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Craver bids farewell to Charlton



The Charlton community said goodbye to longtime Town Administrator Robin Craver on Oct. 1. She is pictured here with State Representatives Robert Frost and Peter Durant, who presented her with a citation acknowledging her 13 years with the town.

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — Oct. 1 was the end of an era for Charlton with the departure of long-time Town Administrator Robin Craver, who left the position after 13 years leading the town hall.

Craver's resignation was announced in July after reaching a mutual agreement with the Board of Selectmen to part ways with the community before the end of her contract, buying out the remaining 22 months of the deal. Craver has signed a new contract last year. Craver's resignation came amid controversies concerning the handling of agreements related to the divisive Valley Green Grow initiative that quickly became one of the biggest stories out of Charlton in 2018 and 2019.

However, controversy was set aside for Craver's farewell as the existing town administrator was greeted by many citizens and town officials over the course of her final day with Charlton selectmen, residents and even town leaders from outside of the Charlton community taking the time to bid Craver farewell. Craver said the emotions of her final day were a mix of optimism for Charlton's future and disappointment that she won't be around to help lead the charge.

"It's been a mixed bag all day. There have been a lot of people coming through. A lot of town officials and residents. It's bittersweet, but I know that the town is going to do really well because we have great staff here. I had an opportunity to

Fall Town Meeting to be held Oct. 16

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — Residents of Charlton will be called to the annual fall town meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 16, where 12 articles will be presented for their consideration.

Originally scheduled for Oct. 8, the meeting was briefly called to order by selectmen and then adjourned to the Oct. 16 date in order to respect citizens who observe yom kippur. The articles on the agenda will not only involved town finances, but will present a new bylaw and ask voters whether or not a pair of positions should be removed from civil service designation.

The first few articles on the warrant are standard procedures, including appropriation of funds for unpaid bills and inter and intra department transfers. This will also include appropriations for capital items and related contracts.

Articles 5 and 6 will involve a capital project and an emergency vehicle purchase. The first will seek a \$170,000 appropriation to fund ADA Improvements to the Maynard Fields. The second article will seek the appropriation of \$604,000 to replace Fire Engine 1 at the Charlton Fire Department. Following those articles, the town will address a potential appropriation from free cash to cover legal and consulting services. It's at that time the town is expected to address the increased legal expenses involving the legal battles associated with the Planning Board's ongoing conflict with Valley Green Grow.

Later on in the evening, the town will vote whether or not to adopt a new bylaw regarding social media. This bylaw, a copy of which is available in the Town Clerk's office, is being co-sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and Technology Committee.

The final two articles of the night will seek to

Arts & Activities Center hosting writing workshops

BY JASON BLEAU
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – There are countless people out there with an idea or an experience they want to share with the world, but just aren't confident enough in their abilities to convey those stories and connect with an audience. For those looking to improve their storytelling abilities and writing skills, the Charlton Arts and Activities Center is playing host to a series of writing workshops led by writer Jennifer Carlson.

Carlson, who grew up in Springfield, is a newly published writer herself. Although she has had research work published in the past, she released her first mainstream book in January called "Write Your Story" which seeks to educate and inspire other writers to pen their own biographies. In her writing workshops series Carlson is exploring the broader scale or writing with different workshops focusing on poetry, picture writing, inspirational writing, career professional story writing, how-to manuals, manuscripts and more.



Jennifer Carlson

"We're really excited about it.

The people who have taken the workshops and have bought the book are now working on their own stories and writing their own works. It's wonderful to see them put what they learn into action," Carlson said.

The workshops are partially funded through a grant and are being promoted by the Charlton Arts & Activities Center as just the latest program the facility is offering to help facilitate creativity and artistic inspiration in the town of Charlton. As a late-blooming writer herself, Carlson said that these workshops aren't a job for her. While they do cost money, she is hoping that the lessons and inspiration received from the workshops is more than worth the price of admission.

"I'm not doing it for the money. It's sort of a project I've been working on for a long time. It's just trying to help other people get their stories out there or help

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Cabaret Lulu brings Broadway to Sturbridge

BY KAYCEE ROY
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STURBRIDGE — If that chill in the air has you singing the winter blues and you're trying to find a way to shake them off, look no further than Carabert Lulu.

Lucille Gould, founder of Cabaret Lulu, has brought back the Cabaret group to Sturbridge for two spectacular, uplift-

ing performances.

"We reach for great closeness with the audience. We talk to them and have audience participation, inter-action when we can. Lulu reaches out and brings them into the show and this touches the audience. If there is a message, it is to be close, to love one another because love will keep us together," says Gould.

Cabaret Lulu

is bringing their love and happiness to the Sturbridge Host Hotel for their shows Wednesday Oct. 30, "An Enchanted Afternoon" and "The Holiday Celebration" on Wednesday, Dec. 4.

The show "An enchanted Afternoon" features music from some of Broadway's musical most famous performances, spotlighting the work of legendary song-

writing duos Lerner and Loewe and Rodgers and Hammerstein with songs from "Gigi," "My Fair Lady," "Oklahoma," and "The King and I. Gould encourages you to laugh, listen and be happy with some of the greatest songs ever written.

The next show coming to Sturbridge,

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June Simakauskas Photo

OVERLOOK RESIDENT TURNS 105

Miss Mary Madden, formerly of Spencer, celebrated her 105th birthday on Sept. 18 at The Overlook in Charlton. She is so grateful to have received 211 cards, flowers, and gifts from friends, relatives, former students, and caregivers, and "loved every one." See Mary's Card of Thanks inside.

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Pumpkin Patch returns to Sturbridge

BY KAYCEE ROY
VILLAGER CORRESPONDENT

STURBRIDGE — The Pumpkin Patch is back! This year, it will be bigger and better than ever. The Federated Church of Sturbridge and Fiskdale is once again opening their pumpkin patch, along with activities and entertainment for all ages, through the month of October.

Member of the Pumpkin Patch committee, Chris Knight, said, “This year, we’re really making it more of a community event. We have invited 14 groups and individuals to come and share something with us. We’ve done a lot of work getting group scouts. It’s free to the community and hopefully the com-

munity will join us for these events and even just enjoy the beauty of the pumpkins.”

Last year, pumpkins sold out so quickly that the church more than doubled the amount of they will be selling this year.

This past Saturday, volunteers helped to unload a massive truck filled to the brim with a unique variety of pumpkins that came all the way from the Navajo Indian Reservation in Farmington, New Mexico, provided by the Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser organization. This organization provided last year’s pumpkins and strives to provide a quality fundraiser for nonprofit partners through availability of products and resources

providing customer service, support and encouragement.

Some of the many great parts of this organization is that the proceeds of these pumpkins will go back to the Native American community they were shipped from and help the people who and families responsible for growing the pumpkins from the beginning. The rest of the proceeds will go back into the communities they are serving and help the lives of people living within them.

Members of the Pumpkin Patch Committee this year said, “It not only supports what we do here at the church but also strongly support organizations like Nick Perry’s Memorial Foundation,

St. Luke’s GuestHouse and the Southbridge Food Share. We support other things as well but those are our three major ones. We usually get a letter or a note once a year saying thank you for the support.”

Not only is your purchase of one of these pumpkins helping others, it’s also a smart decision. The climate that these pumpkins are grown in offers a beautiful range of colors and styles as well as a much longer shelf life because of their harder shell.

Chris Castendyk and Knight commented on the appearances of these pumpkins, saying “Some are strange looking with pockmarks and all kinds of gourds. We didn’t know that there were so

many varieties of pumpkins until last year when we saw them all come in and it’s interesting because different people had interests in different things. People said, “I don’t want just an ordinary pumpkin, give me that warty one!”

Even people that attended last year couldn’t help but talk about the spread of unique and beautiful pumpkins they saw before them.

Knight said, “It was all positive, not only because of its beauty but because of the assortment of the pumpkins, they last longer than the store bought pumpkins, because of where their grown, we even had people from other parts of the country stop and take pictures.”

There will be spon-

sored events throughout the month of October like the Joshua Hyde Library Story Time with Live Kittens for preschoolers on Oct. 13, and on Oct. 12, there will be a Pumpkin Carving with Simone Germine, artist/carver from “Jack-o-Lantern Spectacular” held in RI during October. Many more events will take place throughout the entire month that will be fun for all ages. Pumpkins will be sold from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays. Prices vary. For a complete list of activities throughout the month visit, sturfed.org, or contact the church office at 508-347-3915.

Shepherd Hill senior qualifies for National Merit Scholarship

DUDLEY — Recently, officials from the National Merit Scholarship Program announced the names of approximately 16,000 semifinalists in the 65th annual program. Shepherd Hill Regional High School Principal William Chaplin is proud to announce that senior Olivia Sciarappa was named as one of those semifinalists.

Sciarappa now joins this very select

group in being named among some of the most academically talented high school seniors in the nation. This is an excellent accomplishment for her, and reflects the hard work and dedication she has devoted to her studies up to this point.

“We are all very proud of Olivia at Shepherd Hill,” Chaplin said.

Sciarappa now has the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,600 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$31 million.

More than 1.5 million juniors in about 21,000 high schools entered the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2018 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. The nationwide pool of semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each state. Sciarappa now will work with her guidance counselor to review and complete the tasks and next steps in order to potentially move on to the next round and become a finalist.

MassDOT launches new Safe Routes to School Signs and Lines program

BOSTON — The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing the launch of the new Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Signs and Lines Program. The program provides design services and funding for low-cost infrastructure projects in areas immediately surrounding public elementary and middle schools across the Commonwealth.

The Signs and Lines Program involves a competitive application process through which five successful projects will be selected to each receive up to \$6,000 in construction funding. Each project is expected to be completed within the 2019-2020 school year.

The program was first introduced as a pilot initiative in the City of Lawrence in 2018. As a result of the pilot, eight new crosswalks were painted, new pavement markings were applied, and approximately 50 new roadway signs were installed in the areas immediately surrounding the City’s Arlington Community Day School and Arlington Middle School.

The Signs and Lines Program Guidance Document and Application are available on the SRTS website under the Engineering section. The program also provides a walk audit, project recommendations, design sheet, and bid package (if applicable) at no cost.

The Massachusetts Safe Routes to School Program is a federally-funded initiative of MassDOT. The program works to increase safe biking and walking among elementary and middle school students by fostering partnerships between education leaders, law enforcement, public health departments, and advocacy groups. The program highlights the importance of pedestrian and bicycle safety while also providing information, materials, and resources to support schools and communities with their local SRTS initiatives. The program currently serves more than 900 schools in over 230 communities across the Commonwealth.

Information regarding the new program can be found online at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/safe-routes-to-school-engineering> or by sending an email to SRTS@dot.state.ma.us.



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Wednesday, Oct. 30
Noon-1 p.m. – Spencer Howe Village
1:30-2:30 p.m. – East Brookfield Municipal Offices

Gobi announces October office hours

REGION — Lucas McDiarmid, aide to Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer), will be holding office hours throughout the district during the month of October. Constituents and town officials are invited to meet to express any concerns, ideas and issues they have. Attendants should RSVP to Lucas at McDiarmid@MASenate.gov or by phone at (413) 324-3082. Town attendance is not restricted to residents of those towns.

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United Way kicks off 2019 campaign



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Seventeen members agencies were in attendance at the October 3 campaign kick-off to receive the allocation of \$249,250 from UWSSC Executive Director Mary O'Coin, Board President April Parzych and Campaign Chairman Dawna Dagenais.

SOUTHBIDGE — In a kick-off event for the United Way of Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton's (UWSSC) 2019-2020 campaign, more than 70 people attended a ceremony at Cohasse Country Club, where agency networking and a check presentation highlighted the evening.

The 2019 campaign theme, "Change Doesn't Happen Alone," was illustrated in an emotional speech by Campaign Chairman Dawna Dagenais.

"Reach out a hand to one and influence the condition of all. Change doesn't happen alone. Together ... we can inspire hope and create opportunities

for a better tomorrow," Dagenais said.

UWSSC Executive Director Mary O'Coin, Dagenais and Board President April Parzych presented 17 agency representatives with a \$249,250 check, signifying the promise the UWSSC has made to support their (and other) programs and services.

The UWSSC provides funding to local agencies throughout the three towns to support the United Way's mission of improving lives through education, financial stability, health, basic needs and literacy. The organization has funded more than 26 programs through 19 nonprofit partner agencies annually, including The YMCA of Central MA – Tri-Community Family Branch, New Hope, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Open Sky, Tri-Valley Elder Services, Community Legal Aid, St. Luke's Guesthouse, Pathways for Change and many more.

In May, the UWSSC's Community Investment Committee met with local non-profit agencies to review applications and make recommendations for funding during the 2019-2020 campaign year. New agency Our Bright Future joined the list of many nonprofits who received UWSSC grants to



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help provide services from October 2019 through September 2020.

The UWSSC accepts donations year-round, but is especially grateful for community, business and individual contributions during its campaign season, which runs through Dec. 31.

Online giving is always available at unitedwayssc.org, where there is additional information about the organization, the campaign and agency partners. You can also visit the unitedwayssc.org or Facebook at UnitedWaySSC or call (508) 765-5491.

