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Next career brings Borseth to Knox Trail

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – It's been a tale of two careers for Ralph Borseth, who took his journey as an educator to the next level by accepting the Knox Trail Middle School principal position.

When he first entered the Air Force several years ago, Borseth never could have imagined that his career path would eventually land him in a middle school principal's office. But after a 20-year military career that saw him ascend to the rank of Air Force major, Borseth felt an irresistible calling toward education. He began teaching at the Junior ROTC in Holyoke, then moved on to North Brookfield to teach business and computer skills.

After only a few years of teaching, Borseth was already fully immersed in the joy of his new career.

"I loved it, and I knew I had made the right choice to get into education," said Borseth, who earned a pair of master's degrees in educational leadership and management. "I have been really lucky to have two careers I love."

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Kevin Flanders photo

Ralph Borseth is the new principal at Spencer's Knox Trail Middle School.

Mold stalls beginning of school year

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 NEWS STAFF WRITER

WARREN – After a moldy building made for a rocky start to the year, Quaboag Regional Middle High School students and staff are eager to return to their normal routines.

Summer vacation got an unwelcome extension this year for QRMHS students, who learned earlier this month that school would be delayed due to ongoing mold issues in the building. Remediation efforts were made for several days, but tests from environmental specialists indicated that certain areas of the building still weren't safe for students to return.

Quaboag Regional School District Superintendent Brett Kustigian shared the frustrations of students and parents, but officials weren't going to take any chances with an

early return. Edward Nowak, an air quality expert, took several samples from the middle school wing following additional remediation efforts during the week of Sept. 7.

Meanwhile, district officials reached out to area towns to ask about available space for a temporary transition of classes. After an agreement was reached with Palmer Public Schools, Quaboag students were slated to attend classes at the unused Converse Middle School building in Palmer, beginning on Sept. 18.

Back at QRMHS, efforts accelerated this past week to clear out the remaining mold.

"After meeting with our insurance company yesterday, I am pleased to announce that additional resources and an increased labor force are coming to QRMHS to expedite

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Iconic store closing its doors



Kevin Flanders photo.

Spencer Furniture co-owners Raoul Chalifoux, pictured, and his brother Kevin recently decided to close the business.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – It's the end of an era for Spencer Furniture, which will close its doors this fall after nearly six decades of operation in town.

Second generation co-owners Raoul and Kevin Chalifoux, who began working at the store

when they were kids, recently made the bittersweet decision to prepare for retirement. It's been a long and successful run for the business, and the Chalifoux brothers wanted to step away at a time when Spencer Furniture was thriving.

"We are having a banner

year," Raoul Chalifoux told the New Leader during a Sept. 10 visit to the store. "Me and my brother have been thinking about this for a long time, and we decided this was the right time."

Established in 1960 by Chalifoux's parents, the business originally sold everything from oil storage tanks to pianos. The merchandise offerings have been meticulously refined over the years, and Raoul Chalifoux began working full-time in 1974. By his early twenties, he had already assumed co-ownership of the business.

Decades later, with countless customer relationships forged, the brothers knew the time was right to let Spencer Furniture go out of business.

"It has been a great experience. We have a lot of loyal customers, and we made many friends over the years," Raoul Chalifoux said.

The 6 Olde Main St. store has undergone several renovations during Chalifoux's own-

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Kevin Flanders photos

In honor of his 24 years of service to local seniors, Gerald Perron, center, receives a proclamation from State Representatives Peter Durant, left, and Donald Berthiaume.

Perron retires after 24 years of service

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – After more than two decades of caring for senior residents at Howe Village Community Center, Gerald "Jerry" Perron got a special thank-you from seniors and staff.

Perron, who is retiring from his supervisor position after 24 years at Howe Village, recently received a surprise lunch and party courtesy of the seniors. When Perron entered the community room on Sept. 14, he was greeted by seniors, staff members, and a few special guests in State Representatives Donald Berthiaume and Peter Durant. Perron was then present-

ed with State House citations from Berthiaume and Durant to celebrate his decades of service.

"Peter and I are honored to present this citation to commemorate his service," Berthiaume said.

The seniors prepared the entire lunch and celebration, which included a cake and party gifts. Joined by family members as well, Perron savored the opportunity to share stories with seniors and reflect on countless fun memories over the years.

"It's been an honor and a privilege to work with all of

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Town house renovation takes precedence

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 NEWS STAFF WRITER

NORTH BROOKFIELD – Having spent much of the summer carving out the rail trail, local leaders are switching gears and focusing on repairs to the Town House.

Selectmen and other volunteers recently resumed renovation efforts at the Town House, which officials and residents have long desired to see

returned to its former glory. An elevator installation and several other upgrades still need to take place, but the immediate priority is to make the building more attractive in advance of grant submittals. That means plenty of exterior scraping and painting this fall.

"We want to make the building as presentable as we can before going for more grant funding," said Selectman Dale

Kiley. "A lot of people want to see this building refurbished and turned into a downtown cornerstone."

Inmate work crews from the Worcester County Sheriff's Department recently began repainting the building. Meanwhile, volunteers will continue dedicating their time and resources to help push the

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NEW LEADER NOTES

HARVEST THYME FAIR

The annual Harvest Thyme craft fair will be held on Oct. 27 at St. John's Church, in East Brookfield. We are currently accepting applications for vendors. The cost is \$25. per table if you apply before Sept. 30. For more information please call Lou Meyerdierks at 508-885-5456.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The East Brookfield Public Library is currently conducting their fall registration for children's programming. Rhythm and Rhyme is for toddlers aged 18 mos. to 3 years. This program runs from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m and includes lots of music, finger plays, physical activities and a story with a related craft.

Preschool story time is geared for children aged 3 to 5 years old. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30a.m. Seasonal songs, poems, and gross motor activities are part of this program, as well as a story and craft that encourages fine motor skills.

Both programs are held on Thursday

mornings. Parents and caretakers are asked to remain with their children. For more information or to register by phone call (508) 867-7928. You can also like us on Facebook and visit our website @www.eastbrookfieldLibrary.com. We look forward to seeing you!

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, October 13th! The Friends of the East Brookfield Public Library will be holding their annual Book and Bake Sale on October 13 from 9 am to 12:30 pm. There will be a variety of books, DVDs and audio books for all family members. We will also be offering fresh baked goodies for sale as well raffle tickets for a "Fall Gift Basket". Stop in and browse and stock up from a great selection of material for your winter reading. We'll be set up in the lobby of the Municipal Town Complex at 122 Connie Mack Drive at the library entrance. All proceeds go directly to the library for programming and supplies. Thank you for your support.

Cultural Council seeking proposals

BROOKFIELD – If you're seeking financial assistance for community-oriented arts and science projects, the Brookfield Cultural Council wants to hear from you.

The organization is requesting funding proposals for community arts, humanities, and science programs. Local groups, schools, and individuals seeking grant funding must apply by Monday, Oct. 15. Grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in town, including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, or performances in schools, workshops and lectures.

All projects must benefit the community in some way.

The Brookfield Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 cultural councils serving every town in the Commonwealth. The state's Local Cultural Council Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year.

The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency that in turn allocates funds to each community. This year, the Brookfield Cultural Council will distribute about \$5,000 in grants to local individuals and organizations. Previously funded projects include Tantasqua High School band trips, Brookfield Elementary School museum trips, the Concerts on the Common series, and guest speakers.

To learn more about the application process and regulations, contact Bill Simpson at 508-867-9233 or send an email to Brookfieldgallery@gmail.com. Application forms and additional information about the Local Cultural Council Program are available online at www.mass-culture.org.

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developing technology. We can expect more electrification of the autos of the future. Ford is developing and introduced conventional Hybrid, plug-in Hybrid and all electric vehicles like our Focus and Fusion of today and upcoming versions of the Explorer and iconic Mustang. New unnamed models will likely blend all of this technology and some yet to be developed. There is speculation that concepts that show fully autonomous vehicles and even those that fly short distances will be entering the market in the foreseeable future. The future of automobiles looks to be an exciting one. Many things only dreamt of in SCI-Fi books are becoming reality just like much of today's reality was only dreamt of when Henry Ford built his first mass produced automobile.

