February, July, August, and September. Programs this year will include cupcake decorating, Christmas sing-a-long, flowers in the Bible, movie night, crowning of Mary, and other interesting topics. If you are interested, please call Financial Secretary Louise Duval at 508-943-7695 or club President Carolyn Smith at 508-943-4732.

NUMISMATICS: The Nipmuck Coin Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St., behind the Oxford Town Hall. For more information, contact Dick Lisi at lisirichard15@ yahoo.com.

TWICE AS NICE: The Central Mass. Mother of Twins is a non-profit club to benefit those who are raising multiples and provide support and an outlet. The club meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. every first Thursday of the month at the Oxford Community Center to discuss twins-related issues and have relaxing events such as movie nights and outings to take the children to and or your spouse or just for Moms. Anyone who is a childcare provider to multiples is welcomed and the meetings are held on the second floor of the building of the old school house.





HOURS: MONDAY- FRIDAY 8-6 • SATURDAY 8-2

### BITUARIES

### John H. Ainsworth, 62



WEBSTER — John H. Ainsworth, age 62, died Friday, Feb. 3, 2017 at home after being stricken ill.

He leaves three brothers, Walter E. Ainsworth Jr. and his wife Diane of Exeter, PA, Paul

W. Ainsworth and his wife Judy of Monson, and Robert M. Ainsworth and his wife Nita of Brookston, TX; several nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his sister, Eileen Hansen in 2003 and by a brother, Charles Ainsworth in 2010. He also leaves his beloved cat Peanut.

He was born in Putnam and raised in Danielson, CT, the son of Walter E. Ainsworth Sr. and Eleanore (Hutchinson) Ainsworth. He lived in Webster since 1976.

Mr. Ainsworth enjoyed tinkering with bicycles.

The funeral service was held Friday, Feb. 10 in Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street. Burial was in Mount Zion Cemetery.

Donations in his memory may be made to Reconciliation House, Inc., 5 North Main St., Webster, MA 01570.

### Anthony 'Tony' Battista, 60

SOUTHBRIDGE — Anthony "Tony" Battista, age 60, died Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017, at UMass Memorial Medical Center, after an illness.

He leaves his son Nicholas Battista of Southbridge, a brother William Battista and his wife Ramona of Midlothian, VA, and two sisters Jane Despres and her husband Paul of Southbridge, and Kathy Chamberland and her husband Paul of Southbridge, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother Peter Battista in 2009.

Tony was raised in Southbridge, son of the late Dominic and Anna (Sinni) Battista, and lived here all his life. He

was a member of Saint Mary's Church, and was a graduate of Bay Path Vocational Regional High School. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson, golfing and time spent with his family.

The funeral will be Monday, February 20, 2017, from Sansoucy Funeral Home (sansoucyfuneral.com), 40 Marcy St., Southbridge with a Mass at 10 a.m. at Saint Mary's Church, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge, MA 01550. A calling hour will be held prior to the mass at the funeral home, from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Burial will be private.

### Joan Kathleen (Healy) Blid, 76



WEBSTER — Joan Kathleen (Healy) Blid, age 76, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017 after a long battle with cancer and multiple sclerosis.

She is survived by

three daughters, Maureen (DeSantis) Denault, and her husband Scott, of Wilbraham, Deborah (DeSantis) Mann of Webster, and Melissa Blid of Dudley; five grandchildren, Ryan and Timothy Denault, Joshua, Garrett and Gabrielle Mann; her three brothers, Maurice, Fred and Daniel Healy; and her beloved companion Roland Lavallee.

Her husband, Russell, predeceased her in 2006. A son, William P. DeSantis, passed away in 1965.

Joan was born in Webster. She

was the daughter of M. William and Margaret Healy.

Joan loved spending time with her family and was extremely proud of her grandchildren (including the furry ones, Hunter, Charles, Bash and Ava). She also loved her social time, having coffee and sharing laughs with friends.

Joan worked at Filene's for many years as the Christmas department manager and was known as Mrs. Claus. Prior to that, she worked for many years as the store manager for Stevens Linen. She was a member of the Dudley Woman's Club and St. Louis League of Catholic Women.

The funeral was Monday, Feb. 13, 2017 at St. Louis Church. There will be a private burial at Cavalry Cemetery.

Bartel's Funeral Home (bartelfuneralhome.com), 33 Schofield Ave, Dudley was entrusted with arrangements.

### Susan M. (Anderson) Desrosiers, 67



N O R T H OXFORD — Susan (Anderson) M. Desrosiers, age 67, died Sunday, Feb. 5, 2017 surrounded by her family after a long illness.

She leaves her husband of 25 years, John

M. Desrosiers; 4 daughters, Sherri-Ann Burchill and her husband Guy Roy of St. Marcel de Richelieu, Quebec, Sabrina L. Benoit and her husband Jason of Millbury, Samantha R. Nelson and her husband John McCausland of Worcester, and Stephanie J. Nelson and James Beaulieu of Milton; a son, David Scott Nelson Jr. of Seabrook, NH; a brother, Robert L. Anderson and his wife Linda of Oxford; a sister, Diane L. Sonos and her husband Charles of Livermore Falls, Maine; 15 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; her former husband, David Scott Nelson Sr. of Guilford, ME; nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 6 years, Samuel Burchill in 1974.

She was born in Worcester and raised in Oxford, a daughter of Robert L. and Gloria (Bourassa) Anderson. She resided in Worcester and Grafton before moving here in 2002.

Mrs. Desrosiers was a long-time bus driver instructor and supervisor for Laidlaw Company in both Worcester and Millbury. She retired in 1999

She was a member of Saint Roch's Church in Oxford. She loved to play bingo and to go shopping. Her family, especially the grandchildren and great-grandchildren, was her treasure.

The funeral will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, from Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster, with a Mass at 11 a.m. in Saint Roch's Church, 334 Main St., Oxford. Burial will be held in the spring. Visitation will be from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Saturday, February 25, in the funeral home.



DUDLEY Dorothy М. Choiniere, age 91, of Dudley died Monday, Feb. 6, 2017 at home surrounded by her children. loving Dorothy was born December 1925 in Worcester, and was

the daughter of the late Henry and Rosanna (Leonard) Cosky. She was predeceased by her husband of 59 years, J. Arthur Choiniere who passed away in 2010, her sister Louise Holmes and her brother Frank Cosky.

Dorothy graduated from Millbury High School and Rhode Island Training School of Nursing. She worked as a registered nurse at Roger Williams Hospital, Saint Vincent Hospital and Memorial Hospital. She also worked as a registered nurse doing medical evaluations at Central Mass Healthcare

### Dorothy M. Choiniere, 91

and Aetna Life and Casualty retiring in 1993.

She is survived by four daughters: Jeanine Choiniere of Dudley, Christine Jacob of Webster, Lisa wife of Robert Russo of Webster and Danielle wife of John Glowacki Jr. of Dudley. Two sons: Richard Choiniere of Putnam, CT and Ronald Choiniere and his wife Robyn of Texas. She also leaves seven cherished grandchildren, two great grandchildren, her loyal companion Maizey" and several nieces.

The funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 10 in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 24 Dudley Hill Road, Dudley.

Donations may be made in her memory to either the American Heart Association or Alzheimer's Association of MA/NH.

Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel (bartelfuneralhome.com), 33 Schofield Ave., Dudley.

Dudley Rotary Club. He also served on the Board of Directors of Hometown Bank.

