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West Brookfield Senior Center Director Linda MacCoy celebrates the acquisition of a new vehicle for the center with State Representative Donald Berthiaume, who helped secure funding for the car.

## New vehicle great help to senior center

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Senior Center staff is riding in style this summer thanks to a combination of monies received from a local organization and the state.  
State Representative Donald Berthiaume helped secure \$25,000 in state funding for the Senior Center, with approximately \$12,000 used to purchase a car. Capable of seating five passengers, the vehicle is being used to transport staff members to meetings, appoint-

ments with seniors, and outreach programs.  
Sue Raymond, an outreach worker with the Senior Center, utilizes the car for home visits and other programs offered through the center. The vehicle was acquired from Lamoureux Ford in East Brookfield.  
“It is very comfortable and rides well. They [Lamoureux Ford] were great to work with, and we thank Donnie for all of his help,” said Senior Center Director Linda MacCoy. “The seniors were so excited about this.”

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## Solar: advisory committee, growth caps part of discussion

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Residents and town officials discussed an array of solar topics during a public hearing last week.  
Held at the June 19 Board of Selectmen meeting, the hearing provided residents with a chance to offer input and concerns related to the future of solar development in town. Officials presented an overview of recent solar projects launched in town, including a 2016 effort that converted lands at St. Joseph’s Abbey into solar installations.  
Most recently, selectmen voted 4-1 in May to waive the town’s right of first refusal for a pair of parcels off McCormick Road. This decision

provided the green light for a solar proposal to move forward for the parcels at 20 and 32 McCormick Road.  
Before additional companies propose solar projects in Spencer, officials wanted to have a discussion with residents about their concerns. Moving forward, residents’ input from the public hearing will be integrated into a comprehensive set of regulations that create a roadmap for the future.  
While selectmen are eager to see the town continue to reap the financial rewards of solar development, they also understand the importance of preserving open space and farmlands.

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## Bus drivers up in arms over unsettled incidents

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER — Two longtime bus drivers are asking for their routes back after being released following multiple incidents with the same Wire Village School student.  
Michael Mielowski, who has bused students throughout the region for 25 years, was released from his Spencer route in March after reporting several incidents involving the student to Wire Village officials.  
Mielowski took over the route late last year and continued it for the 2017-18 school year, but it didn’t take long for the fifth grade student to become disruptive, he said.  
Incidents with the student increased in severity throughout the year, Mielowski told the New Leader, until finally the driver began issuing bus discipline reports. One of those reports describes a March 15 incident in which the student threatened to kill another student on the bus, then threatened Mielowski’s safety.  
“This child presented behavioral problems from the first day this year,” said Mielowski, who works for AA

Transportation and bused 60 Wire Village students as part of his Spencer route. “I brought these problems to the school’s attention, but nothing was ever done. I wrote four different tickets for the same kid, and the school still didn’t do anything.”  
Mielowski also reported the incidents to the student’s mother, whom he described as repeatedly insulting him and making obscene gestures at the bus stop. In a March 19 incident report, Mielowski described the mother shouting that he was a child molester and making several other insulting comments.  
On March 22, AA Transportation officials received a letter from the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District seeking Mielowski’s removal from his route.  
“It has recently come to the District’s attention that one of your school bus drivers, Mr. Michael Mielowski, acted in a manner we consider unprofessional and unbecoming of a representative of this District, based on his interactions with

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## Sixth graders congratulated as next steps on horizon

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

EAST BROOKFIELD — Officially reaching the halfway mark of their careers in public education, sixth graders at East Brookfield Elementary School were congratulated by the entire community last week.  
Among the guests at the June 22 sixth grade sendoff ceremony were Senator Anne Gobi, State Representative Donald Berthiaume, Selectman Ted Boulay, and Finance Committee member Mark Carpentier, among others. Students were also congratulated by a packed auditorium of family members, friends, and teachers.  
“You have already had several wonderful years, and it



Kevin Flanders photo

**EBES Student Council President Madison Ethier addresses guests. More photos page 7.**

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Courtesy photos

Cadet Dawson Durgin of Spencer is buckled in before one of his glider flights as part of the Civil Air Patrol Flight Orientation program.

## Local teens soar through the skies

WORCESTER — Several cadets from the Goddard Cadet Squadron, a local unit of Civil Air Patrol, recently participated in glider orientation flights. Two of those members, Cadets Dawson Durgin and Dalton Durgin of Spencer, flew in gliders, as part of Civil Air Patrol’s goal of furthering aerospace education in teenagers.  
Through the free flight orientation program, CAP teenage members receive training on how to safely handle a glider on the ground, how to communicate through hand signals from the glider occupants to the ground team to the tow plane pilot, and then how to operate the glider while it is in the air. Taking off from Hartness State Airport in North Springfield,

VT, the glider is towed to an altitude of around 3500 feet before the cadet releases the tow line and begins flying the glider with commands from a certified flight instructor sitting directly behind the cadet. Once the glider goes below 1000 feet, the instructor takes the controls and lands the glider.  
When asked about his soaring experience, Cadet Dalton Durgin replied, “It was a great time to be up there in the glider and be there with friends from CAP. I hope to go again sometime and I hope others from CAP will go and have as much fun as I did.”  
Cadets Dalton Durgin, Dawson Durgin, Sam Houle, Grayson Logan, and Tyler Sawicki each flew at least one

and as many as four glider flights over a two day period. Each cadet can also take five powered orientation flights in CAP’s fleet of Cessna planes, the largest fleet of Cessnas in the world.  
In addition to glider flying, this summer Cadet Dawson Durgin will be attending a Powered Flight Academy in Shawnee, OK later this month, where he will do flight training and work towards his private pilot’s license as part of CAP’s Cadet Program that focuses on leadership, aerospace, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) training.  
Cadet Dalton Durgin

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LUCY'S  
BICENTENNIAL  
WILL INCLUDE  
A BUS TOUR

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Warren Conservation Commission, in conjunction with the West Brookfield Historical Commission, is pleased to announce its participation in the Lucy Stone Bicentennial Celebration on Saturday August 11. On that day, the West Brookfield Historical Commission has scheduled a bus tour of the Lucy Stone home site and the Rock House

Reservation and also now the tour will include Lucy Stone Park in Warren. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore both sides of the park and observe the results of a number of years' restoration activities being conducted at the park by the Warren Conservation Commission. The park was originally dedicated to Lucy Stone in 1968 in recognition of her amazing contribution to the support of women's rights and abolition of slavery. The park is open and free for use by all residents, families, and visitors.



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MEDICAL MARIJUANA MEETING

The Spencer Board of Selectmen will host a public hearing on July 16, 2018 at 7 pm in the Great Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main St., Spencer, on the request of Reliable Bud, LLC, for a proposed Medical Marijuana Facility at 21 W. Main Street for Cultivation/CO-OP, Research & Development, & Processing of Medical Marijuana.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

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HARP & GUITAR

The public is invited to attend a concert at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 3 at the Senior Living at Prouty complex, 195 Main St. in Spencer. Music provided by friend of Eva and Heinz.

FREE MUSIC WORKSHOPS

The Jane Fitzgerald Music Studio is offering a Summer Band program for students who will be in grades 6-12 in the fall of 2018. Participation is FREE. Woodwind, brass and percussion players are welcome. Monday rehearsals run from July 2 to the concert date on Aug. 26. The Band will meet from 5:30-7:00pm, the Advanced Band from 7:30-9:00pm. For more information or to register visit [janefitzgeraldmusicstudio.com](http://janefitzgeraldmusicstudio.com) or call Jane Fitzgerald at (508) 648-4259. Rutland and non-Rutland residents are welcome!

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Rutland Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

SPRINGFIELD — Alexia Pagnoni, of West Brookfield, has been named to the Spring 2018 Dean's List at American International College (AIC) in Springfield. Dean's List students are full-time students with a grade point average between 3.3 and 4.0. Pagnoni is majoring in nursing at AIC.

GARDNER — The following Mount Wachusett Community College students who completed a minimum of 12 semester hours with a grade point average of 3.0 to 3.99 were named to the Dean's List for the spring 2018 semester: Brookfield: Natasha Austin, Zachary Taylor; Leicester: Michael Doyle; North Brookfield: Braden Auger, Gabrielle Christiansen, Jennifer Davie, Sean Mooney; Spencer: Megan Hallihan; West Brookfield: Brandon Molleur.

SENIOR CENTER

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Berthiaume, whose district includes almost a dozen senior centers throughout the county, is constantly on the lookout for state funds that can support local projects. Sometimes the funding has to be secured in stages, but he has accessed significant monies to help defray the costs of several major projects.

"It means a lot to be able to assist local senior centers. Linda and her staff are always working hard to help seniors," Berthiaume said.

The remaining \$13,000 in state funds earmarked for the Senior Center went toward improvements to the building that paved the way for an eventual generator purchase. The building is

now fully wired and equipped with new infrastructure, and the town will be able to use it as a warming station where meals can be served.

Additional funding for these improvements and the new car was provided by the J. Irving England and Jane L. England Charitable Trust. Once the generator is purchased for the center, the town may also be able to utilize the building as a shelter.

For MacCoy and her staff, it's exciting for the center to receive funding from external sources like grants and state allocations. The J. Irving England and Jane L. England Charitable Trust is an annual donor to the Senior Center, providing assistance that has gotten several projects off the ground.

"They are always so supportive of us every year. It is a pleasure to work with them," MacCoy said.

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# Buddy Bench a mission of kindness



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After a dedicated fundraising effort, Wales Elementary School students unveil a new buddy bench.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WALES – Fifth graders at Wales Elementary School embarked on a mission to spread kindness and raise funds last year. After falling just short of their goal, the kids were supported by the kindness of the community to make their project a success.

Beginning last year, the fifth graders made signs out of donated wood, then painted them with the message: “Be Kind.” The signs were given to community members in exchange for donations to be used for the purchase of a buddy bench. Requests for signs quickly poured in and the students wound up raising about \$400, though it wasn’t enough to purchase the bench.

But even though they didn’t meet

their fundraising goal last year, students didn’t let it get them down for long. Despite not being able to purchase the bench, the kids took pride in knowing they had spread positivity throughout the community with their signs.

“We asked for a donation, but we stated that anyone who wanted a sign but could not donate would get one,” said WES fifth grade teacher Marion Reilly, who helped lead the project. “Our fundraising efforts were not the end-all. To get signs out in the community was more important to us than the buddy bench.”

The summer of 2017 ensued and the students moved on from their disappointment, never realizing how far their kindness had spread. Now in the sixth grade this year, the students learned that their project hadn’t been forgot-

ten. School staff members and even a few Parks and Recreation Department members offered additional donations, which inspired the kids to resurrect their project and continue fundraising.

After the students secured an additional \$100 in donations from residents, the school was finally able to purchase the buddy bench. Recently unveiled to the entire student body, the bench serves as an example of dedication and persistence to all students and staff.

“I hope the bench remains a reminder to reach out to others, include them in their play, and be kind,” added Reilly, who has taught at WES for 13 years.

As part of the bench unveiling ceremony, the sixth graders were able to lead a ribbon cutting presentation in front of the whole school.

Buddy benches are commonly placed on or near a school playground. A child who doesn’t have anyone to play with or is feeling lonely can sit on the bench, and other students are encouraged to engage that child and offer to play with him or her. With the addition of the buddy bench at WES, school officials are hoping the message of kindness continues to permeate throughout the campus.

“It is a way to include everyone, be empathetic, and lend a helping hand,” Reilly said. “There were so many great aspects of this project. The sense of purpose the kids had in making the signs was astounding. The teamwork and camaraderie the students exhibited was awesome. This is the first project in my 13 years of teaching in which the students have left behind a lasting tribute to the school through their fundraising efforts.”



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## SUMMER PROGRAMS

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Checkout the library website: [www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org](http://www.SpencerPublicLibrary.org) for information on free programs for children, teen and adults. Come read and cool off in the air-conditioned library as well as enter raffles, and have fun with us this summer!

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## BUS DRIVERS

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a student and parent on March 20, 2018,” read the letter issued from Gary Suter, the district’s business administrator.

“We are requesting that Mr. Mielowski be immediately dismissed from all bus routes in our District.”

Mielowski was released from his route a day later, and he hasn’t been able to secure regular work with the company for months. With most drivers maintaining their routes through the end of the school year, there are few opportunities for fill-in work.

Meanwhile, Brian Winslow took over Mielowski’s bus route on March 23, and he immediately ran into problems with the same student. Winslow, a driver with AA Transportation since 2014, wrote two disciplinary reports after additional incidents with the student.

“I gave him a bus ticket because he walked down the aisle and hit another kid in the head,” Winslow said. “Several other drivers have written tickets for kids or requested assistance, but nothing is done by the school. They don’t enforce anything.”

Winslow was informed two days after reporting the student’s behavior that he would be removed from the route.

“We got no help from the principal, the superintendent, or anyone in the district,” Winslow added.

Mielowski and Winslow reached out to district officials in an attempt to discuss the incidents involving the student, but most calls and emails were not returned, they said. When one district official finally talked with Mielowski, the individual allegedly indicated that the student’s mother had complained about Mielowski’s sexual orientation and asked that he be removed.

Mielowski said he may end up seek-

ing legal action against the school district, but for now he remains focused on getting his job back.

“I did nothing wrong. The kids on my bus are great kids, and I just wanted to keep them safe,” said Mielowski, who has maintained a spotless bus driving record over his quarter-century career. “The school has done nothing to keep kids safe on the bus. When problems happen, they ignore the reports.”

Interim SEBRSD Superintendent Jodi Bourassa said school officials cannot comment on student discipline information because it is confidential under state and federal student records laws.

“The District does have a process for addressing complaints and incidents that occur on school buses. That process was utilized in connection with all complaints or issues brought by bus drivers,” Bourassa said. “However, since student discipline information is confidential, the bus drivers in question would not be privy to the disciplinary actions taken by the District to address the situation.”

A copy of the school district’s bus regulations obtained by the New Leader outlines a detailed system of warnings in place for first and multiple student offenses on the bus. These include suspensions from the bus, as well as parental notification by the principal. For the fourth violation, the principal is supposed to notify the superintendent to discuss a lengthier suspension or expulsion from the bus.

School officials declined to comment on their reasons for requesting to have the drivers removed from their routes, citing potential litigation.

“One of the drivers has threatened legal action against the District, so the School District has been advised by its legal counsel not to comment on the reasons, which are unrelated to student discipline matters,” Bourassa added.

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The point is that in a rising interest rate environment if

you are getting a mortgage for your home you should not haggle over a few thousand dollars. If you do you could end up with the 3-5K you hag-gled over ending up costing you 20K in buying power due to the higher interest rate. I do not see the rates decreasing any time soon and the increase in rates has not seemed to push many buyers out of the market since the

economy has been thriving. If you are thinking about buying in the near future I would suggest buying now before you are priced out of the market. Every Real Estate Market is different so if you are in a declining market then the lower prices may offset the increasing rates. The majority of the towns in Worcester County are in sellers markets and pricing are not declining.

## Closing cost credit For Massachusetts veterans using program

BOSTON — MassHousing announced a \$2,500 closing cost credit for Massachusetts military veterans who purchase a home through the agency. The new \$2,500 closing cost credit is available to Massachusetts veterans, National Guard and Reserve members, active service members, and Gold Star families who purchase a home with MassHousing’s Operation Welcome Home mortgage program, a home loan program designed specifically for veterans.

“Closing costs can run into the thousands of dollars, and by helping our veterans reduce those costs, we will make homeownership more affordable for them,” said MassHousing Executive Director Chrystal Kornegay. “When combined with MassHousing’s existing financing options, which offer military members and Gold Star families down payment assistance and up to 100-per-

cent financing, this new closing cost credit will give the men and women who serve our country substantially more buying power.”

MassHousing is offering veterans the new \$2,500 closing cost credit in addition to the agency’s Operation Welcome Home mortgage product, which finances up to 97 percent of the purchase price of a single-family home or condominium. Operation Welcome Home borrowers can also use a second down payment assistance loan for three percent of the purchase price – or up to \$12,000 – to receive 100 percent financing.

Veterans who purchase a two-, three-, or four-family home can receive up to 95 percent financing, and also use the 3-percent down payment assistance second loan, along with the \$2,500 closing cost credit.

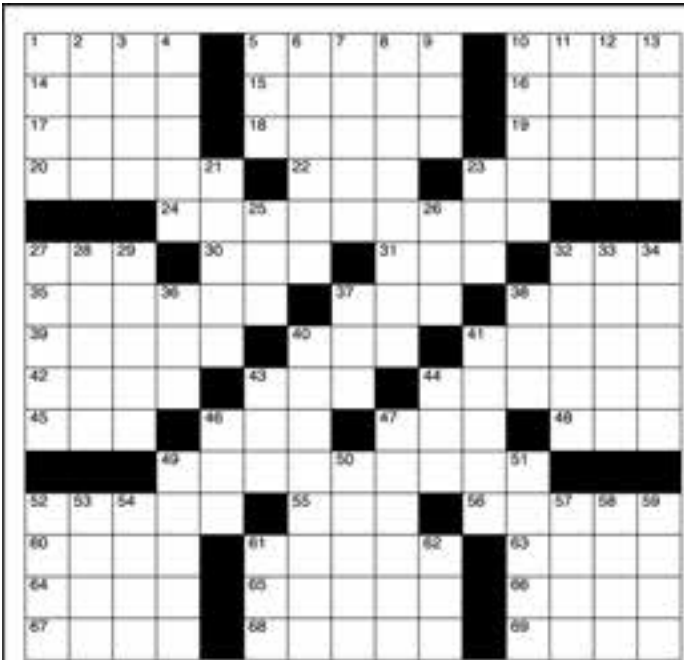
MassHousing will reimburse the lender for the \$2,500 closing cost credit.

Operation Welcome Home loans for which the borrower makes less than a 20-percent down payment will include MassHousing’s MIPlus™ mortgage insurance. MIPlus™ includes unemployment protection at no additional cost to the borrower. The benefit will cover the borrower’s principal and interest payments up to \$2,000 for up to six months in the event of a job loss. For a member of the Reserves or National Guard, activation or deployment overseas will make them eligible for the unemployment benefit as well.

MassHousing is not a direct originator of mortgages and instead makes home loans through 170 partner banks, mortgage lenders and credit unions across the Commonwealth. MassHousing then purchases the loans and services them from its Boston office.

MassHousing (The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency) is an inde-

pendent, quasi-public agency created in 1966 and charged with providing financing for affordable housing in Massachusetts. The agency raises capital by selling bonds and lends the proceeds to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, and to developers who build or preserve affordable and/or mixed-income rental housing. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations, although it administers some publicly funded programs on behalf of the Commonwealth. Since its inception, MassHousing has provided more than \$22 billion for affordable housing. For more information, visit the MassHousing website at [www.masshousing.com](http://www.masshousing.com), follow us on Twitter @ MassHousing, subscribe to our blog, watch us on YouTube and Like us on Facebook.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Green and yellow citrus fruit  
5. Type of clock  
10. Die  
14. A hammer needs one  
15. Leopard (Hebrew)  
16. In the Hebrew calendar  
17. Away from wind  
18. Type of footwear  
19. Malaysian coastal city  
20. Arm bones  
22. A type of diligence  
23. Banquets  
24. Home of The Beatles  
27. Electromotive force  
30. Small amount  
31. Type of cola  
32. Adult female  
35. Astronomy unit  
37. Hall of Fame  
38. Type of gazelle  
39. Places  
40. Women from the Mayflower
41. Liquid served with food  
42. Predatory semiaquatic reptile (abbr.)  
43. Angle (abbr.)  
44. Touched lightly  
45. Cannister  
46. Crony  
47. Tell on  
48. Body of water  
49. Sorts out  
52. Mammary gland of female cuttle  
55. Collegiate athletic conference  
56. Sword  
60. Protein-rich liquids  
61. Emaciation  
63. Italian seaport  
64. Agreement  
65. Chinese ethnic group  
66. University of Miami’s mascot  
67. People who buy and sell securities  
68. Genus of mosquitos  
69. Holds up your head

CLUES DOWN

1. Two-toed sloth  
2. Impudent behavior  
3. The right to take another's property  
4. Refers to end of small intestine  
5. Mandela's party  
6. Inserted strips of fat before cooking  
7. Secret love affair  
8. Responds to stimulation  
9. Wife  
10. Desert mammal  
11. A nearly horizontal passage from the surface into a mine  
12. Uncommon  
13. \_\_\_\_\_ Kristofferson, actor  
21. Where buildings are built  
23. Chain attached to a watch  
25. Holiday (informal)  
26. Clod  
27. Synchronizes solar and lunar time  
28. Australian eucalyptus tree  
29. Aerosol propellant  
32. Coats with a sticky substance  
33. Master of ceremonies
34. The venerable \_\_\_\_\_, British theologian  
36. A baglike structure in a plant or animal  
37. Witch  
38. Strike with a light blow  
40. The First State  
41. Satisfies  
43. A way to fish  
44. Magnetic tape used to make recordings  
46. For each  
47. Flower cluster  
49. Closes off  
50. One who supports fanatically  
51. Type of vaccine  
52. Approves food  
53. Hoofed grazing animal  
54. Drearly dull  
57. Youngster  
58. \_\_\_\_\_ Clapton, musician  
59. Take a chance  
61. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)  
62. Female sibling



## Cornerstone Bank celebrates anniversary with Banking Choice awards

Cornerstone Bank is honored to have been recognized as one of the top providers and winners of overall quality, customer service, technology, and community contribution awards for central Massachusetts at the first annual Banking Choice Awards of Massachusetts. The nomination and awards ceremony falls just as Cornerstone Bank is getting ready to celebrate its one-year anniversary.

The Banking Choice Awards, hosted on April 26, was developed in conjunction with The Warren Group and Customer Experience Solutions, and celebrates the many banks in Massachusetts that provide outstanding service to their customers based exclusively on customer feedback.

“What an honor it is for us to have been nominated and recognized at the banking awards ceremony,” said Chairman and CEO of Cornerstone Bank K. Michael Robbins. “We are grateful to our dedicated and knowledgeable staff for their hard work in helping Cornerstone Bank to achieve such great success in its first year.”

“Thank you, Cornerstone Bank employees, for the commitment and passion you bring to the workplace every day,” added President and Treasurer of Cornerstone Bank Todd M. Tallman. “We are so proud to have brought home four banking awards, and look forward to another great year as we celebrate our anniversary.”

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## EAST BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

EAST BROOKFIELD — The following students have earned a place on the honor roll for the third trimester at East Brookfield Elementary School.

GRADE 4  
High Honors: Willow Anderson and Crisangeliz Colon.  
Honors: Keegan Blood,

Emmerson Danso, Martina Ethier, Lilyan Mateucci, Aubrey Messier, Caroline Pataky, Lillian Spahn, Ryan Strzelewicz, and Hannah Wood.

GRADE 5  
High Honors: Emma Cayer  
Honors: Kaitlyn Allen, Ethan Collette, Andrew Gentili,

Makenzie Morin, Abigail Normand, and Nicholas Russo.

GRADE 6  
High Honors: Madison Ethier  
Honors: Zachary Anderson, Madison Barnett, Tyler Downes, Logan Josti, Maddox Kennedy, Ayla Messier, Mathew Morrow, and Mya Routhier.

### Your Dental Health

by Edward Larkin D.M.D.



