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Fire engulfs home on Muggett Hill Road

BY JASON BLEAU
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CHARLTON — Several fire departments worked to control a house fire in Charlton on Sunday, July 17. Calls came in for a fire at 10 Muggett Hill Rd. at around 5:19 p.m., bringing ten fire crews to the scene to manage the blaze.

The Charlton Fire Department reported that police were the first on scene and were met by the initial crew of four from Charlton's Engine 1 at the home before a second alarm was struck. Firefighters reported smoke with heavy fire coming from the rear of the building. A third alarm was quickly struck as crews got to work. Crew tackled the fire from the rear of the building, making entry after the initial flames were brought under control. The fire reportedly spread to the attic requiring ventilation holes to be cut into the roof.

The fire was placed under control after just over an hour at 6:27 p.m. with no injuries reported to residents or firefighters. The property was cleared at 8:18 p.m., and the cause of the fire remains under investigation and Charlton fire officials confirmed the homeowner was home when the fire was reported. Departments from Auburn, Brookfield, East Brookfield, Dudley, Leicester, Oxford, Southbridge, Spencer, and Sturbridge assisted Charlton while Webster EMS also arrived on scene. The property was deemed "uninhabitable."

Bay Path alumni complete intravenous certification course



CHARLTON — On two Wednesdays in July (the 6th and 20th), the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy and Intravenous Edu celebrated the completion of the practical nursing graduates Intravenous Certification Course.

The staff and faculty of Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, with Academy Director Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, and Intravenous Edu led by Jan

Stephanos, RN, CRNI, partnered to offer the IV Certification Course to graduates of PN Class of 2022.

The practical nursing graduates who participated were Katie Blanchard, Sarah Garcia (both of Charlton), Maryanne Cann (Connecticut), Marylee Patient of Dudley, Luciane Lindvay of Spencer, Darcey Howe of Sturbridge, Evalyne Njoroge of Southbridge, Nancy Muhia of Leominster, Kennedy Irungu of Shrewsbury, Moreen Barber, Eunice Kamau, Martha Aboagye, Lois Agyei, Kate Nsiah, Marvellous Undag, and Jane Miru, all of Worcester. All completed the course

Trinity Catholic Academy announces 27th Annual Golf Tournament



SOUTHBRIDGE — Trinity Catholic Academy is excited to announce the 27th Annual Golf Classic to be held on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 6:30 a.m. (coffee & pastries,) 7:30 a.m. "Shot Gun Start."

The Golf Tournament was another remarkable

ward to having new and returning participants join us this year. With a Multi-Year Southbridge Catholic Reunion also planned the same evening, a momentous day and weekend await up to 144 participants. First registered, first served! <https://trinitycatholicacademy.org/golf-classic/>

This event continues to be a major fundraiser for Trinity Catholic Academy, which provides support for the school and a wonderful opportunity for family, friends, and alumni to catch up with one another! TCA is very thankful for the past support of generous companies, donors and local folks who contribute to make it possible for Catholic Education to continue in Southbridge for over 150-

years. Smaller class size and the introduction as a STREAM SCHOOL, makes this education option a valued advantage for today's families in our 25-mile radius for children Pre-K to Grade 8. We are also grateful for Paula Toti, Tournament Director and the eighth-grade students, teachers and parent volunteers that make this happen year after year.

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To learn more about the 27th Annual Golf Classic, and be eligible for cash & fun prizes, or offer support to this hidden gem in Southbridge details can be found on the school website or Facebook page.

Area residents take advantage of Hurricane Preparedness Week

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

REGION – Local residents recognized Hurricane Preparedness Week by taking time to make sure they have an emergency plan in place.

From July 10-16, the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) encouraged residents to take steps ahead of time to prepare for hurricanes and other emergencies. Each year, Hurricane Preparedness Week comes in advance of the peak hurricane season from August through October.

The month of September is usually the most active in the U.S. for tropical storms and hurricanes.

Locally, families are encouraged by MEMA officials to make an emergency plan, build an emergency kit, and ensure they have measures in place to stay informed during storms.

Area police departments also promoted Hurricane Preparedness Week and the need to

be ready in advance. Hurricanes and tropical storms often change tracks or intensify with only a few days of notice, so it's better to be prepared well ahead of time, officials said.

"We join with our partners at the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency in reminding you to make sure you prepare for the upcoming hurricane season," read a statement released by the Sturbridge Police Department. "Let's start by having enough supplies on hand for a full week, creating an evacuation plan, building an emergency kit, and staying connected."

While hurricane season in Massachusetts runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, most significant tropical storms and hurricanes have hit New England during August and September.

"Our administration continues to work with cities and towns across the Commonwealth to enhance their preparedness before the next

hurricane or tropical storm," said Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito. "That collaboration and coordination is key to keeping our residents and communities safe."

MEMA officials released several tips for improving your storm preparedness. These include finding out whether your property is located in an area defined as flood-prone or high-risk. If you live or work in a flood zone, hurricane evacuation zone, or an area that is prone to flooding, you should make a detailed evacuation plan, officials said.

Moreover, if you receive ongoing medical treatments or home healthcare services, contact your medical provider to determine how to ensure continuation of care and service if you are unable to leave your home or have to evacuate.

Officials also recommend assembling an emergency kit and making sure your smoke detectors and carbon

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Sturbridge Rotary honors scholarship and RYLA students

otary Club has been awarding scholarships each year to local students for the past 49 years. The first scholarship was for \$500, and the amount awarded has steadily increased over the years. This year Sturbridge Rotary awarded scholarships of \$1,000 each to six students from Tantasqua Regional High School. Cumulatively, Rotary is proud to have awarded over \$226,000 in local scholarships.

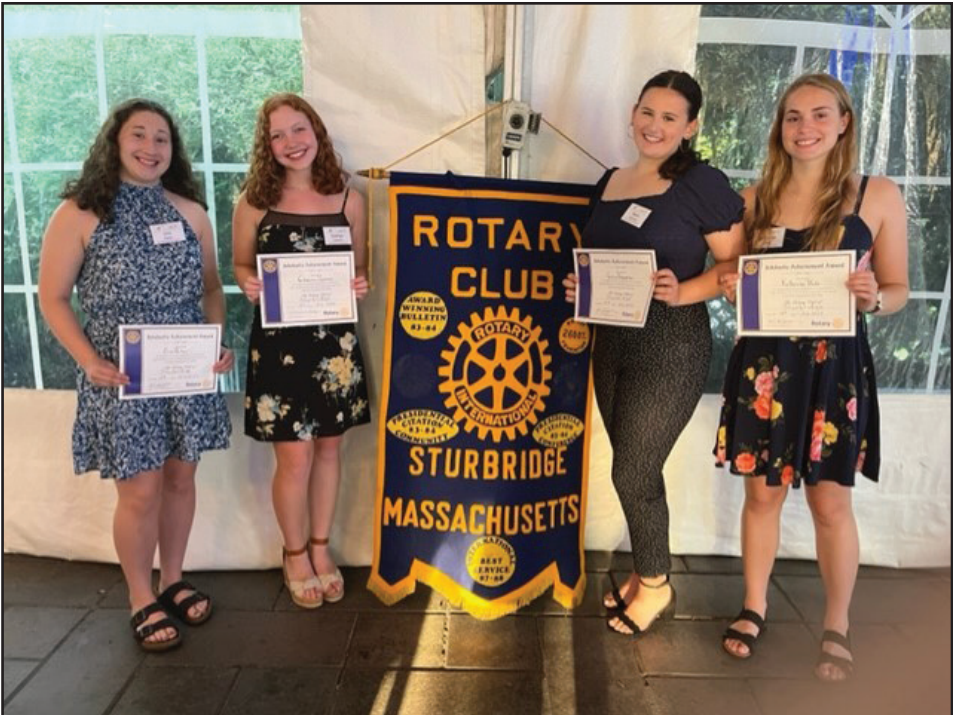
The scholarship committee chose the following students based upon the Club's criteria of personal and scholastic achievement, participation in school activities including sports as well as community service through work and volunteering.

The students were honored at a

recent Club meeting. The recipients of the Sturbridge Rotary Scholarships this year are Madison Laflamme, Emma Lynn Lalashius, Camryn Lapierre, Erin Parker, Lorelai Soper, Katherine Wade. These students will receive their funding upon successful completion of their first semester. In addition, Giana Uwazany received the \$550 "Wendall Wright Memorial Award". Wendall was an educator and long-time supporter of Rotary.

Also honored at the meeting were the recipients of the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) sponsored by the Club. RYLA is a program for sophomores that takes place over a three-day weekend teaching them leadership skills which includes conflict resolution. This year the RYLA students who received the training included Avianna Gregoire, Aiden Custance, Nathan Dietz and Jake Rosen. Several of the students the Sturbridge Club has sponsored over the years return in subsequent years as facilitators of the RYLA program, as Jake did this year.

Sturbridge Rotary Club is one of 35,000 clubs worldwide providing humanitarian service as members of Rotary International. Beyond the local and international help that we provide, we are most proud of our support of educational programs for youth and the young men and women that we recognize here. To learn more about Sturbridge Rotary please visit us at www.sturbridgerotary.com or www.facebook.com/sturbridgerotary.



Courtesy
Left to right: Erin Parker, Camryn Lapierre, Giana Uwazany, Katherine Wade. The remaining Scholarship recipients were unable to attend the event.



Left to right: Aiden Custance, Nathan Dietz, Avianna Gregoire, Jake Rosen.

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Green Meadows announces leadership team changes

SOUTHBIDGE — Green Meadows, a vertically integrated cannabis company based in the heart of Southbridge, Mass., has announced key new leadership changes to position the company for continued growth in the New England cannabis market, including the first non-family member to be appointed to the C-Suite with Max Jones joining as Chief Operating Officer. Bob Patton, co-founder and former CEO, is now chairman and his son and fellow co-founder, Chris Zawacki, has been promoted from COO to CEO. Dan Donahue has been appointed to Vice President Cannabis Operations and Josh Turner is now the Vice President of Cultivation.

The expansion of the leadership team will support the rapid maturation of the business. In just 15 months since Green Meadows opened its Southbridge dispensary for recreational customers, the company has reached several major milestones, including bringing its own organic, sustainable cannabis to the market, serving medical patients, and rolling out an aggressive wholesale strategy, with Green Meadows products in 40 dispensaries across the state. In this same time, Green Meadows became the exclusive cultivation, production, packaging and sales partner for the launch of several celebrity-branded cannabis products in Massachusetts, including Paul Pierce and Whoopi Goldberg, and was among the first Massachusetts operators to bring

organic clones to the growing home cultivator market.

“As we continue to grow the business in new and exciting ways, and also look to open our second dispensary in Fitchburg this coming fall, we knew we needed to put in place the right leadership team to bring our ambitious goals to reality,” said Chris Zawacki, CEO of Green Meadows. “Josh’s visionary cultivation techniques are positioning us to create a fully self-sufficient cannabis production operation within the next year, while Max and Dan bring the operational rigor that will enable us to scale our business to offer more Massachusetts - and ultimately New England - customers and patients the best organic, sustainably grown cannabis products that have been produced in a way they can feel good about - and will make them feel good, too.”

Max Jones brings more than 30 years of manufacturing and operations experience spanning the aluminum, automotive, construction, electrical distribution, and cannabis industries in various roles from plant manager to Chief Operating Officer. Jones joins Green Meadows from Maitri Holdings, LLC, a vertically integrated medical cannabis company in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he served as the COO. Jones earned an industrial engineering degree from the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad, as well as an MBA from Tepper Business school, Carnegie Mellon Pittsburgh, where

he specialized in Strategy, Operations, and Finance.