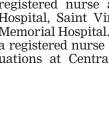
Adolphe E. Dugas, 90

Al's passion for





the continental US and then north up the Alaskan highway, eventually landing in Denali National Park. He loved to compete, and you could often find him spending his free time on his tennis courts, racing down a ski trail or running in "Al's biathlon," a yearly event he sponsored in his hometown. He loved to travel and experience all that life had to offer including bungee jumping in New Zealand, shark diving in Australia and animal tracking in Africa's Serengeti. Al's love of life, firm

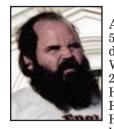


WEBSTER Adolphe E. Dugas, age 90, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at the Rose Monahan Hospice on Feb. 6, 2017.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 67

years, Emily E. (Kokocinski) Dugas; by four children: Susanne Duszlak, Mary Fura, John Dugas, and Elizabeth Duffy; by 10 grandchildren: Benjamin, James, Thomas, Noelle, Blaine, Paige, John "Jasiu," Steven, Peter and Jocelynn; by three great-grandchildren: Natalie, Niel and Elianna Duszlak; by a brother, Raymond Dugas; by three sisters: Leona Barrette, Jeanne Koupas and Cecile Binnette; and by nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his youngest daughter Anna and by his sister Doris Kulik.

### Dennis A. Fountain, 55



OXFORD — Dennis Fountain, age Α. 55, of Liberty Lane, died unexpectedly on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017, at Harrington Healthcare at Hubbard in Webster. He is survived by his wife of 21 years,

Susan L. (Davis) Fountain of Oxford; three children: Carrie L. Morse of Richmond, RI, Joshua D, Knecht and his wife Andrea of Oxford, and Chad L. Knecht of Southbridge; two brothers: Rodney P. Fountain of Oxford, and Mark A. Fountain and his wife Corinne of Florida; two sisters: Judith A. Bryniarski and Melissa V. Christian, both of Dudley; five grandchildren, Marcus, Bryahna, Macy, Joshua, and Beau; his sister-in-law, Jaclyn Lowell and her husband Bob of Charlton; two brothers-in-law, Roger Davis and his wife Mary of Florida and James Davis and his wife Linda of Charlton; many cousins, including Sandra F. Daigneault of Oxford;

many nephews and nieces, and many close friends. He was predeceased by a brother, Joseph P. Fountain Jr.; a sister, Cynthia L. Marable; and a sonin-law, Ritchie Morse. He was born in Webster, son of the late Joseph P. and Shirley R. (Beauregard) Fountain Sr., and was a lifelong resident of Oxford. He graduated from Bay Path R.V.T. High School in Charlton in 1980.

Mr. Fountain worked at Leggett and Platt in Oxford for 11 years. Later, he was a truck driver for J.B. Paving in Dudley and a mechanic for Moscoffian's in Millbury. He was a member of the Greater Auburn Pool League, enjoyed hunting, and was an avid Patriots fan.

A funeral service was held Tuesday. Feb. 14, 2017, at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford. Burial will be private at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Liver Transplant Clinic, c/o the Lahey Foundation, 41 Mall Rd., Burlington, MA 01805, or to St. Vincent Cancer and Wellness Center, 1 Eaton Place, Worcester, MA 01608.

### Alfred Gallant, 92



OXFORD — Alfred Gallant, age 92, of Waite Street, died Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017, in his home. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Marguerite (Poirier) Gallant of Oxford; two sons, Michael

Gallant and his wife Susan of Oxford, and Louis Gallant of Oxford; two sisters, Rosina Gallant and Alice Poirier, both of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada; three grandchildren, Michelle Gallant, Jacob Gallant, and Nicholas Gallant; and several nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by one sister, Almida Gallant of Canada; and two brothers, Amedee Gallant and Alyre Gallant, both of Canada. He was born in Lewisville, New Brunswick, Canada, and lived in Canada for 39 years before moving to Oxford in 1964.

Mr. Gallant worked at D.H. Adam Plumbing and Heating in Worcester for nine years, retiring in 1998.

Previously, he worked for William Morrill Company in Worcester for 15 years. He was a member of St. Roch's Church in Oxford. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 4241 in Oxford and a 4th degree member of the John Cardinal Wright Assembly in Leicester. Mr. Gallant was a member of the Greendale Men's Club, the Golden Ages Center, and he enjoyed gardening.

The family would like to thank the VNA Care Network, Solomon Hospice, and Dr. William Gaines, for the exceptional care and compassion given during his illness.

A funeral was held on Thursday, Feb. 2, 2017, from Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, followed by a Mass at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Roch's Church, 334 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540.

He was born on July 5, 1926 in Webster, a son of Adolphe I. and Leokadya M. (Panek) Dugas and lived here all of his life.

A member of "The Greatest Generation," he was a World War II Navy veteran, serving on the USS Lexington the Asiatic-Pacific Theater.

He returned from the Navy and joined his family's business in 1946 and then founded Dugas Vending Corporation in 1957. He grew this enterprise into one of New England's largest privately-held vending companies. He was the CEO and chairman until 1987, when he sold the business. He had been an active member of the Websterhandshake and infectious smile will be missed by all.

The family would like to extend our sincerest "thank you" to all Al's caring professionals from both Tatnuck Park and the Rose Monahan Hospice House.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, Feb. 18, with a Mass at 11 a.m. in Christ the King Church, 1052 Pleasant St., Worcester. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to the Alzheimer's Support Network, PO Box 839, Southbridge, MA 01550-0839.

Arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster.

### Nancy J. (Johnson) Fournier, 75

DUDLEY — Nancy J. (Johnson) Fournier, age 75, of Dudley, died Monday, Feb. 6, 2017.

Her husband, Gerard Fournier died in 2013. She leaves a son, James E. Lynn and his wife Donna of Dudley; a brother, Albert Johnson of Kingsport, TN; three sisters: Irene Moody, Jeanne Boyd and Fay Smith, all in Tennessee; four grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, Dora Lamica and by several brothers.

She was born in Lebanon, TN, daughter of the late James and Grace

### Roger A. Gelineau, 89

CHAPLIN CT — Roger A. Gelineau, age 89, of Chaplin, CT., died Monday, Feb. 13, 2017, at Vanderman Place, Willimantic.

He leaves two sons, Daniel Gelineau of Douglasville, GA and Ronald Gelineau of Chaplain, CT.; two sisters, Rhea Chauvin of Webster and Loretta Jalbert of Webster; nine grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

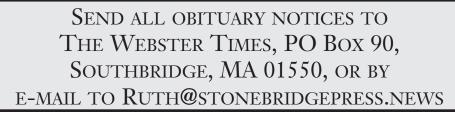
He was born in Lakeworth, FL son of the late Joseph and Henrietta (Noiseux) Gelineau and he lived in Chaplin for

over 40 years. He was a World War II, U.S Army veteran. He was a retired tool and die maker and worked for Whitcraft in Easford, CT.

There are no calling hours. Services and burial are private.

Donations in his memory may be made to a charity of donor's choice.

Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements.



casino, gardening, yard sales and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Services are private. Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home

(Caroll) Johnson and lived in Nashville

before moving to Dudley two years ago.

She was a retired nurse's aide, having

worked at Southbridge Rehabilitation

and Nursing Center. She enjoyed the

(shaw-majercik.com), 48 School St., Webster has been entrusted with arrangements.

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### **OBITUARIES**

### Michael J. Kekelik, 79



SOUTHBRIDGE Michael J. Kekelik Jr. age 79, died Monday, Feb. 13, 2017, at Webster Manor, after a period of declining health. His wife was the Pauline late Μ. (Laliberte) Kekelik,

who died in 2012. He is survived by his daughter Christine and her husband Darryl Davidson of Southbridge, two grandchildren, Jennifer and her husband Eric Kokoszka of Webster, and Daniel Caouette and his fiancée Caitlin Guyettte of Spencer; and four great-grandchildren. He also leaves a brother Richard and his wife Janice Kekelik of Dudley, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother Thomas Kekelik of Webster.