WATCHING WHAT YOU EAT

As everyone knows, it is important to minimize consumption of sugary and processed foods in order to avoid tooth decay and unnecessary weight gain. To these ends, many people adhere to diets that impose portion control, calorie counting, keeping food journals, and other means of tracking food consumption. Unfortunately, these methods are often misleading since faulty memory, inaccurate measurements, and simple errors make tracking diets a fairly unreliable exercise. In an effort to track dietary data more reliably, scientists have developed a tiny, wireless sensor that can be attached to a tooth that can collect real-time information about a person's consumption of salt, glucose, and alcohol. This innovation may be a game-changer for collecting data on food intake.

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# Harrington Auxiliary awards 2018 scholarships



Auxiliary Scholarship winners

SOUTHBIDGE — The Harrington Auxiliary’s Scholarship Committee awarded scholarships in three different categories to 10 students who are pursuing careers in a healthcare field at its fifth annual scholarship awards ceremony June 11.

Auxiliary members Pat Motyka and Mary Anne Hickey co-chair the scholarship committee. Other members include Jean Welch, Valerie Degnan, Judy Martinek and Kathy Norrgard; Barbara Avery, the Auxiliary’s second vice president, served as advisor to the

committee. The Grace Kirk Memorial Scholarship was given to Emily French, a graduate of Shepherd Hill Regional High School. The scholarship pays tribute to Grace Kirk, a 23-year Harrington Hospital volunteer who also served as co-chair of the scholarship committee for 17 years. Kirk passed away in 2012 and in 2014 the Auxiliary honored her memory with the presentation of the first Grace Kirk Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,250.

The Auxiliary also awarded five \$3,000 scholarships to

graduates of area high schools. Heather Fontaine, a Quaboag High School graduate, plans to study physical therapy at Springfield College. Shepherd Hill Regional High School graduate Marissa Fontaine is enrolled at the University of Massachusetts Boston with the goal of becoming a surgeon. Megan Marrier graduated from Bartlett High School and will study nursing at the University of Rhode Island. A recent graduate of Southbridge High School, Frances Garcia has been accepted into the nursing program at Anna Maria College. Also destined for nursing school is Shivani Patel, who graduated from Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School. She is enrolled in the program at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

The Auxiliary also awarded the Dr. Van Vooren Memorial Scholarship in honor of Dr. Robert Van Vooren, the founder of the cardiac rehabilitation program and medical director at Harrington Hospital. The award was initiated in 1991 and is given to hospital employees who have returned to school to further their educations in the health field. Each of the following students received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Tim Sanchez, a patient observer at Harrington Hospital since 2017, is studying adolescent therapy at Westfield State University and has been a proactive employee.

Jillian Orsi serves in a dual



Winners of the Grace Kirk Memorial Scholarship

capacity – she works the switchboard and the emergency room registration at Harrington Hospital and is pursuing her degree in occupational therapy at Quinsigamond Community College.

Casey Lacaire, a 2015 graduate of David Prouty High School, is attending Anna Maria College as a nursing student.

A dietary aide at Webster Manor nursing home, Alessandra Martocci is planning to attend Quinnipiac University to study nursing.

Recent Bay Path Regional

Vocational Technical High School graduate Jillian Marrero has worked at Harrington Hospital in a variety of roles since July 2017. She hopes to become a surgeon and begins her studies at Worcester State University in the fall.

Harrington Auxiliary, established in 1932, is a non-profit organization of dedicated and impassioned volunteers whose mission is to support and enhance the excellent services provided by the Harrington HealthCare System.

## Collaboration promotes communication as school works with agency



Gus Steeves photos

Two Mercy Center women show off their new fingernails, courtesy of Bay Path’s cosmetology department.

BY GUS STEEVES  
STONEBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – If the US were Bay Path and Iran were the Mercy Center, or vice versa, the world would probably be better off.

That’s because the two entities – a voke school and a social service agency – have been exchanging people for nearly 15 years with the goal of trying to better understand each other. Recently, they celebrated the end

of a semester by having Mercy Center folks come to Bay Path for lunch and activities in the cosmetology, carpentry and graphic design shops.

“I was nervous because I’d never been in that type of environment,” said Brooke Bowes of Dudley. “I learned to love it there by talking to them and really getting to know people – not just by what you see, but who they are as a real person.”

Like the other Bay Path

students involved, Bowes is a health technology sophomore. According to one of the department’s four teachers, Christine Piehl, the students spend part of the year in several places that help them learn “communication skills across the growth and development cycle,” from infancy to seniority. In this case, it gives them experience with various kinds of disabilities and for the last two years has specifically given them an opportunity to practice sign language, although none of the deaf clients were able to come to Bay Path this time.

“They enjoy watching our students,” Piehl said. “They seemed a little apprehensive at first, but came into themselves.”

Indeed, some were quite vocal about it. One, Rafael, proudly wore the basketball pin and Hawaiian shirt he’d just received from the graphics art department.

“I like making new friends and love the art stuff,” he said, noting his favorite part of the visit was “my friend right here.”

He was referring to Carla Rodriguez of Southbridge, who likes the program because it “makes it easier for us to talk to different kinds of people.”

“I miss them a lot. We used to go to Mercy Center, but we haven’t been there in a while,” she said. “It’s nice to be able to have this one last goodbye.”

Piehl said the students visited Mercy Center on alternating weeks earlier this year, before shifting to an adult day care setting. As she sees it, the typical student is “inexperienced and uncertain at the start, but their confidence levels improve and they embrace the setting.”

At least one Bay Path graduate now works at

Mercy, she added.

According to Jodi Contonio, Mercy Center has several related programs, including a day hab and a community-based day program (a sheltered workshop), for its roughly 140 clients. Some of its clients go to regular jobs, so the Bay Path students tend to interact with those who stay behind. She also noted a couple clients have relatives working at Bay Path.

“These guys just love them. They build a great relationship,” she said. “These guys work a lot one-on-one with our clients. I wish they could join our clients on job sites, but they can’t.”

For Charlton’s Samantha LePake, who said she’s worked with disabled children, Mercy Center’s adult population was a logical next step, but she admitted she “wasn’t sure I’d like it.” But she particularly likes

hearing their stories and

pasts. She and Bowes were having lunch with Freddy of Fitchburg, who spends most of his days in Mercy’s workshop sealing envelopes, folding papers and doing similar things. He said he’s been there “a long time” and particularly likes “meeting new people.”

At Bay Path, he spent much of his visit in the carpentry shop, where he worked with two students to make a birdhouse, wielding the hammer himself.

Contonio said she tries to ensure everyone gets a chance to come here, and would love to have more time to see more Bay Path programs

“I really wish we could do it more than once a year,” she added.

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## Seeking USS Intrepid veterans

NEW YORK, NY — August 16, 2018 will mark the 75th anniversary of the commissioning of the USS Intrepid (CVS-11), the World War II-era Essex class aircraft carrier that is now home to the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in New York City. To mark the occasion, the Intrepid Museum is putting out a coast-to-coast “all call” for former Intrepid crew members to be reunited in a special 75th Commissioning Anniversary Celebration Weekend from Thursday, Aug. 16 to Sunday, Aug. 19 on board Intrepid.

The Museum is also accepting donations of personal artifacts and memorabilia from former crew members and their families. Each item added to the Museum’s collection helps express and interpret Intrepid’s stories of service, and serves to educate and inspire more than one million visitors each year.

To learn more about this weekend and for registration information, former crew members and their family members can visit [www.intrepidmuseum.org/75](http://www.intrepidmuseum.org/75) or email [fcm@intrepidmuseum.org](mailto:fcm@intrepidmuseum.org).

The homecoming weekend will feature a special ceremony marking the 75th anniversary of Intrepid’s commissioning on Thursday, Aug. 16, honoring Intrepid former crew members who will reunite and share stories of their tours of duty. Throughout the weekend, the Museum will offer guided tours of the ship and behind-the-scenes curator-led tours of the Museum’s collection storage facility, and a special former crew member dinner event with the United States Secretary of the Navy, Richard V. Spencer. For some former crew members, this will be the first time they have been aboard their beloved ship since the completion of their service.

Intrepid’s 75th Commissioning

Anniversary Celebration Weekend is open to the public, and will feature programs and events specifically tailored for former crew members and their families, as well as opportunities for members of the public to interact with our visiting former crew members. More than 280 former crew members are currently confirmed to attend with their family members.

Now a museum and national historic landmark, the aircraft carrier Intrepid (CVS-11) was one of the most successful and stalwart ships in US history. Nicknamed “The Fighting I” by its crew, Intrepid served in the Pacific during World War II, surviving five kamikaze

attacks and one torpedo strike. Intrepid later conducted submarine surveillance in the North Atlantic during the Cold War and served three tours of duty off Vietnam. It was also one of the primary recovery vessels for NASA during the Mercury and Gemini missions, and retrieved astronauts Scott Carpenter, Gus Grissom and John Young after their respective orbits and splashdowns in the Pacific.

The Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum is a non-profit, educational institution featuring the legendary aircraft carrier Intrepid, the space shuttle Enterprise, the world’s fastest jets and a guided missile submarine. Through

exhibitions, educational programming and the foremost collection of technologically groundbreaking aircraft and vessels, visitors of all ages and abilities are taken on an interactive journey through history to learn about American innovation and bravery.

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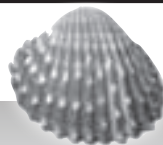
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## *Around the world in a single day*

EAST BROOKFIELD – Students at East Brookfield Elementary School became world travelers last week – and they didn’t even have to leave their school to do so. This year’s Field Day exercises at EBES had a global theme, with activities and games inspired by different nations. Flags of various countries were displayed at each station during the June 19 event, which included participation from several teachers and town officials.

The event requires significant planning each year, and Principal Ron Tomlin is always grateful for the hard work of teachers Christine Lavin, Vicky Zaring, Sheila Grant, and Meaghan Pope.

“Those four teachers worked tirelessly to organize this whole thing,” Tomlin said. “They did an outstanding job.”



Kids aren’t horsing around with this challenging activity.




Kevin Flanders photos.

Students can’t wait to get Field Day activities underway.



The Vosnakis triplets are ready for Field Day. From left, Foster, Morgan, and Liam.

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Charles is a quiet but occasionally excitable boy. He wants to be a novelist when he grows up. Charles enjoys school and is doing very well in class. He has a group of friends at school that he sits with at lunch. He gets along well with his brother but also likes to spend time on his own.

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## Movin' on up



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State Representative Donald Berthiaume recounts several fun memories with the students during a field trip to the State House.



East Brookfield sixth grade students excitedly await the ceremony.



Senator Anne Gobi wishes the students well as they move on to middle school.



Students are all smiles during the sendoff ceremony.



Walking out of the gymnasium for the final time, students are congratulated by their former teachers in a receiving line.



Students are congratulated by Principal Ron Tomlin.



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*“According to the L.A. Times, by next year, millennials born between 1981 and 1996 are projected to outnumber baby boomers born between 1946 and 1964. But millennials are going to the polls in very small numbers. In the 2014 mid-term elections, turnout among 18-20 year-olds was 15%, which was the lowest in a national election since the voting age was changed from 21 in 1971.”*

As often as we tout the need to register to vote, to go to the polls, to become involved especially at the local level; that statement from the LA Times is frightening.

We can shrug and say it is indicative of the age of that demographic; that people that age don't usually become involved in politics for another 10 years or so when it hits them how important it is to them personally.

No, that is not so. At least, it hasn't been so in the past. There was no one more passionate about politics and being involved than the young people of the 1960s and '70s. The ones who marched for civil rights and women's rights and against a war. They were definitely that demographic.

And we can definitely see a move in a slightly younger generation for involvement; think of the high school age students who have made a movement on their own for civil rights and gun control in the wake of tragedies they have personally witnessed. While they are immediately advocating gun control, we imagine with more thought they will also begin paying attention to other pieces of the puzzle, and understand there is more to it. There will be really good young people entering political science classes, and social work classes, and law, and history in the next two or three years we suspect. Advocating for better mental health and intervention; advocating for education on peer mediation and anti-bullying and recognizing the symptoms of antisocial behaviors among their peers, hoping to interrupt a tragedy before it happens.

But that is the younger generation. We need to address this sorrowful state of those two to five years of young adults who are in college right now; who are NOT in political advocacy groups, not joining Young Republican Clubs or even being compromised by (gasp) the far left by tempting them with a social event.

They aren't working for candidates they believe in. They aren't registering voters. They aren't working for civil liberties.

And they aren't voting themselves.

After watching a view interviews with that age groups, there was a sense some are indeed overwhelmed by the whole thing; they fear they can't make a difference so why try.

They don't know where to start.

Some have no clue how it works. No one taught them how. And they fear they will make a mistake.

Some throw up their hands in disgust, not "wanting to be sucked in" to it at all.

But we need them to be "sucked in." We desperately need them to want to be part of it.

Because they are the next steps. The next ones to BE there. To be part of the system, or the new world order if it changes. And they must, they really must be part of that process.

We can't as a nation afford to have them step aside.

We may have done them all a disservice by not emphasizing the old civics curriculum many of us learned in high school. But we can't change that now. We need to find a way now to engage them where we are, and where they are.

Because if we don't, and you think our current political scene is in turmoil, wait 10 years.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fry: changes are happening

To the Editor:  
Last month was the hottest May in U.S. history, said NOAA. It followed an unusually cold April. Worldwide, January-May 2018 was history's third warmest at Earth's land surface and fifth warmest at the sea surface, said NASA.  
In more recent news, ice loss in Antarctica continues to accelerate at 12% per year, tripling in 10 years. This threatens a lot of sea level rise later this century.  
Meanwhile, ever cheaper wind and solar power are replacing more coal-fired power plants.  
A steadily rising price on carbon is a simple, cheap, effective way to grow the economy, slow warming, and help us go carbon-negative by 2050. Two former Senators (GOP and Dem) from Mississippi and Louisiana recently joined two former Fed chairs (plus Exxon, GM and others) in supporting the Baker-Shultz Carbon Dividends plan.  
The Massachusetts Senate's recently passed Energy Omnibus bill directs the Governor to implement a rising price on carbon: by year-end 2020 for transportation, 2021 for businesses, and 2022 for homes. Please thank your state Senator and ask your state Representative and Governor to support the Omnibus Energy Bill, to grow our economy.  
Meanwhile, in the US House of Representatives, the Climate Solutions Caucus has grown to 41 GOP and 41 Dems. Please wish Congressmen McGovern and Neal luck in finding a GOP partner. We will appreciate their support for carbon pricing when it comes to the floor in DC, plus support for other three bills about climate change.

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And so it begins....



IN THAT GREAT TIME  
.....  
PATRICK MOON

In that great time, when all the world appeared in a momentary illusion to bend at my will, when the mystery that was woman wrapped me in a warm embrace, set my mind wildly spinning and caused my voice to go silent, in that great time I began to wake in the night, wide-eyed, sweating, afraid to take too deep a breath and disturb the malevolence which hung on silent wings all about me.  
Slowly I would pull the damp sheet to my neck and squint into the dark where a quiet shape in the corner seemed to slink away between the sideward glance and a blink. It had no outline. It made its way about my night as if an intimate friend from another time: long forgotten, out of place, mysterious and yet complete in itself.  
Like a diver at great depth, I peered into the night with a pressure on my chest. And when the half-light came and the room began to take its more familiar shape, I would toss about the bed reveling in the slip of the sheets. Weary from the fierceness of this vigilance, heart thumps receding with the shadows, I would slip into a fitful sleep and awake to the brilliant sunlight on my face.  
I found solace in the fall ritual. Rubbing sleep from my eyes, I would tread barefoot to the stove, strike the wooden match to its box, and listen with satisfaction to the whump of the gas as it burst into blue flame. With the oven door open and heat erasing the damp chill, I would pad to the bathroom sink and stare into the sameness of my image. I examined each mirrored pore in detail as I shaved, wiping the froth from my cheeks with deliberate swipes of a finger. I finished at the kettle's insistent whistling.  
I would sit near the small table, feet cocked on the oven door, and study the muddled swirl in my mug. The aroma was an old friend. Sometimes the steady tick of the clock on the wall began a symphony of thoughts. It was like a metronome for memories, a steady march of unbidden scenes: friends, lovers, dim success and clear failures, all part of my momentary existence.  
Dammit, what was that thing in the night? The shadow would not go away. I knew that little of what counts makes it to the surface in a mind. Something unknown had entered my life and caused me to feel afraid. I didn't like that.  
It was Vinnie at the gas station who gave the clue. Vinnie knew many of his customers by their nickname. When Vinnie assigned you a nickname, you were a regular. You gained access to his homespun philosophy and his quick wit, and if you didn't burden him too much with your personal problems, he had sharp incisive comments about current events.  
"Hi Teach, how they treaten ya?"  
"No complaints Vinnie. I love what I do."  
"They settled down after the attack?"  
"Yeah...they seem to be through the stage of wanting to kick ass on anyone who seems different. Now comes the hard part of asking why it happened."  
"You know why it happened?"  
"Not fully. Most students seem to be repeating what they hear their parents say. Very few want to dig deeper. But there's no excuse for killing innocent people."  
"You study the problem? The history?"  
"Yeah. And I'm a little worried about the administration reaction. Some seem ready to exploit the fear. We'll punish someone, even if it's not the right one. People do stupid things when they're afraid. I'll feel successful if I can get students to ask one question: 'What is your evidence for that statement?'"  
"Keep at it Teach. Don't give up. You're right: fear and ignorance are close neighbors."  
"Fear and ignorance are close neighbors," he had said.  
I knew enough American history to see the connection. The attack on 9/11 would change my country...and not necessarily for the better. Our reaction to the attack had the potential to pull us together or tear us apart. The key would be getting the world community to form a coalition and hunt down the perpetrators. The terrorist attack was an attack on civilization, not just on the people in New York City, or the United States. It was an attack on what we valued as human beings.  
And the thing in the dark? It was no longer a puzzle. It was fear, plain and simple. Personal fear, fears about the future, fears that I might not meet the challenge of teaching, that the government might not meet the challenge of leadership... and just plain fear of the unknown.  
Now all these many years later, important values are still under attack.  
The enemy is still fear and ignorance.  
And I want to write about it.

4th of July: work toward your own financial Independence Day



FINANCIAL FOCUS  
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We're getting close to the Fourth of July, our national Independence Day. This celebration may get you thinking of the many freedoms you enjoy. But have you thought of what you might need to do to attain financial freedom?  
Your first step is to define what financial independence signifies to you. For many people, it means being able to retire when they want to, and to enjoy a comfortable retirement lifestyle. So, if this is your vision as well, consider taking these steps:  
Pay yourself first. If you wait until you have some extra money "lying around" before you invest for retirement, you may never get around to doing it. Instead, pay yourself first. This actually is not that hard to do, especially if you have a 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, because your contributions are taken directly from your paycheck, before you even have the chance to spend the money. You can set up a similar arrangement with an IRA by having automatic contributions taken directly from your checking or savings account.  
Invest appropriately. Your investment decisions should be guided by your time horizon, risk tolerance and retirement goals. If you deviate from these guideposts – for instance, by taking on either too much or too little risk – you may end up making decisions that aren't right for you and that may set you back as you pursue your financial independence.  
Avoid financial "potholes." The road to financial liberty will always be marked with potholes you should avoid. One such pothole is debt – the higher your debt burden, the less you can invest for your retirement. It's not always easy to lower your debt load, but do the best you can to live within your means. A second pothole comes in the form of large, unexpected short-term costs, such as a major home or auto repair or a medical bill not fully covered by insurance. To avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for these short-term costs, try to build an emergency fund containing six months' to a year's worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account.  
Give yourself some wiggle room. If you decide that to achieve financial independence, you must retire at 62 or you must buy a vacation home by the beach, you may feel disappointed if you fall short of these goals. But if you're prepared to accept some flexibility in your plans – perhaps you can work until 65 or just rent a vacation home for the summer – you may be able to earn a different, but still acceptable, financial freedom. And by working a couple of extra years or paying less for your vacation home expenses, you may also improve your overall financial picture.  
Putting these and other moves to work can help you keep moving toward your important goals. When you eventually reach your own "Financial Independence Day," it may not warrant a fireworks display – but it should certainly add some sparkle to your life.

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# Bay Path grad honored for academic achievement

BY JASON BLEAU  
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

SPENCER – A recent graduate of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is celebrating quite an achievement on the state level as a 2018 recipient of a special award from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts acknowledging his excellence as a vocational student.

The Massachusetts Vocational Association Outstanding Vocational Technical Student honor is presented to only one student per school throughout the commonwealth and Joshua MacIntosh, who recently graduated as a member of the Class of 2018 at Bay Path, was the local recipient. The son of Karen John who raised him as a single mother, MacIntosh has had to endure many limitations in his life to succeed and achieving acknowledgement on the state level for his hard work has proven to be a highlight of his high school career.

“It feels pretty awesome,” MacIntosh said. “Over the years I’ve been in my shop in

high school I’ve always strived to be the best I can be and tried to keep going even when some of the tasks were difficult. I pushed myself in those classes and I think this award just reflects the hard work I’ve been putting in.”

MacIntosh’s proud mother Karen said she always taught her children to push through hardships to be the best men they can be. She acknowledged raising several young men as a single mother has not always been easy, but she’s proud to see that her young men have taken those lessons to heart.

“I’m a single parent so Josh hasn’t had it completely easy. He’s pushed himself after school, especially in high school, doing hours of homework and it’s great to see it pay off and for him to be recognized for that hard work. It’s rewarding for me and for him. It’s not always easy, but it makes me so proud of him to see how far he’s come,” Karen John said. “I’ve always taught Josh and his brother that they need to do the best at whatever they do. They need to push themselves and not just settle for being

okay. I want them to push themselves to be the best they can be and taught them not to use their circumstances as an excuse for not doing well. You deal with what life has given you and push yourself to be the best you can be.”

Joshua MacIntosh said he believes these lessons from his mother played a big part in helping him become the man he is now as a state-recognized high school graduate. He pushed past struggles and the workload presented to him to reach new heights and while he may have never sight recognition for his efforts he still finds the acknowledge to be a satisfying reminder that hard works pays off.

“I’ve always put myself in higher level classes so academically I’ve always had a lot going on. It hasn’t always been easy to balance a healthy sleep, social and academic schedule with everything that was doing for homework. When I was younger my parents got divorced and my mother raised my brother and I on our own basically. It has been difficult to deal with everything else going on while



Courtesy Photo

Bay Path 2018 graduate Joshua MacIntosh of Spencer is presented with the Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award.

trying to push myself to be the best I can be,” MacIntosh said. “The award was unexpected. I hadn’t actually heard of it until I was informed by my school counselor saying I was going to receive it. It was just something that happened through natural hard work.”

MacIntosh was the recipient of several other honors through

his time at Bay Path including a Military Appreciation certificate, the Physics Senior award, Cabinetmaker Senior Achiever award and the President’s Award for Educational Excellence just to name a few. MacIntosh will join the Marines as he enters the real world fresh out of high school.

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# Fishing success is sketchy throughout region



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Surface water temperatures have reached 70 degrees on many saltwater bays in both Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Even with the water temperatures that high, some fishing has been slow for some, while other anglers enjoy a fishing bonanza. Last week Kurt Salvias and his two sons were treated to a fishing bonanza aboard Steve Mercure's 17 foot boat while fishing outside of the Westport River. The group caught their limit of doormat fluke and sea bass in just a few hours, with many legal size fish being released. Steve was using some of the Road Runner jigs that I had given to him last year, and were responsible for many of the fish they had caught that day.