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September 22

Friends of the Richard Sugden Library, Spencer, annual Book & Bake Sale from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Get great deals on books and fresh baked goodies!

September 25

Spencer Walks: Mushrooms & More is being held from 8:30 am—9:30 am. Join us as mushroom farmer, James Barnett shows us his mushroom growing system, while we walk and explore his woodland homestead. Meet: 116 Charlton Road Spencer.

September 26

Pause: Mindfulness Meditation is held on the Library's Main Floor on Wednesdays from 8:30 am—9:30 am. Drop-in and learn about mindfulness. We will practice mindfulness, and discuss using these tools to enhance our relationship with ourselves and others.

September 27

Cooking Creations: What's Cooking? Sign up and Join us in a British Bakeoff using Mary Berry Recipes! Participants make a recipe and bring the dish to share at the program! Friends of the Library provide beverages. Books can be borrowed at the Library's Main Desk. Registration Required. To register, visit or call the library at (508)885-7513, or go online to SpencerPublicLibrary.org.

PROGRAMS

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

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Putting kids first is her goal



Kevin Flanders photo.

Karen Tucker (front), Vicky LeBlanc (back right), and Sami Afiri (back left), all of Spencer, help run the Donations for Dignity clothing closet in town.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
NEWS STAFF WRITER

SPENCER – Vicky LeBlanc is always searching for new ways to help local kids and families in need. With assistance from residents, she was able to expand her efforts toward making sure every student is ready for school.

LeBlanc and her staff of volunteers run Donations for Dignity, a clothing closet for kids based at the former Maple Street School. Donations of clothes and school supplies poured in over the summer, with several members of the Senior Center taking advantage of the shared location and donating during their visits. The contributions have been so extensive that LeBlanc recently opened another room on the upper floor of the building to house

clothes and supplies.

“The community has been so generous. No kid should have to go without, and our community is always willing to help,” LeBlanc said. “Seeing everyone pull together to help these kids has been amazing.”

With two biological children, three adopted children, and three foster children, LeBlanc has a keen understanding of the challenges faced by adoptive and foster families. After dropping out of high school, LeBlanc worked three jobs for several years to support her kids as a single parent. And when the opportunity eventually presented itself to provide a home for other kids in need, she didn’t think twice.

LeBlanc’s biological children are now well into their careers, and her fami-

ly has helped her greatly in running Donations for Dignity. Because many children’s items are not covered by foster care stipends – including diapers, hygiene products, and certain clothing items – foster parents are often hard-pressed to pay for back-to-school products on top of their regular demands. Eager to give back, LeBlanc opened Donations for Dignity for foster parents and also any other guardian struggling to provide for a child.

“The start of the school year is a hard time for a lot of families, especially if there are multiple kids,” LeBlanc said. “I recently had a family come in with three kids, and just seeing their smiles was phenomenal.”

It’s vital for kids to feel a sense of belonging when they head back to school, LeBlanc said, and having new sneakers, clothes and backpacks can go a long way toward making kids comfortable. Adequate school supplies are also integral to a successful start to the school year, and Donations for Dignity is doing its part. Everything from writing implements to folders and notebooks are available, and residents are urged to keep giving back to help kids in need.

For most of us, life for foster parents and children is difficult to envision, but LeBlanc has seen the adversities and also plenty of hope during her 10 years in the program. And that hope often starts with people willing to give back.

“I’ve seen kids dropped off with nothing – a lot of times their clothes don’t even belong to them,” LeBlanc said.

Many foster children were born into drug addiction, while others came from homes devastated by the opioid crisis and domestic violence. For LeBlanc, giving back has become far more than a goal – it is her mission. And after reaching out to State Representative Donald Berthiaume’s office earlier this year, she was able to secure the town-donated space at the Maple Street building.

Donations for Dignity is open on Tuesday evenings from 6-8 p.m., as well as on Sundays from 9 a.m. to noon. Community donations are always welcome, though no monetary contribu-



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tions can be accepted. All clothes and school supplies help local kids and families, and you do not need to be a foster parent to take advantage of the offerings. All financially challenged guardians are invited to contact the organization for help.

LeBlanc thanks her sister, Susan Afiri, and her daughter, Ashley Cormier, as well as all other family members and volunteers for their help. She also thanks residents for their continued donations.

For more information about the program, call 339-222-9209 or send an email to donationsfordignity@gmail.com. The clothing closet is located at 68 Maple St. (please use the front entrance).

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This show is an assemblage of antique and vintage photos from the vast collection of William Jankins, our own prized, local historian. Jankins has been accumulating photos and ephemera of WB for more than 50 years. Not even the historical society in town can rival his assortment of windows into our town’s history through photography. The images are stunning, and the subject matter will NOT disappoint! They’ve been touched up and printed in rich sepia tones on museum quality, rag paper by local photographer Eileen Claffey. Prints will be available for purchase.

Worcester Art & Frame Gallery is located at 10 East Main St. in West Brookfield, and continues to encourage artists to submit work for review and consideration for the space.

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Public Notification - Child Find

In keeping with the mission of the **Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District**, and in alignment with the Massachusetts General Laws, this notice is provided as part of the outreach and ongoing liaison with resources within the SEBRSD community towns of **Spencer and East Brookfield**. This is to advise you of the availability of the referral process for Special Education evaluations for those children, ages three through twenty-two, who may be suspected to have a disability and may be determined eligible for specialized instruction and/or related services.

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Cahill named UNICEF Club advisor



Cheryl Cahill RN

CHARLTON — Cheryl Cahill, MSN Ed, RN, of Oxford, an adjunct faculty at Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy, was named UNICEF Club advisor.

The distinct honor of becoming UNICEF Club advisor recognizes Cahill's experience and successful stint as a staff nurse, pediatric emergency room (2006-15) and staff nurse at the adult emergency room at UMass Memorial Medical Center.

"We are pleased to recognize Professor Cahill's spirit of volunteerism," said Gretheline Bolandrina MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy director.

"Professor Cahill is among the most respected faculty and is a trusted advisor and mentor to students and alumni alike. Being named UNICEF Club Advisor solidifies Professor Cahill's commitment to practical nursing education, we are proud of her and value her time, practice, and experience."

When asked about her role as UNICEF advisor, Cahill replied, "Being named advisor from an institution as well respected as UNICEF and working with practical nursing student leaders at Bay Path is quite an honor. All of us at Bay Path PN Academy are

lucky to have the opportunity to influence future nurses as we strive to provide the highest level of practical nursing education."

The UNICEF Clubs program is a youth led grassroots movement rooted in a belief that high school and college students in the United States have a vital role to play as the voice for children everywhere. UNICEF Clubs partner with UNICEF USA to activate their local community by advocating, building community, fundraising, and speaking out for UNICEF's child survival work in over 190 countries. It is UNICEF USA's goal to empow-

er youth in the United States with the resources and skills to be effective global citizens - thinking globally and acting locally for the world's most vulnerable children. www.unicef-usa.org

Founded in 2009, Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is a 40-week, (10-month), full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a practical nursing certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. www.baypath.net

NBSB helps feed local children with donation

North Brookfield Savings Bank is pleased to announce that for the fourth year they have donated \$500 to the Angels & Backpacks Program, a program held through the Angels Answer, Inc. organization dedicated to providing local school children in need with food bags each weekend.

"North Brookfield Savings Bank places a high importance on supporting the children of our local communities to have the best chances for a bright and strong future. Each child deserves the opportunity to live a life that is not distracted by hunger or concern about where their next meal will come from," said North Brookfield Savings Bank Senior Vice President of Retail Banking Patty Ostrout. "That is why North Brookfield Savings Bank is proud to support the Angels and Backpacks Program through this vital

organization and support their mission of ensuring local children in need are not going hungry."

Angels Answer, Inc., a nonprofit organization, currently distributes bags each weekend to many children attending local schools through the important Angels & Backpacks program. The program assists low-income children by providing them with the essential three meals for each Saturday and Sunday, as well as the necessary monthly toiletry items. In addition, items such as clothing, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves are provided as needed. More than 100 food items are offered each weekend, with each bag totaling \$10 each. Food includes tuna, chicken, salmon, ravioli, mac and cheese cups, pasta, soups, cereals, granola bars, fruit cups and many others. Food donations are accepted at the Turley Publications office located 80 Main St. in Ware.