Mike was born in Webster, son

of Michael and Anna C. (Vajcovec) Kekelik Sr, and lived in Southbridge for many years. He was a longtime member of Notre Dame Church (St. John Paul II Parish). He served in the National Guard for several years, and was a retired wire worker (machinist). Mike enjoyed going to the casino, horse racing, but most of all loved spending time with his family.

The funeral was Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017, from Sansoucy Funeral Home (sansoucyfuneral.com), 40 Marcy St., Southbridge, MA 01550, with a Mass at Notre Dame Church, 446 Main St., Southbridge. Burial followed at St. Anthony's Cemetery, Worcester Road, (Route 12), Webster.

Donations in Mike's Memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905.



SHREWSBURY -Marybeth (Pollier) Kelly, age 57, of Shrewsbury, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017 at home.

She leaves her husband, William Kelly of Shrewsbury; two sons, Andrew Stewart

of Webster, Craig Stewart and his wife Taryn of Thompson; one daughter, Brianna Van Deusen and her husband John of Dudley; a brother, Roland Pollier of Haverhill; two sisters, Lisa DeBruyn of Sutton and Cheryl Burke of Brandon, FL;9 grandchildren. She was predeceased by two brothers, Mark Pollier of South Yarmouth and Gary Pollier of Arizona.

She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Roland and Patricia (Reiley) Pollier and lived in Webster before moving to Shrewsbury. She was a CNA and worked in a nursing home. She enjoyed reading, quality time with her children and grandchildren and the New England Patriots.

A Celebration of Life service will be held. Date and time will be announced. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude's Place, Memphis TN 38015.

Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School St., Webster has been entrusted with arrangements

ing Martin Remodeling. He enjoyed

held on Saturday, Feb. 18, from 10 a.m.

to noon in the Shaw-Majercik Funeral

Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School

McGrath Sr. who died July 24, 2004 and

for CJP Construction and other compa-

p.m. at the Charlton Beagle Club, 103

Bond Road, in Charlton where memo-

The Robert J. Miller-Charlton Funeral Home (RJMillerfunerals.net),

175 Old Worcester Road, is assisting the

McGrath family with arrangements.

He worked as an excavator operator

A celebration of Billy's life will be Saturday, March 4, 2017, starting at 2

lived in Charlton most of his life.

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ries of Billy will be shared.

Services, to celebrate his life, will be

### William J.Martin Jr., 76

Marybeth (Pollier) Kelly, 57



Jr., age 76, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family on Saturday, Feb. 11,

William J. Martin

He leaves behind daughters, Donna Madore of

Wakfield, RI, Lisa Mazurka of Sutton and Cindy Cottrill of Maricopa, AZ; two sons, Wilfred Boutillette of Webster and Michael Boutillette of Leicester; two sisters, Helena Bejune and Beverly Pacher. both of Webster. He was a loving father who was adored by all his children. He is now joined with his beloved Micheline Boutillette in heaven.

He was born in Webster, son of the late William J. Sr. and Stella (Perry) Martin and lived in Webster all his life. He was a United States Air Force veteran. He was a contractor, owning and operat-

fishing and hunting.

St., Webster.



### Carolyn R. (Sonta) Lane, 70

CHARLTON Carolyn R. (Sonta) Lane, 70, passed away on Feb. 6, 2017 after a brave and hardfought battle with pancreatic cancer. Her husband, Carlos G. Lane, Sr., died in 2002.

She leaves two sons, Robert G. Lane and his wife Kim of Dudley, and Carlos G. Lane Jr. and his fiancée Luann of East Brookfield; and three beloved grandchildren, Nicholas, Amanda and

Christopher. She was born and raised in Worcester, the daughter of Chester J. and Lody (Rachubka) Sonta and moved to Charlton in 1976. After raising her family, she attended the Wilfred Beauty Academy.

Carolyn was a hairdresser for over 30 years, working most recently at Finally Lisa's in Southbridge. She retired in 2012. She loved traveling, especially to the beach, gardening, reading, playing dominos with "the girls" and spoiling her big orange cat Roomy. She was a bright spot in many lives and will be greatly missed.

The family would like to thank Jill from Central Massachusetts Hospice for her tender care for Carolyn.

A memorial service in her honor will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours.

Donations in her name may be made to the Central Massachusetts Hospice, 191 Pakachoag Road, Auburn, MA 01501.

Arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main St., Webster.

### John R. McBrien, 44

WEBSTER - John R. McBrien, age 44, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017 in UMass/Memorial University Campus after a long illness.

He leaves his wife of 18 years, Kerry L. (Hammonds) McBrien; his parents, Richard F.McBrien III and Margaret A. (Nordin) McBrien of Sturbridge; and his in-laws, Timothy and Debra (Durant) Hammonds of Dudley; aunts, uncles and cousins. He also leaves his two dogs, Liam and Gracie, and his bird Jake.

He was born in Manassas, VA and raised in Lynn. He graduated from Lynn Vocational Technical High School in 1991. He moved to Webster in 1999.

Mr. McBrien was a journeyman for the Boston Electrical Union #103 for many years. He retired in 2011 due to illness.

Visitation was held Wednesday, Feb. 15, in the Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, with a service. A graveside service was held Thursday, February 16, in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, 185 Lake Street, Peabody.

Donations in his name may be made to Foster Hospital for Small Animals, 55 Willard Street, N. Grafton, MA 01536.

### William J. 'Billy' McGrath, 52

CHARLTON — William J. "Billy" McGrath, age 52, passed away Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017 at the Meadows of Central Massachusetts In Leicester.

He leaves his mother, Barbara H. (Paradis) McGrath of Moscow, ME; two brothers, Thomas F. McGrath Jr. and Robert G. McGrath, both of Charlton; three sisters, Darlene Froment of Webster, Joan White of Spencer and Dorothy Washburn of Moscow, ME and several nieces and nephews.

Billy was born in Worcester, Dec. 20, 1964, son of the late Thomas F.

### Anna (Szpyrka) Andrzejewski Przystas, 92

NORTH GROSENORDALE — Anna (Szpyrka) Andrzejewski Przystas, age 92, of North Grosvenordale and Wayland died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2017 in the Newton Wellsley Hospital, Newton.

She was the wife of the late Adolph

Andrzejewski of Webster; by a brother, Walter Szpyrka of Thompson, and a sister Gladys Pasay of Danielson, CT.

Shewasborn in North Grosvenordale, daughter of the late John and Mary (Markowski) Przystas and lived in North Grosvenordale and Webster for many years before moving to Wayland. She was a retired shoe worker and worked at B+W Footwear, retiring in 1989



### Tisa M. (Roberts) Poirier, 55



WEBSTER Tisa M. (Roberts) Poirier, age 55, died Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017 at home after being stricken ill.

She leaves two sons, Robert J. Poirier II and his wife Brittany of Oxford, and Jarred

Michael Daniel Poirier of Webster; two grandchildren, Logan Barriere and Noah Poirier; her mother, Clara L. (Johnson) Norsigian of Webster; a brother, Charles E. Roberts; a sister, Danielle Chouinard; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was eagerly awaiting the birth of her third grandchild in August. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Michael

Roberts and Francis E. Roberts III.

She was born and raised in Worcester. After graduating from high school, she attended the Rob Roy Hair Academy. She moved to Webster in 2001.

Tisa first worked as a hairdresser. She was then employed by the Worcester School Department for 18 years, first as a cook and then as head cook. She was currently the manager at Burncoat Senior High School, a position she held since February 8, 2016.