Using a large white bucktail jig on the bottom, and a 1/8 oz. Road Runner jig a foot above had proved to be a deadly combination for this writer also over the years. The jigs are tipped with a small piece of squid. Road Runner jigs are the product of the Blakemore company. Check out all of their products at Roadrunnerlures.com. This week's picture shows a fluke and seabass caught by one of Ralph's sons. It took a few hours to clean and process all of the fish for the freezer. They were in the right place at the right time.

The second picture shows Jake Leone of Oxford with a nice 44 inch striper he caught at the canal recently. Action



The fluke and seabass caught by the Salvias family.

at the canal was very good for some, and slow for others last week. The east end of the canal reportedly saw the best action on surface plugs, although other parts of the canal did pretty good also. Everyone was hoping that the full moon would send in some monster fish with the high tides.

Haddock fishing on the cape has boats going farther out to find the fish, but when they do, action is fast. Many anglers are catching some nice cod on each trip, but they need to be released because of the closure of cod on all of the Gulf of Maine for the last few years. Cod fishing in Rhode Island has taken a big hit this year, with nothing but poor reports from charter boats.

Summer has arrived, and with it comes all types of infec-

tious diseases that can negatively affect your dog's health. One of the most contagious diseases is Parvo. A booster shot is required annually to ensure your pet is protected from this killer disease. Taking your dog to a dog park or other area that has other dogs, without them having their booster shot is using poor judgment.

Veterinarians are expensive, and if you cannot afford to take your pet to a vet, you can do the second best thing. Tractor Supply has a series of shots that can be purchased over the counter, that you can administer yourself. The vaccine is less than \$11 and comes with all of the instructions on how to administer the vaccine. Other vaccines are also available at the store. Be sure to only administer a vaccine shot to a



Jake Leone with a 44 inch striper caught at the Cape Canal.

healthy dog.

Gypsy moth caterpillars are making their presence known around the valley. Some areas are being hit hard again this year, while others are barely being touched.

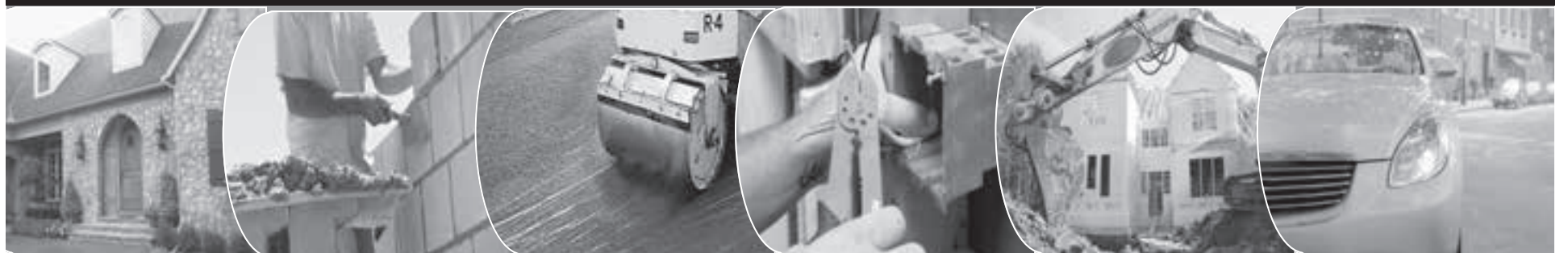
Ticks are also starting to be contracted by local residents, but to date they do not seem to be as bad as last year. A family member had a tick bite on her back this year and was tested for disease a few times. It came back negative every time. She became weaker and sicker every day, and she finally convinced her doctor to give her an antibiotic. She has started to get a lot better and hopefully will see a full recovery. I have found that there is no set rule among doctors on how to treat or test a patient for Lyme

disease. The patient needs to basically be your own doctor. Leaving it untreated can cause serious medical problems that cannot be reversed. This writer had contracted Lyme disease two times in the last 10 years. It is nothing you want to play around with!!!

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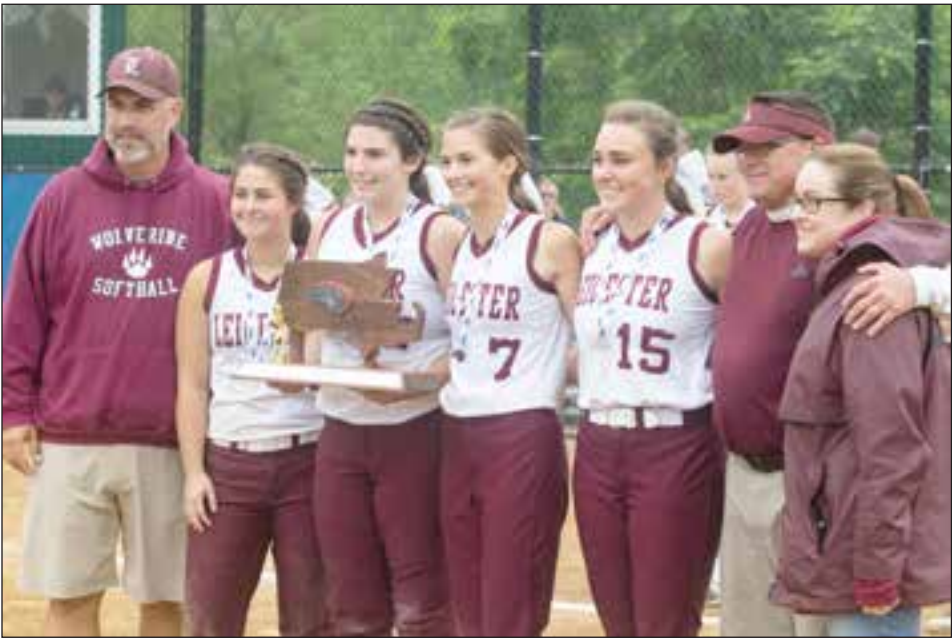
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# SPORTS

## Early-inning ‘jitters’ leaves Leicester one game shy of winning State Title

GREATER NEW BEDFORD VOKE TECH TOPS WOLVERINES, 5-1



Leicester head coach Dave Stanick (left), his co-captains and school administration receive the consolation plaque from the Division 2 State Championship game.

BY KEN POWERS  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WORCESTER — The clock struck midnight on the Leicester High varsity softball team, the Cinderella story of the 2018 Division 2 State Tournament, as the Wolverines lost in their bid to become the school’s first-ever state title team, 5-1, to Greater New Bedford Voke Tech (GNBVT), on Saturday, June 23 at Worcester State University’s Rockwood Field.

Leicester, which entered the State Final having won 10 straight games, finished its very memorable season 19-7. The Wolverines’ chances for a win over the Bears (22-4) were greatly affected by their defensive struggles; Leicester finished the game having committed four physical errors and about as many mental ones as well.

“We’ve said through this whole run in the post-season that there is only one team that’s going to beat us, and that’s us, and we certainly did that today,” Wolverines’ head coach Dave Stanick said. “In the third inning we gave them six outs. You can’t do that to a good team. They’re going to take advantage of it and they did.

“So, when we finally got our run across in the fourth inning we felt like the game should have been 1-1 at that point, 2-1 at worst. That’s a game. That’s when we started really playing, but we had put ourselves in too big of a hole. You can’t start playing in the fourth inning in a game like this against a team like that.”

Greater New Bedford went ahead, 1-0, in the bottom of the second inning. With two outs Leicester pitcher Kya Birtz hit the Bears’ Piper Crooks. Crooks promptly stole second base and came home when GNBVT’s next batter, Janice Rullan, singled to left field.

In the third inning the Bears put the game away, extending their lead to 4-0 on three hits and two costly Leicester errors.

The Wolverines scored their lone run in the top of the fourth inning, with junior co-captain Caitlin Kemp (two hits) making the score 4-1 when she smacked a leadoff single to left field and came home when junior co-captain Katelyn McKay lashed a one-out triple to the fence in left field.

Greater New Bedford added a run in the bottom of the sixth inning to account for the game’s

final run.

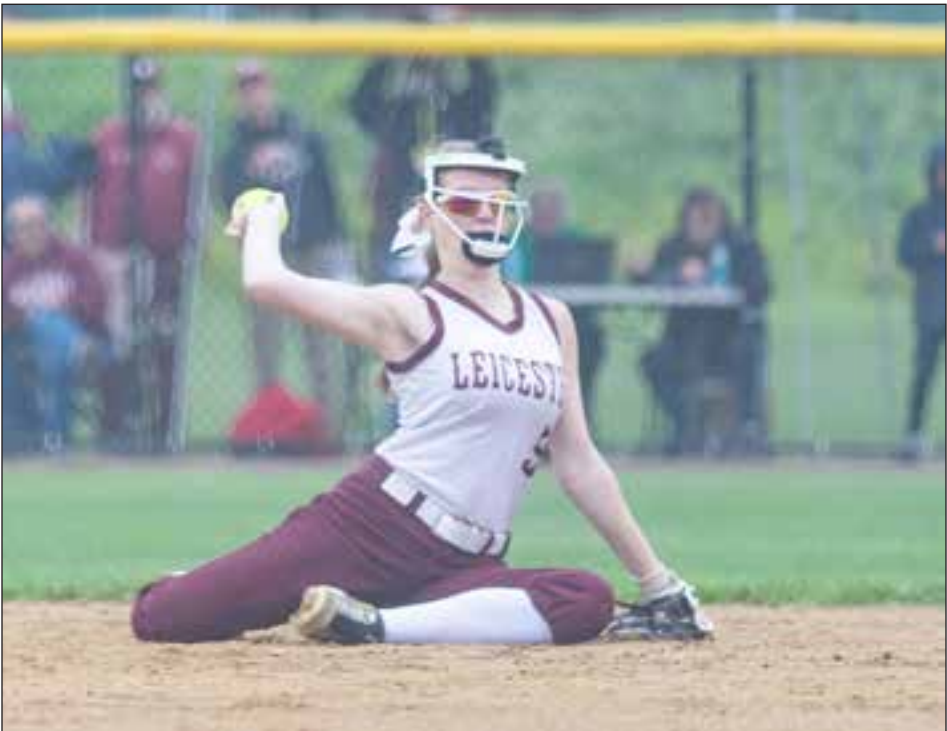
Birtz, a freshman who exhibited pinpoint control throughout Leicester’s late season and postseason run, struggled with her command against the Bears.

“Kya didn’t have her best stuff today, certainly. She was off a little bit, I’m not sure why,” Stanick said. “She wasn’t her normal sharp self, but she is a freshman and this is a big stage.”

Stanick was disappointed by the loss, to be sure, but he was able to quickly put it in perspective.

“I just asked the girls if, on March 19 when we first started in the gym, they thought they would be standing here today,” Stanick said. “And they all said no. And I told them, ‘neither did I.’ We originally said if we could get to Worcester State for the District Semifinals that would be a good season for us. So this has gone well beyond any expectations we had for the season.

“We had a great season,” Stanick continued. “I’m very proud of the girls; they’ve done a great job all year. We’ve come so far as players and as



Hannah Gallant of Leicester makes the play from her knees at second base and then throws the ball over to first.

individuals. Hopefully we learn a lot from this and we can get back here next year. That’d be great.”

The fact that Leicester had no seniors on this year’s team certainly seems to set the Wolverines up for a prolonged run of success. Against GNBVT that positive may have been a negative.

“It might have been a little bit of a liability today,” Stanick acknowledged. “When you’re leaning on your junior captains [Kemp, McKay, Hannah Wickson and Lydia Petit], who have done a great job all year, and they’re looking for someone to help them and there is no one there to help them, that’s tough.

“We might have missed a little senior leadership there, but the rest of the games in the postseason were very similar and we got through those games, so I was hoping we’d do it again,” Stanick added. “We had done a great job in the postseason getting past the first- and second-inning jitters. Today we didn’t. We really struggled with that.”



Leicester pitcher Kya Birtz holds the ball behind her back before winding up.



Leicester’s Katelyn McKay sends the ball into orbit, which was good for an RBI triple.



Leicester’s Hannah Wickson tracks down a bunt hit her way at third base.



Hannah Gallant of Leicester sends the ball into play thanks to a low swing.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Bay State Equine Rescue “Run Like the Dickens” 5k race set for July 8

Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to take part in the sixth “Run Like the Dickens: 5K race on Sunday, July 8 at Old Sturbridge Village at 8:30 a.m. The race is the year’s principal fundraising event for Bay State Equine Rescue, an all-volunteer non-profit organization that rescues and rehabilitates abused, neglected and abandoned horses. The race course offers participants a unique experience of Old Sturbridge Village as it winds through the Village. Consisting of dirt trails and paved roads, this unique

race will take you back in time as you run through covered bridges, beautiful scenery and 19th century living.

Prizes will be awarded to the overall first-place male and female finishers, as well as to first-place male and female finishers in six divisions. Entry fee for “Run Like the Dickens” is \$30 until July 2 and \$40 from July 3 until race day. Participants can register online and find more information on the race and on the rescue’s work at [www.BayStateRescue.org](http://www.BayStateRescue.org). Bay State Equine Rescue is funded entirely by private donations and is staffed exclusively by volunteers. All proceeds from “Run Like the Dickens” 5k will be applied to food, vet and farrier care for the 10 horses currently recovering and living at the new facility on New Braintree Road in Oakham.

#### Quaboag Plantation Sprint Triathlon and Kids Triathlon set for July 8

WEST BROOKFIELD — The Quaboag Plantation Sprint Triathlon and Kids Triathlon, which is in its ninth year, will be held on Sunday, July 8 at 8 a.m. at the West Brookfield Town Beach. Register online at [www.RunSignUp.com](http://www.RunSignUp.com) (there, you can link to our website/mail-in registration forms). Registration forms are also available at the West Brookfield post office and library. The sprint triathlon, for ages 13 and up, consists of a quarter-mile swim, 12-mile bike ride, and a three-mile run. Check in time is from 6 until 7:15 a.m.; the race starts at 8. Entry fees are \$50 for individuals, \$75 for teams, and \$25 for students (ages 13-18). Sprint race entry fees increase by \$10 for race-day registration (the student rate does not increase). The Kids triathlon, for ages 4-13, consists of a 50-yard swim, half-mile bike ride, and a 300-yard run. The entry fee is \$15 per child. This year, we are offering a colorful technical tank T-shirt for all registrants. All participants in the kid’s race will receive a

finisher’s medal.

Proceeds benefit the Quaboag Plantation Triathlon scholarship fund, as well as community service organizations. Quaboag Regional students who participate in or volunteer for the triathlon are eligible to apply for the scholarship, which can be applied toward college, a technical certificate or vocational program. Applications are available through the QRMHS Guidance Office. Last year we donated \$1,000 to the West Brookfield Rescue Squad and awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to a Quaboag senior.

In 2017, a total of 150 racers participated in the Sprint Triathlon and Kids Triathlon, ranging in age from 4-75 years old! The triathlon began nine years ago when West Brookfield celebrated its 250th anniversary. Since then, the race has attracted participants from towns throughout New England. For more information and race updates, visit our Facebook page or [www.RunSignUp.com](http://www.RunSignUp.com).



# SPORTS

## HOW THEY GOT THERE

### Wolverines win extra inning affair over Greenfield, advance to State Final



Mathew S. Plamondon photos

Leicester players celebrate near the pitching circle following a 4-2 victory over Greenfield to send the Wolverines into the Division 2 State Championship game.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AMHERST — Leicester High third baseman Hannah Wickson corralled a slow dribbler down the third base and bulleted a throw to first base. This play finalized a gritty, 4-2, eight-inning win over Greenfield High in the Division 2 State Semifinals played Tuesday, June 19 at UMass-Amherst.

“I am just proud of the girls and how far they have come as players and young ladies,” head coach Dave Stanick expressed about his team’s performance throughout the playoffs, a 5-0 span through the Central Mass. Tournament and now the State bracket. “They have grown so much, it has been fun to be a part of.”

Leicester, now 19-6, leaned heavily on freshman pitcher Kya Birtz for a great performance — and she delivered. Birtz started quickly, striking out five Green Wave batters in her first two innings inside the circle. Birtz ended with eight total strikeouts, allowing only two runs on just four hits. The only blemish in her performance came on one swing in the bottom of the fourth inning with Greenfield’s Raegan Hickey getting ahold of a two-strike fastball, sending it

over the fence to tie the game at 2-2.

Other than the homer, Birtz made all the right pitches and had faith in her defense to make the proper plays behind her.

“She is composed beyond her years and she does a great job,” praised Stanick.

“I knew that we couldn’t give up knowing that Greenfield is such an amazing team,” added Birtz. “We had to play hard, hit hard and we had to make great plays. It feels amazing. I am so proud of my team and all of our supporters.”

The Wolverines’ defense did make the plays, including a diving catch in center field by Maddie Hippert for the first out of the eighth inning. In addition, many infielders gobbled up hard-hit grounders and followed with accurate throws to first to get Birtz out of jams.

And although offense was at a premium — the Wolverines tallied just four hits — they were able put pressure on the Greenfield (19-3) defense and forced them into mistakes early.

Birtz started it in the top of the second inning when she laid down a perfect bunt that resulted in a wild throw to first, scoring Hannah Gallant. Birtz,



Katelyn McKay leads Leicester’s charge out of the dugout to celebrate with fans after a State Semifinal win.

now standing at third base, scored a few pitches later on a hard-hit grounder by Alexa Dufries. This gave Leicester a 2-0 lead until the Hickey homer in the fourth.

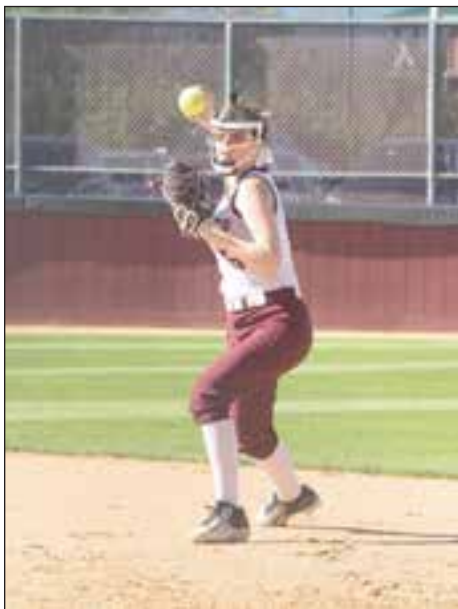
“They made a couple mistakes early where we got a couple runs and they are high school kids, so we wanted to keep the momentum and force them to make plays against us,” explained Stanick. “When they started to we had to start swinging the bats.”

Leicester’s bats then came alive when it counted most as they recorded three of its four hits in the top of the eighth inning. Ally O’Neill’s two-RBI single to left field highlighted the Wolverines’ bats on the night. It was what helped secure the game for Leicester.

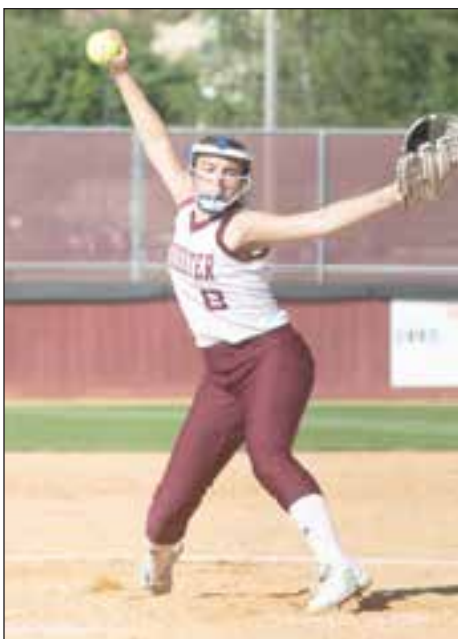
“All day they were playing so deep,” explained Stanick. They must have gotten a scouting report that we swing the bat pretty well and we had a couple fall in front of them and the time where they move in Ally gets ahold of one and knocks it over her head and holy moly we scored two runs in the eighth.”

Emotions filled the whole Leicester team as they walked off the field, as reality set in that they had secured a spot in the Division 2 State Championship game, where they are set to play Eastern Mass. representative Greater

New Bedford (21-4).



Leicester’s Hannah Gallant comes up firing to first base to make the defensive play.



Leicester’s Kya Birtz pitched her team to the State Championship game following another tremendous performance inside the circle.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Quail Hollow Golf News and Results

#### Pit’s Crew

First place: Rick Nolin, Dave Paquette, Ed Boyle and Den Wentworth, -9

Second place: Stan Nolin, Russ Emerson, Bob O’Keefe and Bob Ford, -7

Third place: Roger Beland, Jack Brigham, Charlie Keyes and Bud Powers, -6

#### Still Hart’s League

First place: Jeremy Griffin and Mark Laprade, +7

Second place: Bob Button and Rob Spence, +5

Third place: Jeff Miller and Pete Sanborn, +4

Most over quota: Mark Laprade, +6

#### Hayden Mt. Zion Lodge Outing

First place: Jeff Cass, Bob Walker, Connor Fairbanks and Scott Fairbanks (52)

Second place: Leo Forget, Tony Forget and Dan Barleston (52)

Third place: Johnny Blanton, Betty Havalotti and George Andrews (54)

Closest to the pin on fourth hole: Men — Scott Fairbanks (17”) Women — Pam Aragi (10”) Closest to the line on first hole: Men — Jim Provencher Women — Betty Havalotti

#### Hole-In-One

On Sunday, June 24, Jim Sabacinski recorded his first ever ace. The hole-in-one was shot at Quail Hollow’s 172-yard 11th hole. Sabacinski used a 7-wood for the feat, which was witnessed by Zach Sabacinski and Matt Gonnysa.

#### Complimentary Swing Clinic

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### Annual Saint-Jean-Baptiste Educational Foundation golf Tournament comes to Pleasant Valley

The 22nd annual Saint-Jean-Baptiste Educational Foundation golf tournament is set for Monday, July 23 at Sutton’s Pleasant Valley Country Club. The cost is \$150 per person — twosomes and singles are welcome — and there will be a hole-in-one contest as well as a putting contest, door prizes and a special golfers raffle. There will be 18 holes of golf on a PGA and LPGA course with valet parking, bag handling services, unlimited use of the driving range, and chipping and putting areas prior to the 10 a.m. shotgun start, Florida-style scramble. Early registration begins at 8 a.m. with carts with bag rain covers, a gift bag, coffee, continental breakfast and snacks. An executive buffet dinner follows the tournament. For additional information and registration please call Ken (Golf Committee) at (508) 277-5314 or Ted (Foundation Trustee) at (508) 764-7909. Golfers who make entire payment by July 1 will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a gift certificate from the Pleasant Valley Pro Shop.

### Bay Path Golf Course Results

#### Tuesday Ladies

First place: Barbara Goucher (+8)  
Second place: Liz Couture (+3)  
Third place: Priscilla Lavolette (+2)

#### Tuesday Men’s League

First place: Mike Ellis and Bob Tilton (+6)  
Second place: Mike Ellis and Mike Morgan (+4)

#### Thursday Quota League

First place: Chris Depasse and Jeremy Morrill (+8)  
Second place: Jim Hemenway and Harry Blaisdell (+5)  
Third place: Blaise Lee and Bill Deeds (+4)

#### Flexcon League

First place: Bob Demaio and Ed Peloquin; Robin Durrshmidt and Eric Seeton (+6)

#### Couples League

First place: Andy and Lucille Newton (39)  
Second place: Brian and Lois Shorten (40)  
Third place tie: Rich and Wendy Hebert; Jeff Smith and Cathy Patchen (42)

### Kettle Brook Golf Club — Kettle One League

#### Week 8 Results:

First Place: Arnie Arsenault and Mike Wong, +8  
Second Place: Pat Gallant and Kris Houston, +3  
High Individual: Arnie Arsenault, +8  
Closest to the Pin on Eighth Hole: Jack Lacroix

#### Weeks 1-8 Standings:

First Place: Pat Gallant and Kris Houston, +13  
Second Place Tie: Al Morin and Robert Francis; Fred Wozniak and Scott Letendre, +7

## ATHLETE of the WEEK

### Leicester High varsity softball team

The Wolverines reached the Division 2 State Final, where they lost a 5-1 decision to Greater New Bedford Voke Tech. Leicester finished with a record of 19-7. Congratulations on a great season!