Massachusetts Fire Training Council receives reaccreditation

REGION — State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey, Massachusetts Fire Training Council Chair Paul Medeiros, and Director David Evans announced today that the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (commonly referred to as The Pro Board) has reaccredited the Massachusetts Fire Training Council. This accreditation will last for four years and covers 19 different levels:

- Firefighter I, II, and I/II;
- Fire Instructor I, II, and III;
- Hazardous Materials Technician;
- Hazardous Materials: Operations Level Responder;
- Fire Officer I, II, and III;
- Driver/Operator – Pumper;
- Driver/Operator – Aerial;
- Technical Rescuer: Rope Rescue I/II, Confined Space Rescue I/II, Trench Rescue I/II, Surface Water I/II, and Swift Water Rescue I/II;

- Incident Safety Officer: Fire Suppression; and
- Incident Safety Officer: Hazardous Materials Operations.

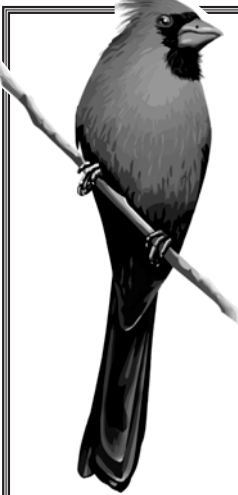
State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said, "Certification is provided to stimulate professional development in the Massachusetts fire service, which allows firefighters to demonstrate their ability to meet professional qualification standards through an objective measure of their professional knowledge, skills, and abilities."

Mass. Firefighting Academy Director Evans said, "While certification is an entirely voluntary process, the council participates in this system to validate their programs against international expectations. This rigorous assessment assures evaluations meet best national practices."

Hyannis Fire Lieutenant Paul Medeiros, Chair of

the Massachusetts Fire Training Council (MFTC), said, "It is important for firefighters and fire officers to know their training meets national standards and may demonstrate proficiency through certification exams."

The Massachusetts Fire Training Council (MFTC) is the sole statutory authority to certify the Massachusetts fire service. The Governor appointed council meets regularly to discuss and develop policies, which drive the certification system. The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy is the operational arm of the council and develops examinations to various professional qualification standards. It also administers these examinations and documents all activities of certification candidates. Certification is an entirely voluntary process, but some local fire departments may require some levels of certification.



Card Of Thanks

Thank you to my devoted family for the Holy Mass and wonderful breakfast, the Spencer Town Board of Selectmen, Andrew and Rose Cassavant, teachers and pupils (present and former), and The Overlook Staff and help, lead by Pat. The flowers, gifts, cards, and well wishes are deeply appreciated.

Sincerely, Mary E. Madden

Key fiduciary duties of a real estate agent

Greetings once again Sturbridge and Charlton residents! Welcome to or welcome back to the Purple Post written by Purple Porch Properties. Thanks for joining us.

In this article, I want to point out the key fiduciary duties of a real estate agent. More specifically, what an agent "owes" you when he or she represents you. Let's set the scene here... you're thinking about buying or selling a home and wondering if you should get an agent or Realtor (there is a difference but we will come back to that) to work with you. Maybe you're wondering what the core of that relationship should be. Well, it's a relationship built on trust and confidence. An acronym titled OLDCAR will help us define it.

"O" stands for Obedience. An agent must follow the direction that is given to him/her by a client. They have to listen what you say!? Well, yes... but only if your instructions are legal and ethical. Please don't

tell me you have water in your basement sometimes but to keep it quiet. Alas, someone who will totally listen... what a feeling!

"L" for Love... just kidding ☺ It's Loyalty. The agent must represent your best interests at all times.

"D" for Disclosure; you have a right to know what your agent knows. No secrets here.

"C" is for Confidentiality. Yes, the agent must keep information disclosed in confidence. This expectation outlasts the relationship as well. Even after your home is bought or sold the confidentiality requirement exists. You deserve that from a professional.

"A" = Accountability. This pertains to being proficient in writing offers, handling money, taking care of your home during showings / open houses etc...

"R" represents Reasonable Care. This is all about being competent in the areas that agents should be competent in. We likely can't fix your

car, but we should know how to consult you on pricing strategies for your home for example.

Wow, do you really get all that from a real estate agent? You certainly should expect to. At Purple Porch, we take pride in delivering on expectations.

Question Du Jour: Is there really a difference between an agent and a Realtor? YES. Realtors are active members of state and local Realtor associations affiliated with the National Association of Realtors and subscribe to a special code of ethics. The ethics guidelines are put forth by the National Association of Realtors. I am proud to be a "Realtor" myself.

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Local CBD store opens in Worcester

BY JORDAN GABLASKI
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WORCESTER — A ribbon cutting ceremony on Sept. 25 marked the grand opening of a Worcester branch of Your CBD Store. The well-attended event was a great success for first time business owner Alex Valle, the proprietor of the store, located at 91 Stafford St.

Standing in the light, airy room filled with chic couches and chairs with instrumental music playing in the background and an array of products on display, Valle describes the store as a “diamond in the rough.” The attention invested in the atmosphere is an indication of the quality of care that he provides every customer who walks in the door.

In his interactions with customers, Valle is welcoming, enthusiastic and highly knowledgeable about the products he sells. One of his main goals, he says, is to educate the curious about the benefits of CBD products, and the relief they offer from pain or discomfort.

Valle’s store is geared toward a mature audience. He sells to anyone over the age of 18 who is “seeking an



Jordan Gablaski Photo
Owner Alex Valle welcomes the curious about the benefits of CBD to visit his newly opened business, Your CBD Store, in Worcester.

alternative way of finding relief,” even carrying CDB products for pets. He admits that he is not a physician, and that the range of products offered at the store, which includes tinctures, edibles and water solubles, are not proven treatments or cures. He does tout them, however, as a viable form of alternative relief.

Valle says his biggest challenge has been the uncertainty surrounding CBD products, and the fact that many consumers are skeptical of their effectiveness in helping those afflicted with arthritis, anxiety, stress, headaches, back aches, and a slew of other ailments. He says, however, that there is no greater satisfaction than hearing from customers who were previously uncertain about whether to turn to CBD, but who were ultimately able to find some relief through the use of one of his products.

“That satisfaction is just priceless,” he says.

Valle also aims to alleviate the doubts that surround CBD products because of their connection to THC and marijuana.

“I want the misconception that it’s just marijuana to be thrown out, and

start from scratch,” he says emphatically, explaining that CBD (short for cannabidiol) occurs naturally in the human body, in the endocannabinoid system. CBD, he adds, acts as a supplement, or “jump start,” to the natural cannabinoids created by the body, promoting homeostasis. CBD, he says, does not contain any THC (the active ingredient in marijuana) or other psychoactives, and will not produce any sort of ‘high.’

Valle’s Your CBD Store is the only one of its kind in Central Massachusetts, and he emphasizes that “everything in the store is legal in all 50 states,” and that SunMed (the manufacturer of the products he sells) offers piece of mind by posting the results of third-party lab testing on its Web site.

For more information on the range of products carried at Valle’s store and other Your CBD Store locations, visit the SunMed Web site, <https://cdbrx4u.com>. Valle encourages anyone who has ever wondered about CBD to visit the store at 91 Stafford St., open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-8 p.m., where he says he relishes the opportunity to show what CBD can do for you.

Harvest Festival celebrates 30 years of Fall fun!

STURBRIDGE — The weekend after Columbus Day has been a special one in Sturbridge for the last 30 years. You may have seen the scarecrows beginning to populate the front yard at The Publick House and that’s a sure sign

the Annual Harvest Festival is right around the corner. On the weekend of Oct. 19-20, right when our foliage is at or near its peak, this traditional fall fest returns to celebrate all things autumn on the Sturbridge Town Common

and the grounds of the Publick House Historic Inn. Harvest Festival will feature over 80 local crafters and artisans, specialty foods, live entertainment, music and magic, a festival of food trucks, as well as the always popular Publick House Scarecrow Contest. Check them out and vote for your favorites! The winning creations will be announced at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 20 at The Publick House.

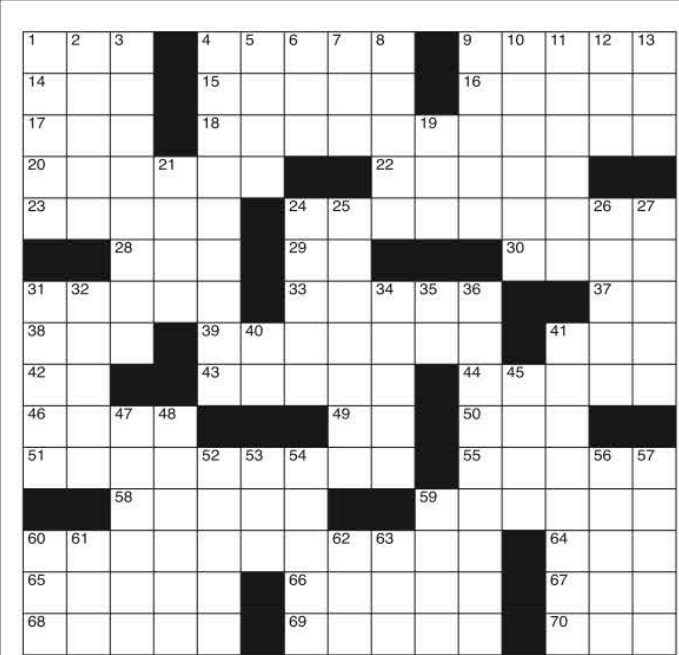
Beside browsing an amazing array of locally crafted items, guests of the festival will enjoy folksy live music and mind-bending magic throughout the weekend. On Saturday, Still Hill takes the stage from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Magician Scott Jameson mystifies the crowds with a magic show from

1:15 to 2 p.m. on the main stage followed by two hours of roving magic throughout the festival grounds. Live music continues on Saturday as The Otters take the main stage from 2:30 to 5 p.m. On Sunday, Magician Scott Jameson performs his magic on the main stage from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., again followed by two hours of roving magic. Four Bridges play on the main stage from 12:45 to 3:15 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. You can find more details about the event by visiting the Harvest Festival tab at www.cmschamber.org.

“Every year, it’s a thrill to see the delight on people’s faces, the kids running around, and friends catching up,” says Chamber Executive Director and festival organizer

Alexandra McNitt. “We look forward to seeing many of our returning vendors and are excited to introduce several wonderful new vendors as well. Harvest Festival puts a nice cap on the season and offers a jump start to Christmas shopping.”

There is something special for everyone at Harvest Festival. Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Rain or shine. Parking and admission are free. The 30th Annual Harvest Festival is presented by the Chamber of Central Mass South and The Publick House Historic Inn. Harvest Festival is sponsored by Sturbridge Tourist Association.

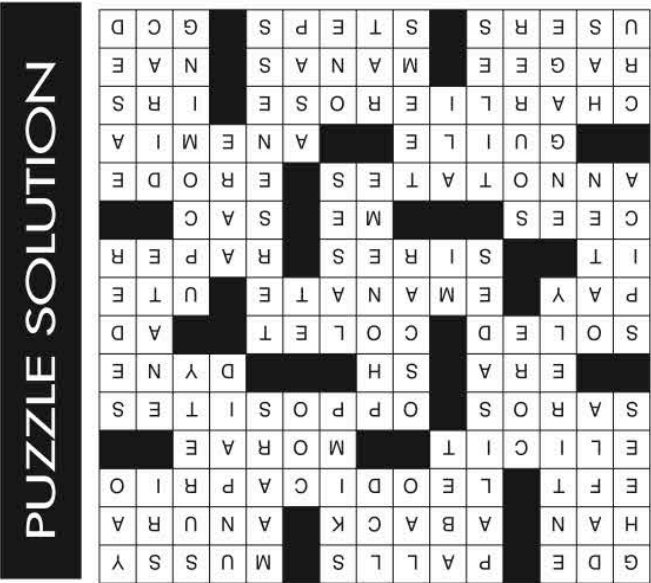


CLUES ACROSS

1. Google certification
4. Cloths spread over coffins
9. Disorderly
14. “Star Wars” hero Solo
15. Toward the rear
16. The order of frogs
17. Alternative pain treatment (abbr.)
18. “Wolf of Wall Street” star
20. Evoke
22. Units of metrical time
23. Helps to predict eclipses
24. Some say they attract
28. Pitching statistic
29. Baseball box score (abbr.)
30. Force unit
31. Repaired shoe
33. English theologian
37. Commercial
38. Exchange money for goods or services
39. Give off
41. One from Utah
42. Computer department
43. Begets
44. English navigator
46. C C C
49. Of I
50. Pouch
51. Add notes to
55. A way to fall into ruin
58. Cunning intelligence
59. Blood disorder
60. Disgraced CBS newsman
64. Tax collector
65. Type of grass common to the Orient
66. Cosmic intelligence
67. No (Scottish)
68. People who rely on things
69. Stairs have them
70. Mathematical term (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

1. Clarified butters
2. Primitive Himalayan people
3. Completely
4. Steep cliffs along the Hudson River
5. Assist
6. Language spoken in Laos
7. Type of screen
8. An attempt to economize
9. Volcanic craters
10. Still outstanding
11. Takes responsibility for another
12. California think tank
13. Former Rocket Ming
19. A pigeon noise
21. Central part of
24. Academy Award statue
25. Distinct unit of sound
26. Relative on the female side of the family
27. Passover feast and ceremony
31. The brightest star in Virgo
32. Made with oats
34. Subjects to laser light
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Neatly brief
40. The Great Lakes State (abbr.)
41. Soon to be released
45. Swiss river
47. Become involved in
48. More dour
52. They’re on floors
53. Boxing’s GOAT
54. Swarms with
56. Quantum mechanics pioneer
57. Facilitated
59. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
60. Regional French wine Grand
61. Owns
62. Tell on
63. Precedes two



Courtesy Photo
On the weekend of Oct. 19-20, the traditional Harvest Festival returns to celebrate all things autumn on the Sturbridge Town Common and the grounds of the Publick House Historic Inn.