Her life was dedicated to hard work and to her family, especially her grandchildren. She was a New England Patriots fan.

Visitation was Tuesday, Feb. 14, in Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street, with a prayer service. Burial will be private.

### Doris (Allain) Arsenault Richard, 90



NORTH OXFORD Doris Allain Arseneault Richards, age 90, passed away peacefully at Webster Nursing Manor Home, Webster after a long period of declining health. She was born in

Acadieville, New Brunswick, Canada daughter of Edmond and Sophie Allain.

She leaves three daughters: Gisele Mattson (Ben) of Webster, Joceline Vassar(Lee)ofNorthOxford,andEmilie Adams (Geoff) of East Brookfield; three sons: George Arseneault of Leicester, Denis Arseneault (Bobby Evansdeceased) of Melrose, NM, and Maurice Arseneault of Worcester; eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren; three sisters: Ludivine Arseneaut, Adeline (Nellie) Poirier, and Ronalda Gallant; three brothers: Eulysse Allain, Eve Allain, and Abraham Allain; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her first husband of 48 years, Andre Arseneault and her second husband of seven years, Nazaire Richard; three sisters, Anise Bourgue, Florida Thebeau and Dorina Henri and two brothers; Baby Valerie Allain and Euclid Allain.

In her earlier years Doris was a stav at home Mom. She then worked at Holy Name of Jesus Rectory on Illinois Street in Worcester for a number of years. She was an excellent cook and baker. She was very crafty and enjoyed designing Ukrainian eggs, Friendly Plastic, quilting, crocheting, knitting and paper tole. She loved to share the beautiful creations she made. She belonged to the Busy Bees and the Oxford Senior Center. She will have a special place in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all the nurses, CNAs and staff of Webster Manor for the wonderful and loving care they gave to Mom. Also to the angels of Notre Dame Hospice for being there for Mom and all of us, we thank you.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. in Saint Roch's Church, 334 Main St., Oxford. Entombment will be at a later date in Notre Dame Mausoleum, Worcester. Calling hours will be held on Friday, Feb. 17 from 5-8 p.m in the Alfred Roy & Sons Funeral Home (Royfuneralhome. com), 12 Hammond St., Worcester.

Donations may be made in her memory to Webster Manor Residents Activity Fund (Unit 3), 745 School St., Webster, MA 01570 or to Notre Dame Hospice, 555 Plantation St., Worcester, MA. 01605.

Andrzejewski, who died in 1972 and the late Stanley Przystas, who died in 1991. She leaves a grandson, Robert and his wifeKristinaAndrzejewskiofWayland; granddaughter, Laurie Casavant а of Webster; two great-grandchildren, Ethan and Sophie; a niece, Matilda Andrzejewski of Connecticut. She was predeceased by her son, John

All services and burial are private.

Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements.

Joanne 'Josie' R. (Reed) Thomas, 81

WEBSTER — Joanne "Josie" R. (Reed) Thomas, age 81, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family and friends, Thursday, Feb. 9, 2017 at Webster Manor.

She leaves a son. Robert Thomas and his wife Darlene of Gardner; four daughters, Lurena Thomas and her husband David Rocray of Southbridge, Joanne Palazini of Worcester, June Thomas of North Brookfield and Deborah Allard of Orange County, CA; grandchildren; Christopher Bonin, Kyle Bonin, Neil Thomas, Samantha Thomas and Ryan Thomas; one great-granddaughter Clara Thomas; a sister, Jean Bello of Oxford; a brother Robert Reed of Kingston. She was predeceased by a daughter, Roxanne Thomas of North Oxford; also by her longtime companion, Edward Rocheleau of North Oxford; and a brother, Stewart Reed of Barre.

She was born in Northfield, daughter of the late Merrill and Jeannette (Stewart) Reed and lived here most of her life. She was a teacher's aide in the Webster school system at Bartlett High School. She enjoyed NASCAR racing, card playing, crafts, quilting, caring for her plants, Bible study and quality time with her family.

There are no calling hours. All services and burial are private.

Omit flowers and donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home (shaw-majercik.com), 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted School

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**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. WO17P0352EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Cecelia F Graham Date of Death: 12/21/2016 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by James MS Graham of Dudley MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: James MS Graham of Dudley MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an 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 03/07/2017. 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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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 03, 2017

Stephanie K. Fattman, **Register of Probate** February 17, 2017

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

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Jeffrey P. Collins and Lisa M. Collins to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, its successors and assigns, dated August 18, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 39625, Page 28 subsequently assigned to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-D, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-D by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 49322, Page 67; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on February 24, 2017 at 42 Second Island Road, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon of every nature and description and all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in Town of Webster, Worcester County, Massachusetts and more particularly described in a deed dated January 21, 1978 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 6387, Page 302.

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

### <u>TERMS OF SALE:</u>

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the

the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on February 24, 2017 at 42 Whitcomb Street, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in said Webster, with the buildings thereon, situated on the westerly side of Whitcomb Street, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the granted premises on said Westerly side of Whitcomb Street at land now or formerly of one Francis St. Chalupka; Thence, Westerly by said Chalupka land Seven (7) rods to land now or formerly of one C. Daviaux; Thence Northerly by said Daviaux land Four (4) rods to a corner; Thence Easterly by said Daviaux land Seven (7) rods to said Whitcomb Street; Thence Southerly by said Whitcomb Street Four (4) rods to the point of beginning. Being the same lands and premises conveyed to Victor H. Guerrero by Deed dated December 12, 2002 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Deed Book 29945, Page 27.

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

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Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale. HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as trustee for Deutsche Alt-A Securities Inc. Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-4 ninety two hundredths (483.92) feet along the easterly boundary of land now or formerly of one Puliafico to an iron pipe located in the south face of a stone wall; THENCE North 86° 56' 28" East, a distance of one hundred sixty one and sixteen hundredths (161.16) feet along a stone wall by land, now or formerly of Elliot and George Hall, to a drill hole set in said wall; THENCE North 87° 30' 45" East, a distance of one hundred seventy six and seventy six hundredths (176.76) feet along a stone wall by land now or formerly of Elliot and George Hall to drill hole set in said wall; THENCE South 0° 29' 15" East, a distance of two hundred forty two and twenty one hundredths (242.21) feet by land now or formerly of McGovern to an iron pin; THENCE South 1° 55' 10" East, a distance of one hundred eighty and ninety six hundredths (180.96) feet by land now or formerly of McGovern to an iron pipe, said iron pipe being the point of beginning. MEANING AND INTENDING to convey 2.864 acres of land, more or less, as shown on 'Plan of Land in Dudley, Massachusetts, surveyed for Albany Bauregard" dated January 10, 1981, said Plan being recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds, in Plan Book 484, Plan 74. Subject, to the extent still in effect and applicable, to the Order of Conditions recorded at Book 30387, Page 261.

For title, see Deed recorded at Book 29323, Page 359.

The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this notice.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public announcement at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public announcement at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

The premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all rights, restrictions, easements, improvements, orders of condition, outstanding tax titles, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, betterments, liens or claims in the nature of liens and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, or entitled to precedence over the mortgage, if any, insofar as the same are still in force and applicable to the premises. The premises will be sold without representation or warranty as to its condition or fitness for habitation, or whether it conforms to any applicable state or local building, zoning, health, or sanitary codes, or compliance with any federal, state, or local environmental statutes, regulations, ordinances, or by-laws.

If the premises is a condominium unit, then the premises will also be sold subject to Massachusetts General Laws chapter 183A, as amended, the applicable Master Deed and any and all amounts as may be due, following such sale, to the applicable condominium trust.