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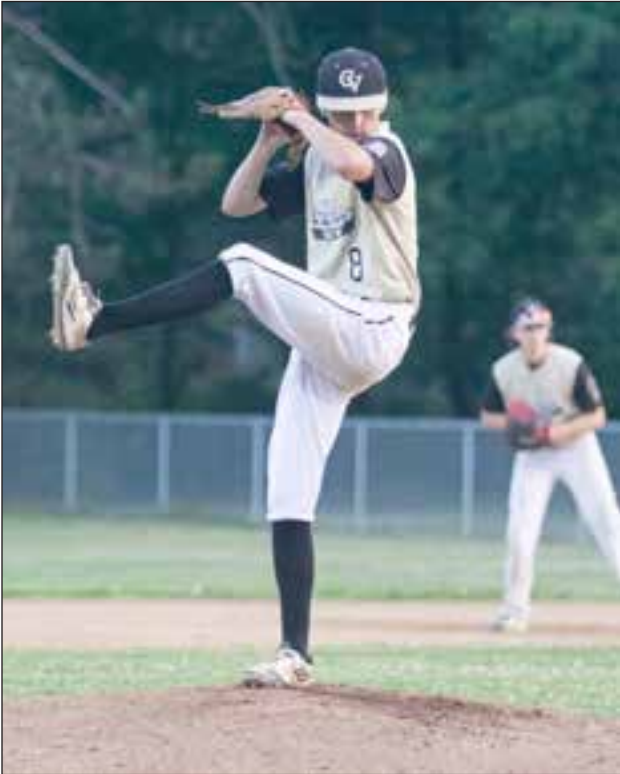
## Northbridge tops Cherry Valley in American Legion pitchers' duel



Cherry Valley's Chris Kustigian rips a base hit off his bat.



Jeff Colena of Cherry Valley hangs onto the ball as he looks back a runner.



Cherry Valley's Aidan Gilman winds up before firing a pitch to the plate.

**BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT**  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

**LEICESTER** — Harrison Mansfield's ability to throw first-pitch strikes, plus timely hitting with runners on base helped lift the Northbridge Post 343 American Legion baseball team past Cherry Valley Post 443, 3-1, on Thursday evening, June 21.

Down the stretch Mansfield was brilliant, striking out five Cherry Valley batters in his last couple innings of work. The lefty allowed one run on just four hits and totaled eight strikeouts during his complete game effort.

"He was fabulous," praised Post 343 Manager Dave Meech. "It was the first-pitch strike. We talk to all of the guys, first-pitch strikes put you in a heck of a lot better situa-

tion than if you are down 2-0 and he took advantage of it and pounded the zone."

In the top of the fourth inning Zach Roberts and JP Lucier each reached base on a hit by pitch, which allowed for two base runners and an energetic Post 343 team to capitalize.

A couple batters later Jeremy Jenoure reached on a fielder's choice and an error by Post 443 allowed the bases to be loaded with one out. After a clutch strikeout by opposing pitcher Aidan Gilman, Brian Iarussi came through, hitting an opposite field single into the gap between first and second base to score both Roberts and Lucier. This gave Northbridge a 2-0 lead in the top half of the fourth.

"We are young and we need to take advantage of the opportunities that we get," explained Meech. "As a group we need to learn how to move runners over as well as learning what to do with the

bat in certain situations. They're slowly moving it as they go."

Cherry Valley didn't go down easy, however, despite the lack of base hits throughout. Ryan Sanderson opened the bottom of the fifth inning with a triple to right center that one-hopped to the fence in the deepest part of the park at Rochdale Field.

Post 443 was able to get on the board a batter later when Chris Kustigian was able to turn over on a fastball and hit a line drive to shallow left field to score Sanderson.

This was it for Cherry Valley's offense, though. "The kids just didn't hit tonight, we had been hitting the ball all week and we won four in a row, but what are you going to do," expressed Post 443 Manager Jim Stephens. "Their kid pitched good and kept us off balanced."

Gilman did give Cherry Valley a bright spot with his performance on the mound. The Quaboag Regional

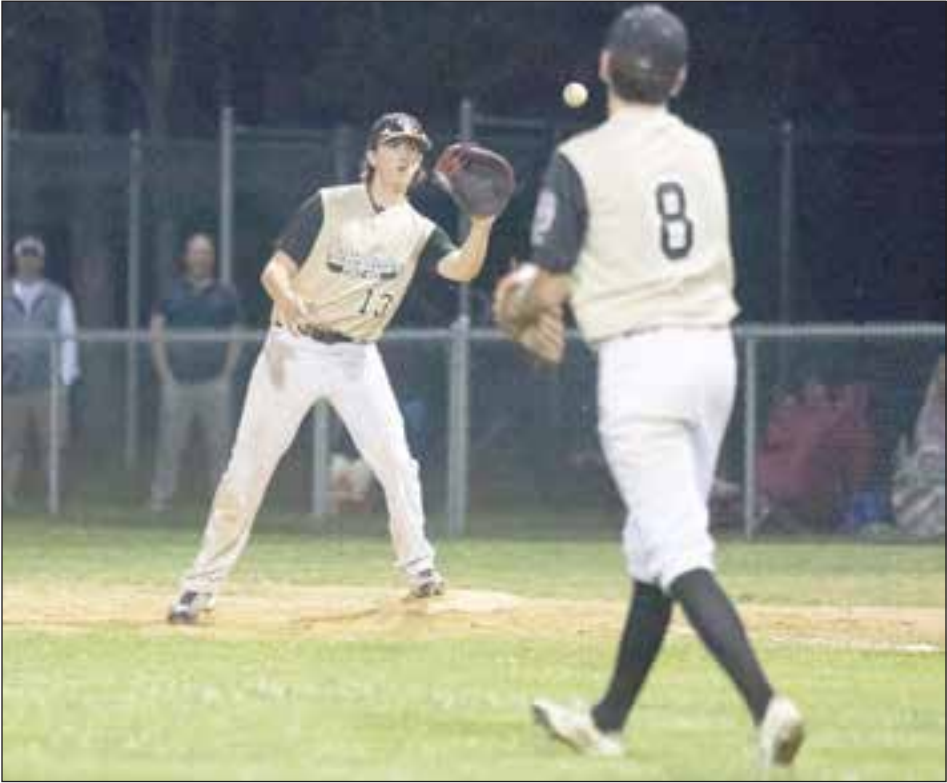
junior only gave up two hits in seven innings pitched. He also struck out nine Northbridge batters and allowed three unearned runs. Another highlight from Gilman was his diving catch in the fourth inning to snag an attempted bunt out of the air.

All of this was done after it appeared as if Gilman's outing would be done prematurely.

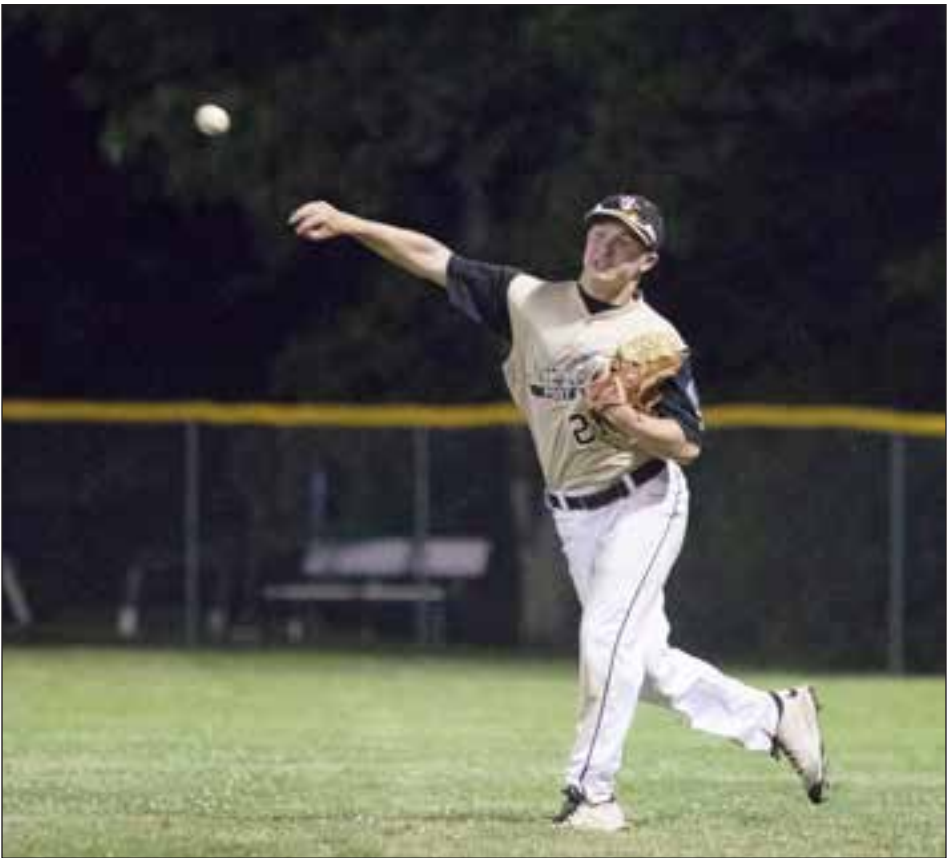
"Aidan pitched great. He developed a blister in the third inning and I thought we were going to have to take him out, but he fought through it. It was just a tough game," explained Stephens.

But in the end Northbridge grabbed the win, improving to 2-4, while Cherry Valley slid to an even 4-4. There were three keys for Post 343 in the victory, according to Meech.

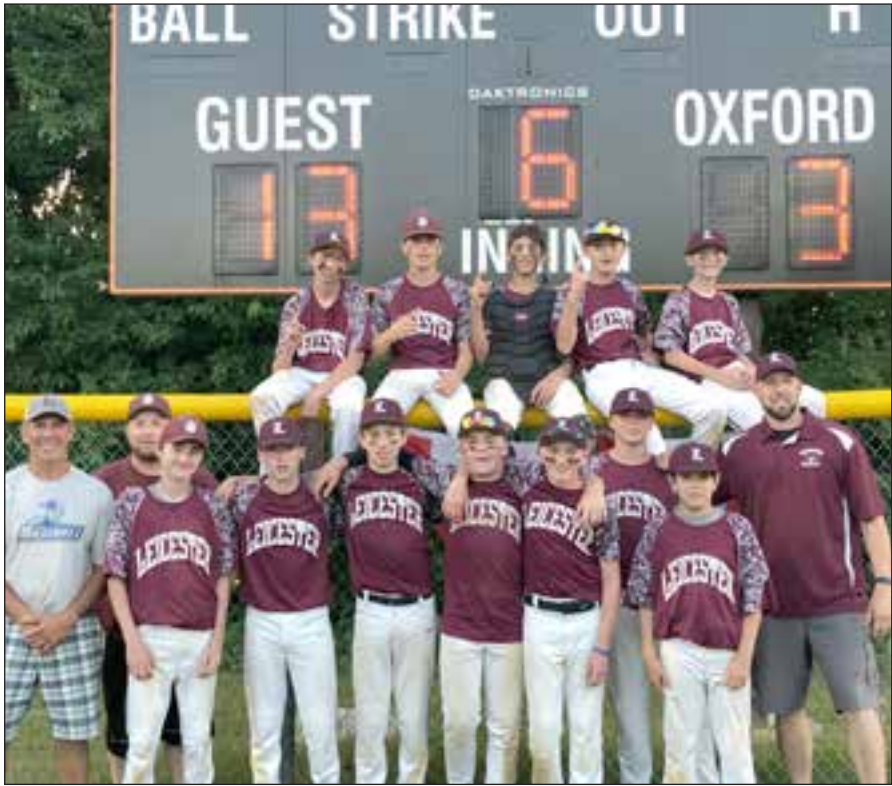
"Simple, we got the first pitch strike, got the first batter out and we didn't make errors," the manager concluded.



Cherry Valley's Cam Hart takes a throw from Aidan Gilman for an out at first base.



Chris Kustigian of Cherry Valley sends a pitch all the way to home plate from his right field position.



*Courtesy photo*

The Leicester Junior League playoff championship team included, from left, (top row) Richard Wood, Anthony "AJ" Direnzo, Mitchel Giggey, Eric Belair, James "Wolf" Cosper, (bottom row) Coach Bryce Giggey, Coach Wayne Witkowski, Jacob Whitworth, Camden O'Neil, Sam Witkowski, Michael Mero, Jack Lizewski, Brady White, Jonathan Dalgren and Coach Jim Direnzo.

### LEICESTER JUNIOR LEAGUERS WIN DISTRICT 5 PLAYOFF CHAMPIONSHIP

The Leicester Junior League baseball team recently won the Little League District 5 Playoff Championship, its first District Title in at least a decade.

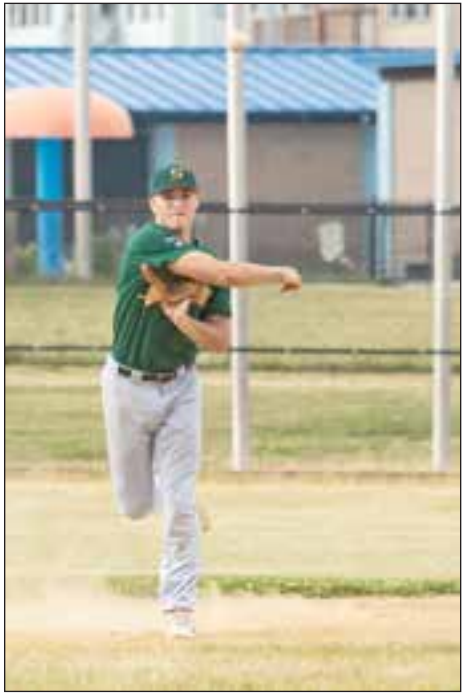
In the playoffs, Leicester beat Charlton (13-3), Grafton (17-6) and Oxford (13-3). AJ Direnzo was the winning pitcher against Charlton, Mitchel Giggey won on the mound against Grafton and Sam Witkowski earned the 'W' against Oxford. Jake Whitworth led the team in batting going 6 for 8 with three walks and Ricky Wood batted 6 for 9 with a pair of walks in the playoffs. Witkowski was lighting quick on the bases with 12 stolen bags.

The team is now set to play in the Little League All-Star Tournament. Since Leicester had just one regular season team, their championship-worthy squad is sticking together as the All-Star team.



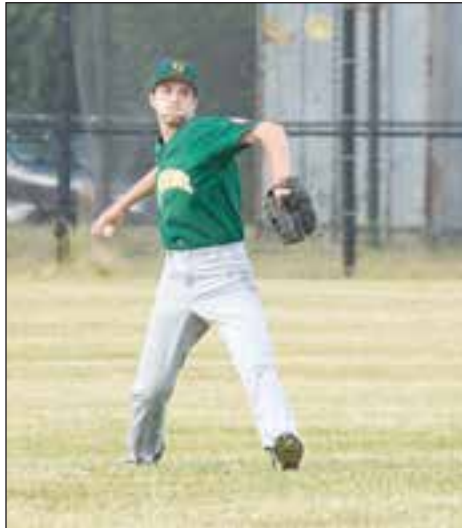
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## Sturbridge posts epic comeback, only to fall in bottom of seventh inning to Main South



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Sturbridge's Mick Sullivan releases the ball over to first base for an out.



Sturbridge's Patrick Wilbur retrieves the ball back into the infield.

BY KEN POWERS  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WORCESTER — Sturbridge American Legion Post 109's baseball game with Main South Post 341 started out as a pitcher's duel and turned into a slugfest.

Sturbridge rallied from a four-run deficit after six innings to lead by three heading into the bottom of the seventh, only to lose a heartbreaker, 9-8, at Vernon Hill Park on Thursday, June 21.

Post 109 dropped to 3-7 with the loss while Post 341 improved to 2-3 with the win.

"We need to win the games that we should win. No disrespect to them, but we should have won this game,"

Sturbridge manager Jim Rosseel said. "But, you've got to play seven innings. You can't allow leadoff walks and make errors. In this league mistakes like that come back to get you."

With starting pitchers Spencer Cipro (for Sturbridge) and Tim Walsh (for Main South) twirling gems, the first four innings of the game took 45 minutes to complete. In those four frames the teams combined to send 36 batters to the plate. Post 109 had two hits in the first four innings off Walsh, while Post 341 touched up Cipro for six hits. In the last three innings — which took 85 minutes to complete — the teams combined to send 39 batters to the plate.

Sturbridge grabbed a 1-0 lead in the top of the fourth inning. Tyler Stoever reached base on a fielder's choice, took second on a walk to the next batter, Curtis Koebke, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a two-out error by Main South second baseman Alex Scavone, who dropped a pop-up in the infield.

The game was tied, 1-1, when play moved into the bottom of the sixth inning. Main South loaded the bases on an infield single and a pair of walks before Ryan Prosser staked Post 341 to a 5-1 lead with a grand slam over the fence in left field on a 2-2 count.

Post 109 didn't collectively hang its head after the home run, however, scoring seven times in the top of the seventh inning to take an 8-5 lead.

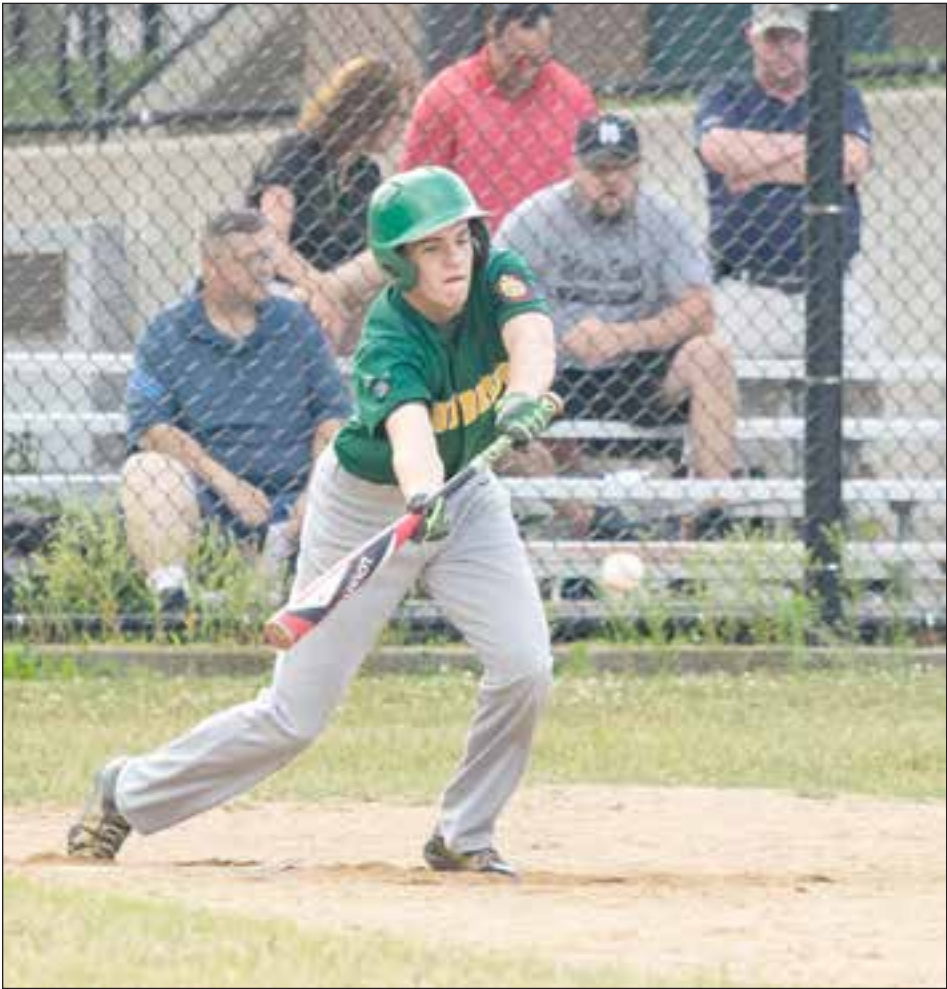
Patrick Wilbur (2 for 4) got the comeback started with a leadoff double. Deven Kingman was then hit by a pitch and Colin Eliason then walked to load the bases. Wilbur scored to make it 5-2 when Darren Laprade followed with an RBI single to center field to keep the bases loaded. Kingman then scored to make it 5-3 when Mick Sullivan walked.

At this point Main South brought on reliever Josh Adams, but he struggled finding the strike zone early on, walking Dominic Brown, the first batter he faced, to score Eliason and make it 5-4. Post 109 then tied the game, 5-5, Laprade scoring when Stoever launched a sacrifice fly to right field. It was the first out of the inning.

Sturbridge went ahead, 7-5, thanks to a two-run double to center field by Koebke, which plated Sullivan and Brown. Post 109 extended its lead to 8-5, Koebke scoring on and RBI single to left field by Wilbur. The rally ended on a strikeout and a groundout.

Main South, however, staged a comeback of its own, scoring four runs in the bottom of the seventh on two hits, three walks, a fielder's choice and a Sturbridge error.

"We finally get the timely hits we've been searching for, hits with runners in scoring position. We finally get them



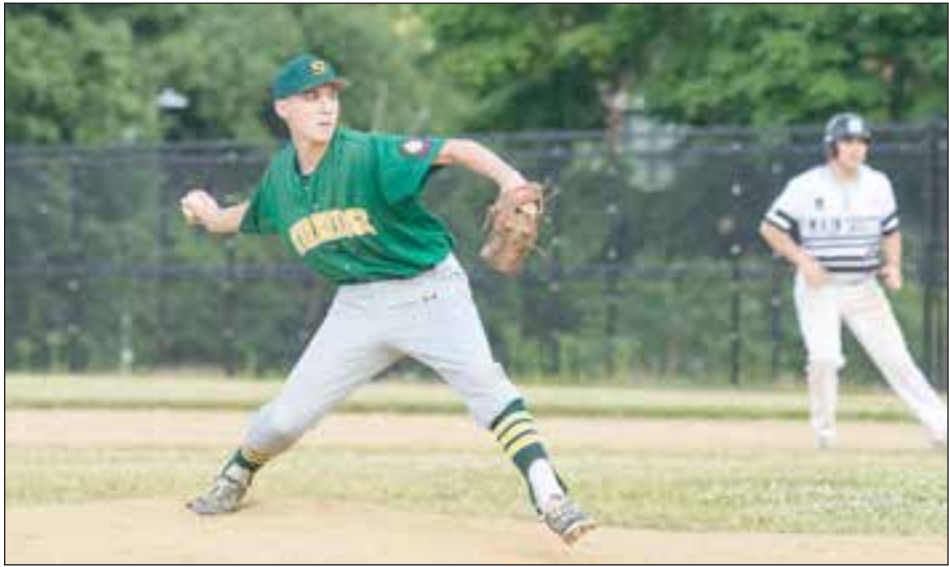
Deven Kingman of Sturbridge drops down a sacrifice bunt to move the runners along the base paths.

and then we couldn't hold onto the lead," Rosseel said. "Our bats really came alive halfway through the game."