"It is difficult for children to concentrate in school when they are hungry but by providing nutritious meals for these children each weekend they improve as students and have greater academic success in school," said Angels Answer, Inc. / Angels & Backpacks Program Executive Director Linda S. Lloyd. "We are thankful for North Brookfield Savings Bank's support and commitment to this organiza-



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Caitlin O'Connor (left), North Brookfield Savings Bank assistant vice president and marketing manager presented the \$500 donation to Angels Answer, Inc. Angels & Backpacks Program Executive Director Linda Lloyd and Vice President Dana Lloyd.

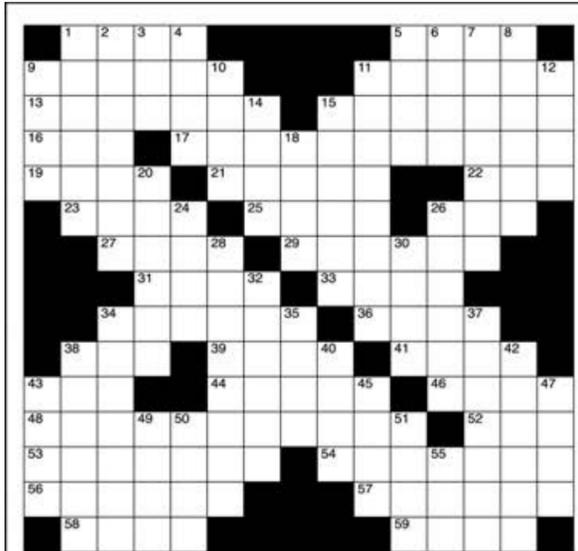
tion and to our local children facing food insecurity."

To learn more about North Brookfield Savings Bank's community giving efforts and all of the convenient banking products and services offered, visit www.NorthBrookfieldSavingsBank.com.

Visit www.AngelsAnswerInc.com. Monetary donations are being accepted and checks should be made payable to Angels Answer, Inc., Box 221; Ware, MA, 01082. For those who would like to donate food items call 413-320-1981 to arrange for pick-up. Any questions can be emailed to Angel_Aide@yahoo.com.

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. A greeting
- 5. A type of hall
- 9. Planes need one
- 11. Wealth
- 13. The act of exciting
- 15. A movement downward
- 16. Type of storage
- 17. A funny and sad play
- 19. After cinco
- 21. Dry white Italian wine
- 22. Where golfers begin
- 23. Witnesses
- 25. Relaxing places
- 26. Of she
- 27. Discontinued compact car
- 29. Resulted
- 31. Large Irish castle
- 33. Offer for a price
- 34. One type is Irish
- 36. Free-swimming invertebrate
- 38. A type of tale
- 39. The middle of the month
- 41. Christmas
- 43. '___ death do us part
- 44. Goes with Gomorrah
- 46. Ethnic group of Thailand
- 48. "Grown Ups" funnyman
- 52. A type of index
- 53. A mass of rocks
- 54. Splashed
- 56. Kids' playground necessities
- 57. Sears and London are two
- 58. Strip of cloth
- 59. Church

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Progressive decay of a bone or tooth
- 2. Deliberately contrary events
- 3. Unit of mass
- 4. Kiln
- 5. Soybean paste
- 6. Electronic counter-countermeasures
- 7. Made the bed
- 8. One who mails
- 9. Bar bills
- 10. Automotive vehicles
- 11. Breaks
- 12. Swelling of the eyelid
- 14. Asian country
- 15. Couches
- 18. Stare with mouth wide open
- 20. Member of U.S. Navy
- 24. A sulk
- 26. Greetings
- 28. Craftsmen
- 30. Mongolian city ___ Bator
- 32. Did again
- 34. Sunrooms
- 35. Start over
- 37. Georgians love them
- 38. Women
- 40. "Snake Tales" cartoonist
- 42. Pariahs
- 43. Caps
- 45. Gradually become less solid
- 47. Goats
- 49. French city Le ___
- 50. Exhale
- 51. Homes have at least one
- 55. Type of power cable

Foundation contributes to Family Fun Day

The Hometown Bank Community Foundation announced their contribution to the first Southbridge Family Fun Day that took place on Aug. 25.

As a major sponsor of the event, bankHometown worked closely with The Salvation Army, who put on the event, Southbridge Community Connections, Tradewinds Clubhouse and KIVA Wellness Center. The event served around 500 meals, much of which was donated, and provided free fun activities such as face painting, raffles donated from local businesses, two bounce houses and a live DJ.

"We wanted to do something for the community that was fun and free - a 'get away' from everyday life, even if it was only for a few hours," said Sabrina Grillo, branch manager of the bankHometown Sturbridge branch.

This was the first ever Family Fun Day in Southbridge, and due to the event's success, sponsors are looking into making this event happen annually.

Hometown Bank Community Foundation, Inc. was formed in early 2016 by bankHometown, a state-chartered cooperative bank headquartered in Oxford, Massachusetts with \$750 million

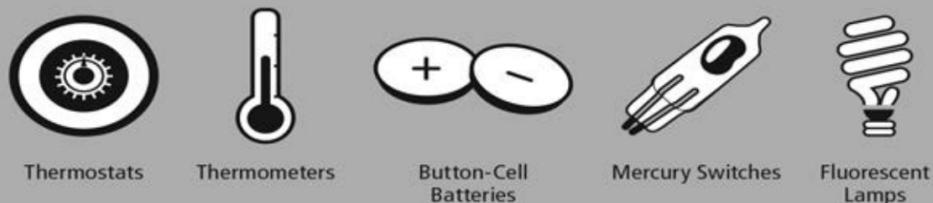
in assets.

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I, like most women, have been attacked. I have been hurt, threatened, mistreated, and made to fear for my life. I have always wanted to take a self-defense class and McCoy's Action Karate in Auburn made this possible.



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me, saw just how valuable this knowledge is and how valuable we are.

"Why are we here?" asks Barbi McCoy, owner of the gym with her mother Anne McCoy.

We all had different answers in the beginning of this class. We wanted to be able to protect our children. We wanted to be able to grow stronger. We wanted to learn more about ourselves.

At the end of class is where we learned the most important lesson. Not hitting or punching. But loving and respecting ourselves and others around us.

"Together we are stronger. Together we are unstoppable," says McCoy.

Those who have been through the 8-week course share how it changed their lives. Many lost weight and gained confidence. One woman stated that she developed mindful habits. She learned to take care of herself and that she was worth respect from herself and others.

This class started me out on a sub-level of defense. A level I did not realize needed attention until this class.

I am worth protecting.
I need to respect myself as much as I respect others.

I am not less, I am not a victim, I am a survivor.

"Despite how beat up you are or how many times you have been hurt. You are still you," says McCoy.

What happens to us does not define who we are. The women at McCoy's know this and they want to help other women accept that they are worth the time, energy, and effort into themselves and their right to protect themselves and others. Barbi McCoy, through fierce dedication to this program and love for each woman in attendance showed us that it is not just about the maneuvers and blocks, but it is our inner strength and dedication to ourselves that makes us strong.

"If my words bring hope. I did the right thing," says Barbi McCoy.

McCoy's Action Karate is located on 770 Southbridge St. in Auburn. They



Kim Maschi photo

McCoy Karate and its women's practical self defense course teaches more than moves.

have many classes for anyone two and a half years and older. Katarina's HIIT&RUN class is eight weeks and is accessibly scheduled around school, summer, and holiday breaks. Each

week has a challenge, each class has a lesson deeper than defense. Phone number for McCoy's is (508) 832-4110, website is Mccoysactionkarate.com and follow them on Facebook.

I have tried other classes before. I spent sometime learning a bit of Krav Maga. I used to kick-box at the local community center. I exercise about five days a week and try to become stronger, faster, and happy with my appearance. This class at McCoy's was different from all the rest and I am so happy I was able to be a part of it.