Josh Turner oversees the fully organic, living soil cultivation operation at Green Meadows. He is establishing no-till raised beds and an in-house genetics program. He joins Green Meadows from PharmaCann Inc., where he was the director of cultivation. Since coming to Massachusetts in 2019, he managed the cultivation, harvesting and processing of more than 75% of the hemp grown in the state. Turner also worked with the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources to educate farmers on the methods of hemp cultivation and provided them with stable certified genetics.

Turner founded Yellowhammer Genetics, a cannabis genetics research company and seed producer. He has designed and built high performance cannabis cultivation facilities in Nevada, and in 2016, he helped found and build Woodman Peak Farms in Mendocino, Calif. - an off-grid, fully organic, living soil grow and produces the finest quality cannabis. Turner also established a research and development farm in Southern Oregon where he and his team at Yellowhammer Genetics focus on rare and unique cannabinoids and terpenes. Turner’s genetics have won awards for both concentrates and flower in most major U.S. cannabis markets.

Dan Donahue supports the operations of the cultivation and production team. He brings more than

four years of senior leadership roles within cannabis operations and more than 20 years of operations and project management experience in Class III medical device manufacturing from concept to global commercial distribution to his role at Green Meadows. Donahue joins Green Meadows from PharmaCann Inc. where he served as the general manager of Massachusetts Operations. He earned a mechanical engineering degree from Penn Foster University, and a BS from Southern New Hampshire University in Operations & Project Management.

Classes and events at Hitchcock Academy

BRIMFIELD — Following is the schedule of programs and events at Hitchcock Academy during the month of August.

UPBEAT BARRE with Rebecca Lehman: UpBeat Barre combines moves from ballet, Pilates, yoga and muscular endurance based strength training to provide a low-impact, mind, body and high-energy program. UpBeat classes will tone, tighten and lengthen muscles, provide strength in everyday movement and bring confidence, coordination and an UpBeat attitude after every class. This barre class is all about music. The moves are choreographed to fun UpBeat music which is how this class differs from other barre classes. Mondays 6-7pm. Aug. 8 to 29. \$50.

HIGH FITNESS with Rebecca Lehman: The combination of aerobic and anaerobic training, complemented by active recovery tracks, makes this class an extremely effective and efficient form of training. Alternating bouts of high-intensity movement with moderate/active recovery means you avoid plateaus, and constantly challenge your body in a safe and effective way that works for YOU. HIGH Fitness is a ZERO equipment, full body workout that has been shown to improve overall endurance, stamina, strength, and cardiovascular health. More importantly, it yields extremely important mental health benefits. Beyond the workout, HIGH Fitness brings fun, fabulous music, and a community like no other - connection, support, and inclusion reap their own benefits on both the mind and body! Tuesdays 7-8pm. Aug. 9 to 30. \$50.

WOMEN’S SELF-DEFENSE FITNESS with Caroline Degen: A fun full-body workout that is physically and mentally stimulating. This class builds strength, leans and tones the body, all while learning core self-defense movements and techniques. Flexibility, balance, and body awareness will also be gained. All levels are welcome and no prior experience is needed. Women will feel empowered, confident, and

healthier. For ages 12 and older. Great class for mother/daughter pairs. Tuesdays, 5:45-6:45pm. Aug. 2 to 23. \$60 per person.

GUITAR LESSONS with Reese Crosby: Learn how to play your first song in 2 weeks or less! Acoustic and electric guitar lessons for beginner to advanced levels, ages 7 and up. Learn how to read tablature and get an introduction to music theory. You will also have the opportunity to try the different guitars before you buy one. Wednesdays, Aug. 3 to 31, 5 classes for \$125 or Sundays, Aug. 7 to 28, 4 classes for \$100. Schedule your 30 minute lesson on Sundays between 12pm and 4pm or Wednesdays between 3:30pm and 8pm. After registration, the instructor will reach out to you to schedule your lesson.

BUDDIES DOG TRAINING with Laurie Merritt: This dog training basics class is for canines of all ages (puppies welcome) and provides positive training methods, good management practices, and problem-solving strategies. The first week is mandatory, and dogs do not attend. Vaccinations must be up-to-date. Bring the household! Children under 14 must be with an adult. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm. Aug. 10 to Sept. 14. \$137 per dog.

SIP & STARS: 8th annual stargazing benefit for Hitchcock Free Academy with generous support from Country Bank, B.T.’s Smokehouse, and Rapsallion Brewery. Enjoy a guided tour of the night sky during the peak of the Perseids Meteor Shower. Live music will play until the sun sets when Geoff and Kim McLean from Thames Astronomical Society will share their telescopes and knowledge. Wednesday, Aug. 10 (Rain Date Aug. 11) 6 - 10pm. Brimfield Winery - 35 Main Street (Route 20) Brimfield. Tickets: \$25 for 21+ and \$10 under 21. Price includes admission, one full pour of beer or wine.

SUMMER DAYS AT HITCHCOCK: Kids ages 4-7, 8-10, and 11-13 enjoy weekly morning programs focused on arts & crafts and sports & games or afternoon STEAM programs focused on hands-on experiments to help your children think creatively and critical-

ly. AM programs run from 9am to 12pm. PM programs run from 1pm to 3:30pm. Extended day offered 8:30am to 4pm. Programs offered through Aug. 12. Starting at \$90 per week.

FREE HITCHCOCK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES ON THE COMMON: Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of great music. Wednesdays 6-8pm. Aug. 3, 17, and 24.

FARMERS’ MARKET: Farmers and Artisans selling homemade goods and locally-grown, seasonal plants, produce, meat, baked goods, ice cream, crafts, soap, and more. Saturdays 9am - 1pm rain or shine in the Hitchcock parking lot.

Hitchcock Academy is a community center located at 2 Brookfield Road in Brimfield serving the community with educational, recreational, and cultural programming. More information can be found at www.hitchcockacademy.org.

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Policy encourages more recorded meetings in Charlton

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON — The increased access to technology and video streaming has evolved the way that people of all ages consume media these days, including local town meetings. This was made more apparent through necessity during the COVID-19 pandemic where town boards and committees across the country turned to outlets like Zoom and YouTube to hold meetings while maintaining public participation. While the practice might be relatively new to many communities, Charlton has broadcasted its Board of Selectmen meet-

ings for years and now Selectmen would like to see other elected and appointed bodies do the same post-COVID. During a July 12 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Andrew Golas discussed the possibility of implementing a new policy that would heavily encourage other boards and commissions to fully embrace broadcasting meetings or posting recorded meetings online. Selectmen unanimously approved the policy which was, at least in part, brought forth due to Selectman Patsy Rydlak's recent struggles finding recordings of the Conservation Commission online. Currently the town

broadcasts and posts a series of board and commission meetings on the TVCharltonMass YouTube channel, including the selectmen, Planning Board, Water and Sewer Commission, and Finance Committee. Golas said the new policy encourages any board or appointed commission make it a normal practice to at least release video recordings of their meetings for citizens who can't attend in person to view in full. The policy asks that boards, commissions, and committees whose decisions effect property and residences in town move their meetings to either the selectmens chambers in the Town Hall or the senior cen-

ter so that they can be recorded and broadcast. This would not apply to groups like the Old Home Day Committee which has no purview over property or residences or to executive sessions which are required to be private. Golas noted that in the wake of COVID many towns have made broadcasting meetings a more permanent concept and even state lawmakers have embraced the benefits of this new approach with a House Bill on the books that could require all public boards and committee meetings provide hybrid options by April of 2024. "I'm sure that there's going to be some push-back from towns saying that it's an unfund-

ed mandate – A lot of the smaller towns in Western Massachusetts that don't even have broadband yet may feel that this is arduous," said Golas. "From the state level this seems to be a statewide push, so I don't think this is far off." Selectman Rydlak said she feels that taping and posting of all meetings should be mandatory to allow citizens who can't attend meetings due to limited abilities, transportation, or schedule issues a chance to know what is happening in town. "All of us have talked transparency. It's perfect to always have a Zoom running so you have live participation, but if

that's not the case then these meetings should be recorded," Rydlak said, later doubling down on her statements. "I think any board that votes and makes decisions that effects land and property should be recorded, and it should be put in a public place where anybody can access." Other selectmen agreed that the felt every meeting should be recorded while others felt it would be a burden on smaller appointed committees. In the interest of clarity, selectmen approved the policy with examples of which boards, commissions, and committees like zoning and conservation would be impacted by the new policy.

New bill indemnifies reproductive health professionals

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
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REGION – Earlier this month, the Massachusetts State Senate unanimously passed a bipartisan bill shielding residents, visitors, and providers who engage in legally protected reproductive and gender-affirming healthcare. As of press time, having passed both branches of the legislature, the bill was under review by a conference committee appointed to resolve differences between the House and Senate versions.

The legislation includes provisions preventing the Commonwealth's cooperation with "bounty-style" anti-abortion laws in other states. Additionally, the legislation would mandate health insurance coverage for abortion-related services with no cost-sharing.

"As reproductive rights and gender-affirming care are attacked in states across the nation through disturbing rhetoric and callous laws, Massachusetts is providing a shining beacon of hope for pregnant and transgender people seeking the essential healthcare they need," said Senator Michael Moore (D—Millbury). "This legislation recognizes that healthcare is healthcare, and I'm proud to have voted to enshrine this principle into law. I hope that the Bay State's work will serve as a model for other states to follow to protect patients and the providers who care for them."

If passed, the legislation would ensure access to emergency contraception, in addition to guaranteeing confidentiality to providers of reproductive and gender-affirming services.

Under the legislation, physicians, nurses, physician assistants, pharmacists, psychologists, genetic counselors, and social workers would be insulated from legal action in Massachusetts courts as a result of providing healthcare services which are legal in Massachusetts. Officials said this language specifically protects reproductive and gender-affirming healthcare, which have been the targets of "bounty-style" laws passed in states like Texas and Oklahoma.

"Protecting the reproductive rights of women and gender-affirming healthcare, not just in Massachusetts but throughout the nation, is extremely important," said Sen. Anne Gobi (D—Spencer). "People seeking reproductive services should not be in fear, nor should abortion providers. The unanimous bipartisan support of the Senate is a testament to the importance of the issue."

If individuals face litigation in another state for providing legally protected reproductive or gender-affirming care services in Massachusetts, the legislation would allow them to sue in Bay State courts for damages, expenses, costs, and attorneys' fees.

Moreover, the Massachusetts governor would be prevented under the legislation from extraditing someone to another state to face charges for an abortion, gender dysphoria treatment, or another protected service, except when required by federal law.

Also, Massachusetts law enforcement agen-

cies would be prohibited from assisting any investigation led by federal authorities, another state, or private citizens related to legally protected reproductive and gender-affirming healthcare provided in the Commonwealth. Courts would similarly be barred from ordering anyone in Massachusetts to testify or produce documents for lawsuits involving those practices, and judges could not issue any summons in a case concerning those healthcare services.

Further, the legislation would require public higher education institutions to work with the Department of Public Health (DPH) to create a medication abortion readiness plan which must provide medication abortion at a health center on campus, or provide a referral to a nearby healthcare facility offering abortion health services.

To learn more about legislation, visit www.mass.gov.