Fire officials launch Fire Prevention Week

BOSTON — State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey and Fire Chiefs’ Association of Massachusetts President Chief Dennis Condon are launching Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 6-12.

“This year’s theme Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape, emphasizes how important it is for every family to make and practice a

home escape plan. Even families of one,” said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey.

Chief Condon said, “There is nothing firefighters like to see more when they respond to a fire than the whole family standing at their meeting place, safe outside. Working smoke alarms coupled with a practiced escape plan increase your chances of surviving a

fire.”

“If you have a fire at home you may have less than three minutes after the alarm sounds to get out safely. Knowing what to do can mean the difference between life and death,” says State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey.

“Fire Prevention Week is a great time to hold a family fire drill: test the smoke alarms, practice two ways of getting outside and going to the meeting place,” he added.

Fire departments across the state will be busy during Fire Prevention Week visiting schools and senior centers, holding open houses, participating in community days, and sharing information to help everyone in their community learn to prevent fires and survive those that do occur.

For additional information, visit the Department of Fire Services Fire Prevention Week webpage or visit www.mass.gov/dfs and type in “Fire Prevention Week” in the search box.

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EDITORIAL

Staying young

Over the past week, the national news stage has been filled with stories and broadcasts regarding the impeachment inquiry into the actions of President Donald Trump. While it is important to stay in touch with what's happening on a larger scale around us, many of us can oftentimes can feel inundated by it. We ourselves perusing news outlets when a sudden urge to return to a time of innocence came upon us with the thought, 'I just want to be young again, and eat chocolate and ride bikes all day with my friends.' The thought then occurred that this was actually still possible. Where there is a will, there is a way, and we can indeed still take a day every now and then to eat chocolate all day and ride our bikes with friends — although perhaps the chocolate should be enjoyed in moderation.

As a result, a discussion in the office began about what we do to stay young, and whether it's actually possible to feel young again. Good news, it is. Below are some of the things we found helpful that are scientifically proven to make you feel young again.

Tip number one is not to cancel on hanging out with friends. As we get older, it becomes pure joy to go home and get cozy for a night in. While this is all good, it's more important to maintain your connections with your people. Having strong friendships has been proven to help you live longer and feel that way as well. People who are more social tend to have lower blood pressure as well as cholesterol.

The next tip is to go hiking or spend some time outdoors. Spending time outdoors can make you feel energized and boost your happy meter ten fold.

Experts say that smiling can make you feel younger. Those who smile more are perceived as younger. An added bonus is that smiling reduces stress and can improve your mood.

We've all heard that exercise is key. One study showed that people who do high levels of exercise have cells that age more slowly than their counterparts.

Taking classes can make you feel years younger. This doesn't mean go back to school and suffer any more time under those florescent lights. It means, take a spinning class, guitar or pottery class. Learning something new is a brain booster.

Drinking wine will give you a good dose of resveratrol, which has been shown to slow brain aging. Keep this in moderation, as the flip side can actually kill brain cells and lead to other health problems, we are all aware of.

Apparently, people who wear a citrus scent are said to be perceived as younger and feel younger as well.

"Water, water, water...'nuff said," as we heard a camp counselor lecture us in the early 1990's. Staying hydrated boosts energy and is just an all around smart thing to keep in mind.

Eating sugar is a big no-no. We're not sure how this will affect the 'eat chocolate, ride bikes all day' plan. Getting rid of sugar can reduce the risk of high blood pressure, diabetes and other diseases that can slow you down.

Weight lifting boosts energy levels and creates muscles which in turn make you stronger and feel more youthful.

Staying optimistic about aging has been proven to make you feel younger and boost cognition. Those with a negative outlook, tend to age faster and we don't want that.

Go on an adventure. Doing something that is new and exciting is an easy way to feel alive and make you feel young again.

Make sure your posture is in good form. It's been proven that standing and sitting up straight can boost confidence and make you feel young.

Listen to music from when you were younger. The tunes will bring you right back to when you were young, and if you liked a song once, chances are you'll like it again. Unless it's anything from the Titanic soundtrack.

There are more tips involving volunteering, stretching, taking a multi-vitamin, eating more fruits and vegetables, going to concerts and so on and so forth. The point is, your well being is in your hands.

In the words of George Bernard Shaw, "We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing."

OPINION

VIEWS AND COMMENTARY FROM CHARLTON, CHARLTON CITY, CHARLTON DEPOT AND BEYOND

Country music is the soundtrack of my life

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

BY GARY W. MOORE

My mom made the best biscuits and gravy in America. You may be rolling your eyes but it's not just a bold statement from a proud son, so stay with me...

I have been captivated by the new Ken Burns documentary on Country Music. My dad and mom were dedicated fans. Mom grew up in Sapulpa, Okla., what was then a tiny town next to the growing city of Tulsa. She loved Bob Wills and often heard him perform live. I remember as a small child, sitting on my mom's lap, laughing as she would sing a rousing version of the Wills hit, "Take Me Back to Tulsa." She called herself an Okie and wore the moniker proudly. My dad was from Sesser, Illinois, a small coal-mining town in the deep southern part of the state they call, "Little Egypt." My dad always thought of himself as a "Hillbilly," and I guess he was. I grew up in my younger years eating more rabbit and squirrel than beef and pork. I became quite skilled at chewing and spitting out the buckshot without damaging my teeth.

One of my father's closest friends as a child was Billy Grammer. Billy had a big North American hit in 1958 titled, "Gotta Travel On." It was top 5 in both the Country and Pop charts, and was equally as popular in Australia. Many of the old timers will remember that song and probably not know the name of the artist that made it famous. Gotta Travel On was a medley of his only hit but Billy is legendary in Nashville as a studio guitarist and regular on the Grand Ole Opry.

Mom and Dad met in a country and western bar in small-town Salem, Ill. They married in 1953 and moved north to the Chicago area to find employment. The Chicago area was being flooded after the war with people from Southern Illinois, Kentucky and Tennessee, seeking employment, and they brought Country music with them.

My earliest childhood memories were of Saturday nights, sitting with my family and many neighbors at our old Grundig Radio, turned to WSM in Nashville, Tenn., listening to Billy Grammer and the other stars of the Grand Ole Opry.

As Billy Grammer would tour with various Country artists and would find themselves in or around the Chicago area, my mom would always invite Billy and any of the traveling performers to our home for biscuits and gravy ... and they came. George Morgan, Grandpa Jones, Minnie Pearl, Roy Acuff, Merle Kilgore and many others all found their way to our home, often arriving after midnight in taxi cabs and leaving around sunrise.

I watch this excellently produced documentary and feel like I am seeing old friends. I remember meeting Loretta Lynn for the first of several times, very early in her career and backstage at the Hammond, Indiana Civic Center. Billy introduced us to her and said she was new but would soon be the new "First

Lady of Country Music." She grabbed my shoulders, looked at me and proclaimed that I was the "prettiest little boy she'd ever met." She pulled my head to her chest and hugged me. When she went on stage she said, "There is the most beautiful little boy backstage and I sure wish I had his eyelashes."

I met her again several times over the next few years and she always gave me a hug. She may have been the kindest and sweetest person I ever met. I later told my teacher I met The First Lady and she asked, "Lady Bird Johnson? And I responded, "No, Loretta Lynn!"

When I was 19, I auditioned and played drums for one night with Ray Price. Ray asked me if I'd like to play a few additional nights and I enjoyed the privilege and opportunity to travel a short time with one of the greatest country stars of the 1960's and '70's. This is around the time where "western" was dropped and the music emerged as simply "Country." At the time Barbara Mandrell and her family were traveling as the warm-up act for Price and she and her family, like Ray Price and Loretta Lynn, are truly among the finest people I have ever met.

There are no absolutes, but the openness, kindness and lack of "star-ego" is what I think of as I think back to meeting these performers. They were wildly popular and known all over North America and beyond but there were no false pretenses or air of entitlement. They felt as though they were as lucky to meet their fans as the fans were to meet them.

I was a young witness to these performers and the making of the history of country & western music thanks to my dad's love of the music and his childhood friend Billy Grammer. Billy took us backstage in almost all of the Chicago area venues and introduced us to the biggest stars of the day, then brought them to our home in Hillcrest subdivision in Kankakee, Illinois to relax and eat what George Morgan proclaimed to be "the best biscuits and gravy in America!"


As I get older, I find that I become more emotional. I sit on my couch watching the Burns documentary and am surprised at the moments I break into tears at the site of, what feels like, old friends.

Thank you, Ken Burns, for capturing, organizing and sharing this important history of the times and music. I am grateful and I know I am not alone.

These are memories I will cherish the rest of my life.

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Not too soon for end-of-year financial moves



FINANCIAL FOCUS

JEFF BURDICK

We've still got a couple of months until 2019 draws to a close, but it's not too early to make some end-of-the-year financial moves. In fact, it may be a good idea to take some of these steps sooner rather than later.

Here are a few suggestions:

Boost your 401(k) contributions. Like many people, you might not usually contribute the maximum amount to your 401(k), which, in 2019 is \$19,000, or \$25,000 if you're 50 or older. Ask your employer if you can increase your 401(k) contributions in 2019, and if you receive a bonus before the year ends, you may be able to use that toward your 401(k), too.

Add to your IRA. You have until April 15, 2020, to contribute to your IRA for the 2019 tax year, but the more you can put in now and over the next few months, the less you'll have to come up with in a hurry at the filing deadline. For 2019, you can put up to \$6,000 in your IRA, or \$7,000 if you're 50 or older.

Review your portfolio. It's always a good idea to review your investment portfolio at least once a year, and now is as good a time as any. But don't make any judgments based solely on your results over the past 10 months. Instead, look carefully at how your portfolio is constructed. Is it still properly diversified, or has it become overweighted in some areas? Does it still fit your risk tolerance, or do you find yourself worrying excessively about short-term price swings? These are the types of factors that might lead you to make some changes, possibly with the help of a financial professional.

Don't forget about your RMDs. Once you turn 70 and a half, you generally need to start taking withdrawals – the technical term is "required minimum distributions," or RMDs – from your traditional IRA and your 401(k) or similar plan. After the first year in which you take these RMDs, you must take them by the end of each year thereafter. If you don't withdraw at least the minimum amount (calculated based on your age, account balance and other factors) you face a penalty of 50 percent of what you should have taken out – a potential loss of thousands of dollars. So, take your RMDs before Dec. 31. The financial services provider that administers your IRA or 401(k) can help you determine the amount you must withdraw.

Think about next year's opportunities. It happens to almost all of us: A year has passed, and we haven't taken the actions we had planned. So, start thinking now about what you want to do in 2020 from a financial standpoint. Can you afford to ratchet up your investments in your retirement plans? If you have children or grandchildren, have you started saving for college? Have you considered ways to protect your financial independence if you ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay? If these or other items are on your financial to-do list, start planning now to get them done next year.

Time goes quickly – so don't get left behind without having taken the steps to keep moving toward your financial goals.

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DIY Ideas that Capture Autumn’s Brilliance

Few simple pleasures compare to the colorful show of a New England autumn. Why not capture that brilliance with projects that will recall crisp, fall days of yore? Read on for inspiration and instruction to spotlight the blazing color that comes but once a year.

Botanical Prints

Botanical prints are timeless and vintage examples command premium prices. Here in New England, we are surrounded by nature’s foliage, which have natural dyes and just happen to make the most appealing botanical wall hangings. Here’s how:

Materials: Pliable, colorful autumn leaves, the darker the better; parchment or rag paper (resume paper that is at least 25% rag content also works); absorbent paper towels, flat end hammer.

Directions: Clean off any dirt or debris from the leaf. Place one sheet of parchment or rag paper on a flat, clean and sturdy surface such as a workshop table or cutting board. Place leaf flat down on surface. Cover with a few layers of paper towels. Using even force, tap the entire area of the leaf (to gauge the area, outline the leaf with pen on the paper towel to use as a guide). This step helps to anchor the leaf to the paper. To release the leaf’s natural dyes, go over the leaf surface again, hammering every inch of the leaf. When done, do the same working in the opposite

direction. Don’t be afraid to take a peek every once in a while to check your progress. When done, peel the leaf from the paper to expose the print!

To preserve the color of the print, spray with an acrylic protectant. Mat and frame individual prints, or create a collage of different leaves and colors!

Note: Brighter colored leaves such as Japanese Maples create the most vivid colors.

Autumn Luminaries

The most colorful and textural fall leaves are literally “in the spotlight” with this homemade luminary project. Use either a real or flameless candle to create a variety of different mood lighting,

Materials: Dried and pressed leaves (drying between weighted newspaper or paper towel pages results in leaves that are dry, yet pliable; Mod Podge (available at craft stores); canning jar.

Note: Lighter leaves allow for more illumination.

Instructions: Using a paintbrush coat the entire outside of the canning jar generously with Mod Podge. Do not coat the bottom of the jar of the rim area. While jar is still wet, place leaves onto the jar and press in place. Brush over the leaves with another coat of Mod Podge.



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Note: Keep in mind spacing leaves apart allows more light to shine through. Overlapping leaves collage style creates a denser jar and dimmer light.

Once leaves are placed, dab or stipple the Mod Podge in the clear spaces. This little extra effort will pay off when the light shines through and shows off the texture rather than brush strokes.