The class is called Katarina's HIIT&RUN; Practical Self-Defense System for Women. The class teaches you how to grab, how to hit, how to guard, and much more. But, this system is like no other in one main aspect; it teaches you that you are worth protecting. Yes, there are exercises and we practice moves on each other but what truly makes this class inspiring is how it makes you think.

From Katarina herself, "I designed this course with women in mind. (It is to) restore their self-worth and sense of connection through an accepting and supportive community of women that foster love and respect."

Where I thought I would just be learning some defensive moves, I was also learning more about myself and the amazing women around me.

The class started with introductions and greetings from teachers and students. Next, we started on a few moves. We would use our elbows, pull down to our knees, push out kicks, and wind up blocks. After three rounds we then partnered up and would use the same exercises that were all cleverly designed for self-defense. It felt natural to block and push and hit after the muscle memory was already there from the exercises. Each move was easy to remember and showed purpose in defense.

The motto for this class is "fitness with purpose" and it made complete and total sense.

We learned what to do if someone came at us from the side. We learned moves to protect ourselves if someone is came charging head on, and further into the program we would learn more moves to protect ourselves and our loved ones.

It was at the end of class where I, and those around

Exploring the Franco-American community

Felix Gatineau's History of Franco-Americans of Southbridge Massachusetts, originally written in French in 199, has recently been translated into English for the first time by Dr. Elizabeth Blood of Salem State University and published by Via Appl Press.

In recognition, a special presentation is planned Thursday, Sept. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Jacob Edwards Library at 6:30 p.m. with Dr. Blood describing the life for the immigrants of the era.

Between 1840 and 1930, approximately one million French Canadians immigrated to the United States, the vast majority of them settling in New England. In Southbridge a century ago, when state Representative Felix Gatineau published his important chronicle of the Southbridge Franco-

American community, French speaking immigrants and their American born children represented 60% of the town's population.

In this talk, Dr. Blood will offer a glimpse of what life was like for French Canadians in Southbridge 100 years ago, highlighting the role the community played in establishing many of the town's political, cultural, business and religious institutions and offering insights into the fascinating character of Gatineau himself.

An additional invitation to view the permanent exhibit in honor of Gatineau at the library is also suggested.

Copies of the new book will be available for purchase. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of Jacob Edwards Library.



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Common the site of harvest festival

LEICESTER – Guests from throughout the area welcomed the change of seasons by enjoying plenty of fall flavors at the annual Harvest Fair on Sept. 15. Held each year on the Town Common, the event always features pumpkin decorating, delicious autumn treats, and musical entertainment. Several crafters and local performers were also on hand to run demonstrations, and horse-drawn wagon rides were offered throughout the day.



Kevin Flanders photos.

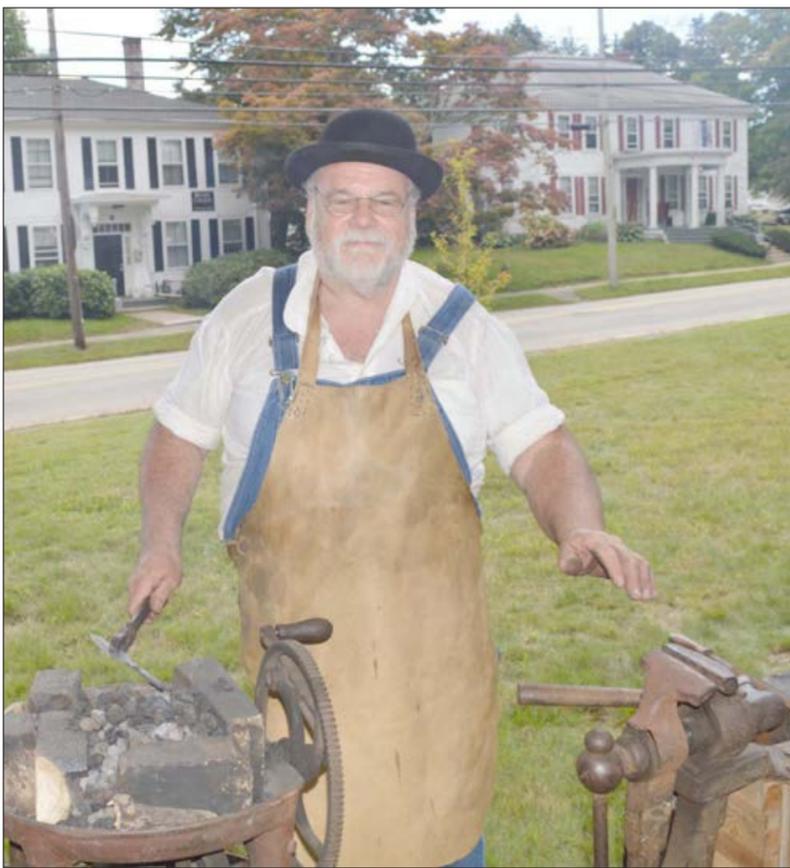
The Hammond family is eager to enjoy a warm, sunny day on the Common.



Guests enjoy the event from a different perspective – touring the Common on a horse-drawn wagon.



Boy Scout Troop 123 members are hard at work during various demonstrations.



Guests take a trip back to simpler times thanks to Warren's Tom Kelleher and other exhibitors.



The Ajemian family is ready to decorate some pumpkins.



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Crafter Caroline Dacey, of Spencer, greets guests on the Common.



Evan Mulhearn, age 3, of Worcester, gets his face painted with several autumn themes.



Tracy Zarr, of East Brookfield, sells jewelry and several other hand-crafted items.



The Alesbrook family, of Sturbridge, takes a spin through the Common.



Harrison Hovagimian, age 5, of Acton, left, and his brother Owen, age 2, are a pair of passionate Red Sox fans.

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Borseth eventually moved into administration, serving as an assistant principal in Winchendon for four years. He was able to learn from several veteran administrators during his time in Winchendon, which got him ready for the opportunity to lead a school.

"I loved working with all of my students and colleagues. I learned a lot from that experience, and it prepared me well for this job," Borseth said.

As one of the first district employees hired by new SEBRSD Superintendent Paul Haughey, Borseth's visions for the school's future align with those of the new school chief. Creating a district-wide culture of collaboration, good communications, and transparency is a goal Haughey established for all schools this year. And the Superintendent knew that Borseth was the right person to set the example at KTMS.

In just a few weeks in his new role, Borseth has been impressed by the students, staff and central office leaders. Rather than come in and make immediate changes, he is focused on creating relationships and collaborating with students and staff on improvements. Working closely with Assistant Principal Beth Johnson, who is also new to her role after many years of teaching, Borseth is eager to create lasting momentum for the school.

New teachers were also hired this year to replace four educators who departed after last year.

"The kids are awesome and the staff is fantastic. Everyone has been very welcoming, which has made the transition easy," Borseth said. "I am very invested in this district, and I believe in our teachers and the central office staff. We are all excited about working hard to make sure our students get the best

from us."

The school will continue to accelerate its STEM programming and Robotics Club this year. School leaders are also excited about a recently launched social-emotional learning program (SEL). Recognizing the many challenges facing students and their families – including the opioid crisis and domestic violence – schools nationwide have adopted SEL programs to provide extra support for kids having a difficult time. The programs are designed to help students manage emotions, make responsible decisions, and increase empathy for others.

"A lot of kids are dealing with hardships and challenges outside of school that make it very difficult for them to focus in the classroom," Borseth said. "We want to help them address these challenges so they can concentrate better on school. It's important for them to be able to talk about bullying, drug and alcohol abuse, and cyber safety. We can't ignore these things – we have to help kids deal with them."

Special blocks will be reserved for the SEL program each month, which will provide students with the tools necessary to address and overcome challenges. The program will also include activities and occasional presentations from guest speakers.

School officials are also eager to roll out a one-to-one ChromeBook program, with every seventh and eighth grade student receiving a device. Teachers will receive training on educational applications for use in the classroom.

"Online access in classrooms significantly broadens the scope of any learning exercise, triggering information pursuit, creative thinking, communication, and collaboration," Borseth said.

When he isn't in the classroom, Borseth enjoys spending time with his three adult children and six grandkids.