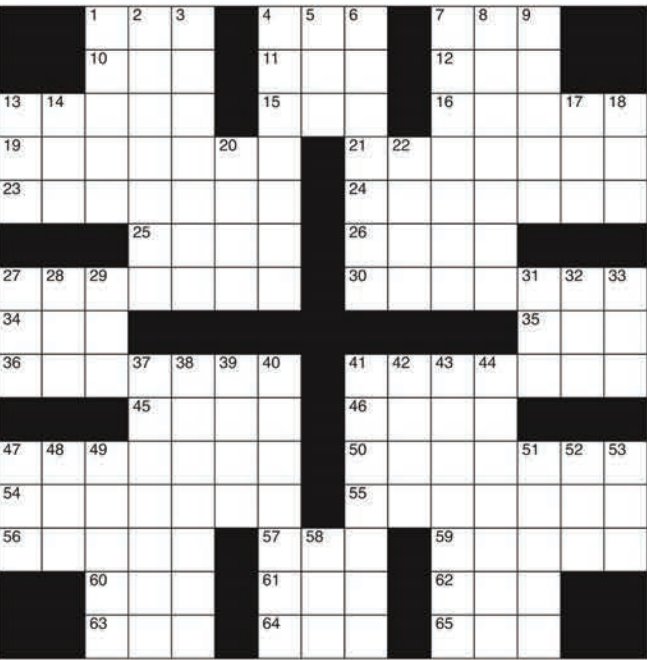
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\$335,500, 501 Forest Park Dr #501, Gosselin, Kevin, and Gosselin, Margaret, to Kozlowski, Ryan.
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\$375,000, 102 Briarwood Ave, Sullivan, Tracey L, and Sullivan, Brian M, to Moore, Rebecca.
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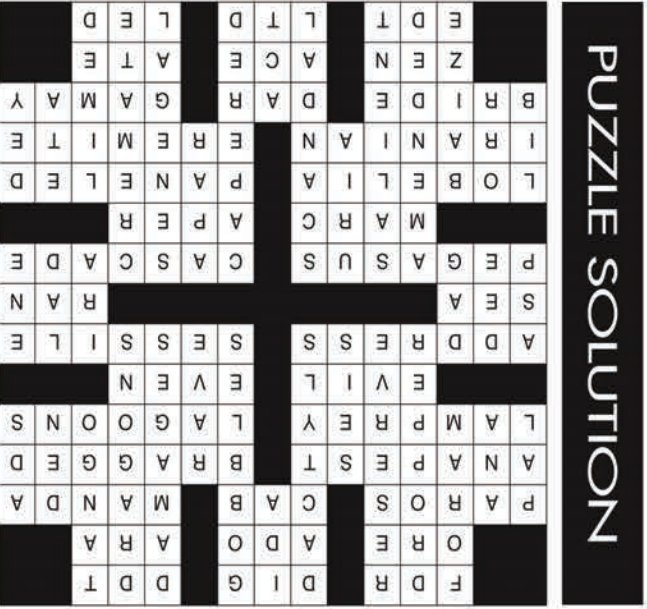


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4. Move earth
7. Insecticide
10. Naturally occurring solid material
11. State of fuss
12. Bhutanese wine
13. Greek island
15. Taxi
16. Tanzanian ethnic group
19. Metrical foot
21. Boasted
23. Eel-like vertebrate
24. Small freshwater lakes
25. Morally base
26. Not odd
27. Where you live
30. Fixed in place
34. A very large body of water
35. Moved quickly
36. Winged horse
41. Small waterfall
45. Hoopster Gasol
46. One who mimics
47. Tropical plant
50. Used of walls
54. A citizen of Iran
55. Christian hermit
56. She marries the groom
57. American patriotic society
59. Wine grape
60. School of Buddhism
61. A team's best pitcher
62. Consumed
63. Time zone
64. Part of a company name
65. Type of bulb

CLUES DOWN

1. Marine protozoan
2. You use it for your eyes
3. Set aside for a later time
4. Metrical foot
5. Famed journalist Tarbell
6. Consumes quickly
7. Rewards in a civil suit
8. Kamodo are some
9. Ballroom dance
13. Chum
14. Comedienne Gasteyer
17. A room to relax
18. Commercials
20. Six (Spanish)
22. Wild party
27. Small European viper
28. Baseballer Gordon
29. Eccentric person
31. A way to save for your future
32. Young boy
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Changed
38. Prominent
39. Genus of seabirds
40. Event regarded as wrong
41. Skipped in a lively way
42. Multi-function radar (abbr.)
43. A country in W. Africa
44. Burn a corpse
47. Women's __ movement
48. NHL great Bobby
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Margaret Gilmarten of Auburn graduates from TEC Connections Academy

WALPOLE — Margaret Gilmarten of Auburn was among more than 285 seniors graduating in June from TEC Connections Academy (TECCA), the Commonwealth's largest, public K-12 virtual school. TEC Connections Academy enrollment has grown steadily from about 240 students eight years ago to nearly 2,900 today, with students representing every county in Massachusetts.

An in-person graduation celebration was held at Mechanics Hall in Worcester.

"At TEC Connections Academy, we pride ourselves in providing a world-class education in the online environment, while also preparing our students to thrive in a changing world. I am honored to congratulate our graduates and their families, many of whom have been with us online for their full, four-year high school experience," said superintendent Patrick Lattuca.

TEC Connections Academy is a tuition-free, online public school for K-12 students that offers a safe and social learning environment where empowered students direct their own educational journey. Teachers focus on emotional well-being and social development in addition to academics. They work closely with families to tailor curriculum to explore specific student interests and address partic-

ular needs. Students who enroll in the school join a collaborative community of their fellow students and educators that provides a welcoming, distraction-free learning environment.

For more information on TEC Connections Academy, call 800-382-6010 or visit www.TECConnectionsAcademy.com.

About TEC Connections Academy Commonwealth Virtual School

TEC Connections Academy (TECCA) is a unique, tuition-free, online public school for K-12 students across Massachusetts. Sponsored by The Education Cooperative (TEC), we create a high-quality educational experience that keeps students motivated and engaged in a safe, virtual learning environment. In addition to academics, teachers focus on emotional well-being and social development, working closely with families to help students learn how they learn best. Here, students gain the skills and confidence they need to direct their own educational journey, learning to thrive in the real world by first learning how to be resourceful and resilient. For more information, call 800-382-6010 or visit www.TECConnectionsAcademy.com.

Central One Federal Credit Union announces changes to board of directors

SHREWSBURY — Central One Federal Credit Union is pleased to announce Anthony Pini as the new Chairman of the Board, Jeffrey Pond as the Vice Chairman of the Board and Charles Giacoppe as Secretary of the Board.

Anthony Pini has been serving on the Central One FCU Board of Directors since 2014, recently serving as Vice Chairman from 2019-2022. He also served as an Associate Board Member from 2009-2014. Mr. Pini is currently a member of the Executive and Planning committees. He previously served as Chairman of the Member Business Loan committee and a member of the Asset Liability Management committee.

Jeffrey Pond has

been serving as a Director of the Credit Union since 1996 and from 1985-1991. He has served as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary of the Board. Currently, Mr. Pond serves on the Executive, Nominating, Planning and Personnel committees. Mr. Pond has also served on other committees throughout his tenure, including the Asset Liability Management committee.

Charles M. Giacoppe has been serving as a Director since 2017 and as an Associate Director from 2015-2017. He currently serves on the Asset Liability Management and Personnel committees.

About Central One Federal Credit Union

Central One Federal Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial institution that provides members with excellent, personalized service. Central One offers a wide range of savings, deposit, and loan products designed for the local community, and has branches in Auburn, Northborough, Shrewsbury, Westborough, and Worcester, as well as school branches in both Shrewsbury and Westborough High Schools. Learn more about Central One and why we have been named one of the top credit unions in Central Massachusetts. www.centralfcu.com

Eighth Annual Sip & Stars has Hitchcock starry-eyed

BRIMFIELD — Take time to stop and smell the roses, and while you're at it, stop and watch for meteors, too, as the Perseid Meteor Shower hits its annual summer peak. Hitchcock Academy invites you to do just that at its 8th annual Sip & Stars fundraiser for the non-profit community center at the Brimfield Winery which offers ample space to spread out and enjoy the beauty of the night sky. With generous support from Country Bank, Rapsallion Brewery, B.T.'s Smokehouse and host Brimfield Winery, the sky is the limit on Wednesday, Aug. 10 (Rain date Thursday, Aug. 11) from 6 to 10 p.m. Attendees will enjoy live music until the sun sets, as they then gather for a guided tour of the night sky in the company of friends and other sky-gazers, while enjoying beer and wine along with

BBQ or a packed picnic. The signature summer celebration highlights the community building and life-long learning for which Hitchcock is known, while encouraging us all to slow down and enjoy one of life's simplest pleasures.

"After two years running the event under strict limitations, we are thrilled to be able to open the event up and enjoy a relaxing evening together - that alone is still something to celebrate," says Hitchcock Executive Director Cindy Skowrya.

Admission includes a full pour of Brimfield Winery's own wine or Rapsallion beer and a guided tour of the night sky by Geoff and Kim McClean, Lead Night Sky Rangers with The Last Green Valley. The annual Perseid Meteor shower has been known to boast 50 to 100 meteors per hour. In the early

hours before sunset, crowds can enjoy live music. BT's Smokehouse food truck will be on site offering bbq options for purchase. While food may be brought in, no outside alcoholic beverages are allowed.

Tickets are \$25 for patrons 21 and over; under 21 tickets are \$10 and are available at www.hitchcock-academy.org. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets or chairs, bug spray and flashlights.

In the case of overcast skies or rain interruption, an astronomy demonstration will take place under the covered pavilion.

Hitchcock Academy is a community center located at 2 Brookfield Rd. in Brimfield serving the community with educational, recreational, and cultural programming. More information can be found at www.hitchcockacademy.org.

Jones & Jones to hold annual Scholarship Gala Nov. 18

HOLLAND — Jones & Jones Realty is hosting their fourth Annual Scholarship Gala at the Publik House in Sturbridge on Nov. 18.

Jennifer Jones, founder of Jones & Jones Realty, shared this about the event: "As a local business owner with roots here in the community, we wanted to create an impact and give back! As a high schooler who had the benefit myself of being recognized for my academic efforts and community involvement, I had received scholarship funds to put towards my college expenses, that helped more than anyone would have known. It was the difference between saying yes to the school of my choice or not. I believe investing in our youth goes farther than we know!"

Over the last four years, Jones & Jones and their business sponsors have raised more than \$18,000, funding a total of \$11,000 in scholarships, with another \$7,000 earmarked to be awarded at this year's Gala.

Jones shared that "One of our favorite things to do is to share the stories of the past recipients with the community. We have had eleven schol-

arship winners thus far that have gone to local East Coast schools, and we know from their Thank You cards and ongoing updates, that these dollars made a difference!"

If you would like to attend the Gala, you can get tickets by calling their office at 774-696-7002. If you would like to learn about becoming a sponsor, please reach out as well.

American Optical to perform annual maintenance Aug. 2

SOUTHBRIDGE — American Optical will be performing their annual operation and maintenance inside their facility on Aug. 2 at approximately 9 p.m. The location which will be affected will be around the Mechanic Street area in Southbridge.

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Gus Steeves

CELEBRATING BOOKS IN THE SUN

STURBRIDGE — Books were not among the things and activities available at Saturday’s celebration of Joshua Hyde Library’s 125th birthday on the Common. But live music, toy trucks, fire trucks, Jenga, gaga ball, and food were.

According to its website, the library was built and supplied due to \$20,000 in the 1886 will of George Hyde, to be named for his father. The site previously housed a shoe factory, and the town’s library was previously in Town Hall and what’s now Center Office Building before it opened one this site July 22, 1897.

The friends of the library will also be hosting its Book Sale Aug. 13 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 6957: 6959:6961:



The Haphazard Jazz Band plays for the people sweltering on the Common.



New DPW Director Heather Blakeley makes some adjustments to her table’s model showing how pollutants flow into the stormwater system and rivers.



A few eventgoers seek out the taste of BBQ.