Allow to dry overnight, and then apply one last coat of Mod Podge. As a final touch, spray the outside surface of the jar with an acrylic finish. Again, allow to dry completely. To use, place a contained tea light candle or flameless candle inside the jar.

Foliage Garlands

Garlands strung across mantles or doorways are popular autumn décor, but why buy faux foliage when you have the real thing right outside your door?

Note: If you are not using preserved leaves, this garland only gets better with age for as they dry, they curl up and take on a new look!

Materials: Colorful fall leaves (crimson and yellow Maple leaves are best); Mod Podge (available at craft stores); plastic straws; twine; hot glue or tape.

Instructions: Choose flat, clean leaves.

Dry by pressing until all moisture is removed (press between weighted newspaper and paper towels). Carefully brush Mod Podge on each leaf. **Note:** Do one side at a time and allow to fully dry. Cut straws in half inch length. Attach a straw piece to back of each leaf with hot glue or strong tape. String each leaf on twine and hang!

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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 newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, C/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Protect your winter landscape from hungry wildlife



GARDEN MOMENTS
MELINDA MYERS

There’s no doubt that managing critters in the landscape can be a challenge especially as food supplies start to dwindle. If you are battling with rabbits, deer, groundhogs or other wildlife, don’t let down your guard as the growing season begins to wind down.

Be proactive. Start before they get into the habit of dining on your landscape. It is easier to keep them away than break the dining habit.

Fence them out. Fencing is the best defense against most wildlife. A four feet tall fence around a small gar-

den will keep out rabbits. Secure the bottom tight to the ground or bury it several inches to prevent rabbits and voles from crawling underneath. Or fold the bottom of the fence outward, making sure it’s tight to the ground. Animals tend not to crawl under when the bottom skirt faces away from the garden.

Go deeper, at least 12 to 18 inches, if you are trying to discourage woodchucks. And make sure the gate is secure. Many hungry animals have found their way into the garden through openings around and under the gate.

A five-foot fence around small garden areas can help safeguard your plantings against hungry deer. Some gardeners report success surrounding their garden with fishing line mounted on posts at one- and three-

foot heights. Break out the repellents. Homemade and commercial repellents can be used. Apply before the animals start feeding and reapply as directed. Consider using a natural repellent that’s safe for people and wildlife.

Scare ‘em away. Blow up owls, clanging pans, rubber snakes, slivers of deodorant soap, handfuls of human hair and noise makers are scare tactics that have been used by gardeners for years. Consider your environment when selecting a tactic. Urban animals are used to the sound and smell of people. Alternate scare tactics for more effective control. The animals won’t be afraid of a snake that hasn’t moved in weeks.

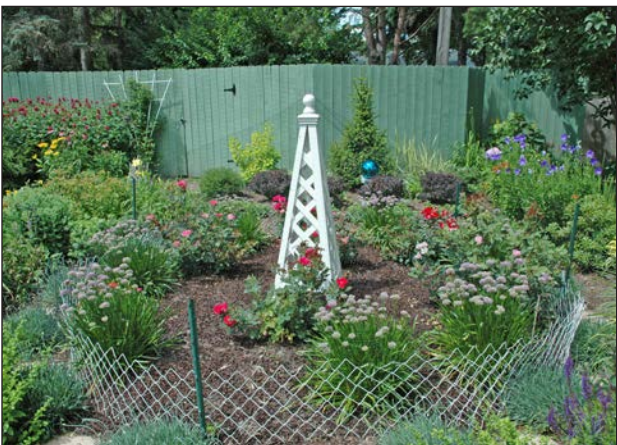
Combine tactics. Use a mix of fencing, scare tactics and repellents. Keep

monitoring for damage. If there are enough animals and they are hungry, they will eat just about anything.

Don’t forget about nature. Welcome hawks and fox into your landscape. Using less pesticides and tolerating some critters, their food source, will encourage them to visit your yard. These natural pest controllers help keep the garden-munching critters under control.

And most importantly, don’t give up. A bit of persistence, variety and adaptability is the key to success. Investing some time now will not only deter existing critters from dining in your landscape but will also reduce the risk of animals moving in next season.

Gardening expert, TV/radio host, author & columnist Melinda Myers



Melinda MyersPhoto

Fencing, when installed properly, can be an effective tool in protecting gardens against animal damage.

has more than 30 years of horticulture experience and has written more than 20 gardening books, including Can’t Miss Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything” DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda’s

Garden Moment segments. Myers is also a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Myers’ Web site, www.melindamyers.com, offers gardening videos, podcasts, and garden tips.

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ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES
WAYNE TUISKULA

The Civil War was the most expensive and deadliest conflict ever fought on American soil. The History Channel’s website reports that it resulted in “620,000 of 2.4 million soldiers killed, millions more injured and much of the South left in ruin.” Many scholars, history buffs, and collectors remain fascinated with the Civil War and how it impacted the country.

The first shots of the Civil War were fired at Fort Sumter, South Carolina in April 12, 1861. After being bombarded by Confederate artillery, Major Robert Anderson surrendered the fort with-

in two days to the Confederate forces under Pierre G.T. Beauregard. There were many bloody battles throughout 1862 and 1863. In 1864, “Sherman’s March to the Sea” helped bring an end to the conflict. According to the History Channel, “From November 15 until December 21, 1864, Union General William T. Sherman led some 60,000 soldiers on a 285-mile march from Atlanta to Savannah, Georgia.” The troops stole food and burned houses and barns of those who fought them along

their route. Sherman wanted to “make old and young, rich and poor, feel the hard hand of war.” In the spring of 1865, General Meade and General Grant pursued the Confederates along the Appomattox River. The Southern troops were low on supplies and outnumbered. General Lee finally decided that he must surrender and is quoted as writing “there is nothing left for me to do but to go and see Gen. Grant, and I would rather die a thousand deaths.” Lee surrendered to Grant on April 9.

There is far too much history to cover the entire Civil War in this column. There is also a large amount of memorabilia. I plan to discuss Civil War memorabilia further in a future column. We will be auctioning an important piece of Civil War era memorabilia that warrants a column of its own.

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SPORTS

Minutemen inch closer to District berth with win over Worcester Tech/North



Nick Ethier photos
Bay Path keeper Lauryn Dawson runs up to the ball to make the save ahead of a Worcester Tech attacker.



Bay Path's Isabella Gonyey races up to the ball ahead of Worcester Tech's Mariana Vega.



Bay Path's Kyleigh Sutherland quickly approaches Worcester Tech's Mariana Vega.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — Hailey Cournoyer scored a pair of goals in a three-minute span late in the first half to help lead the Bay Path Regional girls' varsity soccer team to a 4-2 win over a visiting co-op team comprised of Worcester Tech and North High students.

With the Thursday, Oct. 3 victory, the Minutemen improved to 8-3. The Eagles dropped to 3-5 with the loss. Bay Path is now one win away from qualifying for the District Tournament.

With her team ahead 1-0, thanks to a goal in the 11th minute by teammate Kyleigh Sutherland, Cournoyer increased the lead to 3-0 in what seemed like the blink of an eye, scoring in the 32nd minute of the first half and then again three minutes later, on a pair of breakaway goals.

"Hailey's quick, she gets to the goal fast and she knows how to finish; we call her speedy," longtime Bay Path head coach Tammy Legere said about her sophomore striker. "Hailey's got that final touch. She knows how to put goals away."

Cournoyer's offensive exploits allowed the Minutemen to go into half-time with a 3-0 lead, despite what could be best described as a methodical start to the game.

"We usually don't usually start playing until the second half. We start slow and then we pick it up," Legere said. "We can't do that the rest of the season, though, because if we do that we're going to have a tough time."

Bay Path's remaining schedule includes Parker Charter, which it lost to, 2-1, on the road on Sept. 11, Blackstone Valley Tech, which it lost

to, 7-3, on Sept. 9, and Assabet Valley, which it lost to, 7-1, on Sept. 25. The rest of the Minutemen's schedule includes two games with Tri-County Regional as well as single games against the Advanced Math and Science Academy, Monty Tech and Southbridge High.

Worcester Tech/North cut the Bay Path lead down to 3-1 seven minutes into the second half, Ana Giraldo scoring on a right-to-left shot that somehow got past Minutemen goalie Lauryn Dawson.

Bay Path, however, got the goal back two minutes later; Abigail Graham scoring on a right-to-left shot that pushed the Minutemen lead back to three goals, 4-1.

Worcester Tech/North closed out the scoring with 13:55 left in the game, Genevieve Rivers scoring on a penalty kick to account for the 4-2 final.

Dawson, a senior, finished with seven saves, five coming in the second half. "Lauryn's a senior, she's played for me for four years," Legere said. "She made some big stops in the second half when it was 4-2 and they were desperately trying to make it a one-goal game. This was a big game for her because she had just returned from an injury."

Legere feels optimistic about the potential this team has this year.

"If we put it all together we're a very good team and we should be good," Legere said. "We have a lot of injuries right now, especially on defense. If we can get those girls healthy for the rest of the season, we should be OK. We have good team speed and lots of young talent."



Amarii Colon of Bay Path kicks the ball around her Worcester Tech opponent.



Amber Gerard of Bay Path has a step on a Worcester Tech defender.

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SPORTS

No goals scored, but another result for Shepherd Hill, this time vs. Crusaders



Nick Ethier photos
Shepherd Hill's Wiki Ucher settles the ball and then heads off down the field with it in tow.



Lauren Alicea of Shepherd Hill jukes through Groton-Dunstable's defense.



Shepherd Hill defender Demi Teguis heads the ball to make sure it doesn't get past her and toward a Groton-Dunstable striker.



Jordan Maple of Shepherd Hill clears the ball out of her team's defensive zone.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — Defense ruled the play and ruled the day as the Shepherd Hill Regional and Groton-Dunstable Regional girls' varsity soccer teams battled to a scoreless tie at Carmignani Memorial Field on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

The Rams, who play in the Mid-Wach League's A Division, remained undefeated with the tie, moving to 4-0-4 at nearly the halfway point of the season. The Crusaders,

who are in the Mid-Wach B Division, are now 3-4-3.

The game belonged to the goalkeepers, as Shepherd Hill's Michaela Cluett, a junior, made 12 saves, while Groton-Dunstable's Bianca Resca, a senior captain, made eight stops.

After a somewhat listless first half the Rams elevated their level of play in the final 40 minutes with several solid chances to score.

"Groton-Dunstable definitely dominated in

the first half a little bit more than we did, but I chalk it up to our only having one game last week," Shepherd Hill head coach Amanda Brotherton said. "When we are consistently playing, our play gets better and better every time out. This was the first game back from last week when we played in the monsoon on Thursday [a 3-0 home win over Shrewsbury High].

"I think finally being able to put it out there against a good team is a challenge for us sometimes," Brotherton said. "I think in the second half of games some of the things I say to them at halftime will light a little fire under them. I think that definitely happened today."

The Rams' best chance to score may have come on a corner kick by senior Tori Paine in the final 15 minutes. On the play Paine lifted a high arcing shot that came down right in the center of the goal mouth. Before one of her teammates could get to the ball and make a play, however, Resca leaped above the crowd and snatched the ball out of the air.

Earlier in the half Avery List, Shepherd Hill's sophomore midfielder, made a strong bid to score, but Resca again got to the ball just before it crossed the goal line, this save coming on a diving stop.

Groton-Dunstable's best chance to score came in the final 30 seconds of the game. In the final minute the Crusaders aggressively charged toward the Rams' net, the result being a 15-yard shot from senior captain Jillian Van Pelt who got off a curving shot that started out toward the

right side of the goal and ended up just missing the goal on the left side.

Brotherton acknowledged that all the ties Shepherd Hill has been involved in is maddening at times, but what helps her deal with them is putting this season in perspective when comparing it to last year when the Rams finished 8-9-1 and missed qualifying for the postseason by a single point.

"The ties are getting frustrating, but to have made the steps we have this season compared to

last year I think is a big, not win for us per se, but being able to hold off good teams and tie some of the teams we have and being able to get the results we have is a step in the right direction for our program," Brotherton said.

So far this season Shepherd Hill has defeated Marlborough High (2-0), Blackstone Valley Tech (4-1) Leominster High (2-0) and Shrewsbury, and tied the Bromfield School (3-3), Wachsuett Regional (1-1), Grafton High (3-3) and now Groton-Dunstable.

One Rams' player who definitely got Brotherton's attention against Groton-Dunstable was sophomore Jordan Beeman, one of the Rams' center backs.

"Jordan was awesome today," Brotherton said. "She makes plays. She makes you notice her. Jordan appears to be everywhere all the time. She seems to be improving every game."



Keeper Michaela Cluett of Shepherd Hill runs up to the ball to make the save.



Shepherd Hill's Maria Holland comes in to break up a shot taken by a Groton-Dunstable attacker.

SPORTS

St. John’s scores early and often to beat Rams, who nearly keep up



Jason McKay photos

Shepherd Hill’s Nate Cooper breaks the plane for a touchdown versus St. John’s.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

SHREWSBURY — If it weren’t for a pair of touchdowns on special teams and a defense that broke a few more many times than it bent, the Shepherd Hill Regional varsity football team may very well have taken down the perennial Central Mass. high school football team of the past decade.

Instead, the Rams and head coach Ryan Dugan are left to deal with a hard-fought 63-52 loss to St. John’s High from Friday, Oct. 4, with the Leominster Blue Devils next up on a very demanding schedule.