Friday's Child



Lorraine and Paul
Ages: 9 and 11

Hi! Our names are Lorraine and Paul and we can't wait to be adopted together!

Lorraine and Paul are an African American sibling group who hope to be adopted together by a warm and welcoming family! Lorraine is ten-year old girl who does very well in school. Lorraine also has made several close friends in class, and easily communicates with her peers. One of her favorite activities is reading. She especially loves Harry Potter. When Lorraine grows up, she wants to be an Exotic Veterinarian, so she can care for a large array of animals in need!

Paul is a sweet eight-year old boy who is very engaging. He is very talkative and loves to learn new information. Paul finds a lot of enjoyment from

building with Legos, and creating large structures. He also enjoys playing video games at home

Legally freed for adoption, these siblings have no preference of family constellation. Both children would benefit from a family who could supply a consistent and structured environment. Stability and routine would be key in continuing this sibling groups positive development.

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

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EDITORIAL

Living with fears

The incidents in the Merrimack Valley this week were stark reminders of modern age dangers we live with daily.

Pressurized natural gas, traveling underground even through country sides where it isn't piped into homes for use; surround us. (You've seen those odd candy cane "chimneys.") How safe are we from the possibility of the pipelines becoming unstable?

Or the regulating centers that control the pressure have no problems?

We admit to being fascinated by television shows like Life after People; showing how the breakdown of systems happen when humans no longer maintain or regulate.

Then we see slightly less explosive but no less damaging destruction when water mains and sewer pipes collapse, or when abandoned petroleum tanks rupture and leak the contents into surrounding soils.

Then there are collapsing bridges and roadways.

These can claim lives; tragically.

We've seen sinkholes open up; underground fires smoldering unchecked; and the wildfires continue on.

Some of this is controllable of course; we as a society could focus on our infrastructure more; make the roads and bridges and pipes sturdier and safer.

We can regulate to death the industries that dig and delve under our earth and pull out both minerals and water; leaving behind the potential of collapse and explosion both.

And something like the gas pipelines are interconnected; albeit with a lot of regulation between and among the branches. So while the Merrimack Valley seems contained, it could have been far, far worse had the incident been further spreading.

Blame will be placed, and the infrastructure will most likely be the cause. The oversight of the various parts feeding into the situation will be examined closely and, we hope, be repaired and upgraded to the most modern and safe standards.

Then, we can again only hope, the rest of the interconnected system, from one end of the pipelines to the other, will be tested, examined and re-tested to be certain there is no possibility of a repeat.

Larger metropolitan areas like Boston and its closer suburbs are dependent on the natural gas pipelines. The fleets of oil trucks seen out here in the 'hinterlands' of the state are not a normal sight in the cities.

We did fight Kinder Morgan and the pipeline planned through our area, citing and rightly so, how it was not well planned, would disrupt much too much protected land and private land; and was in fact not actually needed.

Kinder Morgan changed the route.

But the company and its subsidiaries still insist the need continues to exist for an additional pipeline.

Not sure that is so, and with the activities just cited, if the companies can't keep up with the pipelines they have, why would we trust any of them with more?

VIEWPOINT

OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McRae: in defense of Newton

To the Editor:

I continue to be astonished at the Mt. Everest-level of condescending arrogance displayed on these pages by our local contingent of lefty-looney letter writers who, if they're not incessantly condemning and apologizing for their own country — a country that has given them every opportunity, every blessing they enjoy in this life — they are insulting and mocking — often on a very personal basis — the people who might be considered their neighbors, their fellow travelers to the grave.

Take, for example, the churlish remarks made recently by a Spencer contributor whose name must not be mentioned (by me, at least) regarding one, Andrew Newton, letter writer from East Brookfield. After claiming he didn't intend to disparage the teaching skills or intelligence of local teachers active or retired, he proceeds to do just that when he claims that Newton's graduate degree from Worcester Poly Tech is no big deal; after all, it was in a curriculum designed for teachers. I don't know how he knows that, but if that's so, what of it? I didn't realize W.P.I. is in the business of handing out degrees for which considerable and serious effort on the part of the student isn't expected as part of the deal.

But, let me say a few things here about this — apparently — unqualified fraud of a math teacher with his bogus degree from a well-respected institution of higher education.

Sir, I served with Andy Newton. I know Andy Newton. Andy Newton is a friend of mine. Sir, you are no Andy Newton. (With apologies to Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-TX, to Vice President Quayle, debate, 1988).

Any school district in this state, whether they send their kids to the Ivy League or the county House of Correction, would have been fortunate indeed to have had a teacher/coach like Newton on their staff. Aside from being very smart in a number of areas, he had a true love of learning which he tried constantly to pass on to those fortunate enough to have had him as their math teacher. He also grew up on the south side of Worcester, so maintaining control of his classes was never a problem. Additionally, since his father was on the beach at Normandy, 6 June 1944 and would fight his way across France and into Germany, and his brother fought in Vietnam, Newton is a genuine patriot who loves history, is proud of his country and grateful for the opportunities it has given him to live a worthwhile life. And his students witnessed that respect and love he had for his country.

One of his passions in life has been sports.

Despite being precluded from any type of physical activity until age twelve due to a congenital heart defect, and, at 5'8" altitudinally challenged, Newton made up for lost time by becoming a four-year starter on his Worcester South High varsity basketball and baseball teams, as well as playing a year of Div. III college ball.

It was in coaching, though, that Newton found his stride. I can hardly remember a time when I heard over the school announcements that his junior high girls' teams had been beaten. He coached tennis, girls' and boys' basketball, golf, girls' softball, and many seasons of cross country. I recently demanded to know from him just how many seasons of coaching he had contributed to the children of Worcester, West Boylston, and Spencer/East Brookfield. Sixty, and still counting as even in retirement he coaches girls' basketball at West Boylston. You read that right, SIXTY seasons. The number of hours spent in compiling this record is incalculable. Not to put too fine a point on it, but I must ask Mr. No Name critic of Newton and his educational bona fides, how about you, Sir, what, pray tell, have you done for the young people of this or any other community lately?

There is one heck of a lot more to being an effective and memorable mentor of young people, and a person of great value to a community, than just where the classroom was in which you happened to sit for a few short years in your youth.

Now, Newton is not the perfect man. After all, he likes to play golf, which any thinking person knows is the most colossal waste of time ever invented by the mind of human kind. He'd be better off at home solving quadratic equations, but let that go. But, I do owe him a personal debt as he once agreed to undertake tutoring in math one of my kids who was home schooled and whose parents were entirely unable to handle math beyond the times tables. Of course, he raked me for an hourly rate, but we all have to eat. End result: excellent SATs, Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Amherst College, MA and PhD from Harvard University, and a decent job as a college professor.

So, speaking, I know, for the thousands of students and ball players — and their parents — who benefitted from old man Newton's time, energy, experience, and dedication, I say "Thanks, Newton, and I don't care if your degrees are from Dismal Swamp A&M, you have done — and continue to do — a great job of truly serving your community."

JOHN MCRAE
EAST BROOKFIELD

Gaucher: the Faux Five

To Editor:

My inquiring mind has led me to discover some enlightening and intriguing data on a group of individuals I will define as "The Faux Five." In keeping with the current spirit of defining syndromes (then assigning acronyms) "The Faux Five" are harbingers of one that I would not like to catch.

ITHTAFTNTSRRANITSNL Syndrome... phonetic structure notwithstanding, this disorder is mind altering with side effects that include a broad range of amnesia and deliberate devious deception.

"The Faux Five" all share the same odd symptoms of this obviously contagious syndrome. Neither has registered to vote, neither has filled out a census form, neither own property, i.e. they don't pay property taxes, and neither of them have a dog.

Stay tuned.....the syndrome will be defined and "The Faux Five" will eventually be exposed!

JEN GAUCHER
SPENCER

Powell: vote for my mm

To the Editor:

My mother, Joanne Powell, is running for Clerk of Courts for Worcester County. This will be the incumbent's first opponent in his two terms (12 years) in office.