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By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Joseph D. Ciesla to New Century Mortgage Corporation, dated March 23, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 33119, Page 258, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement recorded in said Registry of Deeds at Book 49347, Page 182, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee by New Century Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 40507, Page 318, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank national Trust Company as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of July 1, 2004 Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-NC6 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-NC6 by Deutsche Bank national Trust Company as Trustee by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43791, Page 109 and subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-NC6, Mortgage Pass-through Certificates, Series 2004-NC6 by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee under pooling and servicing agreement dated as of July 1, 2004 Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-NC6 Mortgage Pass-through Certificates series 2004-NC6 by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 50580, Page 143; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on March 3, 2017 at 13-15 Robinson Street a/k/a, 15 Robinson Street, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Webster, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being a certain tract or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the westerly side of Robinson Street, so-called, in said Webster, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning on said street, at corner of land now or formerly of Adam Haas; thence westerly by said Haas land, one hundred and thirty (130) feet to land now or formerly of L. E. Pattison; Thence southerly by said Pattison land, sixty (60) feet to land now or formerly of John Newman; thence easterly by said Newman land, one hundred thirty (130) feet to said street; thence northerly by said street, sixty (60) feet to the point of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to me by deed of Barbara A. Sterczala, Executor, dated April 30, 1993 and recorded with Worcester County District Registry of Deeds, Book

sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.** 

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

HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2006-D, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-D Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 13-017846 February 3, 2017 February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

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

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Victor H. Guerrero to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, GreenPoint Mortgage Funding, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated May 19, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 36364, Page 187 subsequently assigned to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of Deutsche ALT-A Securities, Inc. Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-4, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-4 by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47808, Page 111 and subsequently assigned to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Deutsche ALT-A Securities Inc. Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-4 by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53877, Page 119; of which Mortgage Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 14-016525 February 3, 2017 February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

#### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE 414 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by John Healy to Interbay Funding LLC dated June 29, 2005, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 36719, Page 164, and assigned through assignments recorded with said Registry of Deeds at Book 38376, Page 146, of which mortgage the undersigned 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 on February 24, 2017 at 11:00AM, at or upon the mortgaged premises more particularly described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land with the improvements thereon situated on the northerly side of West Main Street, Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at an iron pipe set in the north side of West Main Street said iron pipe being one hundred eighty and twenty eight hundredths (180.28) feet west of a Massachusetts Highway Bound and said iron pipe being at the southwest corner of the other land of Mary C. McGovern and the southeast corner of the land to be conveyed, THENCE South 74° 36' 56" West, a distance of two hundred twenty two (222) feet, more or less, along the northerly line of West Main Street to an iron pipe; THENCE North 15° 46' 50" West, a distance of four hundred eighty three and

If the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale defaults in purchasing the property according to the terms of this notice of sale or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to, among other things, resell the property under the power of sale contained in such mortgage or sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder (or other successive bidders, in the order of their bid) provided that such other bidder deposits with Mortgagee's attorneys, Michienzie & Sawin LLC, the amount of the required deposit as set forth below within ten (10) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to such other bidder within thirty (30) days of the default, which time periods may be reasonably extended by the Mortgagee in its sole discretion.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) is to be paid in certified check and/ or bank cashier's check to be paid by the Purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid by the Purchaser by certified check and/or bank cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter, which time period may be reasonably extended by the Mortgagee in its sole discretion, at the offices of Harry Castleman, Esquire, Michienzie & Sawin LLC, 745 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Bayview Loan Servicing LLC present holder of said mortgage by its attorney, Harry Castleman, Esquire MICHIENZIE & SAWIN LLC 745 Boylston Street Boston, MA 02116 February 3, 2017 February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

#### 15137, Page 302.

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

#### TERMS OF SALE:

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

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

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-NC6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-NC6 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 15-000667

February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017 February 24, 2017

### LEGALS

### NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to Mass General Laws Chapter 105A, the contents of the following space: D11 (Gerard Barry, Jr.) located at 144 Schofield Avenue, Dudley, MA will be sold to satisfy the owners lien of Storage Plus. Sale date is Thursday, February 23, 2017 @ 4:30 p.m. Inspection between 4:00 p.m. and 4;30 p.m. on February 23, 2017. Sealed bids must be hand delivered by 4:30 p.m. on February 23, 2017. All goods must be purchased by cash as is, including a \$50.00 refundable cash deposit, and must be removed within 48 hours of sale. Owner has the right to bid to protect his lien and to withdraw any unit upon settlement by the obligated party up for sale. For further information or to make an appointment, call (508)949-8818 or (413)245-4388. February 10, 2017

February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

### TOWN OF DUDLEY

Warrant Article #31 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 23, 2016 has received approval from the Attorney General's Office on February 1, 2017. The entire text of this by-law is posted in the following five places in accordance with G.L.c. 40 § 32: Dudley Municipal Complex, Pearle Crawford Memorial Library, Mason Road School, Dudley District Court House and Shepherd Hill High School.

Attest: Ora E. Finn, CMMC, Dudley Town Clerk February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

#### TOWN OF DUDLEY OFFICE OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT PRIS-TINE REALTY, LLC HAS APPLIED TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS TO AP-PEAL THE TERMS OF THE ZONING BYLAWS, SECTION 2.03.02 USE BY DISTRICT CHART FOR THE TOWN OF DUDLEY FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 141 CENTER ROAD, DUDLEY, MA 01571

IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: Nature of Application or Appeal: Applicant is seeking Commercial Special Permit for a Boarding/ Rooming House in RES-15.

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 2, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, 71 WEST MAIN STREET, DUDLEY IN ROOM 321A, AT WHICH TIME YOU MAY BE HEARD RELATIVE TO THE SPECIAL PERMIT GEORGE SLINGO, CHAIRMAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS February 10, 2017 February 17, 2017

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court

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

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Edward M. O'Toole to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, dated June 22, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 36670, Page 345 subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7, Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated August 1, 2005 by Ameriquest Mortgage Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43808, Page 151 and subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc. asset-backed pass-through certificates, series 2005-R7 by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Securities Asset-backed Pass-through Inc., Certificates, Series 2005-R7, under the pooling and servicing agreement dated August 1, 2005 by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 54905, Page 301; of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 PM on March 10, 2017 at 22 Hudson Road, Oxford, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land situated on the Easterly side of Hudson Road, Town of Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of said parcel at a point in the Easterly line of Hudson Road Thence N 6 Deg 28' 25" E, by the Easterly line of Hudson Road 206.95 feet to an angle in said line; Thence N 17 Deg 6' 16" E by the Easterly line of Hudson Road, 25.00 feet to a point at land now or formerly of Oxford-Sutton Development Associates; Thence by land now or formerly of Oxford-Sutton Development by the following courses: Thence S 81 Deg 54' 58" E, a distance of 209.72 feet to a point; Thence S 11 Deg 24' 16" W a distance of 100 feet to a stake; Thence S 35 Deg 20' 55" W a distance of 121.00 feet to an iron pin in stones; Thence S 88 Deg 43' 15" W, a distance of 148.54 feet to point of beginning. Parcel 25 Map 3 For title see deed at book 19120 page 203. For informational purposes only said property is shown as Lot 1 on Plan Book 432 Plan 38.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession. **Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court** Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO17P0160GD **NOTICE AND ORDER:** Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor In the interests of **Elizabeth Mary Scharn** of Webster, MA Minor NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED

PARTIES 1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 01/17/2017 by James Ferrazzano of Webster, MA will be held 02/27/2017 08:30 AM Motion Located Courtroom 11 -225 Main Street, Probate & Family Court, Worcester, MA 01608.