“I was incredibly pleased with the toughness and resiliency we showed, but when you

play a team of this caliber, you can’t spot them points in special teams,” Dugan said, whose team dropped to 3-1. “I thought we played well, but there were just some little things; mistakes that when you’re playing one of the top teams in the area, which St. John’s is, you can’t make.”

St. John’s jumped out to a 7-0 lead when Michigan-bound senior Eamonn Dennis took the opening kick back 91 yards, and the Pioneers increased their advantage to 14-0 with 8:09 left in the first quarter when Dennis (four carries, 144 yards and kickoff returns for scores of 91 and 70 yards) raced in from 50 yards out.

At that point the Shepherd Hill offense began to awaken

and the game gradually turned into a shootout.

“We’re very proud of our running game. That’s our calling card,” Dugan said. “I thought our offensive line played well. It took us a quarter or so to get our backs going, but once we did we played well. To put 50 points up against a good, solid team like St. John’s is outstanding. It was a credit to our running game.”

And what a running game it was. Eight different backs carried the football for the Rams against the Pioneers, rolling up a total of 489 yards and six touchdowns on 86 carries.

Leading the way on the ground for Shepherd Hill was senior Nate Cooper, who rushed for 153 yards on 25 carries and had scoring runs of two and three yards. Classmate Gabe Dos Santos gained 126 yards on 15 rushes and scored on runs of 20 and 21 yards. Dos Santos also caught a seven-yard scoring strike from Rams’ quarterback Ethan Quinn for a third score.

Also scoring rushing touchdown were seniors Anthony Oriente (14 carries, 64 yards) from 18 yards out, and Anthony Sacco (10 carries, 57 yards) from 28 yards out.

“We had a bunch of guys run hard,” Dugan said. “Gabe Dos Santos ran really hard. Mike Raymond [10 carries, 40 yards] ran really hard. We were able to get Cooper going later in the game, too, and all our fullbacks ran hard.



Shepherd Hill’s Anthony Sacco gains some open running room down the sideline.

“We came into the game knowing we would have to score 40 or 50 points to even be in the ball game, forget to win game, just to be in the ball game, and we were able to accomplish that,” Dugan continued. “We’re really proud of what we’re doing on offense with our running game, but our special teams and our defense needs to improve.”

The game was definitely a contrast in styles. St. John’s, which scored quickly when they had the ball, found the end zone on scoring drives of 1, 3, 4, 5 (twice), and 7 (twice) plays. Shepherd Hill, on the other hand, had scoring drives of 5, 7, 10, 13, 14 (twice) and 16 plays. The Rams’ scoring drives alone

took more than 28 minutes off the game clock.

Dugan was particularly pleased with his team’s scoring drive right before halftime. The Rams went 80 yards in 16 plays in the final 3:05 of the second quarter. Cooper scored on a two-yard run on the last play of the first half to cut the St. John’s lead down to 42-28 at the break.

“That drive got us back in the game,” Dugan said.

Shepherd Hill also put together an impressive drive to end the game, going 99 yards on 10 plays, Quinn hitting Dos Santos — who made a diving catch — from six yards out on first-and-goal with 29 seconds left in the game.

TORPEDOES-NE SWIM RESULTS

The age 11 and over Freestyle Stroke Meet was held at the Greendale YMCA in Worcester on Sept. 29.

The results of the event, featuring top 10 finishers from the local team (Torpedoes-NE) out of the Tri-Community YMCA, are as follows:

- Girls 11-12 50 SC Meter Freestyle
9. Abigale Houle, 35.79
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4. Evan Dambly, 33.76
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7. Sunday Voraraj, 35.1-
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Girls 13-14 50 SC Meter Freestyle
3. Zoey Zhu, 32.63
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5. Maria Piekarczyk, 1:11.43
Boys 15 & Over 100 SC Meter Freestyle
2. Ryan McKenzie, 1:00.26
6. Adrian Ignatovich, 1:03.70
8. Andrew Wade, 1:05.09
10. Jack Davis, 1:05.85
Girls 11-12 200 SC Meter Freestyle
7. Abigale Houle, 3:06.37
10. Amara Johnson, 3:06.80
Boys 11-12 200 SC Meter Freestyle
4. Evan Dambly, 2:55.67
5. Quinn Sullivan, 2:58.61
7. Sam Merchant, 3:06.25
8. Ethan Zhu, 3:11.39
9. Sunday Voraraj, 3:15.42
10. Jonah Scherer, 3:24.48
Girls 13-14 200 SC Meter Freestyle
3. Zoey Zhu, 2:42.60
4. Kira Dambly, 2:43.47
5. Abigail Morse, 2:46.84
6. Emily Owens, 2:47.68
7. Jade Desmond, 2:54.79
10. Molly Bilodeau, 3:01.00
Boys 13-14 200 SC Meter Freestyle
2. Akshat Viswanath, 2:33.68
3. Ethan Korenda, 2:39.80
4. Eben Mazieka, 2:44.78
5. Alex Soderquist, 2:46.20
7. Reed Magnan, 2:51.20
9. Brad Piekarczyk, 2:54.87
Girls 15 & Over 200 SC Meter Freestyle
2. Sarah Kersting-Mumm, 2:34.76
6. Maria Piekarczyk, 2:41.26
Boys 15 & Over 200 SC Meter Freestyle
4. Ryan McKenzie, 2:23.31
7. Adrian Ignatovich, 2:25.10
8. Thomas Morrison, 2:28.12
10. Jack Davis, 2:29.87
Girls 400 SC Meter Freestyle Relay
Zoey Zhu, Sarah Kersting-Mumm, 4:55.08
5. Emily Owens, Julia Obrycki, Abigail Morse, Kira Dambly, 5:21.53
7. Jade Desmond, Sonia Ganski, tori Stendrup, Nicole Apicelli, 5:37.27
Boys 400 SC Meter Freestyle Relay
2. Adrian Ignatovich, Daniel Sickenberger, Jack Davis, Ryan McKenzie, 4:29.31
3. Akshat Viswanath, Daniel Durda, Thomas Morrison, Max Sullivan, 4:40.47
4. Eben Mazieka, Reed Magnan, Axel Soderquist, Ethan Korenda, 5:00.14
Then, on Oct. 6, Mount Wachusett Community College hosted the Backstroke Meet. Again, Torpedoes-NE top-10 results are as follows:

1. Dominik Ignatovich, 41.46
3. Jack Sullivan, 48.17
4. Miles Oprica, 58.12
Girls 11-12 50 Yard Backstroke
4. Sonia Ganski, 38.84
6. Abigale Houle, 39.43
Boys 11-12 50 Yard Backstroke
2. Evan Dambly, 35.69
4. Quinn Sullivan, 37.13
5. Ethan Zhu, 38.70
7. Jonah Scherer, 42.98
Girls 13-14 100 Yard Backstroke
1. Zoey Zhu, 1:11.59
4. Kira Dambly, 1:15.06
6. Julianna LaForce, 1:19.34
7. Abigail Morse, 1:19.89
8. Jade Desmond, 1:20.71
Boys 13-14 100 Yard Backstroke
2. Akshat Viswanath, 1:07.26
3. Ethan Korenda, 1:10.90
4. Max Sullivan, 1:13.28
5. Brad Piekarczyk, 1:20.00
6. Reed Magnan, 1:20.52
9. Nathaniel Chute, 1:24.91
10. Lucas Lawendowski, 1:40.37
Girls 15-18 100 Yard Backstroke
4. Sarah Kersting-Mumm, 1:11.74
6. Maria Piekarczyk, 1:12.94
Boys 15-18 100 Yard Backstroke
2. Ryan McKenzie, 1:01.51
7. Thomas Morrison, 1:09.58
Girls 8 & Under 50 Yard Backstroke
1. Brynn Boucher, 42.47
4. Hailey Mathurin, 55.42
5. Kyrach Gingo, 57.13
7. Neave Bilodeau, 1:04.23
Girls 9-10 100 Yard Backstroke
3. Abbey Korenda, 1:29.29
5. Katelyn Spillane, 1:32.86
6. Kylie Formigal, 1:33.09
Boys 9-10 100 Yard Backstroke
1. Dominik Ignatovich, 1:31.18
3. Miles Oprica, 2:10.14
Girls 11-12 100 Yard Backstroke
5. Abigale Houle, 1:24.85
7. Sonia Ganski, 1:26.45
Boys 11-12 100 Yard Backstroke
3. Evan Dambly, 1:20.20
4. Quinn Sullivan, 1:21.30
6. Ethan Zhu, 1:25.59
7. Jonah Scherer, 1:33.83
Girls 13-14 200 Yard Backstroke
1. Zoey Zhu, 2:37.91
2. Kira Dambly, 2:43.44
5. Abigale Morse, 2:50.09
6. Jade Desmond, 2:51.14
7. Julianna LaForce, 2:55.20
10. Nicole Apicelli, 3:00.88
Boys 13-14 200 Yard Backstroke
2. Akshat Viswanath, 2:31.35
3. Max Sullivan, 2:36.98
4. Ethan Korenda, 2:38.14
5. Brad Piekarczyk, 2:52.40
8. Reed Magnan, 3:00.65
9. Nathaniel Chute, 3:02.09
10. Lucas Lawendowski, 3:34.72
Girls 15-18 200 Yard Backstroke
5. Sarah Kersting-Mumm, 2:41.07
7. Maria Piekarczyk, 2:43.05
Boys 15-18 200 Yard Backstroke
3. Ryan McKenzie, 2:24.12
4. Thomas Morrison, 2:25.00
5. Adrian Ignatovich, 2:27.35

A big thank you to all the coaches; Molly McGuire, Austin Parke and Kendra Iller, the parents from all the teams, Greendale YMCA and Mount Wachusett Community College for hosting, and to all the swimmers. Job well done!

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OBITUARIES

William J. Wieczorek, 76



CHARLTON - William J. “Wizzy” Wieczorek, 76, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 28th, in the UMass Memorial Medical Center, University Campus, Worcester, after a brief illness.

He leaves his wife of 40 years, Joan C. (Welcome) Wieczorek; his three daughters, Anne-Marie Beaulieu and David of Cerritos, CA, Victoria L. Salisbury and her husband Jon of Ferndale, WA and Sherri L. Cloutier and her husband Edward of Sturbridge; his two sons, Matthew J. Burek and his wife Barbara of Auburn and Mark F. Burek of Oxford; his seven grandchildren, Connor Beaulieu, Cassidy Cloutier, Benjamin Beaulieu, Dylan Cloutier, Haley Burek, Madison Burek and Drake Burek; and a great grandson, Oliver Paquette. Bill was born in New London, CT the son of William and Viola Ann (Calenda) Wieczorek. Bill was a US Marine Corps Veteran of the Vietnam War era. After serving in the Marines Bill graduated from Western New England College

with a bachelors degree in engineering. Bill worked for the Riley Stoker Corporation which became DB Babcock Power Inc. in Worcester for 30 years, retiring in 2004. He previously worked for Electric Boat in Groton, CT. Bill enjoyed playing golf and fishing. He was an avid lifelong fan of the New York Giants football team. Above all Bill was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

A memorial service for Bill was held on Saturday, Oct. 5th, at 11:00am in the Charlton Federated Church, 64 Main St., Charlton. There are no calling hours. Burial will be private at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Charlton Helping Hands Society, P.O. Box 643, Charlton, MA 01507.

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



CHARLTON / AUBURN - Roy Alden Ferguson, 84, passed away September 28, 2019 after a long illness.

He was born in Worcester, November 7, 1934, son of the late Charles and Olive (Stahl) Ferguson and grew up in Charlton where he graduated from Charlton High School in 1953 and was voted Best Dressed in his class.

Roy worked as a tool/cutter grinder for Morgan Construction and a shipper-receiver for CPC Engineering and also served for 8 years in the U.S. Navy Reserves.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Marjorie (Robbins) Ferguson and was the loving father to his sons, Kevin and Mark Ferguson. He also leaves his grandchildren; Wayne and Shawn Ferguson, Michelle Davis and her

husband Ben, Laura Anderson and her husband Keith, and 10 great grandchildren, and his sister, Nancy Johnson. Roy was predeceased by brothers; Russell, Ralph and Warren.

Roy had many hobbies doing wood working making signs, furniture, clocks and Authentic looking toys and trucks. He also enjoyed landscaping, photography and music, traveling and seeing many places in the U.S.

Calling Hours were Wednesday, October 2, 2019 from 5-7 PM at the ROBERT J. MILLER-CHARLTON FUNERAL HOME, 175 Old Worcester Rd., the Funeral was held on Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 11 AM in the Funeral Home, followed by burial in Northside Cemetery in Charlton.

To leave a message of condolence, please visit:RJMillerfunerals.net



Anna M. Fish, 56



SOUTHBRIDGE- Anna M. (Falzone) Fish, 56, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 1st, in her home after a sudden illness.

She leaves her husband, Paul W. Fish, they were married on Oct. 9, 2014 and have

been together since 2003. She also leaves her five step children, Brandon Fish and his wife Melissa of Woodstock, CT, Jeffrey Fish and his fiancé Chelsea Whitecross of Moosup, CT, Tyler Fish and his wife Elizabeth of Dayville, CT, Heather McIsaac and her husband Scott and Heath LaFleche; her three brothers, Joseph Falzone of Texas, Vincenzo M. Falzone, Jr. of Charlton and Michael Falzone of Pennsylvania; her four sisters, Maria Micciche of Dudley, Franca Benton of Texas, Rosa Phillips of California and Constance Falzone of West Boylston; her four grandchildren, Lorelai Fish, Phoenix Aniello, Mason Fish and Arizona Fish; her sister-in-law, Deborah Ciukaj and her husband

Todd of Woodstock, CT; and many nieces and nephews. She also leaves her beloved dog, Jax. She was born in Southbridge the daughter of Vincenzo and Giuseppina (Grassa) Falzone.