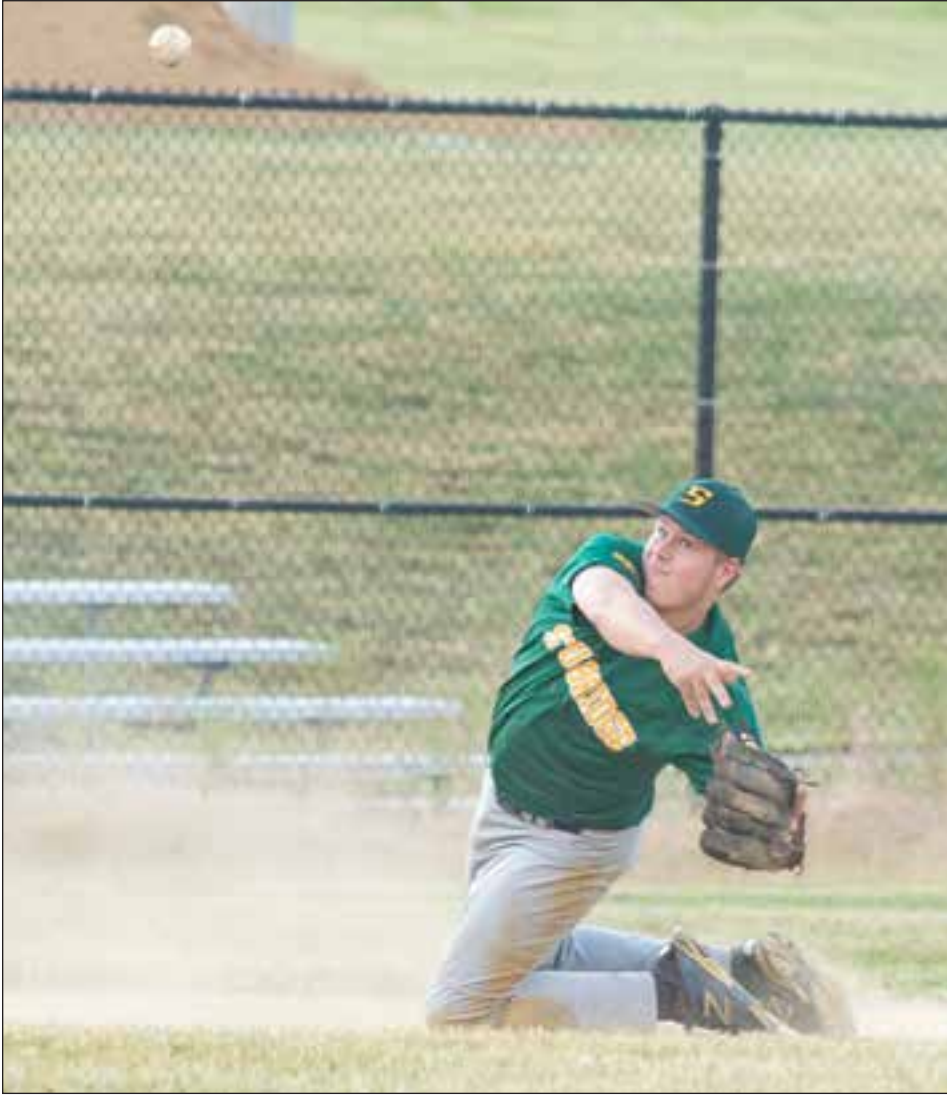
"We needed that shot in the arm," Rosseel said about his team's seventh-inning rally. "We got the leadoff double and we kept it rolling."

Despite the devastating loss, Rosseel thinks Post 109 is a team built for the long haul.

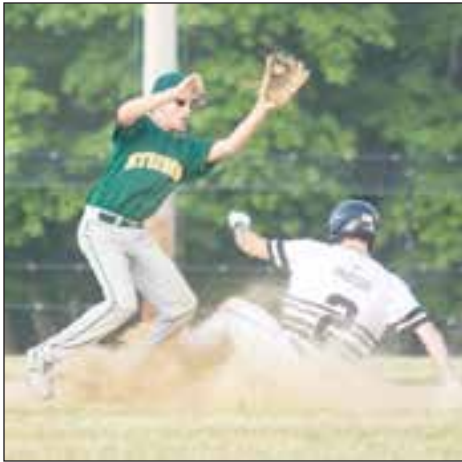
"In the beginning of the season our bats weren't awake, now they're starting to come awake. We got it. It's here. I got a good team. We're young; I only have one player aging out after this season, so this is probably going to be my team next year as well. We're 3-7, but we're going to be all right," he concluded.



Spencer Cipro of Sturbridge works through his delivery before releasing a pitch.



Sturbridge third baseman Curtis Koebke throws the ball to first from his knees.



Sturbridge's Darren Laprade takes a throw from the catcher during a Main South stolen base.

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## STURBRIDGE AMERICAN LEGION POST 109 BASEBALL NOTEBOOK

June 19

Sturbridge 7, Main South 6 — The rare walk-off strikeout in the eighth inning lifted host Post 109 to victory, their second straight and third in fourth games, to improve to 3-6.

Sturbridge's 10-hit effort was backed by Mick Sullivan (2 for 5) and Colin Eliason (2 for 4), as Sullivan, Eliason, Avery Wetherbee, Jared Langevin and Patrick Wilbur all drove in runs. Wetherbee pitched two innings of relief to earn the win.

June 21

Main South 9, Sturbridge 8 — Please read the above story on Post 109's loss to Post 341.

June 22

Northborough 5, Sturbridge 1 — Roman Krochmalnycky went the distance for Post 109, surrendering four earned runs while relinquish-

ing seven hits, striking out two and walking three, but it wasn't enough as Post 234 earned the victory.

Sturbridge, which dropped to 3-8, had just four hits in the game. Avery Wetherbee, Deven Kingman, Nolan Kingman and Jared Langevin provided the base knocks.

June 23

North County 15, Sturbridge 9 — Both teams had 11 hits, but Post 109 couldn't keep up in the run department as they lost the first game of a doubleheader. Sturbridge led, 7-1, after four innings, but North County put up a nine-spot in the top of the fifth to put the game out of reach.

Offensively, Mick Sullivan and Jared Langevin both had three hits, while Curtis Koebke and Jonathan Reardon had two-hit games.

Sturbridge 5, North County 1 — Post 109 returned the favor to split

a doubleheader with North County. Patrick Wilbur went the distance, firing a four-hitter while his defense played error-free baseball behind him.

Tyler Stoever, Curtis Koebke, Colin Eliason (two) and Jonathan Reardon had the RBI's for Sturbridge, who finished with 12 hits as they improved to 4-9.

June 24

Leominster 5, Sturbridge 2 — Post 109 played tough against Leominster, who remained undefeated at 6-0 after edging Sturbridge.

Tyler Stoever was the hard-luck loser for Post 109 after pitching six innings and allowing four earned runs on eight hits. Offensively Stoever, Patrick Wilbur, Avery Wetherbee and Nolan Kingman (RBI) had the hits for Sturbridge, whose record is now 4-10 as of press time.



# SPORTS

## David Prouty’s Labaire earns spot in Massachusetts High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame

**BY KEN POWERS**  
*SPORTS CORRESPONDENT*

SPENCER — Coaching high school football is not all about the wins and losses. Winning is important to be sure, but preparing boys to become men, teaching them the important life lessons is a key component of the job description, too.

Former David Prouty Regional football coach Neal Labaire excelled at both.

In the 27 years Labaire was the head coach of the Panthers’ varsity squad — after spending eight years as an assistant at David Prouty — his teams won 134 games, enjoyed an undefeated season and went to a Central Mass. Super Bowl.

During that span Labaire, who taught sixth grade at the Maple Street School in Spencer for 30 years, also prepared hundreds of boys for the real world that awaited them.

For his tireless efforts for all those years Labaire, in April, was inducted into the Massachusetts High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA) Hall of Fame.

“I was shocked when Sandy [Ruggles, MHSFCA Hall of Fame Chairman] called in January and told me I was going to be inducted into the Hall of Fame,” Labaire said. “That was something I never expected. I’m definitely humbled by it, especially when you see the coaches that are in the Hall of Fame. It was really a great moment for me and my family. It was a great night.”

Ruggles said Labaire had been in consideration for the Hall of Fame since retiring in 2008. He said several factors went into Labaire’s induction.

“Aside from being an excellent football coach, the impact he has had on the community where he coached for so many years and the stability he provided were big factors,” Ruggles said. “Another thing that told us he was a worthy candidate was the fact that once word got out that Neal was going into the Hall, the first five calls we got requesting tickets for the event were former players.”

Labaire said among his former players in attendance at his Hall of Fame induction were Ray Martinez, who came up from Virginia, and Colby Compton and Mark Pepler, who came down from Maine.

In addition to serving as an assistant and head coach at David Prouty once his playing days were over at Worcester’s St. Peter’s High and Worcester State College, Labaire was the treasurer for many years of the Joseph Mewhiney Chapter of the College Football Foundation and he served as a coach in the annual Shrine Game. He was also instrumental in the creation of All-Star Games between Central Mass. and Western Mass. players.

For his work with Mewhiney Chapter of the College Football Foundation, Labaire was presented one year with its Distinguished Service to Central Mass. Football Award.

The father of one of Labaire’s former players, who requested anonymity said, “I sent Neal a boy and four years later he sent back a man.”

Labaire taught his players as many life lessons as he did football plays.

“That was important to us. We always had the philosophy that the field was another classroom; that we were just

teaching a different subject,” Labaire said. “You were teaching football as well as all the other things that go along with it. We tried to teach our players how to conduct themselves in and out of the classroom.”

Phil Desroches and Marc Grady both coached with Labaire for several years. Both believe Labaire was a mentor to them and both feel he is very deserving of his induction into the MHSFCA Hall of Fame.

Desroches said Labaire’s work with the Mewhiney Foundation and his tireless promotion of Central Mass. football across the state were certainly factors in his induction, but it was his relationship with his players that made Labaire Hall of Fame worthy in Desroches’ eyes.

“Neal cared about his kids. He did a lot for them. He was always writing letters of recommendation to get kids into schools they wanted to go to and then he would follow up with a call or visit to the coach of that school,” Desroches said. “He really made it important to be a Prouty Panther. I think that meant a lot to the kids. I feel that Neal really cared about the kid as a whole, as opposed to just being a football player. You were a better kid playing for Neal.”

Grady called Labaire’s induction a worthy one.

“The class and dignity that he conducted himself with and the extra effort he put into his players’ lives are a couple of the reasons I thought his induction into the Hall of Fame was a fitting honor,” said Grady, who teaches science at David Prouty. “The way he conducted himself, the way he ran his program, the way he insisted on a level of performance and commitment



Courtesy photo  
Neal Labaire, who was the head coach of the David Prouty Regional varsity football team for 27 years, was recently inducted into the Massachusetts High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

from the kids. He always stressed to give your best and try your hardest. He took care of them in ways that went far beyond the game of football.”

## Graduated seniors shine at All-Star Football Classic

WORCESTER — Recently graduated local all-star football players were able to strap on the pads one final time, and to benefit a good cause, when the fifth annual Joseph R. Mewhiney Chapter Central Mass. All-Star Classic took part at Worcester State University’s John F. Coughlin Field on Friday evening, June 15. Proceeds from the game were to benefit the Joseph R. Mewhiney Scholarship.

The game was played in a North versus South format, and 21 players throughout the Stonebridge Press coverage area were selected for the South squad.

The North side prevailed, 14-10, but the name of the game was having fun

and raising money for a good cause, which was certainly a success.

A list of the local talent that made the team is as follows:

Dominic Battista — Shepherd Hill (Unable to Attend)  
Jake Daniels — Auburn  
Bailey Dunn — Northbridge  
Pat Dyer — Bay Path  
Joe Grady — Oxford (Unable to Attend)  
Brandon Grzyb — Bay Path (Team Co-Captain)  
Coleson Hammond — Auburn (Team Offensive MVP)  
Tim Haverty — Northbridge  
Joe Hopper — Auburn (Unable to Attend)

Matt Johnston — Uxbridge (Team Co-Captain)  
Scott Kaeller — Uxbridge  
Costa Karamanki — Shepherd Hill (Unable to Attend)  
Jason Kindle — Uxbridge (Unable to Attend)  
Nick McNamara — David Prouty  
David Meech — Oxford (Unable to Play)  
Kam Murphy — Shepherd Hill  
Kyle Padeni — Leicester (Unable to Play)  
Dan Plante — Northbridge  
Billy Roberts — Leicester  
Jesse Torres — Bartlett  
Nate Whipple — Bartlett



Nick Ethier photos  
Bay Path's Pat Dyer cuts toward the middle of the field while rushing the football.



David Prouty's Nick McNamara, left, blocks his opponent.



Leicester wide receiver Billy Roberts sprints away from the opposing cornerback.



Bay Path's Brandon Grzyb (middle) runs around a block.



Auburn's Coleson Hammond receives the snap from the quarterback position before handing the ball off to a tailback.



# 5K race to benefit Bay State Equine Rescue

Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to take part in the sixth “Run Like the Dickens” 5K race on Sunday, July 8 at Old Sturbridge Village. The race is the year’s principal fundraising event for Bay State Equine Rescue, an allvolunteer nonprofit organization that rescues and rehabilitates abused, neglected, and abandoned horses. The course of the race offers participants a unique experience of Old Sturbridge Village, as it winds through Old Sturbridge Village. Consisting of dirt trails and paved roads this unique race will take you back in time as you run through covered bridges, beautiful scenery and 19th century living. Prizes will be awarded to the overall

firstplace male and female finishers, as well as to firstplace male and female finishers in six divisions. Entry fee for “Run Like the Dickens is \$30 until July 2 and \$40 from July 3 until race day. Participants can register online and find more information on the race and on the Rescue’s work at [www.BayStateRescue.org](http://www.BayStateRescue.org). Bay State Equine Rescue is funded entirely by private donations and is staffed exclusively by volunteers. All proceeds from the “Run Like the Dickens” 5K will be applied to food, vet and farrier care for the 10 horses currently recovering and living at the BSER’s new facility on New Braintree Road in Oakham. The facility was

recently purchased with a bequest from a generous donor, and is still being improved. Sue Sheridan, a founder of BSER says, “We depend on the public to keep us going. It’s a lot of work trying to keep up with the bills. The race is our biggest fundraiser of the year and is very important to keep our work with the horses going.” BSER was founded in 2002, the outgrowth of a 4H group’s effort to save a horse named Rocky, who had been severely overworked and neglected. The BSER saw Rocky through surgery and rehabilitation, and eventually found him a loving home. The group has since done the same for many horses endangered by abuse or facing

slaughter. Horses who cannot be placed find a permanent home at the Rescue. Part of the organization’s mission is to prevent neglect and abuse through education: promoting understanding of all that a horse needs to have a full and healthy life. BSER also maintains a placement list to help people who can no longer care for their horses find fitting homes for them. It is all part of the Rescue’s mission to provide horses with human advocates and help “abolish mistreatment and disrespect of horses” in Massachusetts and across the country.

# June is National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month

Fresh fruit and vegetables from the backyard garden are a summertime treat like none other. So what’s the next best thing to a homegrown crop? Try “pick your own” at area farms and look for weekly Farmers Market events to ensure the freshest picks. How to choose fabulous fruit and vegetables at an outside market or grocery store? The following tips can help you pick perfect produce!

Beans, snap:  
Look for small seeds inside straight, fleshy pods. If you can see large seeds through the skin than the beans are probably too old. Avoid beans with dry-looking, rusty, wilted or damaged pods.

Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, cauliflower:  
Look for tightly compacted flower clusters on broccoli and cauliflower, and compact, uniform sprouts. Avoid wilted, yellow, or dirty heads, and avoid loose, open sprouts or those that are yellow or pale green.

Cabbage and head lettuce:  
Look for firm compact heads that are heavy for their size. On leaf lettuce, choose unwilted, compact, crisp-looking compact plants.

Carrots:  
Look for deep orange colored and smooth skinned roots. Avoid carrots with purple or green shoulders or pale in color, or ones with forked or crooked roots. Oversized roots usually mean they are woody. If tops are still attached on carrots, they should be fresh.

Celery:  
Choose large, firm stalks with uniform stalk and a white bottom. Avoid spindly, wilted stalks.

Chard:  
Look for fresh, dark green leaves with bright, tender stalks. Avoid wilted, poorly colored leaves.

Collards and kale:  
Check for tender, green, full-sized leaves with tender tips; avoid wilted, tough or overly large leaves.

Corn on the cob:  
Choose well-filled cobs with plump, straight rows of kernels. Avoid large, wrinkled kernels.

Cucumbers:  
Pick long, slender cukes that are medium to dark green.

Peppers:  
Look for firm, darkly colored fruit with uniform size, color, and number of lobes. Avoid wrinkled or shriveled ones or fruits that are sunburned (contrasting color spots).

Radishes:  
Choose medium-sized, firm, crisp roots. Avoid wilted or soft roots or those with growth cracks or insect damage. Oversized roots will be pithy. Sunburned crowns are also not desirable.

Summer squash:  
Choose ones that are uniform in size, color, and shape. Avoid large fruit (over mature) or ones with scarred skins, missing stems, or that are soft or wilt-



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ing.  
Tomatoes:  
Look for smooth skinned, firm fruit with uniform color. Avoid fruit with growth splits, sun scald, or overripe (soft) fruit.

Apples:  
Choose firm, well-colored fruit that feels crisp.

Blueberries:  
Pick plump, firm, deep blue berries with their natural waxy silver coating.

Cantaloupe:  
Look for a smooth shallow base; thick, coarse, corky netting that stands out from skin. Should yield slightly when pressed on non-stem end and have the slight scent of cantaloupe.

Cherries:  
Should be dark in color, glossy, plump, with fresh looking stems.

Mangos:  
Pick fruit that has plump, smooth, dark green skin with patches of red, yellow, or orange color; should be slightly soft.

Nectarines:  
Fruit should be plump, slightly soft along “seam”; either orange-yellow or greenish between red-blushed areas depending on variety.

Oranges:  
Choose firm oranges, heavy for its size; smooth-textured, with bright-looking skin.

Peaches:  
Should be somewhat firm, becoming slightly soft; red with creamy, orangy

base color.  
Pears:  
Look for firm fruit, just barely beginning to soften.

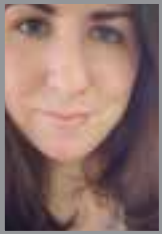
Bartletts: pale to rich yellow; Boscs: green to brown yellow.

Watermelon:  
Should be symmetrical with bright green rind with a creamy yellow underside. Choose a watermelon that’s heavy for its size.

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

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

# Wishes



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KIMBERLY MASCHI

When we have kids, we want the best of everything for them. The best schools, the best friends, the best life. We don’t want them to need, maybe want, but never need. We are to provide, we are to secure. We are their parents and it is our meaning to provide.

Notice how I don’t say job? Nope not our job because we do not get paid and the only benefits we get are boo-boo kisses and homemade chicken soup made of play-doh. It is our meaning, it is embedded in us once we have offspring to provide them food, shelter, water, comfort and My Little Pony toys.

Okay, maybe not My Little Pony Toys, but try telling my daughter that.

When you watch your sleeping babe at night do you wonder

what your wishes for them and their future would be? While one of their tiny legs is hanging at a strange angle off the bed and their hair is covering their precious face, do you brush it back and whisper your wishes for them? I know I do. I know I have plenty of wishes for my children. When I gently lift my daughters head to reposition her Trolls pillow beneath her I whisper my I love yous and I whisper my wishes for her.

To my Charlotte, I wish you kindness. That you will be kind to all and receive kindness in return. I wish you happiness in the path you choose. I wish for you to find joy and harmony in every day. I wish you knowledge, for you to learn and read and love to learn and read and never stop learning and reading. I wish you love. Not an ordinary love but all those kinds of love that can teach you through pain, obsession, sporadic intrigues and a full spectral of feelings. I wish you to feel all and know you are loved and to trust in that love...eventually. When you’re 30. I wish you strength to fight for what is right and to truly know who

you are. I wish for you to live a long and fulfilled life. I wish all of these things for my daughter, for my Charlotte. I will kiss her goodnight, tuck her in tight, turn on her twinkling lights and know that tomorrow she will be another day older and that much closer to fulfilling her own wishes. I will slowly shut her door and swear that I still haven’t WD40’d those hinges yet! I tip-toe into the next room, where my son Jase is gently sleeping and my wishes for him are much different.

In his turquoise room, he rests silently, covered completely from head to toe in about five blankets or more. He snuggles with his enormous Nemo plush and gently breathes. It is the only time his heart is not racing. The only time he is not screaming, or humming, or crying. When he sleeps is when I can touch his face, kiss his forehead, and whisper my wishes to him.

I wish you kindness, that those who do not understand you will try to. I wish you kindness from stranger’s stares, from all who will teach and guide you, and from the boys

and girls your age. I wish you the kind of kindness that isn’t pity but genuine interest and care. I wish you a voice. I wish for you to one day be able to talk to us in anyway that you feel comfortable. I wish for you to not be in pain. I wish you comfort. Comfort from your own body and mind that hurt you. I wish for things like light, sound, and textures to no longer wound you. I wish you friends. I wish you independence. I wish you safety. I wish for you not to run into a busy street, I wish for you not to walk off a steep edge, I wish you not to run away when all you want to do is see the playground you love. I wish you help when you age out of insurance. I wish you everything you love that others find strange. I wish you acceptance and more than that, I wish you inclusion, invites, holding hands, and real lasting relationships. I wish for answers for you Jase.

Somedays, when it is really hard, when I don’t know how to help you, I will wish for the autism to go away. I will wish for a magical cure, but really, I just wish to know you. I just

wish to be closer to you. I wish to change more and more each day to be better for you. I wish you love through the pain. I wish you happiness through the misunderstandings, I wish you acceptance through the rebuffs. Above all I wish you me for all of your life. I wish I could live for 100 years more just to make sure you live a long and beautiful life Jase.

Wishes have come true before. They wouldn’t be wishes if they didn’t. Don’t wait for a shooting star. Don’t wait for the bigger half of the turkey wishbone on Thanksgiving Day. Don’t wait until the clock reads 11:11 or for a rainbow to appear. Don’t save your wish for birthday candles or for you to stumble upon a well. Wish every day and work hard for those wishes every day. There’s no rules when it comes to wishing. And really, why are pits in the earth and turkey butt bones what we wish on? What is more magical than your child sleeping soundly? Especially a toddler? Nothing, I tell you, nothing. I wish for all your wishes to come true, and mine.

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will be participating in the Massachusetts State Police Student Trooper Program.

Civil Air Patrol, the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with 57,000 members nationwide. Its volunteers also assist federal, state and local agencies as needed. Just this year, local members have flown hundreds of hours and took thousands of aerial photos for the Massachusetts Emergency Management Association so the state could assess coastal

flooding damage from the various storms we have had so far this season. CAP is also part of the United States Air Force’s “Total Force”, which recognizes CAP as an integral part of the Air Force mission, even though members are volunteers and only participate in benevolent missions.