One of my mother's main objectives is to save the Worcester County taxpayers money by using tax dollars more efficiently. She has proven her ability to increase the efficiency of government during her time at the Probate and Family Court. During her tenure there, she has been able to decrease the processing time from several weeks to just days without adding staff. She is someone who has spent her career practicing bipartisanship to help

the people of our county. As the next Clerk of Courts, I know that she will continue to interact with the public as she has been on the campaign trail. As I have seen firsthand during the campaign — and throughout my entire life — my mother loves to meet voters and discuss whatever issue they are most passionate about — and then take action to try to solve problems. My mother is the hardest worker I know, and will not let you down while serving as your next Clerk of Courts for Worcester County. Please join me in showing your support by voting for Joanne Powell on November 6th.

MATT POWELL
CHARLTON

Lafko: Warren still in turmoil

To the Editor:

In August 2018 residents of Warren attempted to recall two board of selectmen, Dario Nardi and Marc Richard, but fell short of the 667 signatures required with obtaining just 550 signatures per selectmen.

Residents had two weeks to collect signatures of 20% of the number of registered voters (3316 for a successful recall. The recall was initiated after police officer Shawn Morin, was alleged to have been fired by the BOS for a meme.

Other concerns include Selectman Nardi, who was found by the attorney general's office to have destroyed public records by deleting his emails from his board of selectmen email address, while Selectman Marc Richard removed Comments and Concerns from public meetings. When asked, Mr. Richard said citizens need to learn how to act and compared them to being on Jerry Springer.

MEGAN LAFKO
WARREN

Blais: midterm election

To the Editor:

I realize that Massachusetts Is a Democratic state, however, I am encouraging all Republicans and independent voters who are President Trump supporters to get out and vote in Nov. and take control of the house and

senate or be subjected to the consequences of Democratic socialism and lose the freedom we now have.

ROLAND BLAIS
BROOKFIELD

How can life insurance help you?

You may not be aware of it, but September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. Of course,



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you probably recognize, at least in a general sense, the importance of life insurance, but do you know the various ways in which it can help you?

Life insurance can play a sizable role in your ability to achieve some important financial goals, such as these:

Helping your family maintain its lifestyle — If you are married and have young children at home, you and your spouse may need to work. If you were no longer around and your earnings were gone, could your family still afford to live as they do now? Adequate life insurance can help them preserve their lifestyle.

Helping your children continue their education — Even if you weren't planning to foot the entire bill for your children's college education, you still might be doing what you can, such as contributing to a 529 education savings plan. If your income was lost, could your family still afford to continue these contributions? With enough life insurance, you can improve the chances that your children will at least get some financial help for college or vocational training.

Helping your survivors pay off debts — Are all your debts paid off? If not, you could be leaving your family on the hook for some of them, such as credit cards and car loans — not to mention your mortgage. Also, as uncomfortable as it may be to consider it, funeral and burial costs can easily run into the thousands. The proceeds of your life insurance policy can help pay down debts, handle your final expenses — and relieve your family of costly burdens.

Helping your spouse build resources for retirement — It's almost impossible for most of us to save too much for retirement. Your spouse may already have some retirement accounts, such as a 401(k) and an IRA, but will these be enough to sustain a long retirement? Through life insurance, you can potentially add significant amounts to your spouse's retirement assets.

As we've seen, you can accomplish a lot with life insurance. But how much do you need?

If you want the appropriate amount of coverage, you should consider a variety of factors. How much do you earn? How much does your spouse earn? How many children do you have? How old are they? How much do you owe on your home? By answering these and other, similar questions, you can arrive at a coverage level that's suitable for your needs. Also, keep in mind that those needs will change — for example, if your children are grown and you've downsized your living arrangements, you may require less insurance than at earlier times in your life.

Life Insurance Awareness Month is a good time to remind yourself of the importance of insurance and of the need to own the correct amount. So, review your coverage soon — after all, you can't predict the future, but you can still prepare for it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

American Legion: thank you for success

To the Editor:
On behalf of 8th annual Gaudette-Kirk Post 138 American Legion Charity Golf Tournament and members of Gaudette-Kirk Post 138, we want to thank all our sponsors and players that made the event a success. Without your assistance, Post 138 could not assist veterans, Scouts, and our annual veteran events of our community.

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Miller: defining the syndromes

To the editor:

While it warms my heart that Mr. McRae considered my essay of 8/24 excellent and comprehensive, he seems clearly unconvinced that we are both a republic and a democracy based on the fact he described that idea as a "proposition". I am glad to hear that an unabashed conservative who professes to know so much regards me as intelligent.

On the topic of TDS (Trump Derangement Syndrome) we should consider the source. It is a neologism used by Trump supporters to describe the reaction of anybody who opposed the 45th President of the United States. Let's take a step back and consider for a moment the personality and public statements of the 45th President. Let's read his Twitter feed, it is difficult seeing as he sends out about 10 tweets per day. Let's examine his public statements. I am not going to list examples, if you have read this far you know exactly what I am referring to.

Opposition to Trump is not a "syndrome", it is part of healthy discourse in a free society regardless of the label you prefer (Democracy, Republic, Free Country, 'MERICA!, etc.).

I think we need to define some actual syndromes. Let me coin today, "Trump Apologetic Syndrome". TAS seemed to be on Mike Pence's job description starting with the 2016 campaign. Many conservatives are afflicted by TAS. Take any crazy thing that Trump says and respond something along the lines of, "he didn't mean it like THAT", or analyze thoroughly it to find an absurd interpretation that is clearly too convoluted for Trump to even follow himself when explained.

I believe the most common syndrome surrounding our 45th President is "Low Information Voter Syndrome" or LIVS.

The Republicans in the House and Senate seem to have "Trump Political Opportunistic Syndrome" or TPOS. TPOS is created by the fact that any Republican who opposes Trump seems to lose their seat due to a primary system which allows the most radical

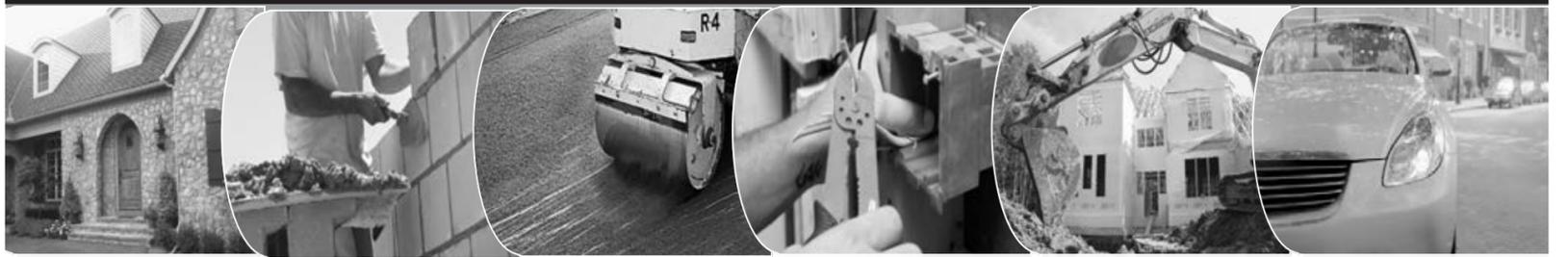
elements of our two great parties to pick the candidates that will represent us all. Executive branch personnel are summarily fired for suspicion of opposing Trump. All officials swore to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, NOT Trump. SHAME on all who ignore the clear and present domestic enemy and danger!

Another fairly common syndrome is "Trump is a Means to an End Syndrome", or TMES. Those afflicted by TMES are the most deplorable. This are the people who are very well informed, actually hate Trump and consider him amoral and unmoored, yet he is a means to an end. Those afflicted by TMES dislike democracy as they and their political allies become a minority and have political goals that are clearly impossible through normal political means. They don't care about the United States as a country or a concept or what it stands for. Those with TMES are diverse in what they want, be it a Christian theocracy allowed by the SCOTUS, a mono-ethnic power structure, a militarized junta keeping things in order, or I am sure countless other sub-types of TMES. Those afflicted by TMES are the well written and well informed Trump supporters, for example history teachers who know that while history doesn't always repeat itself it does usually rhyme. This group of Trump supporters knows exactly what is happening, fully understands the risks, and they still support our 45th President vociferously. They are the worst of the worst.