Anna worked at the YMCA in Southbridge. She previously worked at the United Lens Co. in Southbridge for many years. Anna also volunteered at the Harrington Memorial Hospital for several years. She enjoyed crocheting and cooking, especially traditional Italian dishes. She had a fondness for angels and angel figurines. She always enjoyed getting together with her friends. Most of all Anna loved being with her family and loved taking photos of her family.

Calling hours for Anna were held on Wednesday, Oct. 9th, from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a funeral service to follow in the funeral home at 7:00pm. Her burial will be private at the convenience of the family.

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CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 15

Ghostology 101: Explore the basics of paranormal investigations at the Charlton Public Library at 6:30 p.m. Agawam Paranormal will be here to share “ghost hunting” skills, equipment, electronic voice phenomena and spirit photography/videography. This is basic training for paranormal investigators. Register on the library’s calendar of events: www.charltonlibrary.org.

Tuesday, October 22

HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING: If you have the time and heart to share, you could become a valuable part of the Overlook Hospice Team. Hospice Volunteers provide companionship and support to hospice patients and their families...reading to patients, watching movies, playing cards, walking dogs, fixing a meal, gardening, supporting family members, sitting with patients who are actively dying and making bereavement calls. We are also seeking volunteers to provide Reiki, pet therapy, and veterans to visit our veteran patients. Our next training begins on Oct. 22 at 6 p.m.To attend or get more information about becoming a Hospice Volunteer, contact Susan Fuller at 508-434-2200

Saturday, October 26

WALKER HOMESTEAD & CEREMONIAL SITE TOUR: 10 a.m., 30 Peck Rd., Wales; reservations required. The Walker homestead at the Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary has the typical house and barn foundations along with stone walls delineating old pastures and fields. Interspersed throughout the farm are stone cairns, a partially finished niche-shaft on top of the house cellar, an unusual stone wall with non-utilitarian features, and other Native American ceremonial structures. Some predate the homestead and others were built after it was abandoned in the 1850s and reclaimed by descendants of the area’s indigenous peoples. Mary Gage (www.stonestructures.org) will lead a walking tour through this complex and fascinating archaeological site. Please call 413-267-9654 or email ohop@norcrosswildlife.org to register. There is no charge. OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE SINGERS CONCERT: 3 p.m., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 345 Main St.,

Sturbridge. The talented singers of Old Sturbridge Village will be holding a concert to benefit St. Luke’s Guesthouse, which provides Christian hospitality to those in need of temporary shelter. All proceeds will go to this incredible place! Take a trip back into history with 19th century hymns, patriotic pieces, popular music and folk songs.

Saturday, November 2

Charlton Lions Club Meat Raffle: Six tables of beef, chicken and pork from Fairway Beef are yours for the winning from noon to 3 p.m. at our new location — Heritage Golf Course (85 Sampson Road in Charlton). Come join us for an afternoon of fun and fill your freezer with your prizes. Increase your chances with free “early bird special” tickets to those arriving before 1 p.m. For more information, email thecharltonlions@gmail.com.

Sunday, November 10

THIRD ANNUAL RAY MCDUFFY VETERANS APPRECIATION SPAGHETTI SUPPER AND SILENT AUCTION: 4:30-7 p.m., Charlton Grange, 10 Main St. An all you can eat homemade made spaghetti and meatball supper with garlic bread, salad, desert, soda, juice, coffee, and tea. Tickets are only \$10 for adults and \$5 for veterans and children. Children three and under are free.

There will also be a silent Auction that will include many gift certificates from local

businesses, passes for local adventures, gift baskets, electronics (including a 2019

iPad) Red Sox and Patriot items. Pre purchase of tickets is strongly urged as only a limited amount will be available at the door. Visit our Facebook page for updates and links to pre pay tickets or call 508-248-5516. You can also go to capenhill.org. Under Events, the first link is the Spaghetti Dinner and you can scroll down and fill out form for tickets.

ONGOING

THE STURBRIDGE FARMER’S MARKET is held every Sunday through Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Town Common.

CHARLTON AMERICAN LEGION

POST 391 meets every fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Charlton Grange Hall. All veterans are welcome. We’d love to see you. We sponsor Boy Scout Troop 165, as well as three Boys Staters & assist young men interested in attending the State Police summer school. We also assist the Charlton Little League financially, as well as other things such as veteran’s wakes & funerals. There’s plenty we can still do to help our community.

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL: Please come join us for a fun evening of exercise and basketball at the Heritage School gym in Charlton. We play pickup basketball from 7-9 PM every Monday evening from September to June based on the school schedule. There are no set teams and participation is free for women 18 years and older. Please contact Deb at 508-248-3600 for more information.

Pilgrimage to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje

St. Joseph’s Church in Charlton is sponsoring a Pilgrimage Sept. 29- Oct. 9, 2019 to Italy, Holy Land, and Medjugorje

with Fr. Robert Grattatori. The cost is \$4,599; 11 days includes 4-5 star hotels, airfare, luxury transportation, and breakfast/dinner daily. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. Please contact parishioner Dr. Karen Zaleski for trip details at karenzaleski42@gmail.com or you may call Proximo Travel directly for information and to register at 1-855-842-8001, or 508-340-9370.

ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP: First and third Thursday of each month, 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the Overlook Independent Living Building, fourth floor Solarium, 88

Masonic Home Road, Charlton. The intent is to build a support system, exchange practical information, talk through issues and ways of coping, share feelings, needs and concerns and to learn about community resources. Contact Kathy Walker at (508)434-2551 or kawalker@overlook-mass.org for more information. Presented by Alzheimer’s Association MA/NH Chapter, visit (800) 272-3900 or alz.org.

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

NUMISMATICS: Southbridge Coin Club meets on the third Friday of the month (except July and August). The doors open by 7 p.m. and the meeting

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Hopes high for duck season



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Duck hunting opens Oct. 14 this year, and waterfowl sportsmen are hoping for a good year. Massachusetts Fish & Wildlife was out tagging ducks in a few local hotspots a month ago, and had good results with the air boat. Wood ducks provide the most action at this time of year, and if you are lucky, you will intercept numerous flights of teal, that provide some fast shooting. Blacks and Mallards are around during the early season, but mallard duck hunting is best during the second part of the duck hunting season. A number of years ago, this writer and a couple of buddies of mine had a lot of fun shooting some migrating teal in a local marsh. Most were green wing teal. At one time, Massachusetts had a noon time opening for waterfowl hunters. It was ridiculous. Sitting in our blind watching ducks and geese fly by required a lot of self control. As noon time approached, we spotted a group of Canada geese heading our way. We looked at our watch and realized we could not shoot for another 10

minutes. As the geese passed directly over our head, I stood up and took aim at the lead bird. It took a lot of self control, but I did not shoot. Suddenly, a voice called out to me about 100 feet from our duck blind. “Good thing you did not shoot, Ralph!”; startled the heck out of me. A canoe came around the grassy marsh, and in it was a federal game warden, and a local Mass. Fish and Wildlife District Manager. I soon realized the state employee was Chris Thurlow, well known to me from numerous Worcester County League meetings. I started to laugh. “I was hoping you had pulled the trigger,” he stated as he started laughing. He introduced the federal warden to us, and they went on their way downriver. It was now legal time to shoot, but the birds had slowed down and we did not get any shooting for a few hours. Unfortunately, Chris Thurlow passed away a couple of years ago, but I will not forget all of our interactions at the League meetings, and for sure our encounter on Rice City Pond. Chris attended most of the league meetings as we did, but we were not always on the same page when it came to hunting and fishing regulations. We remained good friends through all of our differences, and had many good times at the Worcester County League meetings. Numerous local sportsmen

from the valley started to hunt and fish out of state during the past few weeks. One local sportsmen headed to Maine to hunt Moose with his relative that was lucky enough to win a moose permit. Hunting for a full week had him encounter Black Bear and Cow Moose, but did not see a single bull moose for which they had a permit for. This week’s picture shows Jason Dubois with the antlers of his harvested bull moose taken in Alaska a few weeks ago. He and his dad enjoy hunting together, but his dad Bob was not along on this hunt. I hope I get a couple of steaks! Wallum Lake and Webster Lake were stocked with Rainbow trout this past Friday. Numerous other bodies of water were also stocked. For a complete list of stocked trout waters, go to massfishhunt, and click on trout stockings. The recent Mass. youth deer hunt had another successful young hunter, Thomas Stinchfield from Douglas. Tom sent in a photo of himself with his first deer which he harvested, field dressed, and dragged out of the woods, with a little help from his dad, but it was deemed a bit too grisly for publication. His dad, mom & Uncle have been hunting for years, and now they have another hunter to bring home some venison. Nice job, young man. Some of the family also belong to the Blackstone Valley



Beagle Club. Mass. archery deer season opened this past Monday in zones 10 -14. Zones 1-9 open’s Oct. 21-Nov. 30, and shotgun in Mass. opens Dec. 2 statewide. The deer rutting season is not far off, and it is a good time to start paying attention to your driving habits. Hundreds of deer car acci-

dents happen every year, and can often cause serious injury to the occupants of the vehicle. Dusk and dawn are the top time for deer to be traveling from feeding areas and rutting spots. *Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!*

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begins at 7:30 p.m. Collectors of all ages are welcome. The meetings include raffle, auction, and show and tell. Light refreshments are served. The meetings are held in the community room at the Southbridge Savings Bank at 200 Charlton Rd. (Route 20), Sturbridge. ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Traditional open AA meetings in a friendly setting. Come early to chat and share in refreshments. Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m., Hitchcock Academy, Brimfield. K9 NOSE WORK: A sport open to all breeds of dog and their people Saturday mornings over six weeks at Hitchcock

Academy in Brimfield starting Jan. 19. Progressive training levels offered. Fee: \$145 per dog, per session. Instructor: Laurie Merriitt, M.Ed., CPDT-KA, CNWI, Certified K9 NoseWork Instructor – National Association of Canine Scent Work. SEN-I JUDO CLUB: This course runs all year long on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield, and is well suited for all levels of practitioners, including beginners! Call Sensei Israel Lopez at (413) 279-4330 for more information. WEIGHT WATCHERS: Traditional Weight Watchers Meetings Monday evenings at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield. Times: WeighIn/Registration 5:30 p.m., meeting 6 p.m. Leader: Angela Kramer. Visit www.weightwatchers.com to become a member or to learn more about Weight Watchers. YOGA: Hatha Yoga benefits are stress-relieving. Relax & rejuvenate with postures & guided meditation to restore the body. Bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing. All levels welcome. Six weekly classes held on Monday nights at Hitchcock Academy in Brimfield from 7:15-8:45 p.m., beginning Jan. 21. FENCING: Fencing is a sport of combat that originally started as practice for dueling with swords. Since that time, it has grown into a modern sport while maintaining those virtues that made it great: honor, valor, and grace. Bring a water bottle, sneakers and comfortable clothing. Youth and adult classes with Andy Bloch at Hitchcock

Academy. Fee: \$99. OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: Is food a problem for you? Have you been worried about the way you eat? Do you resolve to go on a diet tomorrow, only to fail again and again? Is your weight affecting the way you live your life? You are not alone. Overeaters Anonymous can help. No dues, no fees, no weigh-ins. Meetings are held Sundays in Worcester (St. Michael’s On-The-Heights, 340 Burncoat Street) at 7 p.m., Mondays in Auburn (Bethel Lutheran Church, 90 Bryn Mawr Ave.) at 7 p.m. and Wednesdays in Putnam, Conn. (Day Kimball Hospital, 320 Pomfret Strett) at 6 p.m. Want more information? Call or text Bruce P. (508) 864-0593, email him at brucep.oa@charter.net or visit oa.org.

view for our Woodstock, Conn. online auction will also be on Oct. 12 and 13. Bidding ends on Oct. 16. I’ll also be lecturing on antiques at the Worcester Senior Center on Oct. 16 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. I’ll be appraising items at the Shrewsbury Historical Society on Oct. 23. Please see www.centralmassauctions.com for details on these and other events. Contact us at: Wayne Tuiskula Auctioneer/Appraiser Central Mass Auctions for Antique Auctions, Estate Sales and Appraisal Services www.centralmassauctions.com (508-612- 6111), info@centralmassauctions.com.

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engraved “Presented by Abraham Lincoln to First Lieutenant John W. Jones commanding the Guard in the White House April 19 – May 1, 1862. A family written biography of Jones lists some of the highlights of his life. He was born in Philadelphia on May 3, 1826. He attended McKendree College in Illinois. He witnessed anti-abolitionist riots while in college. He became involved in the anti-slavery movement and was mobbed twice while giving speeches opposing slavery. During

the Gold Rush in 1849, he was commissioned by Colonel Sumner as a Captain in the Cavalry. He was responsible for protecting miners in “Indian Territory” between Fort Laramie and California. Later while fighting in wars with the Indians he was said to have received no fewer than six arrow wounds. At the outbreak of the Civil War, he became Provost Marshall for the city of Washington, D.C. where he guarded the White House and won the personal thanks of Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln asked him to organize nine regiments from New Hampshire and Vermont during the war. He was severely wounded during battle and

lay in bed several months recovering. He later moved to Brooklyn, N.Y. and went on to work for the United States customs service. Jones also founded the “Northwestern Female College” in Evanston, IL and helped form the “United States Volunteer Lifesaving Corps.”