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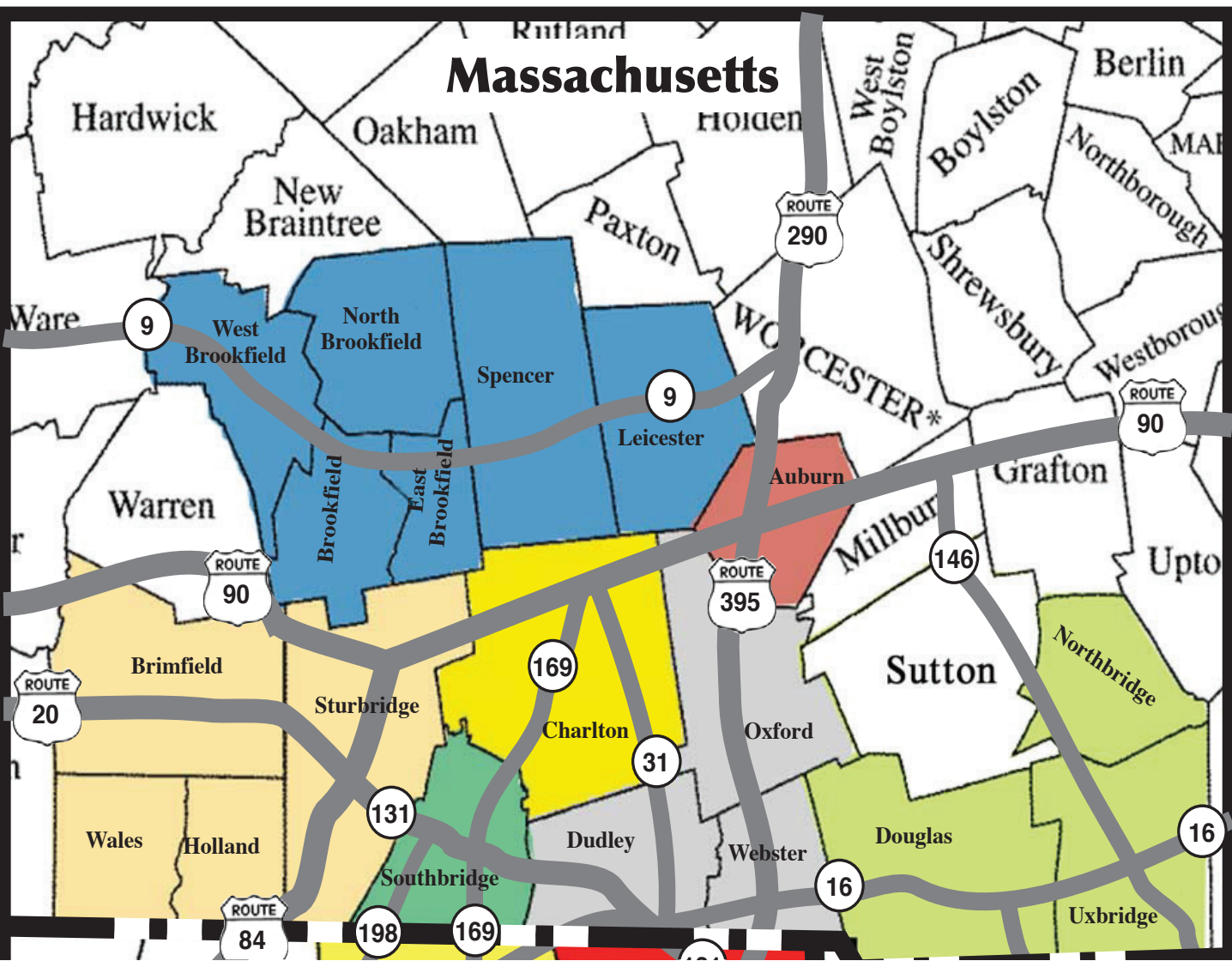
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EDITORIAL

Some of the
best memories
are made in
flip flops

Summer is in full swing, with everyone walking around with a sun kissed glow. Apart from mild weather, lush green forests, swimmable rivers and lakes and beautiful flowers, there are significant health benefits to these summer months.

Sunlight aids in regulating our systems. During the summer months there is a reduced rate of heart attacks. One study revealed that those who suffered a heart attack during the summer had survival rates increase by 19 percent. Vitamin D is said to play a role in protecting the heart as well as regulating calcium and phosphorus absorption.

Individuals tend to eat lighter and healthier in the summer; consuming more fruits and vegetables, which boosts our immune system. Produce is in abundance, whether it's at the local farmer's market or in our own back yards. Bring on the watermelon! The sun, can also cure many skin issues, such as psoriasis, dermatitis and acne, however this doesn't mean we can skip the sunscreen.

Summertime encourages us to get out and exercise. Getting the blood pumping creates endorphins and initiates and improves the flow of oxygen to the brain, which in turn lowers stress, and can aid in productivity in other areas of our lives. The longer days also afford us zero excuse to get out and get it done.

Because of the warmer temperatures, we automatically increase our water intake. This promotes digestion and flushes the toxins from our bodies.

Sleep disorders tend to fall by the wayside or improve during the summer due to the sun's early morning exposure. Experts say getting sunshine between 7 and 9 a.m. every morning, will help you sleep better at night.

Spending time with friends, family and community increases in the summer which is key to our mental health. During summer months there are more outdoor activities that bring folks together such as band concerts, farmer's markets, campfires, which are all great places to catch up with our neighbors.

Most people tend to go on vacation during the summer; reducing stress and burnout. More and more people are realizing just how important it is to take a breather.

Summertime helps us to feel more footloose and fancy free. There is also an overall feeling of relaxation and joy, over simple things like reading a book on the front porch, sipping sun tea or the smell of fresh cut grass.

The rivers flow wildly in the mountains and the lakes remain calm for fisherman to drop a line and float about, letting all cares melt away as the sunlight dances off the small ripples and waves. Mountain summits are picture perfect with blue skies, white clouds, vibrant green trees with glistening rocks, oftentimes creating scenes that don't even look real.

Take advantage of the season and savor every moment. In the words of the great Henry James, "Summer afternoon-summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language."

OPINION

Viewpoints and commentary from the Tri-Community and beyond

Phlox adds color and pollinator appeal to the garden all season long

Fill your gardens with color from spring through summer and even into fall with a variety of pollinator-friendly phlox. The beauty, diversity, and usefulness in the garden of this group of plants had the National Garden Bureau declare 2022 Year of the Phlox.

Start out the growing season with creeping phlox (*Phlox subulata*). This low growing phlox is perfect for rock gardens, as a groundcover or planted at the front of a perennial garden. Grow it in full sun with well-drained soil in zones three to nine. Once the flowers fade, shear the plants back halfway to encourage attractive new growth that will last all season long.

Woodland phlox (*Phlox divaricata*) is native to Midwestern woods and fields and hardy in zones three to eight. The periwinkle blue flowers add some welcome color to shady spots in spring. Grow it in moist rich soil and watch for hummingbirds and butterflies that visit the blooms.

The Garden Club of America named Blue Moon woodland phlox its Plant of the Year, awarding it with the 2022 Montine McDaniel Freeman Horticulture Award. This award is given to native underutilized plants with superior ecological and ornamental attributes. Their goal is to increase the use of these plants in gardens. Blue Moon is mildew resistant, long blooming and like the species is an early source of pollen for native bees, swallowtail butterflies and nectar for the hummingbirds.

Downy or prairie phlox (*Phlox pilosa*) is another North American native phlox that can be found in prairies and is hardy in zones three to nine. The pale pink to purple-pink blossoms appear in spring. Grow it in full sun with moist to well-drained loam or sandy soils. Like other phlox, it attracts and supports butterflies and hummingbirds.

Marsh phlox (*Phlox globerrima*) is native to wet prairies and open woodlands and thrives in moist soil and even damp clay. The intense magenta flowers appear June to July and are a hummingbird magnet. Grow this phlox in zones four to eight.

The North American native tall garden phlox has long been popular with gardeners. It blooms mid-season, adding color and height to any garden bed or mixed border. The perfectly round



Melinda Myers

Phlox with Echinacea in full bloom in a summer garden.



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flower clusters top each stem and come in a variety of colors from white to pink, purple, salmon and more. Grow these in full sun with moist, rich well-drained soil.

The flowers of many tall phlox varieties are fragrant, attract pollinators and make great cut flowers. Remove faded flowers and provide sufficient moisture and nutrients to encourage more blooms. The Fashionably Early series of tall phlox bloom early and for a long period with rebloom in fall.

Grow tall phlox in full sun, provide sufficient space and avoid overhead watering to reduce the risk of powdery mildew. Select mildew resistant varieties like LUMINARY™, Opening Act, Sweet Summer and Super Ka-pow to reduce the risk of this disease.

Consider adding a variety of phlox plants to your garden this season or next. You and the pollinators will appreciate the long season of beautiful flowers, pollen, and nectar.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD instant video series* and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

TO THE EDITOR

Grateful for support of United Way

To the Editor:

I am writing to offer thanks to the United Way, South Central MA. The United Way serves the Towns of Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge, Sturbridge and Webster. Their support is integral to the well-being of these communities.

New Hope, a non-profit that provides services to survivors of sexual and domestic violence, also works within these five towns. The support we receive from the United Way is critical to those individuals and families struggling with the impact of sexual and domestic violence. Additionally, funds from the United Way provides resources for violence prevention

work with local youth.

In the fall many companies will be holding campaigns to support the work of the United Way. If your employer has such a campaign, please consider giving. If your company does not have a campaign, ask them to consider holding one. You can reach the UW office at 508-765-5491. When you give to the United Way, you are investing in our community. I ask you to consider such an investment.

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When many people hear the words "estate planning," they assume it's just for the wealthy. But that's not the case because everyone can benefit from an estate plan. And when you're creating one, you'll want to avoid some common mistakes.

Before we look at those mistakes, let's go over what estate planning is designed to accomplish. Essentially, an estate plan allows you to pass on your assets in the way you desire. But it can also specify other actions, such as naming someone to care for your minor children if you were no longer around. In creating an estate plan, several key documents are involved, including a will, a trust, a financial power of attorney and a medical power of attorney or a health care directive.

Now, let's consider a few estate-planning mistakes:

Not communicating your plans. You'll need to inform your family about whom you've chosen as executor – the individual who will administer your estate – and whom you've named as the trustee – the person who will manage your trust's assets. (You can also choose a trust company to handle this duty.) And to help avoid unpleasant surprises when your estate is being settled, consider letting your children or other close relatives know who will be receiving what.

Not reviewing your plans periodically – Once you create your estate plans, don't forget about them. Over time, your personal situation may change – you may experience a remarriage or bring in new children. Your interests may change, too – perhaps you'll become deeply involved in supporting a favorite charitable organization. Given these and other potential changes, you'll want to review your estate plans once in a while to see if they need to be modified.

Not updating beneficiary designations – Every so often, you may want to review the beneficiary designations on your life insurance policies, investment accounts and retirement assets. As mentioned, changes in your life, such as remarriage and the addition of new children, may affect your beneficiaries. Beneficiary designations are powerful and can even supersede your will, so you'll want to update them as needed. Also, if you have a 529 education savings plan, you'll want to name a successor owner – someone who can take over your 529 if you were to pass away.

Not re-registering assets placed in a trust – A living trust offers you many potential benefits, such as the ability to bypass the time-consuming and highly public process of probate when it's time to settle your estate. However, just establishing the trust, by itself, may be insufficient – you likely also need to re-register assets, such as your investments, so they are officially owned by the trust, not by you. This is essential for the trust to work as you intended.

Here's one other mistake – not getting the help you need. Estate planning can be complex, so you'll want to work with an attorney, and possibly with your financial advisor and tax professional, too.

By avoiding key mistakes and working with a qualified team of professionals, you can create and maintain an estate plan that will help you leave the legacy you desire.

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Interacting with insects



This week's picture shows Mikaela DeMaria with a nice largemouth bass she recently caught. More women are fishing today than in previous years.