With over 500 aircraft, CAP also plays a leading role in aerospace education and adult members serve as mentors to more than 22,000 young people currently participating in CAP cadet programs. Goddard Cadet Squadron was named in honor of Dr. Robert Goddard

and meets in the Worcester area most Sunday’s from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. The unit has been awarded the Quality Cadet Unit Award for the past six consecutive years, recognizing them as one of the top units in the entire country. For more information, visit [www.gocivilairpatrol.com](http://www.gocivilairpatrol.com) or [www.GoddardCadetSquadron.com](http://www.GoddardCadetSquadron.com).

Cadet Dalton Durgin of Spencer is ready for his glider to be connected to the tow plane as part Civil Air Patrol’s Flight Orientation program.





# POLICE REPORTS

## Leicester Police Department

*Editor’s Note: The information contained in this police log was obtained through public documents kept by the police department, and is considered to be the account of the police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

*Police agencies can no longer print the names of people who are arrested or charged with domestic assault related charges. The new law is designed to protect victims, so they are not re-victimized through indirect identification.*

THURSDAY, JUNE 14  
12:35 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), verbal warning; 5:18 a.m.: animal control (Main Street), services rendered; 7:13 a.m.: mv stop (Winslow Avenue), written warning; 8:25 a.m.: suspicious activity (Baldwin Street), gone on arrival; 8:53 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 9:20 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 9:47 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 10:40 a.m.: assist citizen (Charles Street), services rendered; 11:43 a.m.: sexual assault offenses (South Main Street), report taken; 11:48 a.m.: assist citizen (Deer Pond Road), services rendered; 1:55 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Stafford Street), services rendered; 3:24 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), services rendered; 3:57 p.m.: ambulance (Autumn Lane), assisted party; 4:25 p.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 5:23 p.m.: disabled mv (Paxton Street), assisted; 5:29 p.m.: assist citizen (Sargent Street), services rendered; 5:33 p.m.: assist other PD (Sargent Street), Justin Michaels, 27, 14 Maple Street, Spencer, fugitive from justice, report taken; 6:03 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning.

FRIDAY, JUNE 15  
8:16 a.m.: assist other PD (Main Street), unable to locate; 10:12 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 12:06 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 1:24 p.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 1:50 p.m.: parking complaint (Whittemore Street), services rendered; 3:20 p.m.: lost/found (Broad Street), services rendered; 3:54 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street,), written warning; 4:09 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 4:46 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:57 p.m.: m stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:02 p.m.: mv stop (River Street), written warning; 5:53 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 6:25 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 6:50 p.m.: parking complaint (Soojians Drive), spoken to; 6:54 p.m.: parking complaint (Soojians Drive) spoken to; 8:16 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, attaching wrong plate, unregistered mv, uninsured mv, citation issued; 8:31 p.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), spoken to; 8:56 a.m.: welfare check (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 10:47 p.m.: welfare check (Henshaw Street), services rendered; 11:50 p.m.: mv stop (Mannville Street), spoken to.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16  
1:19 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 1:22 a.m.: mv stop (Auburn Street), written warning; 6:19 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 8:02 a.m.: hazardous condition (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 8:50 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), report taken; 9:12 p.m.: missing person (Howard Terrace), report taken; 3:53 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), assisted; 4:11 p.m.: investigation (Mayflower Road), spoken to; 5:15 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), verbal warning; 5:33 p.m.: radar assignment (Paxton Street), citation issued; 5:38 p.m.: assist citizen (Marshall Street), spoken to; 6:12 p.m.: welfare check (McCarthy Avenue), spoken to; 6:32 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 10:50 p.m.: welfare check (Soojians Drive), services rendered.

SUNDAY, JUNE 17

12:45 a.m.: mv stop (Min Street), services rendered; 1:46 a.m.: fire/CO detector (Sconset Avenue), services rendered; 8:49 a.m.: ambulance (Charlton Street), transported; 10:36 a.m.: summons service (Winslow Avenue), served; 10:44 a.m.: summons service (Gertrude Avenue), served; 10:46 a.m.: suspicious person (Main Street), services rendered; 11:03 a.m.: summons service (Clark Street), served; 11:06 a.m.: ambulance (Henshaw Street), services rendered; 11:46 a.m.: fire/structure (Auburn Street), services rendered; 12:41 p.m.: welfare check (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported to hospital; 1:18 p.m.: lost/found (Mayflower Road), services rendered; 1:33 p.m.: summons service (Park Lane), served; 1:42 p.m.: summons service (Siani Road), served; 2:59 p.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 3:56 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:24 p.m.: summons service (Park Lane), unable to serve; 4:35 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 4:46 p.m.: summons service (Burncoat Street), unable to serve; 5:00 p.m.: summons service (Fairview Drive), served; 6:16 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 7:19 p.m.: fire/unauthorized burn (Gold Court), services rendered; 8:16 p.m.: accident (Chapel Street), report taken; 8:46 p.m.: assist citizen (Stafford Street); 9:21 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered; 10:34 p.m.: disturbance (Towtaid Street), spoken to; 11:23 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street), services rendered.

MONDAY, JUNE 18  
12:17 a.m.: disabled mv (River Street), services rendered; 1:25 p.m.: noise complaint (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 1:40 a.m.: disturbance (Henshaw Street), name and address redacted from police log, assault & battery, larceny under \$250, report taken; 1:40 a.m.: disabled mv (Stafford Street), services rendered; 2:06 a.m.: accident (Stafford Street), mv towed; 7:29 a.m.: threats (Pleasant Street), assisted; 8:00 a.m.: assist citizen (Water Street), advised civil action; 8:31 a.m.: animal complaint (Reservoir Street), assisted; 9:15 a.m.: assist citizen (Willow Hill Road), spoken to; 9:24 a.m.: animal complaint (Henshaw Street), unfounded; 9:41 a.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Street), unfounded; 10:33 a.m.: assist other PD (South Main Street), services rendered; 12:27 p.m.: investigation (South Main Street), report taken; 1:39 p.m.: investigation (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 5:29 p.m.: investigation (Willow Hill Road), spoken to; 5:40 p.m.: ambulance (White Birch Street), transported; 5:47 p.m.: officer wanted (Stafford Street), services rendered; 6:47 p.m.: officer wanted (South Main Street), services rendered; 9:03 p.m.: welfare check (Main Street), services rendered; 9:18 p.m.: assist citizen (Hankey Street), spoken to; 9:32 p.m.: disabled mv (Paxton Street), services rendered.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19  
12:29 a.m.: entire incident inexplicably redacted from public police log, arrest; 4:11 a.m.: debris in road (Stafford Street), services rendered; 10:23 a.m.: ambulance (Soojians Drive), report taken; 10:57 p.m.: ambulance (Hemlock Street), transported; 11:27 p.m.: animal complaint (Reservoir Street), services rendered; 12:12 p.m.: malicious mischief (Hyland Avenue), report taken; 12:47 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 12:58 p.m.: summons service (Peter Salem Road), unable to serve; 1:12 p.m.: summons service (South Street), unable to serve; 2:43 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 4:08 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:15 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:25 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 4:54 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), gone on arrival; 4:55 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), written warning; 5:21 p.m.: welfare check (Harding Street), spoken to; 5:27 p.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), Pedro Morales, 27, 55 Esther Street, #6, Worcester, shoplifting by

asportation, possession Class B drug/2 counts, arrest; 7:11 p.m.: welfare check (Stafford Street), services rendered; 8:21 p.m.: animal complaint (Henshaw Street), services rendered; 9:20 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:28 p.m.: name and address redacted from police log, lights violation, op w/ suspended license/subsequent offense, summons.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20  
8:02 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 8:15 a.m.: animal complaint (Pine Avenue), services rendered; 9:23 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 9:56 a.m.: welfare check (Harding Street), services rendered; 10:03 a.m.: ambulance (Hemlock Street), transported; 10:27 a.m.: ambulance (Autumn Lane), transported; 10:46 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 11:23 a.m.: illegal dumping (Siani Road), services rendered; 11:44 a.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 1:21 p.m.: animal complaint (Chapel Street), services rendered; 1:29 p.m.: debris in road (Burncoat Street), services rendered; 1:55 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), services rendered; 2:54 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street), report taken; 3:57 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:07 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:21 p.m.: ambulance (Pleasant Street), transported; 4:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 4:55 p.m.: animal complaint (Woodland Road), services rendered; 5:39 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 6:13 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 6:25 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 6:36 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 6:46 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), written warning; 6:47 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), spoken to; 6:59 p.m.: erratic operation (Main Street), spoken to; 7:24 p.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), written warning; 8:39 p.m.: suspicious mv (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 9:28 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 9:46 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning.

Spencer Police Department  
WEDNESDAY JUNE 13  
Arrest Log  
Justin A. Michaels, age 27 of 14 Maple St., Spencer: fugitive from justice  
Michael E. Melanson, age 54 of 30 Chestnut St., Spencer: three warrants.  
12:27-2:56 a.m.: property checks; 2:09 a.m.: hazardous material (Dunkin’ Donuts, possible leak in building); 5 a.m.: MV stop (Charlton Road); 5:12 a.m.: MV stop (Charlton Road); 10:42 a.m.: request for information (phone call); 11:22 a.m.: request for information (Prospect Street, MV w no plates); 11:37 a.m.: medical emergency (Irving Street); 11:50 a.m.: request for information (Bixby Road); 12:02 p.m.: assist other PD (West Main Street, Sturbridge PD); request officer (Main Street, juvenile matter); 12:09 p.m.: child safety seat inspection; 12:52 p.m.: abandoned car (Roys Drive); 1:09 p.m.: MV complaint (Main Street); 2:31 p.m.: MV complaint (excessive noise, Dale Street); 3:02 p.m.: MV operating erratically (Charlton Road); 3:15 p.m.: abandoned call (South Spencer Road); 4:07 p.m.: DPW call out (Chickering Road, barrier unstable); 4:33 p.m.: officer wanted (emergency 209A); 7:21 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Mechanic Street); 7:49 p.m.: suspicious MV (Lake Street); 8:31 p.m.: bear sighted (Sherwood Drive); 10:26 p.m.: officer wanted (Main Street, missing license plates believed stolen); 10:37 p.m.: suspicious MV (Main Street); 11:34 p.m.: medical emergency (Town House Court).

THURSDAY JUNE 14  
12:03-2:45 a.m.: property checks; 12:05 a.m.: disabled MV (Rte. 49); 12:40 a.m.: MV stop (Main Street); 5:38 a.m.: MV stop (Charlton Road); 8:31 a.m.: residential fire (Bixby Road, kitchen fire); 8:50 a.m.: request for information (West Main Street); 9:03-9:11 a.m.: warrant entries (West Main Street); 9:21 a.m.: citizen complain (phone call to chief);

9:48 a.m.: DPW request (Main Street, tree limb hanging); 10:17 a.m.: MV stop (Charlton Road); 10:29 a.m.: medical emergency (West Main Street); 12:21 p.m.: officer dispatched (Church Street, son pushed call button on elevator); 12:58 p.m.: ACO call (Longview Drive, dog missing); 1:08 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street, 209A request); 2:23 p.m.: ACO call (Main Street, small dog loose); 2:39 p.m.: 209A served (West Main Street); 3:23 p.m.: medical emergency (Mechanic Street); 5 p.m.: officer wanted (phone call); 6:43 p.m.: medical emergency (Sherman Green); 7:11 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (party claims phone dialed on its own); 8:05 p.m.: animal complaint (Willow Lane, dog loose); 9:02 p.m.: juvenile complaint (East Avenue); 9:17 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Maple Street); 9:28 p.m.: welfare check, child (address not printed); 11:09 p.m.: medical emergency (Chestnut Street); 11:54 p.m.: property check.

FRIDAY JUNE 15  
12-2:28 a.m.: property checks; 5:26 a.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street); 6:24 a.m.: MV stop (Charlton Road); 6:42 a.m.: 911 hang up (Grant Street); 7:34 a.m.: medical emergency (Grove Street); 7:54 a.m.: lockout (Town House Court); 8:02 a.m.: mutual aid (Brookfield PD); 9:03 a.m.: officer wanted (phone misdial); MV accident (West Main Street, hit & run, property damage); 10:14 a.m.: DPW call out (Meadow Road, request officer while DPW removes hazard); 10:15 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street); 10:52 a.m.: neighbor dispute (Dale Street); 11:01 a.m.: DPW call out (Chestnut Street, construction crew cut water service); 11:31 a.m.: lockout (Main Street); 12:19 p.m.: medical emergency (Main Street); 12:23 p.m.: medical emergency (Shore Drive); 1:16 p.m.: MV stop (May Street); 1:30 p.m.: MV stop (Greenville Street); 1:56 p.m.: MV stop (Greenville Street); 2:15 p.m.: MV stop (Greenville Street); 2:17 p.m.: MV stop (Main Street); 2:30 p.m.: MV stop (Main Street); 3:59 p.m.: phone harassment (phone call to PD); 4:56 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Briarcliff Lane); 5:21 p.m.: illegal fire (Lincoln Street); 5:30 p.m.: MV stop (West Main Street); 6:40 p.m.: disturbance (Sullivan Street); 7:48 p.m.: lift assist (Crestview Drive); 8:22 p.m.: prisoner check; 8:31 p.m.: domestic disturbance (Ash Street); 8:49 p.m.: medical emergency (Point Easteler Drive); 10:26 p.m.: MV stop (Main Street); 11:37-11:51 p.m.: property checks; 11:57 p.m.: suspicious MV (Holmes Street).

SATURDAY JUNE 16  
12:08-12:28 a.m.: property checks; 12:42 a.m.: fireworks complaint (Pleasant Street); 1:52 a.m.: MV stop (West Main Street); 2:01 a.m.: MV stop (Meadow Road); 2:57 a.m.: suspicious person (High Street, person wearing black mask at front door); 6:23 a.m.: police information (Charlton Road); 7:18 a.m.: medical emergency (North Spencer Road); 8:13 a.m.: suspicious person (Thompson Pond Road, launching boats); 8:49 a.m.: MV accident (Charlton Road); 10:44 a.m.: MV stop (Main Street); 10:50 a.m.: missing person (Leicester PD – missing juvenile); 11:07 a.m.: MV accident (West Main Street); 11:48 a.m.: domestic disturbance (School Street); 12:16 p.m.: police info (Chestnut Street, party setting up GoFundMe account); 12:24 p.m.: medical emergency (Valley View Drive); 2:53 p.m.: officer information (phone); 2L59 p.m.: disturbance (Pleasant Street); 3:03 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street, swimmers disturbing boat lanes); 6:32 p.m.: juvenile complaint (Park Street, kids at town beach); 7:10 p.m.: juvenile complaint (Pleasant Street, reporting activity); 7:33 p.m.: MV complaint (Thompson Pond Road, reporting past activity); 9:42 p.m.: bear sighting (Donnelly Cross Road); 10:09 p.m.: MV operating erratically (West Main Street); 10:22 p.m.: request for officer (Bixby Road); 11:04 p.m.: MV operating erratically (Rutland); 11:05 p.m.: MV complaint (Main Street); 11:20 p.m.: traffic hazard (Maple Street); 11:54 p.m.: property check.

**SOLAR**  
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In recent months, several residents have expressed concerns that an infusion of solar installations will detract from the town’s farming identity. Others are concerned about the effects solar arrays might have on soils, which was mentioned during the public hearing.

“Residents brought a lot of their concerns and asked what our vision is for the future. We always want to have balanced growth in town and not rely on any one type of growth,” said Board of Selectmen Chairman Tony Pepe.

Selectmen also discussed with residents their plans to establish a solar study committee to vet all issues and propose bylaw additions to be voted on at town meeting. These could include a potential cap on the number of commercial solar installations allowed in town, a route that has already been chosen in surrounding communities like North Brookfield.

Selectmen expected to vote on the solar study committee at their meeting this week. If formed, the committee would also weigh the financial benefits

of future solar development in town against the drawbacks. The ultimate goal is to form bylaws that represent the town’s collective vision for the future.

The estimated annual revenue generated from a PILOT tax agreement with the developer of the McCormick Road proposal is \$100,000 per year over the course of 20-25 years. The estimated new growth revenue is between \$150,000 and \$160,000, with the real estate tax revenue projected to be \$130,000.

The McCormick Road proposal is currently proceeding through the town’s permitting stages, and there will likely be additional solar proposals for selectmen to consider elsewhere in town in the coming years.

Meanwhile, at the May 3 annual town meeting, voters overwhelmingly supported a solar project at the landfill. The vote authorized selectmen to execute a lease for 19 acres of land on the capped landfill at 17 South Spencer Road. The goal for town officials is to secure a lease with a commercial developer to install a solar facility at the site.

The lease is eligible to extend to a term of 20 years, if approved by selectmen.

**6TH GRADERS**  
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will continue going forward,” Gobi told students. “Don’t be afraid to try new things. Time is going to fly, and the next thing you know you’ll be at your high school graduation. Enjoy every moment.”

The annual EBES sendoff is always a bittersweet occasion for students, many of whom have never attended another school. Several kids first stepped into EBES as pre-K or kindergarten students, and they have made countless memories with the same class over the years. Berthiaume shared many funny experiences he enjoyed with the students during their third grade field trip to the State House, and the kids were thrilled with their Washington DC trip this year.

“A lot of you have been here for seven or eight years. You have been great role models and leaders in the building,” Principal Ron Tomlin said. “This is such a close-knit community. You and your families exemplify what positive involvement means.”

Guest speakers encouraged students

to be dedicated in their studies, pursue their dreams, and not shy away from adversity. Next year will present a major transition for the kids with new classmates and teachers at a new school, but the EBES staff knows they are ready for the challenge.

“This is a time for you to explore what makes you unique. Each of you will find that gift and use it to make the world a better place,” Boulay said. “I want to thank all of the parents and teachers for their support along the way.”

The sendoff ceremony also included a speech from Student Council President Madison Ethier, reflections from teacher Christine Lavin, and a choral performance from the students. At the conclusion of the event, students proceeded through a reception line that included all of their former teachers.

Congratulations to the following EBES sixth graders: Zachary Anderson, Madison Barnett, Myles DeSimone, Tyler Downes, Madison Ethier, John Ford, Logan Josti, Maddox Kennedy, Eva LaPorte, Peyton Lemanski, James Luukko, Ian Mahan, Melanie McHatten, Shyra McWhorter, Ayla Messier, Mathew Morrow, Brenden O’Gara, Mya Routhier, and Nicholas Toomey.





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<p><b>2015 CHRYSLER 200 C</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$24,610</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$13,488</b></p> <p>#1812AA • NAV, REMOTE START, HEATED LEATHER, ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$11,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2016 JEEP COMPASS</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$24,785</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$16,477</b></p> <p>#0605AL • LATITUDE TRIM, MOONROOF, LEATHER SEATS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$8,300 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
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<p><b>2014 NISSAN ALTIMA</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$23,200</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$10,488</b></p> <p>#15241A • 2.5 S TRIM, GREAT ON GAS, KEYLESS START</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$12,800 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2014 TOYOTA CAMRY</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$23,495</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$13,499</b></p> <p>#H0292L • FUEL EFFICIENT, L TRIM, BLUETOOTH</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$10,000 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2016 CHEVY SILVERADO</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$40,505</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$27,444</b></p> <p>#0880L • DOUBLE CAB, 4X4, TOW HITCH, BACK-UP CAM</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$13,100 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2017 HYUNDAI ACCENT</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$18,445</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$11,899</b></p> <p>#H0336 • SE TRIM, GREAT ON GAS, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$6,500 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2015 RAM 1500 4X4</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$40,055</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$23,477</b></p> <p>#16240A • EXPRESS TRIM, 5.7L BEDLINER, QUAD CAB, ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$16,500 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2015 LINCOLN MKC</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$33,995</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$17,455</b></p> <p>#P1139AL • MOONROOF, NAV, ALL-WHEEL DRIVE, ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$16,500 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2016 CHEVY EQUINOX</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$27,795</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$17,444</b></p> <p>#38720L • ALLOYS, BLUETOOTH, LT TRIM, HEATED SEATS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$10,300 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2014 FORD F-150 4X4</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$38,005</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$27,855</b></p> <p>#17479A • SUPERCAID, TURBO, TRAILER HITCH, ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$10,200 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2015 GMC TERRAIN SUV</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$27,990</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$18,244</b></p> <p>#38729L • SLE-1 TRIM, 4X4, 17" ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$9,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2015 SUBARU IMPREZA</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$24,195</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$16,488</b></p> <p>#H0437L • 2.0 LIMITED TRIM, HEATED LEATHER, 17" ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$7,700 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2017 HYUNDAI ELANTRA</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$19,110</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$12,199</b></p> <p>#H0303R • FUEL EFFICIENT, SE TRIM, IPOD INPUT, PWR PKG</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$6,900 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2016 GMC TERRAIN SLE</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$27,390</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$17,944</b></p> <p>#38719L • 17" ALLOY WHEELS, BACK-UP CAM, BLUETOOTH</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$9,300 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2010 NISSAN CUBE S</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$16,990</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$6,488</b></p> <p>#18502A • GREAT ON GAS, BLUETOOTH, 16" ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$10,400 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2016 FORD FUSION</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$28,295</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$14,655</b></p> <p>#5020R • SE TRIM, ALLOYS, BACK-UP CAM, BLUETOOTH</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$13,600 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>
<p><b>2015 JEEP RENEGADE</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$29,285</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$14,499</b></p> <p>#H0293 • 4X4, TRAILHAWK, BACK-UP CAMERA, ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$14,800 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>	<p><b>2017 CHEVY CRUZE LT</b></p> <p>NEW Retail Price: <b>\$23,475</b> WHOLESALE PRICE: <b>\$15,444</b></p> <p>#H0805R • HEATED SEATS, RS PKG, TURBO, 16" ALLOYS</p> <p>SAVE <b>\$8,000 OFF OF RETAIL PRICE!</b></p>



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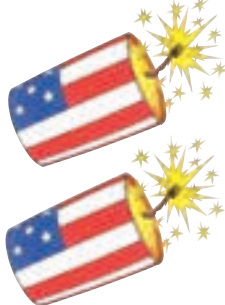
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# OBITUARIES

## Arthur C. Flagg, 80



LEICESTER - Arthur C. Flagg, aged 80, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, June 21, 2018.

His beloved wife Barbara A. (Mantha) Flagg, had passed in 2016. He leaves to mourn his passing, his sons, William P. Flagg of Barre and Allen A. Flagg (and his wife Heidi) of Wales; his daughters, Cindy J. Patch (and her husband James) of Barre and Holly A. Richard of Quincy; his sister, Jean Vayo of Sterling; and nine grandchildren, Mason, Kassandra, Sabrina, Megan, Carter, Austen, Madison, Gracie and Jacqueline, along with several nieces and nephews.

Arthur was born in Worcester, son of Chester A. and Delia (Robida) Flagg. He served his country in the United

States Navy. He was a machine operator for 35 years at Norton Co. before retiring. He enjoyed gardening, antiquing, photography and trying his luck on scratch tickets. He was most happy when spending time with his family.

A graveside service, with Military Honors, will be held Friday, June 29 at 11:00 AM, in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. There will be no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Veterans Inc., 69 Grove Street, Worcester, MA 01605. MORIN FUNERAL HOME, 1131 Main Street, Leicester, MA will be conducting arrangements. [www.morinfuneralhomes.com](http://www.morinfuneralhomes.com)



## Alice D. Bernard, 61



SOUTHBRIDGE - Alice D. (Landry) Bernard, 61, of Wall St., passed away on Monday, June 18th, in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge, after an illness.