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WEBSTER LAKE - 250 Killdeer Island Rd! North Pond's Sandy Shore! 9 Rm Ranch in Meticulous Condition! Absolutely Beautiful 100' Waterfront Lot! Stainless Applianced Kitchen w/Cherry Cabinets, Granite Counters, Hrdwd Floor & Dining Area w/Slider to Deck! Formal Dining Rm w/Hrdwds! Front to Back Living Rm Overlooking the Lake w/Cathedral Ceiling, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplce & Hrdwds! 1st Flr Lake Facing Master Bdrm w/Slider to the Deck & Access to the Screened Hot Tub, w/Walk-in Closet, Full Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Commode Closet! 1/2 Bath & Separate Laundry Rm Nearby! Walk-out Lower Level w/Full Kitchen, 22' Lake Facing Family Rm w/Sliders to the Patio/Lake! 2 Lake Facing Bdrms w/Sliders to the Patio/Lake! Full Bath! Oversized 2 Car Garage! LP Gas Heat/Hydro Air! Generator! Private Boat Ramp! Docks! Don't Delay! **\$899,900.00**



DUDLEY - 61 Townfarm Rd! Charming 7 Rm Cape Set 1.9 Acres! This 3 Bdrm Home Completely Renovated 2015! Updates Include - Roof, Windows, Siding, Kitchen, 2 Baths, Furnace, Electric Panel, Well, Septic, Driveway & More! Ideal Open Flr Plan! Cabinet Packed Granite Kit w/Island & SS Appliances! 1st Flr w/Beautiful Hrdwds! Frplce Liv Rm! 1st Flr Master Bdrm! Office or 4th Bdrm! Custom Tiled Bath w/Laundry! Upstairs 2 Spacious Bdrms w/Hrdwds & 2nd Full Bath! Large Paver Patio! Shed! Gorgeous Views! **\$299,900.00**



DUDLEY - 94 Tracy Road! 7 Rm 4 Bdrm Colonial On 1.24 Acres! Privacy! Many Upgrades! Hrdwds throughout! Frplce Liv Rm w/Recessed Lights! Formal Din Rm! Eat-in Kit Updated in 2015! Cherry Cabinets, Granite Counters, Center Isl & SS Appliances! Sunroom w/Skylights, Hrdwd Flrs & Slider to Deck! 1st Flr 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! Master Bdrm w/Double Closet & Full Bath w/Linen Closet! 2nd Flr Full Bath! Lower Level Game Rm/Office! Utility/Storage Rm! 16X21 Deck! Garage Under! Save on Your Electric Your Bills, 2015 Solar Panels! Level yard w/Shed! Call now! **\$349,000.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 50 West Point Rd! Killdeer Island! 4,700' Entertainers Dream! Magnificent Sunsets! Built 2016, Has It All! 2 Story Foyer! Granite Kit w/Center Isl, Dble Oven, High End Appliances & Walk-in Pantry! Din Rm w/ Wet Bar, Sliders to 14x30' Deck! Bright & Airy Liv Rm w/Lake Views, Custom Built Cabinets, Gas Frplce! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! An ELEVATOR to Service All 3 Floors! Upstairs leads to 3 Spacious Bdrms each w/Private Baths! Master w/ Tray Ceiling, Walk-in Closet & Private Balcony! Master Bath, Soaker Tub & Large Tile Shower! Walk-up Attic w/Expansion Possibilities! Lower Level w/Full Kit, 1/2 Bath, Lake Facing Fam Rm, Media/Exercise Rm & Lake Facing Bdrm w/Frplce & Private Bath! Slider to Patio! 13 Zones! Oversized 2 Car Garage! Loaded w/Quality & Detail! **\$1,175,100.00**



SUTTON - LAKE SINGLETARY WATERFRONT! 5 West Sutton Rd! 8 Rm Cape! 3 Bedrooms! Screen House at Waters Edge! Gradual Access to the Water! Well Maintained! Kit, Formal Dining Rm! Spacious Fireplace Living Rm! Den! Sun Rm! Updated Windows! Brand New Furnace w/Hybrid Hot Water System & New Septic Just Installed! Quick Closing! **\$474,900.00**



CHARLTON - GLEN ECHO LAKE! 3 Sunset Dr! Western Exposure = Beautiful Sunsets! Fantastic 105' Waterfront! Ideal 15,941' Gently Sloping Lot! Comfortable 9 Rm Ranch! Stainless Applianced Eat-in Granite Kit! Din Rm w/Hrdwd Flr! Lake Facing Liv Rm w/Panoramic Water Views! 4 Bdrms, 3 Lake Facing including the Spacious Master! Full Hall Bath! Enjoy the Sun Rm w/Lake Views! 32' Walk-out Lower Level Frplce Fam Rm w/Wet Bar & Convenient Half Bath! Nicely Landscaped Front & Back! Lake Level Deck, Dock & Rear Shed! Benefitted by Town Sewer! Start Packing! **\$499,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 50 Union Point Rd! Panoramic Views of Middle Pond - South Facing - Tons of Sun! Principal Residence or as a Second Home this 6+ Rm Gambrel Colonial will be Ready for You! You'll Appreciate its Easy Access and Taken Back by the Ever Changing Lake Vistas! Featuring Applianced Kitchen w/Island, Dining Area, Lake Facing Fireplaced Living Rm with Custom Cabinetry, All with Hardwood Floors! Ideal Lake Facing 3 Seasons Rm w/Tile Floor & Anderson Sliders All Around! 3 Second Floor Bedrooms! Spacious Lake Facing Master w/ Cathedral Ceiling & 2 Sliders to its Private Deck! 2 Full Baths! Central Air! Composite Decks & Flag Stone Patio for Your Enjoyment! 7,405' Lot with 50' on the Water! Sorry, Closing not before 9/10/2019! **\$624,900.00**



WEBSTER LAKE - 68 W Point Rd! Western Exposure - Spectacular Sunsets! 75' Waterfront w/Expansive Views! 6 Rm 1st Flr Ranch! Ideal 2nd Home! Renovate or Enjoy As 1st Open Flr Plan! Applianced Cabinet Packed Kit! Lake Facing Din & Liv Rms w/Water Views! Sliders to Screen Enclosed Porch! Master w/Ceiling Fan & Dble Closet! 2nd Bdrm w/Dble Closet! Full Bath off Hall! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/25' Fam Rm w/Door to Lakeside Patio, Bdrm, Full Bath & Utility/Storage Rm! 3 Bdrms, 2 Baths Total! Oil Heat! Covered Entry Ramp & Electric Chair Lift! Shed! Dock! Summer Will Be Back - Don't Delay! **\$499,900.00**



CHARLTON - 105' WATERFRONT! Baker Pond! 63 Lincoln Pt Rd! East Facing = Fantastic Sunrises! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Beautiful 1/2 Acre Lot w/Lawn to Water's Edge! 2 Story Foyer! Natural Woodwork! Open Flr Plan! Applianced Granite Kit w/Island, Recessed Lights, Tile Flr & Water View! Din Area w/Slider to Deck! Sunken Frplce Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Flr & Water Views! Din Rm w/Hrdwd! 1/2 Bath w/Pedestal Sink! 2nd Flr w/4 Bdrms, 3 w/Water Views! Master w/Cathedrals, French Dr to Balcony, Bath w/Separate Tub/Shower, Walk-in Closet & Laundry! Hall Bath! 3.5 Baths Total! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/31' Fam Rm! Full Kit! Full Bath & Laundry! Includes NEW A/C SPLIT SYSTEM! Enjoy Outside from the Farmer's Porch, Deck, Patio, Screened Porch or Dock! 2 Car Garage! Full Recreational Use! **\$524,900.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE - 603 Treasure Island! 1,874' Townhouse! 6 Rms, 2 Bdrms, Master Bath, 2.5 Baths Total! Recent Maple & Corian Kit w/SS Appliances! Din Rm w/Sliders to Deck! Frplce Fam Rm! Patio! Newer Oil, Heat & Hot Water! Garage! 2 Slips! Pool! Beach! Listed by Another - "SOLD" by C21 Lake Realty! **\$355,000.00**

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DUDLEY - 71 EAGLE DRIVE



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WEBSTER - 212 SCHOOL ST



Large 4 Family! 3 car garage! Off street parking. 2 bedrooms each unit! Walk-up attic with a lot of potential! Solar panels!! Fully Rented. **\$369,900.**

WEBSTER - 3 STEFANIAK AVE.



Cute 2 Bedroom Ranch! All hardwood floors, gas fireplace living room! 2 baths. Appliances included. 2 zone heat. Large deck! Young asphalt roof. Walk out lower living level. Town Water & Sewer, City Gas **\$229,900.**

CHAPLIN, CT - 74 FEDERAL HILL RD



Gorgeous Move In Ready young Ranch on 2+ acre private lot bordered by trees & stone walls! 5 Rms, 3 BRs, 2 Full Baths, 1374 SF+/-, covered front porch, att'd garage. assisted sale **\$234,900**

WEBSTER/DUDLEY/DOUGLAS LAND!

Dudley - Marshall Terrace 12,000 +/- Sq. Ft. Possible potential for a 2 family to be built! Town Water, Sewer, City Gas! Nice level lot. **\$70,000**
Douglas-Mount Daniels Lot #2-2.5 Acres of flat land that abuts Douglas State Forest. **\$132,900**
Webster -3 Lots Cooper Rd. Attention Developers! 3 abutting house lots, potential to divide into 5-6 Buildable lots! Lake Residential area, water/sewer access **\$129,400**
Oxford- 4 Leicester St. approx. 8.47 acres! River frontage! Highly possible to be subdivided. **\$119,900**

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WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POINT BREEZE RD

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WEBSTER LAKE - 54 KILLDEER RD



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WEBSTER LAKE - 32 JACKSON RD

AN INTRIGUING OPPORTUNITY TO OWN AN EXTREMELY UNIQUE 3.32 ACRE WEBSTER LAKE WATERFRONT PROPERTY! Charming, year-round, 2 BR, 2 bath Ranch, located at the Southern most end of Webster Lake's South Pond beyond Cedar Island! Extremely private w/direct Lake access. The home offers a full finished LL w/walkout access, a screened-in 18x20 patio, 18x26 det'd garage & 8x8 storage shed. Park like grounds! **New Price \$375,000**



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OPEN HOUSE-OCT. 12TH...2:00-4:00pm...340 THOMPSON HILL RD, THOMPSON This Federalist Colonial style home with 4 bedrooms also features kitchen with wood floor, butcher block kitchen island, granite counters with a farm sink & s/s appliances. The dining room & living room have painted wide wood floors, plaster walls, and are good sized. The family room/office features an impressive brick fireplace with raised paneling, built-in bookcases and french doors out to the fireplaced stone patio. The grounds are pristine with stone walls, and a large side patio with pergola. Having once been a working farm the barn has evidence of a tack room, horse stall, and even an old 3 seater outhouse. There is room for a car and much more. **\$324,900**



KILLINGLY-Why Rent when you can own this adorable 1 bedroom mobile home with all the features perfect for a single person or even a couple. Enter into the bright living room with cathedral ceiling. The kitchen has loads of cabinets for storage as well as counter space to make any cook happy. The washer and dryer are conveniently located right outside of the bedroom. Heating system was upgraded from Kerosene to propane in 2018. This pretty little gem is nicely nestled in the R&R Park in Dayville. Home is on leased land which is included in maintenance fee and is Subject to park approval. Financing is available! **\$25,000**



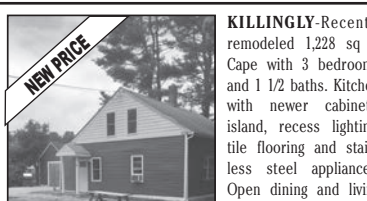
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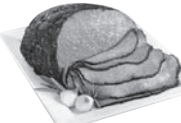
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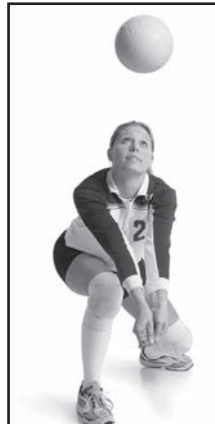
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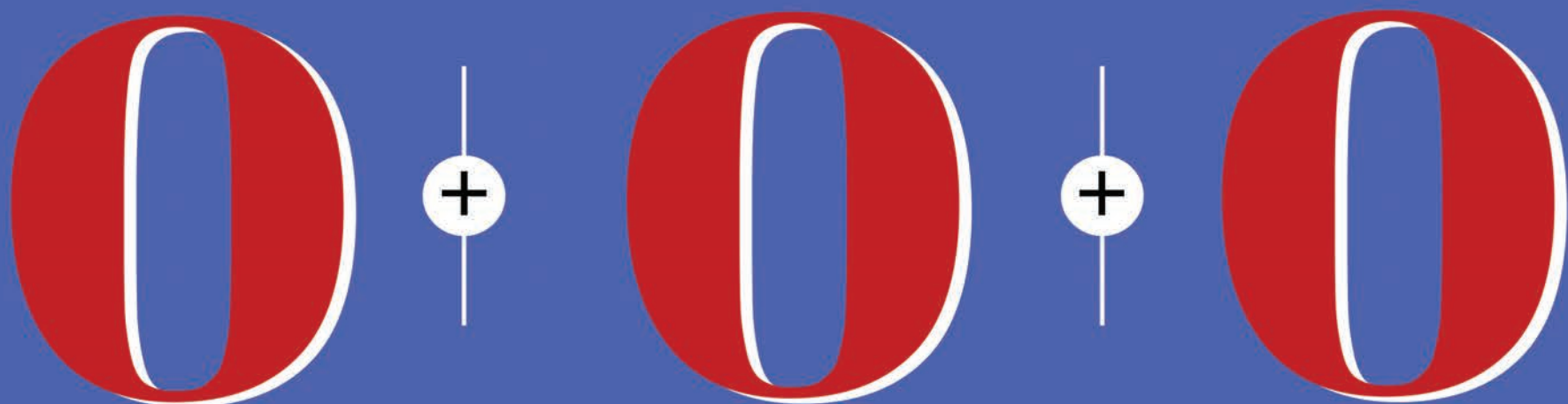


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HALLOWEEN

The most haunted places in North America



Mysteries and the macabre take center stage come Halloween. Many people feel that lingering spirits may cling to hotel rooms, hospitals and old buildings. The following are some sites, courtesy of Conde Nast, Reader's Digest and National Geographic, that may prove pleasing to those who like a taste of the paranormal each October.