#Because of the hot days that we had to endure for the last couple of weeks, a lot of anglers are doing their fishing during early morning and evening hours. Fishing on fresh and saltwater continues to provide anglers with some impressive fish, as this week's picture shows. Many streams have almost dried up because of the lack of rainfall, killing most of the fish in them. Many small streams



This writers Lab, Twig, and Beagle, Molly!

and brooks still have a population of native brook trout in them, but if this drought continues, we may lose a lot more of them. Saltwater anglers are excited about the upcoming return on of false Albacore and Bonito, in a week or two. The waters off of Rhode Island have a great run of these fish every year; and fly-fishing anglers take their fishing for these hard fighting fish very seriously. Light spinning rods are also used to catch these fish, but it is really a fly fishers dream, when the first fish show up along the coast of Rhode Island & Massachusetts. This is the time of year that many humans encounter insects that can cause severe reactions when they are bitten. Every insect bite is serious and needs medical attention in some form. Many can be treated by them-

selves, and if they continue to cause swelling and pain, you need to have the bite checked out by a physician. When outdoors, you need to keep track of your surroundings as many bees and wasps make their nest in the ground. Stepping on one of them can be extremely painful, and even worse, can cause death to some humans that suffer an allergic reaction to the insects' stings. Spider bites are even more serious. Some people often suffer a serious reaction, and can even go into shock in a very short time, and need to take medication immediately. This writer was stung by a bee or wasp last week that caused serious pain until I took action to alleviate the problem. Being stung in my ankle as I was exiting my home, I suffered immediate pain. I went back into my house and looked up a possible cure for the pain on my computer; that was extremely sharp and aggravating. I found that by taking a couple of adult aspirin, and making a small paste out of them by placing them on a small plate and adding a small amount of water, made a perfect small paste that I applied to the bite area. Within minutes the pain was completely gone. Wild blueberries are now being



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picked by local residents that know where to go for the tasty berries. Wild high bush and low bush berries are a lot more flavorful, and are free for the picking, if you know where to go. Taking a short walk into the woods, and along small swamps, is sure to reveal some of the wild berries. Be sure to take along some bug spray to ward off mosquitoes and horseflies, that can make your experience hell. Long shirts, hat and pants are necessary clothing. The news is always revealing the worst in some human beings. More than 4,000 beagles were rescued from a farm in Virginia that was supplying the beagles for some type of medical research. Many of the dogs were being held in deplorable conditions. Looking for homes for the 4,000 beagles is going to be a big job, and they only have 90 days to get it done. Any animal lover like myself and thousands of others were shocked to hear the news of this outrageous type of animal cruelty. I would love to acquire one of these beagles for my beagle Molly to play with, but she has kind of taken control of the house after my wife's passing. Stay tuned Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods bending!

Cool the Burn with Homemade Sunburn Relievers

Mid-summer is here and the sunny season promises exciting outdoor activities, as well as direct exposure to the sun's rays. If your "hot fun in the summertime" included getting burned, read on - these sunburn tips can take the heat off.

Everyone knows overexposure to the sun is dangerous. Not only does a sunburn dehydrate your skin, break down collagen and provoke wrinkles, just one blistering sunburn doubles the likelihood of developing malignant melanoma. Here are some more ways to combat the common seasonal malady:

Apply Aloe Vera from the plant directly on the sunburn to sooth and promote healing. Cool milk compresses take the heat off a sunburn. Simply soak cheesecloth in whole milk and lay compress over skin. Reapply as necessary. The tannins in black tea will also help soothe a sunburn. Pat the sore skin with wet teabags for almost instant relief. Be sure to hydrate! A



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sunburn draws water away from other parts of the body toward your skin. Water helps healing and rehydrates the skin. Oatmeal is a natural anti-inflammatory. Oats contain phenols that can help absorb UV rays and reduce some damaging inflammation. To make a homemade version of expensive colloidal oatmeal bath, simply pulverize regular oats to a fine power in a food processor or blender. Add to a cool bath for a soothing soak. White vinegar has long been used to relieve sunburn pain. Just mix two tablespoons of white vinegar in one half cup water and dab on burned area with a soft cloth as often as needed. Or apply plain yogurt to the skin, then add some cold water and smooth on skin.

Apply old fashioned shaving cream to the burn. The menthol serves to calm the sting of the burn by making the skin feel cool. The menthol in most beard busters takes the sting out of the burn and cools skin on contact. Sunburn sprays are handy to tote with you while you are suffering the after effects of a sunburn. There's no need to spend big bucks on commercial mists when there are many effective sprays you can make yourself. Here are some to try: Super Sunburn Spray: Mix together liquid aloe vera (sometimes called aloe vera juice, available at health stores); with half as much liquid Vitamin E and a few drops of lavender essential oil. Pour into a spray bottle and lightly mist the body. Cucumber Sunburn Lotion is another cool cure for sore skin: To make, squeeze the juice from one chopped cucumber (use a juicer) and mix with one quarter cup each glycerin and rosewater.

This Cooling Sunburn Mist is quick and easy to whip up. Mix together two ounces distilled water; nine drops of lavender essential oil; two drops of peppermint essential oil; and one drop of spearmint essential oil. The lavender has antibacterial properties and the mint oils cool off skin fast. This recipe relieves the pain and tightness of a sunburn almost instantly. Sunburn Bath: In a blender, puree one cucumber and pour into a bowl. Add four cups oatmeal, ten black tea bags and two tablespoons rosemary leaves and mix well. Pour mixture into bath under running water. Take a long, relieving soak. Splash on cider vinegar. It's an old folk remedy, and many people swear the acid in the vinegar works to cool down the burn. Also, try rubbing plain yogurt or honey lightly on sunburned skin. One theory is that the yogurt and honey are effective because they both have the power of retarding

the growth of some pathogenic bacteria. Prickly Heat is another summer skin ailment, which can be an uncomfortable side effect from humid weather. The skin condition occurs when the sweat ducts are blocked and sweat leaks into the skin. Here's how to rid yourself of the rash in record time: Reduce the irritation and swelling of the heat rash by applying an ice compress to the affected skin Or, lay in a cool tub to with baking soda relieve the symptoms of prickly heat. When you cool the skin down, it naturally becomes relieved and refreshed. The baking soda will also ease the itching. To prevent a reoccurrence of prickly heat, wear loose clothing and dust yourself off with cornstarch-based baby powder on hot, steamy days. Danger Zone: Be sure to seek medical attention if your rash is accompanied by nausea, headache, and extreme thirst, the symptoms of heatstroke. Win Dinner for Two at

the Publick House Your tips can win you a great three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I'm in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I'm counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints! Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, C/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Civil War memorabilia

The Civil War, which took place from 1861 to 1865, has been a focus area for historians and collectors alike for many years. The causes of the Civil War are well known and detailed by the History Channel as simmering tensions between the North and South "over slavery, states' rights and westward expansion." President Abraham Lincoln's election in 1860 caused seven southern states to secede from the Union. Four other states followed soon after.

Some Civil War historians refer to "brother against brother" battles in the Civil War. This references the fact that it was a war between two regions of the country, with brothers sometimes fighting against each other on different sides during the war.

A 2017 article in the Murfreesboro (Tenn.) Post described the divided loyalties of the Crittenden brother of Kentucky. George Bibb Crittenden graduated from West Point. Just before the start of the Civil War, he accepted a commission as colonel in the Confederate Army. He was promoted to major general in 1861. Crittenden's brother, Thomas Leonidas Crittenden, was a major general of the Kentucky militia in 1860. According to the Murfreesboro, Thomas "was promoted to major general of volunteers and commanded the II Corps of the Army of Ohio during the Perryville campaign."

During one Civil War battle, two



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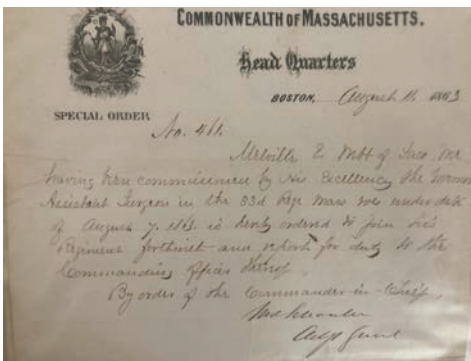
brothers literally fought against each other. James and Alexander Campbell emigrated together from Scotland to the United States. An American Battlefield Trust article stated that James settled in South Carolina where he found work as a drayman (delivery man for a brewery) and clerk. James settled in New York but found some work in Charleston as a brick mason. During the war, Alexander Campbell enlisted with the 79th New York Infantry Regiment of the Union Army while James Campbell joined a Confederate militia called the Union Light Infantry or 42nd, according to the American Battlefield Trust. Neither brother knew it at the time, but they fought against each other at the Battle of Secessionville.

Nearly all Civil war artifacts are sought after by collectors including rifles, bayonets, uniforms, caps, soldier photos and letters from soldiers. Letters provide a window into the war from a soldier's eyes. Close to 30 years ago, I sold a soldiers' Civil War Diary for over \$500. The value could be double that today.

Some items can command huge prices. In 2006, a battle flag flown by Civil War General J.E.B. Stuart that was handsewn by his wife Flora sold for \$956,00 at auction. A sword presented to Ulysses S. Grant when he commanded the Union forces brought \$1.6 million in 2007. A pair of New Model Army revolvers which also belonged

to Grant sold this year for \$5.17 million, soaring above the \$1 to \$3 million estimate.

We will be offering Civil War letters and ephemera from two estates in our fall auction. We are still accepting other consignments for our fall multi-estate online auction. We have many additional events scheduled for the fall. I'll be teaching my "Evaluating your Antiques" course at the Bay Path Evening School on Sept. 13. I'll also be appraising items for the Townsend Historical Society on Oct. 15, and for the Leicester Historical Society at the Leicester Senior Center on Nov. 5. Please visit our Web site, https://centralmassauctions.com, for links to



upcoming events.

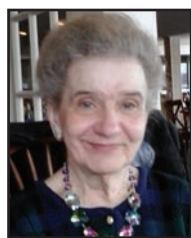
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Martinek earns spot on Emmanuel College Dean's List

BOSTON — Grace Martinek of Southbridge has made Emmanuel College's Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Emmanuel students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for a 16-credit semester. Emmanuel College is a co-educational, residential institution with a 17-acre campus in the heart of Boston's educational, scientific, cultural and medical communities. Enrolling 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students, the College provides boundless opportunities for students to expand their worldview through rigorous coursework, significant internship and career opportunities throughout the Boston area and beyond, collaborations with distinguished and dedicated faculty, and participation in a dynamic campus community. Emmanuel's more than 70 programs in the sciences, liberal arts, business, nursing, and education foster spirited discourse and substantive learning experiences that honor the College's Catholic educational mission to educate the whole person and provide an ethical and relevant 21st-century education.

OBITUARIES

Jeannette S. Curboy, 87



Southbridge - Jeannette S. (Noga) Curboy, 87, died Friday, July 15, 2022, at UMass Memorial Health/Harrington. Mrs. Curboy is survived by four sons: Daniel Curboy of Southbridge, Frederick Curboy of Sturbridge, Brian Curboy and his wife Paulette of Southbridge, Alan Curboy of Sturbridge and two daughters: Catherine Curboy and her partner Jimmy Gagne of Charlton, and Linda Koslowski and her husband William of Wales, MA. She also leaves 17 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren..