**2. Response to Petition:** You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

**3. Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

**4.** Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate Date: January 17, 2017 February 17, 2017

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts** The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Division** Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO09P0321GI1 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE **POWERS OF A GUARDIAN** In the Interests of: Marcel Durant Of: Oxford, MA RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/ Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has

efit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C.c. 50 §3901 et seq.: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.,

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in North Oxford (Oxford), 27 Oxbow Road, given by James A. Biando and Kathryn A. Biando to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., dated January 26, 2005, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 35576, Page 315, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before March 27, 2017 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of said Court on February 7, 2017.

Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 201212-0701-YEL February 17, 2017

TOWN OF DUDLEY OFFICE OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON

REMAND FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT

MARCH 2, 2017 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT ISLAM-

IC SOCIETY OF GREATER WORCES-TER HAS APPLIED TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A SPECIAL PER-MIT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT CORBIN ROAD MAP 210, PARCEL 017, DUDLEY, MA 01571

IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: Applicant is Seeking a Special Permit for a Cemetery on Corbin Road, Map 210, Parcel 017 for property located in a Residential-87 Zone pursuant to the Use District Chart, Section 2.03.02, of the Dudley Zoning Bylaw.

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD, PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF RE-MAND FROM THE MASSACHU-SETTS LAND COURT, ON T<u>HURS-</u> DAY, MARCH 2, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWN HALL, 71 WEST MAIN STREET, DUDLEY IN ROOM 321A, AT WHICH TIME YOU MAY BE HEARD RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT. GEORGE SLINGO, CHAIRMAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS February 17, 2017 February 24, 2017

225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO17D0165DR DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING David Marcel Heroux VS.

#### Fernanda Costa Heroux 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:

#### David Marcel Heroux 66 McIntyre Rd North Oxford, MA 01537

your answer, if any, on or before **04/18/2017**. 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

also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

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

Date: January 26, 2017

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate February 17, 2017

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) is proposing to build a 95-foot Monopole Telecommunications Tower in the vicinity of 36 Hall Road, Dudley, Worcester County, MA 01571. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30-days from the date of this publication to: Project 6117000382-MRG c/o EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, mricksgomez@ebiconsulting.com, or via telephone at 339-234-3535. February 17, 2017

#### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000,00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL **BE OF THE ESSENCE.** 

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

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS MORAN PLLC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 15-002914 February 17, 2017 February 24, 2017 March 3, 2017 been filed by Gary Leger of Oxford, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 03/07/2017. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

#### IMPÓRTANT NOTICE

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

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: January 30, 2017

Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate February 17, 2017

(SEAL)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 16SM012257

ORDER OF NOTICE

To: James A. Biando and to all persons entitled to the ben(SEAL) COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT 16SM012264

ORDER OF NOTICE

Bonnie A. Morse, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Scott A. Trotto and Robert L. Trotto and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C.c. 50 §3901 et seq.: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

To:

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in WEBSTER, 10 FIFTH AVENUE, given by Scott A. Trotto to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated January 15, 2011, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 47165, Page 149, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before March 27, 2017 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER Chief Justice of said Court on February 7, 2017. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson

Recorder 201611-0431-YEL February 17, 2017

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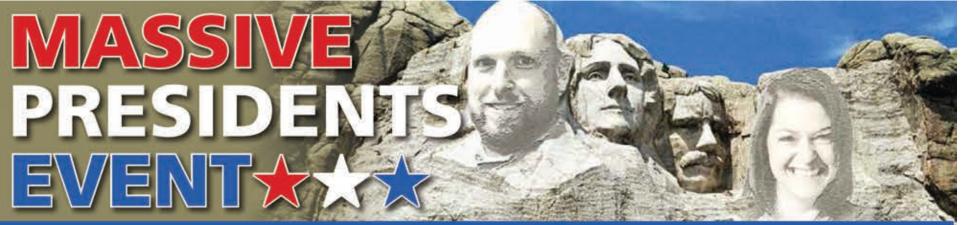
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### FAMILY

### SURVEY:

### Greater Parent Involvement In The Classroom Could Help Boost Teacher Recruitment

#### (NAPS)

Parental involvement in the classroom is a wellknown strategy to boost student achievement, but according to a recent survey, 62 percent of K-12 teachers say fewer than a quarter of parents get involved in the classroom1.

Teachers wish to have more parents involved, especially in elementary school. When asked what would attract more qualified educators to the field, 18 percent of K–12 teachers want more parent involvement in the classroom, with 21 percent teaching K–5 seeing the value2. To improve teacher retention, almost 30 percent said that programs encouraging parent participation in

was a potential solution3.

survey, con-The ducted by University of Phoenix<sup>®</sup> College of Education and Harris Poll, highlights the unique opportunity that parents have to become more involved in their children's classrooms and to make an impact on their learning and classroom experience.

"Parents are the first teachers of their children, and they play an integral role in their education both inside and outside the classroom," says Pamela Roggeman, Ed.D., academic dean for University of Phoenix College of Education. "Communication between parents and teachers is critical to student success. As a for-

I saw firsthand how a culture of collaboration improved student outcomes and teacher satisfaction."

How Teachers Want Parents To Get Involved When asked about ways that teachers would like parents involved in the classroom, they cited4:

Don't wait until there's an issue to connect with the teacher (68 percent).

Ask about areas for improvement for their child (65 percent).

Communicate regularly with the teacher (65 percent).

"The most impactful thing parents can do to stay engaged in their child's learning is to have open dialogue and

schools and classrooms mer high school teacher, communication with their child's teacher throughout the year," adds Roggeman. "This allows parents to have a better understanding of their child's progression and can help parents support the academic growth of their child through at-home activities to supplement what's being done in the classroom."

> Increasing Parent-Teacher Communication

Keeping up regular communication with a child's teacher can be challenging for parents, particularly when bal-ancing work, personal and family responsibilities. To help, Roggeman suggests four simple practices for parents to increase communication with their child's educators:

Identify the best It can sometimes be dif-1. method of communication. Today's teachers create numerous ways to stay engaged with parents outside the classroom, including e-mail, a social media group, classroom websites or handwritten notes. Find out the teacher's preferred method of communication for quicker responses and stay engaged.

Ask about class-2. room activities and feedback on your child's performance. Learn about current classroom lessons and activities. Ask for constructive feedback on how a child is performing to better understand difficult subjects for your child and areas for improvement.

Don't be afraid to 3. ask for homework help. ficult to help children with their homework as curriculum evolves and parents might need to "brush up" on a subject. It's natural-and not unreasonable—to ask educators for homework help and important to ensure children understand the curriculum.

4. Don't forget to say "thanks." Teachers choose the profession to make a difference in students' lives. They may manage more than 100 students a day and act not just as educators but as role models, guardians and caretakers for the nation's students. Don't forget to say thank you to your child's teachers for choosing the profession and for all their hard work.

University of Phoenix College of Education has been educating teachers and school administrators for more than 30 years. For more information, visit www.phoenix. edu/education.

Parents are the first teachers of their children and play an integral role in their education.

1 Survey of 1,005 U.S. full-time employed K–12 teachers who have at least an undergraduate degree conducted online within the United States by Harris Poll on behalf of University of Phoenix between April 14 and 25, 2016. For complete survey methodology, including weighting variables, contact Amanda Barchilon at amanda.barchilon@ apollo.edu.

2 Ibid.

3 Ibid.

4 Ibid.

Note to Editors: This survey was conducted online within the United



States by Harris Poll on behalf of University of Phoenix between April 14 and 25, 2016. Respondents included 1.005 U.S. residents employed full-time as teachers in grades K-12 who have at least an undergraduate degree. For complete survey *methodology, including* weighting variables. contact Amanda Barchilon at amanda.barchilon@ apollo.edu.