- Howard Street Cemetery, Salem, Mass.:

The Salem Witch Trials were a shocking part of American history. Many different people were accused of witchcraft and sorcery and executed for their alleged crimes. Howard Street Cemetery, where Giles Corey, a convicted offender is buried, is said to host the paranormal.

- Eastern State Penitentiary, Philadelphia, Pa.:

was built in 1829 and housed prisoners until 1970. Peals of disembodied laughter, pacing footsteps and shadowy figures have been reported on the premises.

- Keg Mansion, Toronto, Ontario:

The Keg Mansion was once the private residence of industrialist Hart Massey and his family. Legend states that, after the death of Massey's daughter Lillian, her maid was so overcome with grief that she took her own life. A ghostly image of a maid hanging by her neck has frequently been reported at the property.

- LaLaurie Mansion, New Orleans, La.:

Marie Delphine LaLaurie was a Louisiana socialite who threw lavish parties. But she also had a dark and grisly side. When a fire broke out in the residence, police responded and discovered mutilated slaves in the attic. LaLaurie fled New Orleans, but it is believed the phantom screams of her victims can still be heard at night.

- Hotel Monte Vista, Flagstaff, Az.:

This hotel is purportedly home to various spectors and paranormal guests. Room 210 was plagued by someone who hung raw meat from the chandelier. An infant's wrenching cries have sent people scurrying. And two women who were thrown from the third floor now haunt and try to smother male guests in their sleep.

- Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, Alberta:

This is the site of a number of terrifying ghost sitings, including an entire murdered family. Many believe a retired head bellman in uniform continues to haunt the hotel.

- San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas:

This is the oldest church in Texas and is stunning to behold. But during the nighttime, visitors may feel the hair on their necks stand on end. During renovations, workers unearthed bones, nails and military uniforms. Visitors report orbs and shadowy figures in photographs, as well as figures in hooded clothing.

- RMS Queen Mary, Long Beach, Calif.:

This luxury ship carried Hollywood celebrities before being repurposed into a World War II ship that transported troops. Eventually, the ship was permanently docked in California, and is reportedly haunted by those who died aboard, such as a young sailor crushed in the engine room.

Haunted places dot the globe and can make interesting travel locations for those who wish to discover what goes bump in the night. TF18A381

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The world's most festive Halloween parades



Halloween may be best known for parties, candy and trick-or-treating, but Halloween revelers also know a thing or two about parades. On All Hallow's Eve, the ghoulish, garish and downright frightening take to the streets in towns and cities around the world. Here are some popular spots for ghouls and goblins to catch a peek of the action.

THE VILLAGE, NEW YORK CITY

The Village Halloween Parade is one of the biggest and brightest in the country. Nearly 50,000 participants flock to this area of Manhattan every

year. A unique event, this parade showcases the diversity of the artists and creatives that call the city home. It has become an institution in its own right, with costumed enthusiasts, music, food, and much more.

Little Five Points Halloween Festival and Parade, Atlanta, GA
This Halloween gathering features local artisans, food vendors and food trucks along the route. The fun begins at Austin and Euclid Avenues and ends at Freedom Parkway. More than 35,000 people head to this area in Atlanta for the parade.

CARNIVAL HALLOWEEN PARADE, LONDONDERRY

A small costume party that started in 1985 expanded into a massive event in this region of Northern Ireland. A circus, music, dancers, dressed-up performers, and others make their way through the streets of the city.

ASBURY PARK ZOMBIE WALK, ASBURY PARK, NJ

Since 2007, zombies take to the streets and celebrate the gore and macabre in this seaside New Jersey town. Participants set a Guinness World Record in 2013 for the most "zombies" gathered in one place with 9,000 undead in attendance.

WEST HOLLYWOOD HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL, HOLLYWOOD, CA

Roughly half a million people gather each year along Santa Monica Boulevard, which is littered with food trucks, live music and even celebrities.

KREWE OF BOO, NEW ORLEANS, LA

Mardi Gras is not the only celebration in the Big Easy. Each October, the Krewe of Boo is the official Halloween Parade of New Orleans. Creative floats and costumes are part of the celebration in the French Quarter.

Tips for safe use of dry ice and fog machines for Halloween fun

Who doesn't want to add a dramatic effect to Halloween hijinks? Haunted displays can be taken up a notch with the use of some scene-setting enhancements, including dry ice and fog machines. Dry ice and fog machines can help Halloween revelers create a smoky, mysterious feel, but each of these haunting accessories must be used with safety in mind at all times.

Dry ice
Dry ice is the solid form of carbon dioxide. Dry ice is often used for spooky effects because it produces a vapor when it sublimates from its dry form. This occurs after exposure to air and liquid that is warmer than the dry ice.

Because the temperature of dry ice is extremely cold, (-109.3 F or -78.5 C), people can suffer from frostbite if they touch it, warns the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. People who intend to handle dry ice need to use tongs or protective gloves when doing so. Children may not understand the danger of dry ice, so they should never be allowed near it.

Dry ice should be kept in an insulated cooler and stored and used in a well-ventilated area, as the CO gas can sink to low areas and replace oxygenated air. High concentrations of CO gas may be fatal when breathed in.

If dry ice is used in drinks, it is important that no dry ice fragments are ingested, which can cause tissue damage as



well as pressure from the buildup of the release of gas, states the information site ThoughtCo.

Fog machines
Fog machines can produce a scary and realistic Halloween tableau. When using fog machines, it is essential that users confirm which solution is being used to produce the fog. Many utilize a water and glycol solution that has been deemed safe if inhaled. However, some people may find it causes throat irritation. Some products use proprietary formulas, concealing the identity and proportion of ingredients. Users should avoid these products unless they can confirm which chemicals are being used and that those chemicals are safe.

The Ontario Ministry of Labour says that

fog/smoke generating machines should be placed in locations where exposure to the concentrated smoke is minimal. The machines also should be used exactly as the manufacturer directs and not altered by using dyes, fragrances and other chemicals. Fog machines can create many illusions, but they also can impede vision if the fog is too thick. Therefore, caution must be heeded to prevent mobility issues due to the fog. Also, sometimes fog machines can produce a slippery residue, so users should be aware of this and monitor conditions around the machines. Fog machines and dry ice can add flair to Halloween festivities if they are handled and used correctly.

HALLOWEEN

Halloween fast facts and figures



Halloween is celebrated in various countries. Halloween can trace its origins to Ireland and is based on the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, during which people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off spirits. Halloween has since become a day to play pranks and don costumes while going door-to-door seeking treats from neighbors.

Each year, the National Retail Federation tracks Halloween trends. The figures and statistics shared by the NRF and other organizations paint

a picture of just how popular Halloween can be.

- Consumers will spend an estimated \$9 billion on Halloween. The average American will spend \$86.79 on the festivities, according to the NRF.
- The U.S. Census Bureau indicates that there are 41.1 million potential trick-or-treaters aged 5 to 14.
- Ninety-five percent of people surveyed by the NRF planned to purchase candy for Halloween. The next most popular purchase is decorations (74 percent).
- Forty-five percent

of respondents planned to carve a pumpkin for Halloween, says the NRF.

- In Canada, there are 2,569 farms with pumpkin patches, according to the 2016 Census of Agriculture.
- The top-ranked costumes for children in 2018 were princess and superhero. Adults planning to dress up were more likely to go as a witch or a vampire.
- Data from domestic box office earnings of horror movies in 2018 totaled \$752.2 million. This accounts for movie earnings in the United States,

Canada, Puerto Rico, and Guam. “A Quiet Place” and “Halloween” were the top-grossing horror flicks of the year.

- The ubiquitous “pumpkin spice” starts to turn up in various products as soon as there are hints of autumn. Nielsen says \$6.9 million was spent on pumpkin spice products in 2018.
- Candy corn is either loved or loathed. According to the National Confectioners Association, 42.7 percent of people who enjoy candy corn say they eat the narrow white part of

the candy corn first.

- The NRF states that, when looking for their ideal costumes, 33 percent of consumers will check online first, followed closely by 29 percent in stores.
- Pet costumes remain incredibly popular. Prosper Insights, a marketing and analytics company, states that 31.2 million Americans plan to dress up their pets — with millennials being the largest demographic to do so.
- There are potentially 120 million stops for trick-or-treaters to visit in the

United States, based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

- The Manufacturing and Wholesale Trade Division in Canada says that there were 158 businesses engaged in formal wear and costume rentals in Canada in 2017.

Halloween is frighteningly popular, with scores of people taking part in the spending and antics of this entertaining day.

Improve visibility while trick-or-treating



Thousands of costume-clad children will embark on treat-finding missions in neighborhoods all across the country this Halloween. Everyone wants their Halloween festivities to be fun, but it is important that trick-or-treaters and their chaperones prioritize safety as well.

The child welfare organization Safe Kids says that twice as many child pedestrians are killed while walking on Halloween compared to other days of the year. In addition, the National Safety Council states that darting out or running into the road accounts for about 70 percent of pedestrian deaths or injuries among children between the ages of five and nine and about 47 percent of incidents for kids between the ages of 10 and 14.

Ensuring trick-or-treating youngsters are visible to motorists can make Halloween safer for everyone involved. The American Academy of Pediatrics and other safety groups suggest the following strategies for safe trick-or-treating.

- Supervise the festivities. Adults should chaperone young trick-or-treaters who are unlikely to be focused on safety in the midst of Halloween excitement.
- Use reflective tape or LED lights. Dark costumes coupled with twilight can make it difficult for motorists to see trick-or-treating youngsters. Parents can improve the chances of their kids being seen by motorists by adhering reflective tape onto kids’ costumes. Glow sticks and wearable LED lights also can illuminate trick-or-treaters.
- Carry lanterns or flashlights. Children and/or chaperones who carry flashlights and lanterns can improve their own visibility while also making themselves more visible to motorists. Lanterns and flashlights help trick-or-treaters avoid holes, cracked pavement and other obstacles. For those children who want to free up their hands for better treat gathering, lights that strap to the head are an option.
- Keep the lights on. Homeowners can do their part by keeping outdoor lights and accent lighting on to make paths safer for youngsters on the prowl for Halloween candy.
- Choose face makeup over masks. Children wearing masks may not spot oncoming cars or other hazards. Face makeup won’t affect kids’ visibility but will still help them look scary.

With the right combination of caution and fun, Halloween can be an enjoyable time for youngsters and adults.

How to talk to kids about Halloween safety



Come Halloween, youngsters’ attentions are understandably focused on costumes and candy. Their parents, however, are likely more concerned with their kids’ safety.

Trick-or-treating kids might not pay much mind to safety. As a result, it can be hard for parents to get kids to grasp the importance of being safe on Halloween. The following strategies might make that task easier.

- Discuss costumes well in advance of Halloween. Many kids are so enthusiastic about Halloween that they know which costumes they hope to wear long before October 31. Parents can discuss potential costumes well in advance of Halloween before kids even know what they want to wear. Doing so gives parents a chance to encourage kids to choose bright costumes that will make them more visible to drivers on Halloween night. Waiting to discuss costumes increases the likelihood that kids will already have an outfit in mind, making it harder for parents to convince them to choose something safe.
- Explain that some tailoring might be necessary to make gathering all that candy a lot easier. Superman doesn’t trip on his cape in the movies, and youngsters dressed up as the Man of Steel shouldn’t trip on their capes, either. When kids pick costumes,

explain to them that you might need to do some tailoring before they go trick-or-treating. Explain to kids that costumes should be trip-proof so they can seamlessly go from house to house in search of their favorite goodies.

- Create a bag or bucket design day. Depending on what kids will use to carry the candy they accumulate this Halloween, parents can plan a bag or bucket design day a few days in advance. Kids will enjoy this chance to get in the Halloween spirit, and parents can encourage youngsters to decorate their bags and buckets with reflective tape that will make them more visible to drivers.
- Talk up trick-or-treating with friends. As Halloween approaches, parents can discuss how much fun kids will have going door-to-door with many of their friends. This is a good way to ensure kids trick-or-treat in large groups, making them more visible to drivers. In addition, kids trick-or-treating in large groups might be too busy joking with their friends to notice when one or two parents tag along as chaperones.

Parents can discuss Halloween safety with their children in ways that make it fun to be safe while trick-or-treating.



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