She was predeceased by her brothers: Alec, Frederick, Emile and her sisters Leocadia “Loda” Lewandowski, and Helen Wojciechowski. She was born in Southbridge, daughter of the late William and Josephine (Olearczyk) Noga, and has lived in Sturbridge for most of her life. She was a homemaker who enjoyed her family, and previously worked at the American Optical Co.. A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, at 11AM at St. Hedwig Cemetery, N. Woodstock Road, Southbridge, MA 01550 Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge is directing the arrangements. www.sansoucyfuneral.com

Marsha Rita Manners, 73



STURBRIDGE - Marsha Rita (Seremet) Manners, 73, of New Boston Road, Sturbridge, passed away on July 19, 2022, at St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester. She leaves behind her husband of 55 years, Harold Manners, 2 daughters Jaime Manners of Sturbridge Shannon Thibault of Spencer; ; her 3 grandchildren Ryan Manners, Isabella Santa, Logan Thibault. Marsha was born in Southbridge daughter to the late Aloisius Stanislaw Seremet and Claire

Marie (Proulx) Seremet. Marsha graduated from Tantasqua High School in 1967. She received her Associates Degree from Cape Cod Community College. Marsha enjoyed going to the senior center in Sturbridge, doing arts and crafts and knitting. She was a member of St. Anne's Church in Fiskdale. Marsha enjoyed caring for her family. Private burial will be in Massachusetts Veterans Cemetery. There are no calling hours. An online guestbook is available at www.BelangerFuneralHome.com Belanger Bullard Funeral Home, 51 Marcy St. Southbridge, MA, is directing arrangements.

Essential traits for realizing your dreams, Part 3: Specialized knowledge

Last two weeks, I wrote about two essential characteristics you must have if you're going to accomplish your dreams. The first is desire; you must possess a burning desire to achieve your goals. Secondly, you must have faith. Without faith, your dreams will become nothing and fade away. Specialized knowledge is the third most vital thing you must have at your command when wanting to accomplish your goals. It's one thing to have generalized knowledge that can help you win a game of Trivial Pursuit, and it's a whole other thing to have specialized knowledge of a specific industry or problem you'd like to solve. Maybe you want to land a great job. You can do that; it will take desire, faith, and specialized knowledge. Can you

imagine an electrician that doesn't know about electricity or a surgeon that has never learned about surgery? If your objective is to be a pro athlete, you must have specialized knowledge of the game, the technique, and the tactics it takes to win. If your goal is to be an actor, you must study the great actors, attend acting classes, and read acting books. You'll need to learn to express yourself through voice and emotion at the right moments to enhance your performance and move your audience. You will need specialized knowledge if you want to own a successful business. You'll have to study all the problems and become an expert on how to solve them. We've all heard it said that "Knowledge is

Power." This is true on some level, but specialized knowledge gives you the edge and enables you to cut right to the heart of the issue and provide the solution. Generalized knowledge will probably never bring you to accomplish your dreams unless your dream is to star on an episode of Jeopardy! Don't get me wrong; generalized knowledge is good, but specialized knowledge, directed intelligently, will be a major factor that will bring you to where you want to be. How can you gain specialized knowledge? There are all kinds of ways to acquire specialized knowledge. One way to gain specialized knowledge is by placing yourself in a job

that will help you learn the expertise. You can start by being an intern or beginning an apprenticeship, While building my company, I learned that I must learn web development and computer languages. I have always been more of an artistic thinker, and I don't consider myself to have the mind of an engineer. One day I was faced with the fact that I might never accomplish my dream if I didn't learn how to code with computer languages. I wasn't interested in coding, but I knew I had to do it. It was one of the biggest challenges in my life to graduate. I didn't have the passion for web development, but I did have the passion

for accomplishing my dream, and that desire and faith carried me through, helped me to attend every class, and put in the extra hours to graduate. If you don't have the resources to attend a university, there are usually enough free or cheap online resources and books to give you everything you need to know. If you have enough desire and faith, you'll search out and learn the knowledge wherever it is. Of course, we also learn by experience; sometimes, there is no better teacher than life itself. Pursuing specialized knowledge in your chosen calling will never end. It's a pursuit that can take a lifetime. There is always something to learn, and successful people in all industries never stop acquiring specialized knowledge. Sometimes desire comes first, and at other times it will be specialized knowledge that propels you to know how to solve a particular problem, which may fill you with a new desire. Sometimes special knowledge may precede desire. I've found no exact path to getting where you want to go; it will be different for everyone. Whatever the case, specialized knowledge is key to accomplishing your objective. What comes next? Tune in next week to learn about the fourth attribute that you'll need to accomplish your dream: Imagination.

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Multi-year reunion planned

SOUTHBRIDGE – Calling all Southbridge Catholic alumni from the years prior to 1990. An Alumni Social for students who attended Southbridge Catholic Schools prior to 1990 is planned on Sept. 17. This event will offer the opportunity to gather and take “A stroll Down Memory Lane.” To participate in the fun and find ticket information, go to www.givebut-ter.com/SouthbridgeCathAlum email: SBDGEcathalum@tca11.com or visit the Southbridge Catholic Alumni Facebook group

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LEGALS

Holland Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing
The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 7:30 pm** at the Holland Town Hall, 227 Sturbridge Road, Holland, MA 01521 or remotely see agenda details for the date above on town website. The purpose of the hearing is to consider a request from **Kevin Lachapelle** for a **special permit**/variance/appeal according to Bylaw section 7. Relief requested: **non-conforming lot** Petitioner's property located at **36 But-terworth Dr, Holland, MA** Parcel ID #'s **5 – B - 31**
Don Beal, Chairperson
Zoning Board of Appeals
July 28, 2022

Town of Brimfield Conservation Commission Public Hearing Notice
In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Brimfield Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at

7:00 pm to review a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) permit application submitted by Timothy E. Robinson c/o Ron Douglas for the proposed removal of existing deck and building of a new deck of same size. The work is within the Wetland buffer zone. Project location: 26 Third Street, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Assessor's Map 5C-A-25) Meeting Location: Public Participation will be In-Person at the Brimfield Town Hall at 21 Main St., Brimfield, MA. At 7:00 PM Plans and other documents submitted by the applicants may be available electronically or may be viewed in person by contacting the Brimfield Conservation Commission at: conservation@brimfieldma.org or by calling 413-245-4100 x 1101 to leave a message. Roger deBruyn & Joseph Venezia, Co-Chairs Brimfield Conservation Commission
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Town of Sturbridge Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing Notice Variance Russell Corriveau
In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 40A, §10 & §11, the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing at the **Center Office Building located at 301 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566 on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 6:35 PM** on the application of Russell Corriveau. Pursuant to Article XVIII §300-18.2(3) of the Zoning Bylaw, the applicant is requesting a Variance from Article XV §300-15.13 – relief from Driveway Regulations to permit a driveway off of the frontage on Cedar Street, where the legal frontage is on Westwood Drive for property located at **25 Westwood Drive**. The proposed request can be viewed at <https://www.sturbridge.gov/zoning-board-appeals/pages/recent-filings> or arrangements can be made to view the application and plan by contacting the Sturbridge Planning Department at (508)347-2508 or by email at jlacy@sturbridge.gov. Any person interested

or wishing to be heard on this proposal should appear at the time and place designated.
Elizabeth Banks, Chair
Sturbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
July 28, 2022
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SPORTS

AUBURN RECREATION AND CULTURE SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE RESULTS



Nick Ethier photos

The action in the Auburn Recreation and Culture Boys' Summer Basketball League continued at Auburn High on Wednesday, July 20.

Another week was played for the boys and girls in the Auburn Recreation and Culture Summer Basketball League, with the playoffs looming. Below are the latest results.

Boys' Summer League
Monday, July 18
Tantasqua 50, Southbridge 49
Oxford 58, Quabbin 53
Grafton 52, Quaboag 39
Shepherd Hill 52, Tahanto 35
David Prouty 61, Millbury 56
Uxbridge 50, Auburn 44
Bartlett 46, Sutton 41
Bay Path 58, Leicester 35
Wednesday, July 20
Southbridge defeated Grafton (forfeit)
Tahanto 34, Quabbin 32

Quaboag 63, Tantasqua 49
Auburn 63, Leicester 43
David Prouty 49, Sutton 32
Uxbridge 65, Bay Path 63
Bartlett defeated Millbury (forfeit)

Standings
Auburn (6-1)
David Prouty (6-1)
Quabbin (5-2)
Southbridge (5-2)
Quaboag (5-2)
Uxbridge (5-2)
Bartlett (4-3)
Bay Path (3-4)
Tantasqua (3-4)
Grafton (3-4)
Tahanto (2-5)
Sutton (1-6)
Millbury (1-6)



Leicester (0-7)
Shepherd Hill (4-2)
Oxford (2-4)
Girls' Summer League
Tuesday, July 19
Blackstone Valley Tech defeated Uxbridge (forfeit)
Northbridge defeated Worcester Tech (forfeit)
Tantasqua 60, David Prouty 5
Notre Dame Academy 39, Auburn 19
Sutton 32, Grafton 20
Quabbin 39, Quaboag 21
Worcester South 48, Leicester 9
Thursday, July 20
Quabbin 32, Sutton 23
Auburn 19, David Prouty 15 (OT)
Quaboag 33, Notre Dame Academy 26
Leicester defeated Grafton (forfeit)

Worcester South 40, Tantasqua 27
Northbridge 59, Blackstone Valley Tech 21
Worcester Tech defeated Uxbridge (forfeit)

Standings
Worcester South (8-0)
Northbridge (7-1)
Notre Dame Academy (6-2)
Sutton (6-2)
Uxbridge (5-3)
Quabbin (5-3)
Tantasqua (4-4)
Blackstone Valley Tech (4-4)
Quaboag (3-5)
Leicester (3-5)
Worcester Tech (2-6)
Auburn (2-6)
Grafton (1-7)
David Prouty (0-8)

Open water swimming races, novelty swim, and family fun



Wild Bill Swim Challenge offers something for everyone

BROOKFIELD — Organizers of the Wild Bill Swim Challenge to be held at the public beach on Lake Quacumquasit (aka South Pond) in Brookfield on Sunday, August 7, say the event is going to offer something for swimmers of all ages and ability levels, including new swimmers who are interested in putting their toe in the open water swim game for the first time.

Event creator Jennifer Yorzyk Triger says she hopes a lot of local swimmers will register for the “Everyone Can Swim Novelty Swim,” a 400-yard, dock-to-beach swim for first-timers. “For this event, we’re encouraging participants to use buoys, noodles,

kickboards, or other floatation devices if they need to,” says Triger. “Just get in the water! Swimming is for everyone!”

A one-mile paddleboard/swim relay for two entrants with a 10:30 a.m. start will provide another opportunity for novice swimmers to test their skill.

The deadline to register for the paddleboard/swim relay, three-mile and one-mile open water swims is Monday, August 1. The three-mile and one-mile events have an 8 a.m. start time. Participants will be required to sign a waiver confirming that they can swim the distance they register for. All participants in these open water swims will receive a complimentary swag bag.

Entry fees and registration information may be found on the event website at wildbillswim.org.

The “Everyone Can Swim Novelty Swim” has a start time of 11 a.m. Advance online entry is encouraged, but registration will remain open up to and including the day of the event to allow everyone an opportunity to join the fun.

Open Water Interview Series Starting Mid-July

Beginning in mid-July, Triger will be interviewing top open water coaches and swimmers about topics such as the story of open water swimming,

going from pool to open water, and how to train for an open water swim. The interviews will be posted on the event’s Facebook and Instagram pages @WILDBILLSWIM.

“We’re eager to help introduce new people to the sport of swimming,” said Yorzyk, “so we’re doing what we can to provide the encouragement people may need to come to the conclusion that now is a good time to start.”

Family Fun and Raffle

There will also be fun activities for the family, entertainment, food trucks, a Vintage Bathing Beauties & Blokes Pageant, and a celebration of winners on the South Pond beach.

Following the event, participants are invited to gather at nearby Oakholm Brewery which is donating a portion of every “Wild Bill” brew sold in the beer garden on August 6 and 7 to the fundraiser.