### Make Head Checks A Weekly Habit At Home

#### (NAPS)

While school days can mean an influx of head lice cases as children are together in close quarters, you can help protect your family.

The Problem

Lice are most commonly spread through direct headto-head contact-not typically through sharing hairbrushes, scarves and hats. Research also shows that lice are often transmitted between siblings or neighborhood playmates.1 Performing weekly head checks at home can be a smart way to stop an infestation before it affects the entire family.

It can take four to six weeks for infestation symptoms (such as itching) to show up.2 And catching lice early is vital to controlling them, so vigilance is kev.

What You Can Do

Here are three tips on how to check your child's head for lice:

Work under a bright light and use a nit comb to remove anything you find. Part your child's hair and watch for movement (lice quickly travel away from light).

Part the hair to look for eggs stuck to the shaft near the scalp. About the size of a poppy seed, lice often look like dandruff that can't be easily removed.

Pay particular attention to the nape of the neck, behind the ears and from bangs to the crown of the head. Recently laid eggs are nearly transparent, so it's helpful to examine hair from different angles.

If your child does have lice, you may be glad to know Vamousse Lice Treatment kills lice and their eggs in one treatment. It uses non-toxic ingredients to dehydrate lice and nits rather than relying on pesticides such as permethrin and pyrethroids, to which super lice have become resistant.3

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Lice can quickly advance through several life cycles



Performing proactive head lice checks at home can prove beneficial for families.

before being caught, so conducting routine head checks is a vital step toward helping your entire household stay licefree all year.

#### Learn More

For a downloadable reference card, visit www.vamousselice.com/head-check.

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### CONNECTEDNESS AND ACCEPTANCE: Improving Mental Health Among LGBTQ Youths

#### (NAPS)

As a young boy, James knew that meeting with his therapist should not be making his depression worse. His therapist used conversion therapy—a practice meant to change an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity. These sessions only made him feel shameful and isolated. James had known he was gay since he was very young. But because he wanted to be accepted by his family and friends who were not supportive of a gay identity, he continued with conversion therapy. Unfortunately, denying a piece of his identity was harmful to his mental health.

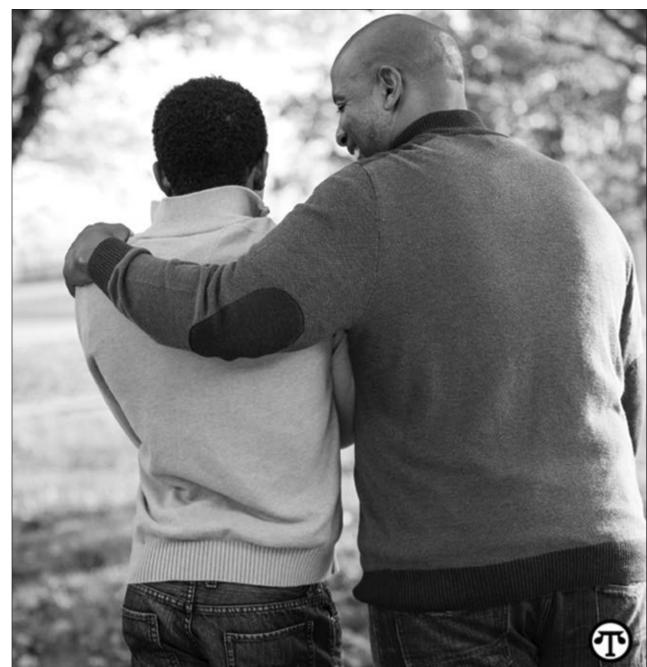
Now, as an adult, James is a therapist who helps youths who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or questioning their sexual orientation or gender identity (LGBTQ youths) with their mental health and well-being.

LGBTQ youths are more likely to suffer from mistreatment and discrimination, compared to their counterparts who are heterosexual and cisgender (in other words, not transgen-der). At school, LGBTQ youths are more often the target of bullying and harassment than other students. They are at higher risk for anxiety, depression, suicidal ideation and attempt, and mental health problems. However, LGBTQ youths do not struggle with mental health issues because of their identities. They are put at risk for mental health issues because of how people who are unaccepting of LGBTQ identities, which may include family members and peers, treat them. In an effort to eliminate stressors and

improve LGBTQ youths' health, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), a federal government agency focused on mental health and well-being, has recommended against health professionals using conversion therapy. Rather than providing the support that LGBTQ youths need, according to SAMHSA, "conversion therapy perpetuates outdated gender roles and negative stereotypes that being a sexual or gender minority or identifying as LGBTQ is an abnormal aspect of human development. Most importantly, it may put young people at risk of serious harm.'

When LGBTQ youths are rejected by their family or peers, it negatively impacts their well-being. Therefore, rejected youths need adults who are supportive, including health care professionals. As a therapist for LGBTQ people, James can give his patients what he was not given as a young boy: an adult who accepts them, regardless of identity.

SAMHSA offers help-ful advice to mental health professionals like James, as well as to parents, teachers and any other adults committed to serving youths, in order to help make the lives of LGBTQ youths healthy and successful. Researchers have discovered that "connectedness" can help promote healthy development in youths. "Connectedness" is just what it sounds like; feeling connected and supported by important adults and institu-



Mental health experts say LGBTQ youths need support from the adults in their lives.

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Stand up for ily members can make a child or adolescent if sure to express affection he or she is hurt or mistreated or experiences discrimination. Knowing that a parent or caring adult is committed to ensuring that an LGBTQ vouth is safe, and providing an open and accept-

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• Teachers and other educators can encourage all students

difference ing for LGBTQ youths. Learn more by reading SAMHSA's report, entitled "Ending Conversion Therapy: Supporting and Affirming LGBTQ Youth," available for free at http://store.samhsa.gov/product/SMA15-4928.

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tions, like schools, leads to well-being.

Here are some important ways that adults can help LGBTQ youths get the "connectedness" they

adolescents, showing them that they are accepted regardless of identity.

Talk and listen respectfully, to understand a child's experiencand staff to stop any bullying or harassment and make schools a welcoming place for all students. These simple actions

can make a life-chang-

### Five Tips To Prepare Your Children For Success In School



Many parents may be surprised to learn that even two absences a month can seriously hurt a child's academic progress.

#### (NAPS)

One of the best things you can do for your children is to make sure they attend school every day. After all, we want our kids to have the best possible chance of doing well in school and achieving their dreams. But getting a child to school isn't always easy. While some absences are understandable, it's important to understand the impact of each absence.

Although most parents understand the importance of getting their child to school every day, many believe that missing three or more days of school each month won't make a difference. In reality, as early as elementary school, students who miss just two school days per month are more likely to fall behind in school, and less likely to graduate from high school. Even when the

absences are excused or understandable, absences add up. Students who miss just two days of school each month end up missing 18 school days, or 10 percent of the school days in a year.

By following these five simple tips, you can help ensure your child attends school every day. Attending school every day puts your child on the path toward success in school and in life.

What to Do:

Keep track of how many days of school your child has missed.

Figure out why your child is 2. absent from school. Is your child dealing with a chronic illness such as asthma? Is he being bullied or struggling at school? Is she staying home to help care for a family member?

Ask teachers and community 3. leaders for advice and specific resources. Reach out to other parents, too, to ask for help and share tips.

Consider enrolling your child 4. in a mentoring or an afterschool program. When kids work with mentors, they learn about the importance of attending school every day. With an additional support system in place, kids learn strategies to address their day-today challenges. Similarly, when kids get involved in afterschool programs, they are more likely to feel connected to their school communities and are less likely to be absent.