She leaves her loving Husband of 20 years, Carl W. Bernard; her son, Eric B. Vilandre and his wife Kimberly of New Bedford; a daughter, Amber L. Vilandre of Southbridge; her brother, James J. Landry of N. Brookfield; two sisters, Doreen A. Bormann of Oxford and Rita Elliott of Charlton; two grandchildren, Sierra Almarie Spargo and Dakota Lee Spargo; two nieces, Bonnie Pearl and Ashleigh Morse; a nephew, Philip Nardone; and many loving cousins and friends.

Alice was born in New Britain, CT the daughter of Percy J. and Dolores S. (Gagnon) Landry.

She worked for 12 years in medical manufacturing for Concord Portex in Keene, NH before having to retire due to illness. Alice loved her cats and horses. She enjoyed crocheting, flower and vegetable gardening, playing candy crush as well as trips to the ocean. She was a true lover of nature and enjoyed caring for all the animal. Alice truly loved God and always took time to read her bible.

Calling hours for Alice were held on Friday, June 22nd, from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a funeral service following in the funeral home at 7:00pm. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family.

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## James G. Contacos “Jimmy”, 93



WEST BROOKFIELD - James G. Contacos “Jimmy”, 93, passed away on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at the Soldiers’ Home in Holyoke.

He was born in Springfield, MA to the late George and Aphrodite Contacos. James served in the United States Navy in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters during World War II. He spent his life working in the hospitality industry, beginning in the late 1930s and early 1940s at the Candy Kitchen, a family owned business in Ware, MA. In the early 1960s he helped open the Salem Cross Inn with his dear friend Richard Salem, where he met his wife, Suzanne. He continued in the hotel/restaurant industry in the Northern Connecticut and Springfield, MA areas throughout

the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s, eventually returning to the Salem Cross Inn where he assisted in various capacities until 2008. He enjoyed working, animals and his family.

James leaves his wife of 56 years, Suzanne, a son George Contacos and his wife Lisa of Windsor Locks, CT, daughter Karen Miller and her husband David of Alexandria, VA, son Peter Contacos and his wife Renee of Warren and daughter Katherine Greenlaw and her husband Russell of West Brookfield in addition to nine grandchildren.

The family wishes to extend their utmost appreciation to the dedicated and caring staff at the Soldiers’ Home in Holyoke.

Funeral services are private. Pillsbury Funeral Home is directing arrangements. Donations may be sent to the MSPCA or the Soldiers’ Home in Holyoke. James G. Contacos “Jimmy”, 93

## James W. Costello, 81

WEST BROOKFIELD - James W. Costello age 81 died at his home, Thursday, June 21, 2018 with his loving family at his side. He leaves his wife of 59 years, Mary Jane (O'Donnell) Costello. He also leaves three sons, James Costello and his wife Doreen of Malden, MA, Stephen and Michael Costello of West Brookfield, two daughters, Cheryl Lynch of West Brookfield and Deborah Mannetta and her husband Richard of Tewksbury, MA and many grand and great grandchildren. He was born in Concord, MA son of the late Walter Costello and Helen F. (Norris) Costello and lived in West Brookfield for the past 35 years prior to that living in Brockton. He was

a US Army Veteran. He was a retired iron worker, local 7 and taught the apprenticeship program. He enjoyed reading, yard work. James was also a member of the Masonic Lodge. There are no calling hours and all services are private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at [www.shaw-majercik.com](http://www.shaw-majercik.com) where you may post a condolence or light a candle



## Elizabeth H. Fegreus, 90

NORTH BROOKFIELD: Elizabeth H. (Jbara) Fegreus, 90, of Winter St., died peacefully on Wednesday, June 6 at UMASS Memorial Medical Center in Worcester. She leaves her husband of 70 years, Edward E. Fegreus, Sr., her son, Edward E. Fegreus, Jr., and his wife, Jane, of Cohasset, her daughter, Mary Elizabeth Fegreus-Reynolds, and her husband, Richard, of Paxton, seven grandchildren, two great grandchildren, her sister-in-law, Geraldine Donohue, and several nieces and nephews. Elizabeth was born in Worcester. She was the daughter of Salim and Jenny (Rozik) Jbara. She was best

known by her friends and family as Betty.

Elizabeth graduated from Worcester State College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and was a Registered Nurse for more than 50 years. She was a longtime member of St. Joseph's Parish where she was a CCD teacher for 65 years. Elizabeth will be remembered at a Mass at St. Joseph's Church at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, July 15, 2018. J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, Spencer is assisting the family with funeral arrangements. [www.morinfuneralhomes.com](http://www.morinfuneralhomes.com)

## Lenore Engdahl, 100



WEST BROOKFIELD - Lenore Engdahl, age 100, passed away peacefully in her sleep the morning of June 19, 2018 at her beloved Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center.

She leaves her three beloved children Eugene Kwasniewski of Arlington, MA, Kristine Sessa and her husband, Natalino, of Spencer, MA and Jon Kwasie and his wife Helene, of Gloucester, MA; 5 beloved grandchildren Thomas Sessa and his wife Shannon, Frank Sessa and his partner Katie Caldwell, Anna Sessa, John-Paul Kwasie and his wife, Hannah and Maryellen Kwasie; her beloved nieces and nephew SueAnne Engdahl, Kathryn Engdahl and Brad

Engdahl. She is predeceased by her brothers Frank and Eugene.

On April 8, 1918 Lenore was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She was the daughter of Walfrid and Augusta Engdahl, both Swedish immigrants. While still a toddler, she began playing the piano. Lenore recorded albums with MGM and taught piano at Dana Hall School, Boston University School of Music and privately in her home. She taught until she was 91 and gave her last solo recital at the age of 92.

Lenore requested no funeral services. There will be a memorial service at a later date. It was her wish that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in her memory. Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Rd. Brookfield is directing arrangements.

## Lynda M. Tamanaco, 75



FISKDALE - Lynda M. (Paquette) Tamanaco, 75, of Heritage Green, passed away on Friday, June 15th, in the Southbridge Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center, after a long illness.

She leaves her husband of 27 years, Thomas C. Tamanaco; her daughter, Donna M.E. Paquette-Huang and her husband Dr. Eric L.M. Huang of Hamden, CT; her three step sons, Christopher Tamanaco and his wife Julie of Northbridge, Michael Tamanaco and his wife Angie of Tampa, FL and Peter Tamanaco and his fiancé Caitlin of West Brookfield; her seven grandchildren, Jason Benoit, Kerri-Lynn Benoit, Patrick Benoit, Kenneth Benoit, Gianna Tamanaco, Alaina Tamanaco and Amelia Tamanaco; four brothers, Ronald Paquette and his wife Jean, James Paquette and his wife Cindy, Robert Paquette and Joseph Paquette and his wife Holly. She was predeceased by her son, Barry W. Hadley in 1963. She was also predeceased by two sisters, Nancy Paquette and her twin, Marie Paquette. She was born in Worcester the daughter of Arthur W. and Patricia (Banis) Paquette.

Lynda was a personal assistant for Helen Stoddard for several years

before retiring. She previously worked as a type setter for the Worcester Telegram & Gazette for many years. In her younger years she was model for Richard Healey Clothiers in New York, NY and Worcester. Lynda also co-owned Davlyn Construction in Worcester for several years. After retiring she volunteered at Harrington Memorial Hospital in Southbridge. She had served as a Public Notary and was a member of the American Business Women's Association in Worcester and was the chairperson of its bulletin. Lynda was a very religious person and was active with several different churches throughout her life.

A funeral Mass for Lynda will be held on Saturday, June 30th, at 10:00am in St. Anne's Church, 16 Church St., Fiskdale. Burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

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

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## Marilyn F. Gouin 71



SPENCER - Marilyn F. (Gilchrist) Gouin 71, of Maple St., died Thursday, June 21 at home. Her husband of 49 years, George N. Gouin died Nov. 6th. 2017.

She leaves her son Joseph A. Gouin of Milford, daughters Anne Marie Gouin of Manhattan, NY., and Elaine M. Gouin of Worcester, her sisters Sheila E. Gilchrist of New Boston, NH and Faye T. Fafard and her husband Michael of New Ipswich, NH., a brother David G. Gilchrist of Worcester, grandchildren Ryan Poma of Fitchburg, Caitlyn and Kiley Gouin of Southbridge, nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by a brother Thomas Gilchrist, Jr. and a sister Kathleen Gilchrist, her paternal grandmother Lillian (Kearney) Gilchrist and a special uncle Ernest

Gilchrist.

Born in St. Louis, Missouri she was the daughter of Thomas F. and Maxine (Craig) Gilchrist, Sr., and raised by Thomas and Barbara (Morrow) Gilchrist along with her 5 siblings.

She was a member of Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish. Marilyn, loved and focus was on her church and family.

Marilyn's funeral was held on Tuesday, June 26 from the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a funeral mass at 11 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Burial followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. A calling hour preceded the service from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the funeral home on Tuesday. Memorial donations may be made to Mary, Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple St., Spencer, 01562.

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## Rita H. Archambault, 83



UXBRIDGE - Rita H. (Simonini) Archambault, 83, passed away on June 19, 2018 at the Lutheran House in Worcester surrounded by her loving family. She was predeceased by her husband

Leo H. Archambault in 1994 and her daughter Mary A. Smith in 2011.

Rita is survived by 4 children, Karen Chamberland of Uxbridge, with whom she lived, Mark Archambault and his wife Cheryl of Spencer, Rene Archambault and his wife Jamie of N. Kingston, RI, and Jane Burch and her husband Josiah of Douglas. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, a sister Esther Jalbert and her husband Henry of Cumberland, RI, many nieces and nephews, and many treasured friends. She was also predeceased by two brothers, Mario and Elio Simonini. Born on Oct. 7, 1934, she was the daughter of Pietro and Gioconda (Cheli) Simonini and grew up in Woonsocket, RI.

Rita worked at Bernat Mills in Uxbridge before becoming a home health aid with the VNA where she worked for 21 years up until her retirement in 1999. She had an abundance

of kindness and compassion and truly loved her job. Rita liked to crochet, and crafted many beautiful works over her years, including blankets and slippers for the entire family. She was known for her phenomenal cooking, her meatballs in particular were a traditional food enjoyed by all as well as her delicious Italian cookies. She also generously spent her time volunteering at the “Peace of Bread Community Kitchen” making more delicious home cooked meals and helping those in need. She was a longtime parishioner of Good Shepherd Church.

Her funeral was held on Mon. June 25, 2018 at 11am in Good Shepherd Church, 121 Linwood St., Uxbridge.

Burial followed in St. Mary's Cemetery. Calling hours at Tancrell-Jackman Funeral Home, 35 Snowling Rd., Uxbridge were held on Sun. June 24 from 5-8 pm. To leave a condolence message for the family please visit: <http://www.JackmanFuneralHomes.com>

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# OBITUARIES

## Roland J. Beauregard, 67



Roland J. Beauregard, born in 1951 in West Brookfield, Massachusetts, to Robert J. and Evelyn (Cournoyer) Beauregard, passed away at age 67 on May 5, 2018, at his home in Sebastian, Florida.

Roland is survived by his wife of 44 years, Beverly (Paiker) Beauregard; his daughter Christine - her partner Mike Goguen, and grandchildren Abigail and Luke, of Stamford, CT. He is also survived by his father, Robert of Brookfield, MA; sister Eileen Giard - her husband Ernest, of Ware, MA; brother, R. Paul Beauregard of Gulfport, MS; sister Diane Carpenter - her husband Jacob, of Saucier, MS; brothers-in-law William George, of Sutton, and Robert George - his wife

Mary, of Spencer, MA; and many nieces and nephews. His mother, Evelyn Beauregard LaMonda, predeceased him.

Roland graduated from Quaboag Regional High School. He was employed at FLEXcon, in Spencer for 35 years until his retirement in 2009.

Roland enjoyed riding his ski-doo; his 4-wheeler; and vacationing in New Hampshire. He was a member of the NRA and spent his winters in Sebastian, FL. He also loved to travel, especially to Alaska and Hawaii.

There will be a funeral mass at 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, June 30, at Mary Queen of the Rosary Church, 60 Maple Street, Spencer, MA. A celebration of life to follow in the church hall. Burial is private.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations in Roland's memory be made to St. Jude's at [http://giftfunds.stjude.org/roland\\_beauregard](http://giftfunds.stjude.org/roland_beauregard).

## John F. Sokol, 88



OAKHAM- John F. Sokol, 88, of Ft. Pierce Florida passed away June 9, 2018. During the summer months he lived in Oakham, Mass. He was born in South Barre, MA one of seven sons of Alexander and Carolina Sokol. He was predeceased by his parents, one sister Sophie Jorczak, and five brothers: Stephen, Matthew, Edward, Francis and Stanley.

He is survived by his youngest brother Walter and wife Rosalie and many dear nieces and nephews. A graduate of Barre High School in 1947, he received his BA and MA degrees from American International College where he majored in mathematics and education.

Graduate degrees included mechanical engineering, physics and mathematics at University of Hartford and Trinity College.

After 4 years with the US Air Force, he worked for the United Aircraft as an engineer then teaching full time at the University of Hartford, Western New England College Engineering School and Holyoke Community College where he was coordinator of the engi-

neering department for the last 27 years of his teaching career. He enjoyed college teaching for nearly 40 years. During the summer, he was granted four NSF grants and College Operation Bootstrap at AIC from the US government.

John was a devout Catholic and was member of St. Anastasia Church in Florida and St Joseph's Church in North Brookfield MA.

His religious beliefs were the core of his daily life.

John enjoyed the competition of all sports—basketball and tennis were his favorites. He also played bridge for many years and did gardening and fishing in his spare time.

A calling hour will be held on Friday, June 22, 2018 from 9:30- 10:30 AM in Pillsbury Funeral Home, 44 Gilbert St. North Brookfield followed by the funeral Mass at 11:00AM in St. Joseph's Church 296 N. Main St. N. Brookfield. Burial will be in St Joseph's Cemetery in Barre. Contributions can be made in his name to St. Joseph's Church 28 Mt.Pleasant St. North Brookfield, MA.01535.



## Theo F. "Ted" Mailman, 84



WARREN - Theo F. Mailman, 84, of Warren died on Monday, June 18, 2018 at his home surrounded by his family and friends.

He leaves his wife of 60 years, Lorraine (Mongeau) Mailman; four sons, Michael Mailman of Warren, Randal Mailman of Southbridge, Daniel Mailman and his wife Diana of Clovis, NM, and Ronald Mailman of Brookfield; his brother, Arnold Mailman of Lafayette, GA, and his sister Jean Kingston of Warren; 7 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind his special friend since childhood, Donald Demers, and his extended family in Nova Scotia who he loved dearly. Theo was born in Troy, Maine, son of the late Hanley A. and Flora (Shields) Mailman. He lived in Pittsfield, Maine for 39 years, and Goodyear, Arizona for 6 years, prior to moving to Warren 27 years ago.

Theo graduated from Colby Trade High School in Waterville, ME and also earned an Associates Degree from Lamson Business College in Phoenix,

AZ. He worked in production manufacturing at both the former Galileo Corp., and Danaher Tool Corp. before retiring in 2007. Later he worked as a special needs bus monitor for Lizak bus service in Warren.

Mr. Mailman was a member of the Adams-Cooney-Frew American Legion Post #244 in West Brookfield.

Theo's family would like to thank Dr. Bou-Harb and the staff at Reliant Medical Group, the dedicated team of nurses from Overlook Hospice, and Kelly Moores for his care. Also a thank you to Pastor Nate Hayman, and the members of the Pilgrim Baptist Church for their prayers.

A Funeral Service with Military Honors for Theo was held on Thursday, June 28, 2018 at 10AM in the Pilgrim Baptist Church, 33 West Brookfield Road, in North Brookfield. There were no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Pilgrim Baptist Church or to Overlook Hospice, 88 Masonic Home Rd., Charlton, MA 01507.

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

An online guest book is available at [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)

## Theresa L. Hayes, 87



BROOKFIELD - Theresa L. (Boucher) Hayes, 87, died on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at her home surrounded by her loving family after battling cancer.

She leaves two sons, Edward H. Hayes of Southbridge, and William T. Hayes and his wife Wendy of Brookfield; her daughter-in-law, Dana Hayes of West Brookfield; four grandchildren, Kelly Hayes, Karen Hayes, Christine Pelletier and her husband Alan, and Thomas Hayes and his wife Nicole; one brother, Emile Boucher; four sisters, Pauline Herbert, Rose Cassavant, Ruthie LaBonte, and Janet Morin, and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of 52 years, Edward H. Hayes in 2001, her son, Robert J. Hayes, her siblings, Louis, Victor, Francis, Charles, Dorothy, Betty Ann, and Claire, and her daughter-in-law Diana Hayes. She was born in East Brookfield, daughter of the late Alfred and Eva (Courville) and has lived in Brookfield for 80 years.

Theresa worked as a Machine Operator at Gavitt Wire Co. in Brookfield for over 30 years. Along with her husband Ed, she enjoyed polka dancing, and going on cruises. She has been on over 20 cruises, and earned a certificate of traveling over 50,000 ocean miles. She was also an avid Red Sox fan, and enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren.

She was a long time member of St. Mary's Parish in Brookfield.

A Funeral Service was held for Theresa on Friday, June 22, 2018 at 3:00PM in the Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., in West Brookfield. A calling hour was held from 2 to 3PM prior to the service. Burial was in Brookfield Cemetery following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Brookfield Rescue Squad, 4 Central St., Brookfield, MA 01506. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting her family with arrangements.

An online guest book is available at [varnumfuneralhome.com](http://varnumfuneralhome.com)

## Theresa M. Aucoin, 89



Theresa has peacefully returned home to her Father in heaven to be reunited with her husband, mother, father, brother and special friends.

SPENCER - Theresa M. (Bibeau) Aucoin, 89, of Spencer, died peacefully on Saturday, June 16 at her home. Her husband of 65 years, Ronald E. Aucoin died in 2014. She leaves her son, Paul R. Aucoin of Spencer, her daughter Donna M. Lemerise and her husband Mark of Spencer, a sister, Cecile Eithier and her husband Leonard of Southbridge, and two grandchildren. She is predeceased by her brother the late George Bibeau. Born in Southbridge, she was

the daughter of Rudolph and Mary (Desaulniers) Bibeau. Theresa graduated from Notre Dame Academy in Southbridge. She was a longtime member of St. Mary's Parish in Spencer before its' closing. She was active in the parish as a member of the Women's Guild. Theresa worked with her husband many years helping in the print shop taking invitation orders and doing the bookkeeping. She loved to cook, bake, read, crochet, make crafts, paint, sew, quilt, decorate and gardening. Daily prayer was always a part of her day, while looking out the window up toward heaven. Later in life she enjoyed word puzzles and watching birds fly to the feeder. To the many people who helped care for Theresa, the family is truly grateful. We thank God that our Mom lived a long life and we could see her daily.

There are no calling hours. Private burial on June 22, 2018. A guest book where you may enter a thoughtful condolence is at [www.morinfuneralhomes.com](http://www.morinfuneralhomes.com) .



### Ad Libs by June

See the Front of Section B this week for information about **LUTHER HILL PARK'S Grand Re-Opening**. Stop by the park on Sunday, July 1 from noon-3pm to celebrate with live music by TAKE TWO, hot dogs and other refreshments, baby goats, bunnies and mini horses, and more! The Spencer Parks & Recreation Commission has worked very hard to make this happen. Stop by and show your support of one of Spencer's historic hidden gems.

The last **WRITE STUFF** of this school year is inside this issue. Thank you to our regular contributors. Included this week is Part Two of a short story written by a talented writer from Fiskdale, whose mother is one of my co-workers and a published author. Thank you, Emily, for joining our section! I know where you get your talent from! Hope to start the 17th year of The Write Stuff in September. Write, write, write this summer and email them to me this summer. ALL ages welcome! SPONSORS are needed to keep this going. Interested businesses please call or email me.

**BROOKFIELD ORCHARD'S** will be celebrating 100 years on Saturday, August 25 from 10-5 pm with a BBQ, craft beer from Rapsallion, Kettle Corn, Music by Wibble and Never Say Never and more! See the ad on the Front of Section B this week for more details. BBQ Tickets cost just \$20 and can be reserved by calling 508-867-6858. It's sure to be a very special celebration. Congrats **BROOKFIELD ORCHARDS** on 100 years!!

The Spencer New Leader publishes a **BACK TO SCHOOL** special supplement each year. This year it's planned to come out in the August 17th issue. Ads start at just \$80. I'll be contacting schools this summer for updated info and will need bus routes by August 1. If you have any questions about advertising in this section, please contact me.

Have a great week and a **SAFE & HAPPY 4th of JULY!!**

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June 29

# The Write Stuff

Essays, Short Stories, Memories,  
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Open to ALL ages

This is the final Write Stuff for this school year. We hope you will continue to write over the summer and encourage your children to write so that we can start up strong in September! Please feel free to email your essays/poems/short stories to me anytime. ALL AGES WELCOME!

We are also looking for businesses to help sponsor these educational pages. It runs 10 months, the last week of each month September to June. Please contact me at 508-909-4062 or email [jsima@stonebridgepress.news](mailto:jsima@stonebridgepress.news) if you'd like information on becoming a monthly sponsor.

Have a fun & safe summer! See you in September!

June Simakauskas

Thank you to Lamoureux Ford of East Brookfield for continuing to be a sponsor of The Write Stuff... it's "Where Friends Send Their Friends!"

Also thank you to all the authors this month and all season long!

Please join us in September for our 17th year!

## You Matter

BY SUE ANGELA HEALY, NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA

You matter whether you live near or even far  
You matter if you drive a truck or prefer a car  
You matter if you are big or even if you're small  
You matter if you are short or if you are tall  
You matter if you are young or if you are old  
You matter if you are meek or if you are bold  
You matter if you are rich or if you are poor  
You matter if you like less or if you like more  
You matter if you write with your right or left hand  
You matter if you prefer the snow or maybe the sand  
You matter if you are black or if you are white  
You matter if you are wrong or if you are right  
You matter whether you are straight, lesbian or even gay  
You matter whether you like the month of September or the month of May  
You matter whether you laugh or whether you cry  
You matter if you are alive or if you even die  
You matter whether you prefer sweet food or even sour  
You matter if you prefer a minute or maybe an hour  
You matter whether you smile or if you frown  
You matter if you prefer up or if you prefer down  
You matter if you run slow or if you run fast  
You matter whether you come in first or even if you're last  
You matter whether you sleep or if you're awake  
You matter if you enjoy eating lobster or if you prefer steak  
You matter whether you have brown eyes or blue  
You matter whether you prefer Chinese or Italian food  
You matter if you are fat or if you are thin  
You matter whether you lose or even if you win  
You matter whether you like cold weather or hot  
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You matter whether you prefer spring or if you prefer fall  
You matter if you like to text or simply make that call  
You matter whether you prefer the west or maybe the east coast  
You matter whether you prefer Christmas or Easter the most  
You matter whether you are a mother or father

You matter whether you are a sister or brother  
You matter whatever your religion might be  
You matter whether you can or cannot see  
You matter whether you are married or single  
You matter if you like to be alone or if you like to mingle  
You matter whether you prefer the mountains or the sea  
You matter if it's all about you or all about me  
You matter whether you are healthy or sick  
You matter what day of the week you decide to pick  
You matter whether you have dark or blonde hair  
You matter whether you're compassionate or don't care  
You matter whether you're a vegetarian or prefer meat  
You matter whether you're cool or even a geek  
You matter whether you enjoy water or if you enjoy milk  
You matter if you wear cotton or if you prefer silk  
You matter whether you're homeless or have a home  
You matter whether you enjoy being with others or maybe stay alone  
You matter whether you prefer a hamburger or hot dog  
You matter if you prefer clear blue skies or maybe the fog  
You matter whether you're a boy or maybe a girl  
You matter whether you have straight hair or if you have curls  
You matter whether you prefer to fly in a plane  
You matter if you just like to ride on a train  
You matter if you like to wear slacks or maybe a dress  
You matter if you are neat or if you're just a mess  
You matter if you stay out of the sun or prefer a tan  
You matter whether you like silver or if you prefer gold  
You matter whether your house is for sale or if it's sold  
You matter if you look forward to tomorrow or dream of yesterday  
You matter if you have nothing or something to say  
You matter if you're a woman or if you're a man  
You matter saying you can't when you know you can  
You matter if you live at the Cape but prefer the coast of Maine  
You matter no matter your culture or even your name  
You matter if you wait until the cake is done or eat the raw batter  
You are an individual – unique – special to me – YOU MATTER.