A drawing will also be held with over \$500 in prizes including a one year membership to the new Planet Fitness in Sturbridge, gift cards to area restaurants, pottery, gourmet food baskets, floral arrangements, and a spa gift certificate. Raffle tickets are six for \$5, fifteen for \$10, and 30 for \$20 and are available now by emailing info@wildbillswim.org.

The Wild Bill Swim & Paddle Challenge

Yorzyk-Triger created the event as a tribute to her father, Olympic Gold Medalist Dr. William “Bill” Yorzyk, who died in 2020. Dr. Yorzyk, a long-time resident of South Pond, took the gold in the 200-meter butterfly at the 1956 Summer Olympics in Melbourne, Australia, just seven years after learning to swim as a freshman at Springfield College. He was a five-time NCAA All American who set a total of 11 World Records. Yorzyk swam competitively into his 70s and passed on his love of the sport to his sons and daughter.

Proceeds from this first Wild Bill Swim & Paddle Challenge will help fund a matching grant to benefit the Quacumquasit Pond Phosphorus Inactivation Project that was recently approved and funded by the Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 Grant Program.

Gold sponsors include SnowMagic, St Germain Investments, Cornerstone Bank, Keep Secure, Tasses Oil & Propane, and the Quaboag Quacumquasit Lake Association.

Yorzyk-Triger says volunteers and additional sponsors are still needed. For more information, email her at jenn@wildbillswim.org. Donations are also being accepted at gofundme.com/the-wild-bill-swim-and-paddle-challenge.



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LEGALS

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

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by James W. Bibeau and Dawn M. Bibeau, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Family Choice Mortgage Corporation, dated February 20, 2008, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 42443 at Page 157; as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement, dated November 4, 2014 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 53204, Page 231; as further affected by a Loan Modification Agreement, dated March 18, 2016 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 55398, Page 337, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., to Chase Home Finance, LLC, dated September 10, 2009, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44851, Page 253; by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., to Chase Home Finance, LLC, dated September 10, 2009, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52999, Page 352; by assignment from Federal National Mortgage Association to Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Mr. Cooper, dated April 30, 2019, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 60354, Page 209; by assignment from JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association successor by merger to Chase Home Finance LLC to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Family Choice Mortgage Corporation, dated February 3, 2020, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 61868, Page 213; by assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Mr. Cooper to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust, dated August 11, 2020, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 63318, Page 221; and by an assignment from U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Bungalow Series IV Trust, dated August 28, 2020, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 63318, Page 224, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 P.M. on the 9th day of August 2022 at 45 Sawyers Path, Southbridge, MA 01550, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit:

The land and buildings thereon shown as Parcel# 2 on a Plan of Land located at Sawyers Path, Southbridge, Massachusetts surveyed for Robert W. Fogarty Sr. prepared by Bertin Engineering Associates, Inc. dated December 17, 2004 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds on April 22, 2005 in Plan Book 824, Plan 108, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the northeast corner of the land herein described and the northwest corner of Parcel I as shown on said plan;

Thence S. 07° 44' 58" E. a distance of 111.62 feet to a point;

Thence S. 31 ° 03' 17" E. a distance of 161.89 feet to a point;

Thence S. 41 ° 09' 45" W. a distance of 86.10 feet to a point, said course being a "tie course";

Thence N. 63° 58' 18" W. a distance of 71.05 feet to a point;

Thence N. 80° 24' 43" W. a distance of 195.30 feet to a point;

Thence N. 20° 29' 57" W. a distance of 100.66 feet to a point at the southerly side of Sawyers Path;

Thence N. 58° 57' 53" E. along the southerly side of Sawyer's Path a distance of 202.54 feet to a point;

Thence continuing along the southerly side of Sawyer's Path in a curve to the left having a radius of 849.76 feet a distance of 92.14 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 57,601.96 square feet (1.32 acres) according to said plan.

BEING the same premises conveyed to Kenneth J. LeBlanc by deed of Robert W. Fogarty, Sr., dated May 24, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds on June 1, 2005 in Book 36463, Page 42.

Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature

of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

Terms of sale: A deposit of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by wire transfer to Demerle Hoeger LLP, 10 City Square, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02129 within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Bungalow Series IV Trust,

Present holder of said mortgage,
By its Attorneys,
Demerle Hoeger LLP
10 City Square, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02129
(617) 337-4444

July 14, 2022
July 21, 2022
July 28, 2022

Sturbridge Planning Board Public Hearing Application for Site Plan Approval & Special Permit Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 40A, §11, the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing at the Sturbridge Center Office Building, 301 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 6:35 PM on the application of Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless, 15 Chestnut Street Worcester, MA 01609. The applicant requests Site Plan Approval and a Special Permit in accordance with Article XIX and Article IX of the Zoning Bylaw to allow for the installation of a small antenna and associated equipment on an existing utility pole in the public right of way near 179 Main Street.

A copy of the site plan and application can be inspected on the Sturbridge Town Website at <https://www.sturbridge.gov/planning-board/pages/recent-filings> or arrangements can be made to view the application packet by contacting the Sturbridge Planning Department at (508) 347-2508 or by email at jlacy@sturbridge.gov.

Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this proposal should appear at the time and place designated. Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided to the public, the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast, unless otherwise required by law. Members of the public who wish to participate remotely may listen and or watch the meeting online via the Town's on demand video broadcast or via cable television on channel 191. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation can be found on the Town's website at: <https://www.sturbridge.gov/town-administrator/pages/how-access-virtual-meeting>.

Charles Blanchard
Chairperson
July 21, 2022
July 28, 2022

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 72 Route 15, Sturbridge, MA 01566

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Daniel Richard Angell to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, and now held by **Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC**, said mortgage dated June 12, 2018 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58934, Page 88, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment dated January 16, 2019 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 60005, Page 76; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction** on September 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A Certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon located at 72 Route 15, Sturbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being more particularly de-

scribed as follows:

TRACT I: The land in Sturbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, Route 15, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner thereof, at the southwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Teddy R. Gawron and Jo-Ann Gawron on the easterly side of said state highway as relocated in 1950; THENCE S. 77 17' 31" E. by land of said Gawron three hundred seventy-four (374) feet to a wall at land of Public House Corporation, formerly Farguhar; THENCE S. 6 43' W. along the wall by land of said Public House Corporation one hundred five and 3/100 (105.03) feet to an iron pipe in said wall; THENCE N. 77 34' 31" W. by land now or formerly or Lemoine as Executor three hundred seventy-nine and 1/10 (379.1) feet to a stone bound on the easterly side of said state highway; THENCE N. 12 25' 29" E. by the easterly line of said state highway one hundred seven and 36/100 (107.36) feet to the point of beginning. Together with a right of way over and right of way over and right to maintain electric and telephone wires over and sewer, water and gas pipes in a strip of land 30 feet in width easterly of and immediately adjoining the 1950 layout of said state highway, extending from a part of said highway which was formerly the easterly portion of land of George B. Lynch et ux, at the southeasterly corner of said Lynch land, southerly to granted premises and reserving a like right of way and like rights in continuation of said strip 30 feet in width easterly of and immediately adjoining the easterly line of said state highway across the granted premises to land now or formerly of Lemoine as Executor.

Tract II The land in said Sturbridge situated on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the ground on the easterly side of the state highway to Union, Connecticut, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the ground on the easterly side line of said highway situated n. 12 E. a distance of five hundred twenty (520) feet from a Massachusetts Highway bound opposite station 296 & 99.23 on the 1929 layout of said highway; THENCE N. 12 E. by the easterly side line of said highway two hundred (200) feet southerly from the southeasterly corner of land of George C. Lynch et ux; THENCE S. 77 17' by land now or formerly of Lemoine as Executor about four hundred ninety-six (496) feet to an iron pipe on a wall at land of Richard D. Treadway; THENCE S. 6 43' W. along said wall by land of said Treadway two hundred one and 15/100 (201.15) feet to an iron pipe in said wall; THENCE N. 77 W. by land of unknown about five hundred sixteen (516) feet to the point of beginning.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated June 7, 2018 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58934, Page 84.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC
1080 Main Street, Suite 200
Pawtucket, RI 02860
Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Present Holder of the Mortgage
401-217-8701
July 21, 2022
July 28, 2022
August 4, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO22C0322CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME In the matter of: Alexander De los Angeles Campos, Jr.

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by **Alexander De los Angeles Campos, Jr.** of Sturbridge MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Xander Basil Hooper
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/16/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 18, 2022
Stephanie K. Fattman
July 28, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM Notice of Simplified License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 22 WW-Pre 0023 App NOTIFICATION DATE: July 28th, 2022 PERMITTEE: Michael Detarando PROJECT SITE ADDRESS: 100 Paradise Lane, Sturbridge, Ma. 01518

Public notice is hereby given of the application for a Chapter 91 Simplified License by Michael Detarando to construct/maintain a Cantilevered Dock in the waters of Big Alum at 100 Paradise Lane Sturbridge, Ma. Worcester county The Department will considered all written comments on this Waterways application received by within 30 days of the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 301 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include at least five citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located.

Project plans for this Waterways application are on file for public viewing electronically, by request to dep.waterways@mass.gov. If you do not have access to email, please leave a voice-mail at (617) 292-5929 and you will be contacted with information on alternative options.

It is recommended that public comments be filed electronically with dep.waterways@mass.gov when possible. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Waterways Regulation Program at 1 Winter Street, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

July 28, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Docket No. WO22P2452EA Estate of: Michael J. Dube, Sr. Also Known As: Michael J. Dube Date Of Death: April 22, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Michael J. Dube, Jr of Sandwich MA** Petitioner **Tricia A. Murphy of Lynnfield MA** Petitioner **Lynn F. Saunders of Winterport ME** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Michael J. Dube, Jr of Sandwich MA
Tricia A. Murphy of Lynnfield MA
Lynn F. Saunders of Winterport ME has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

July 28, 2022



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DUDLEY – 67 Southbridge Road! 6 Rm Ranch Set on 16,875' Lot! Appliance Eat-in Kitchen! Dining Area and Fireplace Living Room w/ Hardwood Floors! 3 Bedrooms w/ Hardwood Floors and ample Closet Space! Spacious 11X14.5 Master! Full Tile Bath! Oil Heat! Garage! **\$279,900.00**



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SHREWSBURY – 34 Monroe St! 8 Rm, 4 Bdr Colonial is Situated in a Sought After Neighborhood! Tree Lined Street w/Sidewalks, Close to Schools, Town Center & Highway! The Foyer Welcomes You into the Formal Din Rm w/Gleaming Hrdwd! Bright Liv Rm w/Vaulted Ceilings & View of its Park Like Grounds! Large Eat-in Kit w/Pantry & Gas Appliances, Perfect Gathering Place! Laundry Rm & 1/2 Bath Nearby! 1st Flr Frp'd Fam Rm w/Sliders out to Deck! 2nd Flr w/4 Comfortable Bdrms w/Full Shared Bath plus the Master Bath! Full Lower Level w/Came Rm Awaits Your Finishing Touch! Workshop & Plenty of Storage! 2 Car Garage w/Plenty of Room for Storage & Work! Outdoor Living on the Deck Overlooking Yard! Shed! This Home is Ready to call it Yours! **\$699,900.00**

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DUDLEY – 16 Joseph St! Spacious UPDATED 8 Rm Center Hall Garrison Colonial! Nicely Landscaped 25,561' Lot Set on a Cul-De-Sac "Dead End"! Ideal Residential Neighborhood! Dble Glass Door Tiled Center Hall Entry Foyer w/Guest Closet! SS Appliance Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Corian Counters, Tile Flr! Din Rm w/Hrdwd, Crown Molding & Bay Window! Frp'd Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Custom Shelving, Hrdwd & Bay Window! Fam Rm w/Hrdwd, Custom Cabinetry, Ceiling Fan, French Doors & Slider to Deck Overlooking Private Backyard! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry Closet! Hall w/Dble Closet to the 2 Car Garage! 2nd Flr w/4 Spacious Bdrms w/Hrdwd & Vinyl Plank Flooring! MASTER w/2 Walk-in Closets, Ceiling Fan & Custom Tile MASTER BATH! Hall Bath w/Custom Tile Tub/Shower Surround w/Linen Closet! Don't Delay! **\$449,900.00**