There are those of us who love this country, oppose the current administration, and consider Mike Pence antithetical to the values of the United States, yet are ready to salute him as our 46th President and trust him to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

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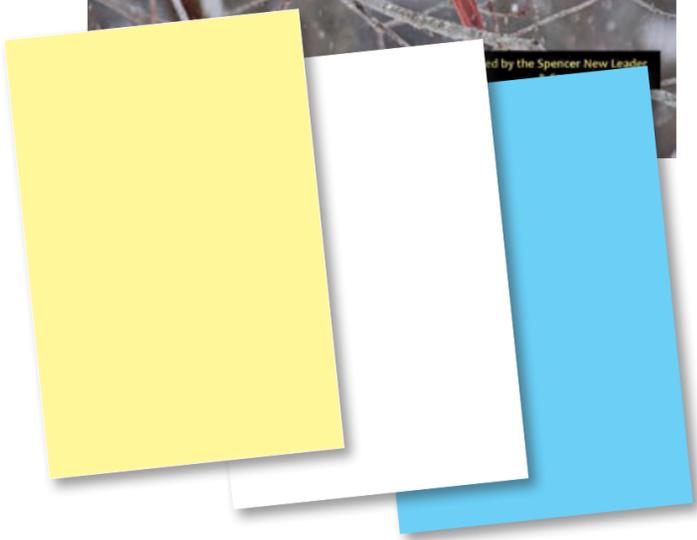
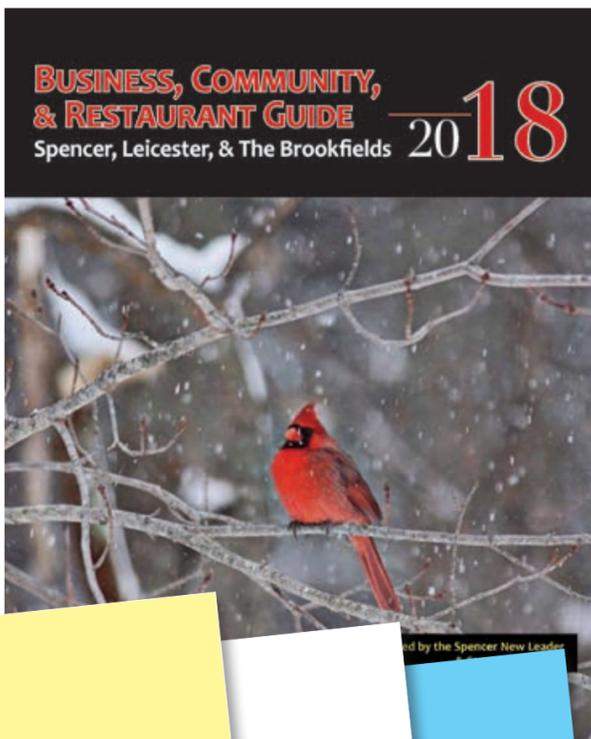
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What I don't like about life in post-9/11 America

"A patriot must always be ready to defend his country against his government."

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Life in a post-9/11 America increasingly feels like an endless free fall down a rabbit hole into a terrifying, dystopian alternative reality in which the citizenry has no rights, the government is no friend to freedom, and everything we ever knew and loved about the values and principles that once made this country great has been turned on its head.

We've walked a strange and harrowing road since September 11, 2001, littered with the debris of our once-vaunted liberties.

We have gone from a nation that took great pride in being a model of a representative democracy to being a model of how to persuade the citizenry to march in lockstep with a police state.

Osama Bin Laden right warned that "freedom and human rights in America are doomed. The U.S. government will lead the American people in — and the West in general — into an unbearable hell and a choking life."

These past 17 years have proven Bin Laden right in his prediction.

What began with the passage of

the USA Patriot Act in October 2001 has snowballed into the eradication of every vital safeguard against government overreach, corruption and abuse.

The citizenry's unquestioning acquiescence to anything the government wants to do in exchange for the phantom promise of safety and security has resulted in a society where the nation is being locked down into a militarized, mechanized, hypersensitive, legalistic, self-righteous, goose-stepping antithesis of every principle upon which this nation was founded.

This is not freedom.

This is a jail cell.

Set against a backdrop of government surveillance, militarized police, SWAT team raids, asset forfeiture, eminent domain, overcriminalization, armed surveillance drones, whole body scanners, stop and frisk searches, roving VIPR raids and the like—all of which have been sanctioned by Congress, the White House and the courts—our constitutional freedoms have been steadily chipped away at, undermined, eroded, whittled down, and generally discard-



FREEDOM WATCH

JOHN WHITEHEAD

a presumption of innocence, the right to self-defense, accountability and transparency in government, privacy, press, sovereignty, assembly, bodily integrity, representative government: all of these and more have become casualties in the government's war on the American people, a war that has grown more pronounced since 9/11.

Since the towers fell on 9/11, the American people have been treated like enemy combatants, to be spied on, tracked, scanned, frisked, searched, subjected to all manner of intrusions, intimidated, invaded, raided, manhandled, censored, silenced, shot at, locked up, and denied due process.

In allowing ourselves to be distracted by terror drills, foreign wars, color-coded warnings, underwear bombers and other carefully constructed exercises in propaganda, sleight of hand, and

ed. Our losses are mounting with every passing day.

Free speech, the right to protest, the right to challenge government wrongdoing, due process,

obfuscation, we failed to recognize that the true enemy to freedom was lurking among us all the while.

The U.S. government now poses a greater threat to our freedoms than any terrorist, extremist or foreign entity ever could.

While nearly 3,000 people died in the 9/11 attacks, the U.S. government and its agents have easily killed at least ten times that number of civilians in the U.S. and abroad since 9/11 through its police shootings, SWAT team raids, drone strikes and profit-driven efforts to police the globe, sell weapons to foreign nations, and foment civil unrest in order to keep the military industrial complex gainfully employed.

No, the U.S. government is not the citizenry's friend, nor is it our protector, and life in the United States of America post-9/11 is no picnic.

In the interest of full disclosure, here are some of the things I don't like about life in a post-9/11 America:

I don't like being treated as if my only value to the government is as a source of labor and funds.

I don't like being viewed as a consumer and bits of data.

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David Prouty, Oxford split boys' and girls' soccer doubleheader



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David Prouty's Erin Parenteau dribbles the ball against the defense of Oxford's Brooklin Joubert.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD — The Oxford High and David Prouty Regional boys' and girls' varsity soccer teams clashed as part of a doubleheader on Wednesday, Sept. 12.

The girls' game kicked off first and the Pirates scored quick goals at the beginning of both halves to take a 2-1 win. The Panthers then jolted to a 4-0 lead in the boys' contest before winning the game under the lights, 4-1.

A fast start has been the key to Oxford's girls' recent three-game winning streak as they are now 3-1.

"We have always said we have to come out fast," explained Oxford head coach Colby Harvey. "Traditionally in the past we have come out a little bit slow and if we come out fast and get that goal early it makes it easy to settle our nerves."

The scoring for Oxford started early when senior striker Gina Parmenter

got behind the Panthers' defense, which forced a one-on-one with DP goalkeeper Samia Welch. Welch made a diving attempt at the ball, but Parmenter struck it to the left and pierced the back of the net to give her team a 1-0 lead just four minutes into the game.

After Oxford scored the early goal, David Prouty raised its aggression and controlled the pace of the first half, forcing many corners and chances to score.

At the halfway point in the first half, the Panthers lined up for a corner and junior defender Erin Parenteau lined up for the prime scoring chance and sent a perfect ball toward the net. The ball was a low liner with some spin that snuck in the right post for a goal.

"They're a great team," Harvey expressed of David Prouty, which dropped to 1-2. "We have played against them for a long time, but what I told my girls is to settle the ball down, trust your skills and let's not get caught up



David Prouty's Zack Bergeron and Oxford's Evan Briggs fight for a throw-in.

in just sending the ball and getting out of sorts. They were playing a good hard game coming right at us, so give them their credit; they played a good hard game."