# CALENDAR

## Friday June 29

**SIMPLE SUPPER:** A supper of a variety of homemade soup and chili, fresh salad, bread and delicious desserts will be held on Friday, June 29 at 6 pm at the First Congregational Church of W. Brookfield, 36 N. Main St. W. Brookfield. The supper will benefit the teens who will be traveling to Washington, DC in August to help the low-income population by working in community kitchens and shelters. A donation of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children is requested. Reservations are not necessary. Please call the church at 508-867-7078 for more information.

## Tuesday July 3

**HARP & GUITAR:** The public is invited to attend a concert at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 3 at the Senior Living at Prouty complex, 195 Main St. in Spencer. Music provided by friend of Eva and Heinz.

## Friday, Saturday & Sunday July 20, 21 & 22

**SEUSSICAL!** Pasture Bedtime Players present Seussical a Youth Musical Friday, July 20 at 7 p.m., Saturday July 21 at 7 p.m. and Sunday July 22 at 2 p.m. at Bay Path Regional Vocational High School, 57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton. Seussical is fun for the whole family! Adults \$18, seniors and student \$15; children age 10 and younger \$10. For tickets contact [pasturebedtimeplayers@gmail.com](mailto:pasturebedtimeplayers@gmail.com) or call (774) 230-9275.

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## Wednesday July 4

**LEICESTER CONCERT ON THE COMMON:** Dan Gabel & The Abeltones. Celebrate the 4th with an authentic 18 piece Big Band featuring vocalist Elise Roth. Music of the '30s and '40s. Gabel was on world tour with the Glenn Miller Band. VFW Post flag opening. No Rain date, concert inside town hall if inclement weather. Concert times 6:30-8:30 p.m. Project made possible in part by a grant from the Leicester Arts Council, a local agency support by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Leicester Savings Bank, and The Fontaine Fund at Greater Worcester Community Foundation as well as local donations.

## Tuesday July 24

**SEVEN HILLS BARBERSHOP QUARTET CONCERT:** Lively tunes and jokes sure to make you smile! Public invited; refreshments. Provided by a local Cultural Grant from town of Spencer! At the Senior Living at Prouty, 195 Main St., Spencer; 1:30 p.m.

## ONGOING EVENTS

**ECONOMY SHOP HOURS:** First Congregational Church, 207 Main St., Spencer has announced ECONOMY SHOP hours for January through June. Open every Wednesday 8 a.m. to noon; Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 6 to 8 p.m.; and Friday 8 a.m. to noon. Come in and see our daily specials. For information call (508) 885-2149.

**Deja New:** Art, Antiques, & Collectibles Vendor Marketplace open on Wednesday from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm in the St. Joseph's Rectory building for its first season. All proceeds will benefit the non-profit "24-7 Community Partnership" which will provide funds to programs for the needy, including the Leicester Food Pantry. Open April-December.

**VFW MEETING:** The Rochdale VFW Post 7556 will hold their monthly business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the post at 713 Pleasant Street, Rochdale on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

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

**THRIFTY:** St. Joseph-St. Pius X Parish, 759 Main St., Leicester, 508-859-8083. New 2 You Thrift Shop. Hours: Tuesday 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to noon., Thursday 3 to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. We have added Thursday hours.

**LIBRARY PROGRAMS:** Richard Sugden Library in Spencer has the following weekly programs. For more information contact the library at (508) 885-7513.

Looking for a fun and educational activity to do with your toddler or preschooler? Come to toddler story hour at 10 a.m. and meet other parents, enjoy songs, stories, and activities with your 18 months to 3 year old. Caregivers must remain in the

room with their toddler. Preschoolers (ages 3-5) come at 11- caregivers must remain on the same floor. These are free programs but do require registration which you can do when you arrive. Today's themes are drums and rhythm.

Join us at Bouncing Babies on Wednesdays from 10-10:45 a.m. for a rollicking, good time! Meet other caregivers, share stories, songs, & rhymes. It's for ages birth to 24 months & their caregivers. Program followed by open play time. The free Afterschool Fun program is today from 4-4:45 p.m. for

children from k-grade 5.

Tune in Together on Thursdays is a music and movement program for toddlers and preschoolers and their caregivers, sponsored and presented by CFCE. Meets from 11 a.m.-noon.

Paws and Pages encourages children to become better readers by sharing a book with trained therapy dogs. This program is possible because of the generosity of trainer, Barbara Laborde and her canine helper. Come between 4-4:15 p.m. on Thursdays to reserve a spot.

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**WEBSTER** - 32 Canille Rd! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Flr Plan! Applianced Kit! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Frplc Cathedral Liv Rm! Den or Din Rm! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Master Bath! 2 Add Bdrms! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! LL Fam Rm! Garages! Irrigation! Shed! **\$349,900.00**

**DUDLEY** - 50 Airport Rd! Updated 5 Rm Ranch! 1/2 Acre Level Lot! Kit 2009! Frpld Liv Rm! 2 Comfortable Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths Total! Mud Rm Entryway! Walk-out Frpld Lower Level! Updated Roof & C/Air! 2010, Breakers 2011, Windows 2015, Furnace 2016! Won't Last! **\$269,900.00**

**DUDLEY** - 9 Page Ln! Newly Renovated 6 Rm, 3 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath Cape! 1 Acre Lot! Cul-de-sac! Hrdwds Throughout! Open Liv Rm, Kit & Din Area! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Isle! Slider to Composite Deck! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Master Bath! 2nd Flr w/2 Large Bdrms & Full Bath! Garage Under! **\$309,900.00**

**WEBSTER** - 21 Madden Dr! 7 Rm Split Entry Cape! SS Appliance Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar! Din Area w/Slider to Dble Tier Deck! Din Rm & Frplc Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Fam Rm! 1st Floor 1/2 Bath Laundry! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! Skylights! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2 Car Garage! .52 Acre Lot! **\$309,900.00**

**WEBSTER** - 7 Vine St! 5+ Rm L-Shaped Ranch! Looking for Larger, this May Be It! 10'6" X 19' Eat-in Kit! 27' Liv Rm! Entry Foyer! 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/Dble Closets! Din Rm & Frpld Cathedral Ceiling Liv Rm w/Hrdwds! Den/Office! 3 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Tile Bath! 1.5 Baths! Walk-out Lower Level! Heat & Hot Water by Gas! Garage! **\$219,900.00**

**THOMPSON - QUADDICK LAKE!** 28 Beautiful! Landing! Western Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 100' Waterfront! 8 Rm Colonial for Your Yr Round or Summer Enjoyment! Open Flr Plan! Applianced Center Isl Kit! Lake Facing Din, Liv & Fam Rms! 3 Bdrms! Lake Facing Master! 2 Full Baths! C/Air! Generator! **\$399,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 10 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! Sandy Shoreline! 9 Rm Contemp Ranch, 3 Bdrms! 3 Baths! Lake Views from Most Rooms! Hrdwd & Tile Flrs Throughout! Brunarhan Custom Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabinets! 1st Flr Office! Master w/New Bath! Frpld Fam Rm! Deck w/Custom Bar! 2 Car Garage! **\$639,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 60 Bates Point Rd! Middle Pond! Absolute Prime 52' Level Waterfront Lot w/Western Expo! Beautiful Sunsets! Panoramic Lake Views! 8 Rms, 3 Bdrm, 2 Baths, A/C'd, Ranch! Custom SS Appliance Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwds & Slider to Waterfront Deck w/Awning! Lake Facing Frplc Liv Rm w/Cathedral, Skylight & Hrdwds! Comfortable Master Bdrm! Frpld Lower Level Fam Rm! 2 Car Garage! **\$729,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE Access!** 2-A Lakeview Rd! 7 Rm Split Entry Cape! Applianced Granite Kit! 4/5 Spacious Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! C/Air! Handicap ELEVATOR! 3 Car Under! 30x40 2 Story Detached Garage w/12' Ceiling & 3 Car Lifts! Overlooking & Short Walk to Lake & Dock! **\$479,900.00**

**WEBSTER LAKE** - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunrises! 9,000' Level Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemp Colonial! Built 2015! Like New! Open Flr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Island, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Frplc! Surrounded by Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling Fan! Dining Area w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile Shower! Laundry Rm! "Wood Look" Tile Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/2 Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hrdwds, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bthrm Access! Lake Facing Bdrm w/Hrdwds, Dble Closet & Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hrdwds & Dble Closet! Full Bath! w/Dble Granite Vanity & Tile Flr! C/Air! Gas Heat! 2x60 2 Story Detached Garage! Deck! Get Packing! **\$789,900.00**

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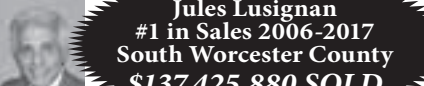
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Docket No. WO18C0239CA  
In the matter of:  
Gavin Michael Leuci  
Of : **Spencer, MA**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME****

To all persons interested in petition described:  
A petition has been presented by Shannon M Paulin requesting that: Gavin Michael Leuci be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows: Gavin Michael Paulin  
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT **Worcester** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **07/24/2018**  
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Date: June 14, 2018  
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225 Main Street  
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(508) 831-2200  
Docket No. WO18C0232CA  
In the matter of:  
Tyler Vaughn Josephson  
Of : **North Brookfield, MA**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME****

To all persons interested in petition described:  
A petition has been presented by Tyler V Josephson requesting that: Tyler Vaughn Josephson be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows: Tyler James Vaughn  
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT **Worcester** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **07/24/2018**  
**WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: June 14, 2018  
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**Town of Spencer  
Conservation Commission  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:  
Jeremy Ahearn has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to reconstruct a new driveway entrance, improve and modify existing parking lot to convert gravel areas to asphalt, and construct a new Stormwater management system located at 460 Main Street, Spencer, MA.  
Barbara Leblanc has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to install a Septic Tank within the 100-ft buffer zone of Stiles Reservoir located at 7 Wilson Avenue, Spencer, MA.  
William Klansek has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to construct a single family residence within the 100-ft buffer zone of a BVW located at 1 Lake Whittemore Drive, Spencer, MA.  
William Klansek has filed a Notice of Intent with the Spencer Conservation Commission to construct a single family residence with the 100-ft buffer zone of a BVW located at 3 Lake Whittemore Drive, Spencer, MA.  
Applications can be reviewed at the

Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at which time all persons having an interest may be present and participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 7:00 p.m., public hearings begin at 7:15 p.m.  
**Mary McLaughlin**  
Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman  
June 29, 2018

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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 Dawn Hidenfelter to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Network, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated April 29, 2011 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47344, Page 91, subsequently assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Network, Inc., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53008, Page 101, subsequently assigned to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 56843, Page 330, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57358, Page 336 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on July 20, 2018 at 114 McCormick Road, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: A certain parcel of land situated on the corner of McCormick Road and Thompson Pond Road in Spencer, Massachusetts and being shown as Lot #11 on a Plan of Land in Spencer, Massachusetts prepared for Philip R. Stoddard and Mark Andrews and prepared by BryLee Civil Engineering Company and dated November 21, 1994 and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 688, Plan 34. BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot #11 on the Easterly side of McCormick Road and at a drill hole where Lot #12, Lot #11 and McCormick Road intersect; THENCE North 00° 47' 36" along the Easterly line of McCormick Road for a distance of 182.94 feet to a point; THENCE along a curve with a length of 21.48 feet and a radius of 11.13 feet to a point; THENCE South 70° 13' 41" East along the Southerly line of Thompson Pond Road for a distance of 197.28 feet to a point; THENCE South 72° 05' 47" East along the Southerly line of Thompson Pond Road for a distance of 70.10 feet to a drill hole; THENCE South 08° 35' 12" West along the land known as Lot #10 for a distance of 208.07 feet to a point; THENCE North 66° 43' 59" West along the land known as Lot #12 for a distance of 254.34 feet to the point of beginning. Containing an area of 1.1886 acres, more or less. BEING the same premises conveyed to Kenneth S. Porter and Linda M. Porter by deed of Robert E. O'Keefe dated January 22, 1997 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds on January 27, 1997 in Book 18566, Page 197.

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

### TERMS OF SALE:

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

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

U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,

ORLANS PC  
PO Box 540540  
Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
16-010117  
June 29, 2018  
July 6, 2018  
July 13, 2018

## 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 Richard A. Sauvageau and Jacqueline C. Sauvageau to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated December 11, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 40347, Page 354, subsequently assigned to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc., its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 50944, Page 231, subsequently assigned to Nationstar Mortgage, LLC by Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53501, Page 35, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by Nationstar Mortgage, LLC by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 58236, Page 101 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on July 13, 2018 at 18 Cottage Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon and all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging; situated in said Spencer, at the corner of Holmes and Cottage Streets and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner thereof, at the Intersection of the westerly line of Cottage Street with the northerly line of Holmes Street; Thence N. 88 3/4° w., by said Holmes Street, 120.12 feet to land formerly of Samuel L. Stone; Thence N. 13° W., by said Stone land and by land formerly of Charles Worthington, 112.53 feet to land formerly of F.T. Tenney; Thence N. 73° 1/4' E., by said Tenney land, 107.58 feet to said Cottage Street; Thence S. 16° 3/4 E., by said Cottage Street, 149.65 feet to the place of beginning. Meaning and intending to describe and convey the premises conveyed by deed recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 39383, Page 359.

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

### TERMS OF SALE:

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

U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,  
ORLANS PC  
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Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
16-008513  
June 22, 2018  
June 29, 2018  
July 6, 2018

## 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 Marie M. Delongchamp to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated October 26, 2007 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 42008, Page 227, subsequently assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57870, Page 54, subsequently assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57877, Page 189 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 July 6, 2018 at 44 Clark Street, Spencer, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land situated in said Spencer on the west side of Ash Street, on the South side of Clark Street and on both the east and west sides of a private street leading from said Clark Street and known as Clark Terrace, with all buildings thereon. Being all and the same premises conveyed in Book 7120 and Page 79. Subject to any conditions, covenants, easements and restrictions of record insofar as the same are in force and applicable.

“Upon information and belief there is an error in the legal description attached to subject Mortgage Book 42008 Page 227 wherein it should have indicating excepting and excluding the portion of land conveyed by Deeds found at Book 2454, Page 128, Book 3580, Page 100 and Book 8776 Page 388”.

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

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

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company  
Present Holder of said Mortgage,  
By Its Attorneys,  
ORLANS PC  
PO Box 540540  
Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
17-008508  
June 15, 2018  
June 22, 2018  
June 29, 2018

## Notice of Hearing North Brookfield Planning Board

The North Brookfield Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 7:15PM at the Senior Center, 29 Forest St., North Brookfield, MA. This hearing will be on the applications of Blue Wave Solar on behalf of Chipman and The Hayes Family Realty Trust situated on 10 Shore Road and 51 Green Road, respectively regarding site plan review and special permit for the proposed solar facilities per zoning bylaw Section VI.F. Commercial Solar Energy Bylaw and Section VI.G. Site Plan Review. Any person interested in or wishing to be heard on these applications should appear at the above stated time and place. A description of the proposed solar projects is on file at the office of the Town Clerk, 215 North Main St., North Brookfield, MA.  
Bill King, Chair  
June 22, 2018  
June 29, 2018

## Town of West Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the West Brookfield Town Hall, to act on an application for a Special Permit for Highview Campground, Inc., property owned by the applicant, for the property located at 58 John Gilbert Road, West Brookfield. The applicant wishes to build a solar farm for off premise use. In Rural Residential District requires a special permit as per section, -3.27 Energy Generating Equipment. The public is invited to attend.

Renee Adams White  
Clerk

June 22, 2018  
June 29, 2018

## 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. WO18P2015EA  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of:

Frances Loraine Brooks  
Date of Death: 04/30/2018

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Jordan T. Brooks of West Brookfield 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

**Jordan T. Brooks of West Brookfield 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 07/24/2018.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Date: June 19, 2018

Stephanie K. Fattman,  
Register of Probate

June 29, 2018

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF BROOKFIELD 6 CENTRAL STREET BROOKFIELD, MA 01506 508-867-2930

The Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6pm, Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in the Brookfield Town Hall Banquet Hall.

The purpose of this hearing is a request by Diana Nickerson for a special permit to replace a deck at 108 Quaboag Street located in the Flood Plain, according to a denial from the Zoning Enforcement Officer based on the Brookfield Zoning By-laws, Section 6 Non-Conforming Land Uses and Structures, Part C, Number 1.

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The Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:15pm, Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in the Brookfield Town Hall Banquet Hall.

The purpose of this hearing is a request by Daniel Plourde for an Administrative Appeal at 5 Quaboag Street, according to an Order to Cease and Desist for commercial purposes from the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

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The Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 6:30pm, Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in the Brookfield Town Hall Banquet Hall.

The purpose of this hearing is a request by John David Holdcraft for an Administrative Appeal at 6 South Maple Street, according to an issue of violation of Section 4 District and Use Regulations, Section C Environmental Controls and Districts, B Prohibited use – all districts.5 from the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Stephen J. Comtois II  
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June 29, 2018  
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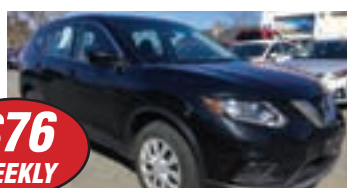


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The Music Room has been in business for 39 years. I have played music most of my life and wanted to share my enjoyment with others.

My Bachelor of Music Education degree is from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and my Master of Arts is from Brandeis University.

Besides teaching in my studio privately, I have taught in the public school system, private schools, marching bands, drum and bugle corps, churches, and performing arts schools. My students have ranged in age from 4 through seniors. My instruments are piano and percussion which includes marimba, drums, and timpani. I have performed extensively on these instruments in orchestras, bands, small and large ensembles, and solo.

My students have also studied with me on flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, violin, cello, and voice. When there are enough interested students, I create small ensembles. Presently there is a jazz band that meets once a week. We will be performing on Saturday, August 11 at 4PM at The Music Room in the backyard. This is our second annual concert. Our first was a huge success!!!

Through the years, I have learned from students that I have a reputation for being "tough yet fair". I agree with that. I enjoy my students immensely but I know they are consumers. If they are not progressing, they are not getting the product I promised.

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than in my younger days. Life has great demands and people's schedules are full. I would like to believe my activity is the most important. I try to accommodate people and teach according to their desires. Not everyone will be a musician. I believe my job is to get people to love music.

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I have also offered exams through the National Guild of Piano Teachers and the Associated Board of the Royal School of Music. As a student I participated in both organizations having received outstanding grades. My students have also done exceptionally well. My students who enter the Central District auditions do well. Many are recommended to audition for All-State, and make it!

Many of my students have been Valedictorians, Eagle Scouts, National Honor Society members, and honor roll students. The focus that music learning develops can be applied to anything that one finds important. My past students are contributing members of society ranging from writers to doctors, lawyers to teachers, composers to performers, and I am enjoying teaching their children now.

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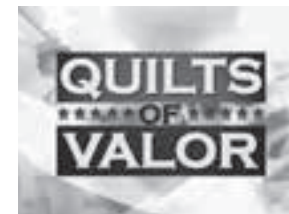
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grandfather used to ride in Mendon parades, and family photos and antiques.

Several celebrities, including singer Tina Turner, the band Aerosmith, actor John Ratzenberger, actor Chuck Connors, children's show host Major Mudd, and a performing monkey named Zip have visited the restaurant. Zip wore a tuxedo and bow-tie to order a shrimp cocktail for dinner.

Quirk prides himself in the quality of the food he serves, specifically the steak and prime rib that is cut to order. The Andelman brothers, local food critics from the television show Phantom Gourmet, are regular customers and friends, he said. They have named the restaurant as one of the top five places to go for steak or prime rib.

The restaurant's regulars have been coming "since the first day," Quirk said, and others used to "come here as little kids and now bring their own children here."

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When asked about his long-term goals, Quirk said, "We're just going to keep doing what we're doing," he said, and "hope that we make it another 10 years."

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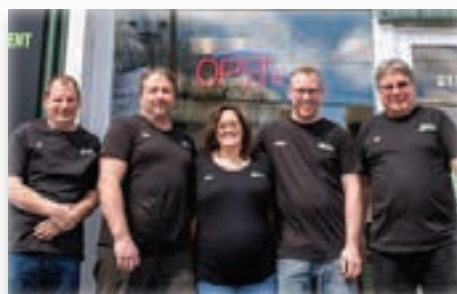
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**Business address & telephone number:** 31 Sutton Ave, Oxford, MA 01540 888-307-5887

**Owner/operator:** Mutually Owned / Matthew S. Sosik, President & CEO

**Business hours and days:**  
Monday - Saturday with various hours by branch location

**Number of employees:** 122

**How long has your business been in operation?** More than 125 years

**Special awards/recognition:** We were recently named a finalist in two categories in the Banker & Tradesman's Massachusetts Banking Choice Awards. bankHometown has been ranked as a **Top Bank in Overall Quality and Customer Service** by readers. It's always satisfying to know that our customers are happy with the services we provide. Equally satisfying is knowing our employees continue to deliver top-notch customer service year after year.

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**How has your business changed since the beginning?** We now have 13 locations serving MA & CT. Plus, we are part of \$2 billion mutual holding company.

**How have you grown?** We joined a larger mutual holding company and that has allowed us to expand into the Northern CT market.

**Biggest challenge to being successful?** Banking is very competitive, so we have to differentiate ourselves with excellent customer service and attention to detail.

**Why do your customers select you over competitors?** We treat our customers like members of our banking family. We make ourselves available to assist our customers in any way – that's what makes us so different. And, as a mutual company, we have no shareholders. That allows us to make our customers our priority, not profits.

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I was originally a math teacher and always had an interest in real estate. When I acquired a license I approached a local broker and began my real estate career. I am still actively involved in teaching. I do teach real estate licensing and conduct numerous real estate education classes in buying foreclosures and landlord/tenant classes in Night-life programs at Bay Path Vocational and Assabet Valley Technical School, and the Central Mass Association of Realtors.

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**Owner/operator:** Ray Butler

**Business hours and days:** Monday - Thursday 9am-7pm, Friday & Saturday 9am-6pm, Sunday 11am-4pm

**Number of employees:** 15

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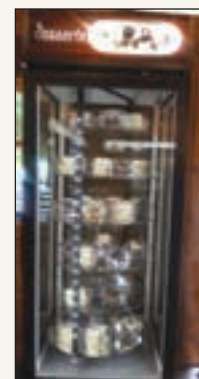
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