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WEBSTER LAKE - 0 BLACK POINT RD



WATERFRONT LOT! New to the Market! Hard to find 6500 +/-sf corner Lot. Beautiful view & setting. Sandy Beach! Few tall pine trees for shade. Town Water & Sewer Lateral Connections already on the land. **\$333,000.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 0 PATTISON RD



LAND - Terrific opportunity 14,798 Sq. Ft. of LAND. CONSERVATION APPROVAL for proposed Building, MASS DEP# 313-1167. 248+/- Road Frontage, 279+/- Water Frontage. Town Water & Sewer accessible. **\$250,000.**

WEBSTER - 6 GREYSTONE



ON DEPOSIT
New Listing: Complete Remodeling taking place. Beautiful Ranch! A Must See! 5 rooms, 2+ bedrooms, 1-1/2 Baths, Garage, Level Lot. **\$329,900.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 27 SOUTH POINT ROAD



OOH! WHAT A VIEW!!! Middle & South Ponds! Unique opportunity to Own Water-front Property with an 80' +/- ft sandy beach! Fireworks from the comfort of your deck or lawn! .22 Acre & 100' rd frontage - allows for expansion possibilities! 2 Bedrm, 2 1/2 Bath, Garage, open floor plan. 3 Season Porch for added enjoyment! Walk-out L/Level is heated with Full Bath! New Price **\$955,000.**

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LAND: WEBSTER/OXFORD/PUTNAM

OXFORD - NEW LISTING! LAND - General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! LAND with 4,095 SF Metal Building! 124 SOUTHBRIDGE RD (RTE 20). Town Sewer Project Plans are Approved. 22,884 sq. ft Level Lot. 140 ft of road frontage. **EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES! \$795,000.**
OXFORD - LAND - RTE 20 General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! Vacant LAND, Level & cleared. 39,549 SF ON DEPOSIT \$419,000.
Putnam - LAND Zoned General Business .29 acre 103' frontage. Water, Sewer, & city gas available. 2 street entrances. **\$125,000**
Oxford - 2 Merriam Rd 80+/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton. ON DEPOSIT \$329,000.
Webster - Cooper Rd - 3 BUILDABLE LOTS! Water & Sewer Access! **SORRY, SOLD! \$79,900.**

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Gateway Players announce auditions for “Out Of Order”

SOUTHBIDGE — Gateway Players Theatre, Inc. will hold auditions for “Out Of Order,” a British farce written by Ray Cooney, on Sunday, Aug. 7 at 4 p.m. and Monday, Aug. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church. Carole Hayes will direct, with Barbara Day as producer and Diane Servant as stage manager. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Performances are scheduled for October 7,8,14,15,16. Men and women are needed. For more information, call 508-764-4531.

This farce is full of fun scenes, improbable comedy, and a window that features famously.

Synopsis: When Richard Willey, a government junior minister, plans to spend the evening with Jane

Worthington, one of the opposition’s typists, things go disastrously wrong. Wrong rooms, mistaken identity, and a body that keeps moving- all add to the improbable humor.

Gateway Players Theatre started in 1975 and has been a vital part of the community for going on 50 years. The group was located in the Arts Theater Barn on the grounds of the Ruth Wells Center for the Arts, 111 Main St. in Southbridge, until the barn developed structural issues. For the last few years, the group has performed in the Fellowship Hall of Elm Street Congregational Church on Park Street. This location is spacious and handicapped accessible, and Gateway Players is grateful for the community support.

Western New England University celebrates 2022 graduates

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University held its 2022 Graduate commencement ceremony on May 22 in the Anthony S. Caprio Alumni Healthful Living Center, celebrating the Class of 2022. The keynote speaker Sheila Barcohana Hollender (L’80), a leading authority on women’s issues, environmental health, and sustainability, encouraged the graduates to “be ready to take on the challenges of the future. You can do it because you already have the tools in hand.”

Dillon J. Bruso of Auburn graduated with a Juris Doctor.

Zachary M. Strasser of Auburn graduated with a Juris Doctor.

Western New England University (WNE) is a private, nationally ranked, comprehensive institution with a focus on preparing work-ready and world-ready graduates. Founded in 1919 in Springfield, Massachusetts as a division of Northeastern College,

WNE’s 215-acre suburban campus serves more than 3,700 students, including over 2,500 full-time undergraduates. More than 47,000 alumni have earned degrees through its 90+ undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs at Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, and Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and School of Law. Students come from 39 U.S. states and territories and 23 countries. Of 45,104 living alumni, 30% remain within the region, residing in the four Western Massachusetts counties and northern Connecticut.

WNE is classified among nationally ranked universities in US News and World Report, and among the Top 100 Undergraduate Engineering programs, and in the Doctoral/Professional Universities category in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

HURRICANE

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“If you have life-support devices or other medical equipment or supplies which depend on electricity, notify your utility and work with your medical provider to prepare for power outages,” read a statement released by MEMA.

It is also important to physically prepare your home for potentially damaging storms, officials said. Consider

attaching temporary plywood covers to protect windows and sliding doors. For residents living near water bodies, consider purchasing flood insurance.

It’s also a good idea to make sure you have a full tank of gas ahead of a storm, officials said. In addition, local police departments encourage residents to utilize several notification systems available to the public.

“Take advantage of police and fire social media accounts—Facebook and Twitter for emergency notifications. And most important, if social media is not your thing, take advantage of your town’s community notification system,” said Spencer Police Chief David Darrin.

For more tips, visit www.mass.gov.

UMass Memorial Health-Harrington welcomes new practitioners

SOUTHBIDGE — UMass Memorial Health – Harrington (UMHH) has welcomed Family Nurse Practitioners Ginny Crosse, FNP-C and Aleksandra Alwash, FNP-C to its Family Medicine practice.

Ginny Crosse, FNP-C joins Dr. Gennady Gelman and Shanelle Vance, NP at 198 Charlton Road in Sturbridge providing primary care for all ages.

Crosse completed her Associate’s Degree in Nursing at Anna Maria College, her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Southern New Hampshire University and her Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner at Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences University, where she received an honors invitation to Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. She brings more than 10 years of nursing experience to the practice, having previously worked as a Nurse Care

Manager at Harrington Hospital and Fallon Health-Navicare, as well as a Registered Nurse at UMass Medical Center, among other positions.

Aleksandra Alwash, FNP-C has joined Dr. Brenda Geddis- Comrie and Dr. Archana Shah at the UMHH Family Medicine Practice in Charlton, providing primary care for all ages.

Alwash completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Anna Maria College and her Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner degree at Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Science University. Prior to joining the Family Medicine practice at UMMH, Alwash served as a Registered Nurse Case Manager at Jewish Home Care in Worcester. She is fluent in both English and Polish and available to see patients at 10 North Main St. in Charlton. To schedule an appointment please call, 508-248-3015.

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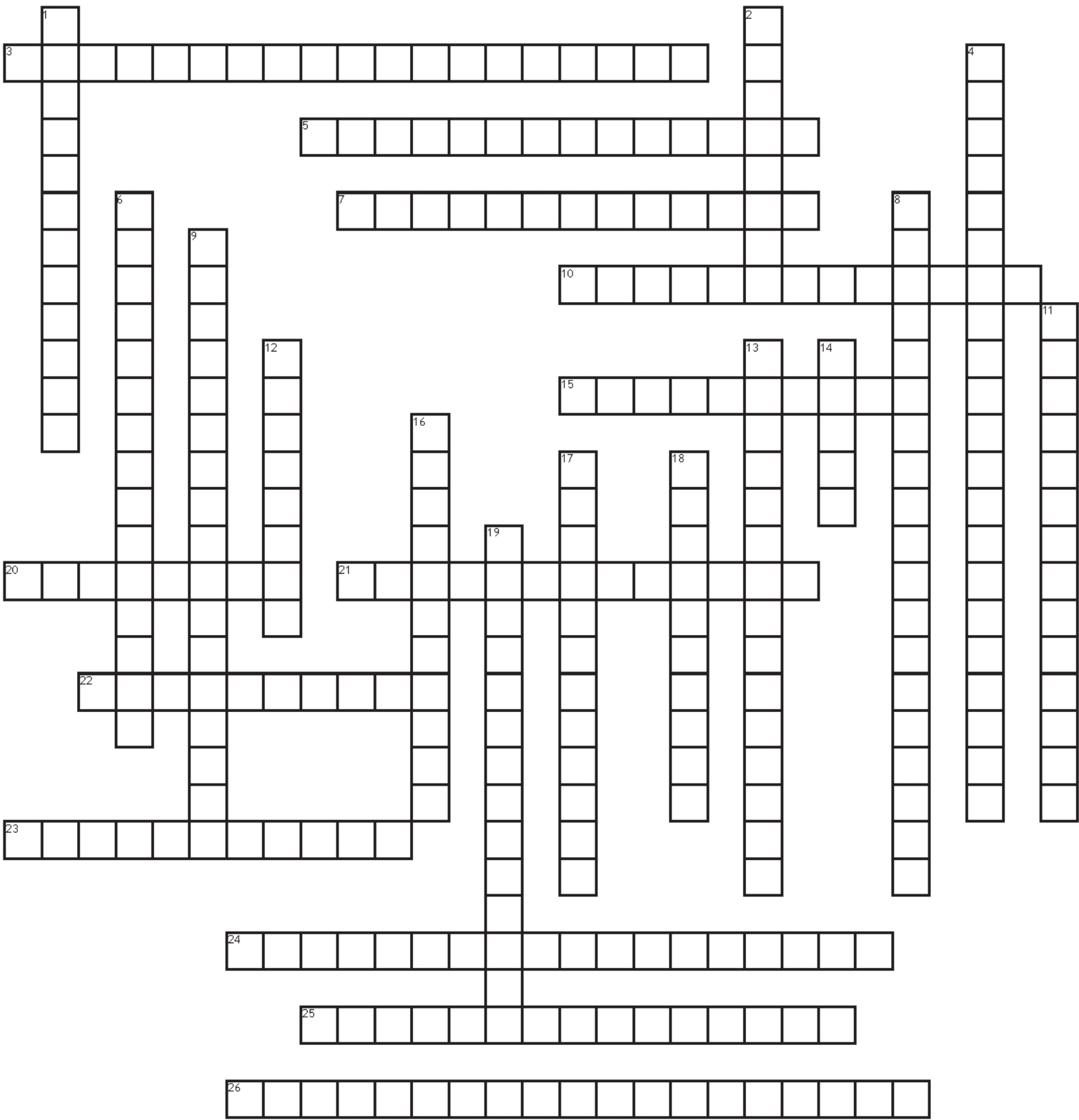
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Free concert at Jacob Edwards Library

SOUTHBRIDGE — Jacob Edwards Library presents "Stolen Moments," a narrated, themed concert celebrating the pleasures of summer, Aug. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Performed by Sarah Clay & the StarCats, the songs evoke warm, sultry days cooled by rain, birds singing, flowers blooming, and boats bobbing on water. Award-winning vocalist-flautist Sarah Clay leads her trio with guitarist Draa Hobbs and bassist Steve Bulmer, playing a century of retro-pop, swing, blues, and Latin jazz.

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

Jacob Edwards Library is located at 235 Main St., Southbridge.

2022 Street List Book now available

SOUTHBRIDGE — The 2022 Street List Book for the town of Southbridge is now available at the Town Clerk's office.

The cost to purchase a book is \$20.

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