Visit AbsencesAddUp.org for information on the impact of absences and resources to help prevent them in the future. On the website, you'll learn how to help children who are struggling in school, being bullied, managing chronic illness or dealing with mental health challenges. Additionally, the site also provides parents with resources to assist with caregiving, housing and food challenges.

#### Learn More

Families can visit AbsencesAddUp.org to find resources and tips that can help them through many challenges, whether their child isn't feeling well, their family is struggling with housing, or anything in between.

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8x8 <b>\$775</b> 8x10 <b>\$960</b> 8x12 <b>\$1050</b> 8x16 <b>\$1375</b>	Call for more info	1/2 acre+ Town water and town sewer \$29,750 (508) 612-9263	Positive methods used. Certified Pet Dog trainer and member APDT	(508)341-6355 (cell) LOOKING FOR		<b>DATE/TIME:</b> February 16th, 2017 10am-2pm	Senior Direct Support Professionals (7204, 7203)
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	402 GENERAL SERVICES		AT THE CAPE	AU			IVE
<b>Town Facilities</b>	Call The	SOUTHBRIDGE	199 Sta 1984				
Custodian	Junk Man	4 Rooms, 2nd Floor Quiet, In-town.			725 AUTOMOBILES	725 AUTOMOBILES	745 Recreational
Town of East	Trees Cut	Completely renovated \$750/month		700 AUTOMOTIVE			VEHICLES
Brookfield	Brush/Limbs	Includes			1996 GMC 2500 HD	CAR FOR SALE	
The Town of East Brookfield is	Removed	Heat, Hotwater		2008 Toyota Corolla Standard shift, 265,000	Club Cab, 6.5 Utility Body, 4-Way Fisher Plow	2015 Nissan Rogue Navigation, Sunroof,	2007 Travel Wild RV Auto, White
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(508) 867-6769 x300,	Small Building	SPENCER	Cozy 3 BR, (dbl, queen,	\$8,950	\$3,500	Dodge 1500 pickup. 98'	(877) 906-1649
ebbos300 @eastbrookfieldma.us	Demolition, Residential Moves.	2 Bedroom Townhouse All electric	2 twins) 1 bath home with full kitchen & microwave,	(978) 760-3453	2003 16' HARD-TOP	110,000 Miles	Vation
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122 Connie Mack Drive East Brookfield,	Dave	Washer/dryer hookups No Pets	porch w/ picnic table, grill, cable TV. Outdoor shower.	705 Auto Accessories	Foldout Beds, AC, Sway Bar Tow Kit	143,000 Miles	
MA 01515	(508)867-2564		On dead-end street. Near shopping, theater,	2006 MUSTANG GT	\$900	\$1100.00	MOTOR HOME
Inquiries of interest must be received by February 22, 2017	(413)262-5082	\$500 security/first and last \$665/month	restaurants, bike trail,	PARTS	FISHER 8' MINUTE-	Call (508)779-0194	38' 1998
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11 hours a week, year-round	774-262-9166	(508)347-7709			asking \$2,500	Call (508) 335-0335	UPS Truck-Style, Aluminum Grumman Body,
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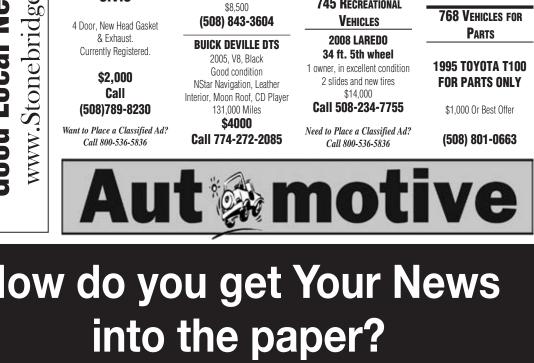
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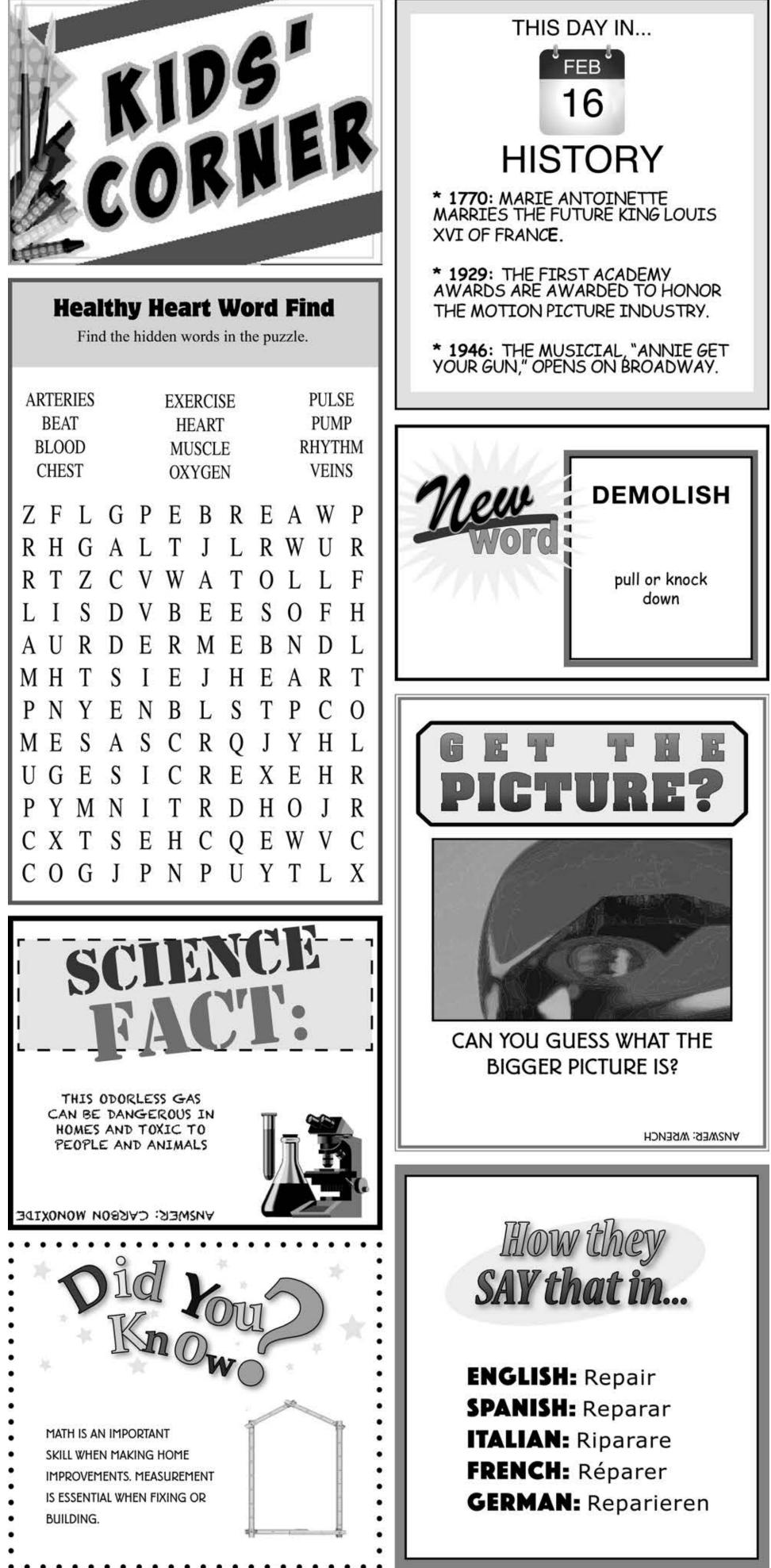
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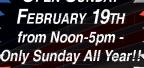




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