To start the second half, Oxford's quick strike offense struck again. Four minutes into the second half, Parmenter sprinted down the right sideline of her team's offensive zone and sent a cross into the box where a cutting Brooklin Joubert hit a one-timer into the back of the net for the deciding goal.

Oxford's early season success is due to trusting one another.

"Our whole focus is to trust the process and a big part of that is trusting each other," stated Harvey. "They're working together and are activated together as an offense and a defense and they're just doing their job. As long as they continue to work together and trust the process they're going to continue to win games. They're a group of girls, we are young, but we starting to do some special things."

In the boys' game, David Prouty intended to strike early and often, and they did just that against the Pirates.

"The idea was to come out, pop in a couple quick ones and stay on top for the remainder of the game," explained head coach Jed Prouty.

Less than two minutes into the game the Panthers used crisp passing to get the ball into the Pirates' side of the field. That is when sophomore Erik Mikkila sent a beautiful through ball to a streaking Isaac Prouty, who outran the Oxford defense and sent a rocket to the left that pierced the net to give David Prouty the 1-0 lead two minutes

into the game.

"We settled down, played more of our game, more of the passing game," Jed Prouty explained about his team's offensive output.

David Prouty (2-1) scored three more goals in the first half to give them a comfortable 4-0 lead going into halftime. Mikkila scored, then Evan Fournier got into the scoring action and Nick Soter hit a beautiful goal from 25 yards out into the upper left 90.

"We made some adjustments from our Auburn game to our midfield; we moved some defenders up to more of a midfield position, which generated a lot more offense for us," explained Jed Prouty.

Oxford's (0-2) lone goal was scored 10 minutes into the second half by Tyler Constantine on a rebound.



Dan Blazejewski of David Prouty rears back to punt a ball out of his team's defensive zone.



Megan Cyr of David Prouty watches the ball in the air come her way versus Oxford.



Gabby Soter of David Prouty traps a throw-in to settle the ball.

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SPORTS

Leicester will use loss to West Boylston as learning experience



Leicester's Tristan Scola and Stephen Olsen make an open-field tackle on a West Boylston ball carrier.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

LEICESTER — Because the Leicester High varsity football team played so well in the first

half and so poorly in the second half in last week's season-opening win over Sutton High, Wolverines' head coach Tim Griffiths went into Leicester's

Homecoming Weekend game against West Boylston High on Saturday, Sept. 15, not really knowing what kind of team he had in his midst.

Following the Wolverines' hard-fought 30-26 loss to the 2-0 Lions — a perennial small-school power in Central Mass. — Griffiths has his answer.

"I didn't know if we were a good football team or bad football team coming into today," Griffiths said after the game. "We're good. Defensively I thought we would struggle early on in the year, which we kind of did tonight, but they're a good football team. This was a great high school football game."

Griffiths said if he could have two offensive drives back to do over, they would be the one to end the first half and the second one of the third quarter.

With the score tied, 14-14, Leicester got the ball back on the Lions' 47-yard line following a West Boylston punt. The Wolverines quickly moved into scoring position, thanks to a 38-yard completion from Dan Mero to Jack O'Neill — both juniors — that put the ball at the West Boylston two-yard line with 8.6 seconds to play.

On the next play Mero found senior Tristan Scola open over the middle at the one-yard line, but the West Boylston defense cut Scola down there with 3.1 seconds on the clock. Because Leicester had no timeouts remaining, time expired and the half was over.

"The plan at the end of the first half was to try one play to score a touchdown and if we didn't connect we'd kick a field goal," Griffiths explained. "The only problem was we didn't have any timeouts left so we need the pass to be on the sidelines where our receiver could make the catch and get out of bounds."

"But, the only receiver open was Scola in the middle of the field so Danny threw it there hoping Tristan could find a way to get into the end zone," Griffiths explained. "That one's on me. I'll take the hit for that."

Trailing 17-14, following a 39-yard field goal by the Lions' Patrick May, Leicester took over on its own 4-yard line with 3:19 left in the third quarter. The drive quickly stalled how-



Martin Lahood and Jeffery Puchalski of Leicester make a tackle at the goal line.



Jack O'Neill of Leicester leaps to make a catch on a deep pass down the field.



Jack O'Neill of Leicester makes a stop on a West Boylston runner.



Leicester's Dan Mero looks to fire off a pass downfield.



Leicester's Jeffery Puchalski looks to move up the open field on a kickoff return.

ever, and Leicester lined up to punt the ball away. A bad snap on the punt attempt got by junior Nolan Power, however, and by the time he tracked it down and fell on it the ball had rolled to the Leicester 32-yard line.

West Boylston scored four plays later, on the first play of the fourth quarter, to take a 23-14 lead with 10:57 to play.

"I thought the end of the first half and the start of the second half was very costly for us," Griffiths said. "Us not getting in at the end of the first half and the turnover in the third quarter were the difference in the game."

Leicester rallied in the fourth quarter scoring twice — on an 11-yard run by junior Bryce Gosselin and a 47-yard scoring strike from Mero to Scola — but West Boylston answered the Gosselin score with one of its own, and then ran out the game clock following the Scola TD, which came with 3:42 left in the game.

Gosselin led the Wolverines in rushing with 82 yards on seven carries and scoring scampers of 36 and 11 yards, and he added three catches for 17 yards. Mero had a fine game throwing the ball, completing 13 of 19 passes for 214 yards and one touchdown.

Senior Donnie Harrington, on a first

half trick play, also threw a touchdown pass, from six yards out, to O'Neill. O'Neill finished with seven catches for 96 yards and a touchdown while Scola recorded four receptions for 103 yards and a score.

"Offensively I thought we were OK," Griffiths said. "Mero was awesome, Scola was awesome, Gosselin was awesome, and O'Neill was awesome. We have weapons. We're fun to watch."

So Griffiths now knows he has a good team. But will that be enough for the Wolverines to make it back into the Division 7 playoffs?

"We're good in our division but the problem is so is [Blackstone Valley Tech] and Grafton and we've got BVT [this] week and Grafton after that," Griffiths said. "Because the schedules are so uneven in [the Southern Worcester County League], we could be one of the better teams on the outside looking in."

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Emily Moughan

The Leicester High cross-country star won her 5k race against Oxford and Uxbridge on Sept. 14, crossing the finish line in 22:36. The Wolverines went 1-1 on the day and are now 3-1 to start the season.

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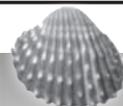
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Quaboag's possession game too much for Warriors



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Quaboag's Emily Flourey cuts into the teeth of the Tantasqua defense.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WARREN — A dominating possession game helped the Quaboag Regional varsity field hockey team defeat Tantasqua Regional, 3-0, on Friday, Sept. 14.

From the start, the Cougars (2-0) were aggressive in every aspect of the game to create opportunities to score and to force the Warriors (0-1-2) to play on

their heels.

"Offensively we did some really nice things. We moved the ball really well," Quaboag head coach John O'Neill explained.

Quaboag forced 20 corners in the game, but was unable to score until late in the first half. With 1:27 remaining until intermission, a relentless rally inside the circle eventually saw Darian Shepherd take a rocket of a shot that



Quaboag's Hannah Dumas fires the ball up the field.



Quaboag's Paisley Atwood makes her way up the field with the ball in her possession.



Kiarra Gauthier of Quaboag crashes the net against the defense of Taive Muenzberg.

bounced off the keeper's pads. Shepherd then traced the rebound and shot the ball into the cage to make it 1-0.

The goal was set up by a tackle near midfield by eighth grader Kiarra Gauthier, who played an excellent off-ball game.

"What she does off the ball is just as important as everyone with the ball," O'Neill expressed. "In the first half she made a couple of great moves that were intimidating and got some corners for us. She was the one that tackled at midfield to get our first goal."

The relentless offensive attack continued in the second half and Quaboag was able to score two more goals to give themselves a cushion. The goals came off the sticks of Carly Duff and Emily Flourey.

"It has been our forte to put a lot of relentless pressure in the circle," stated O'Neill. "Once we cross the 25 our goal is to shoot and once you shoot you create opportunities and chaos and that is our goal. That is our key word, chaos, and once you add that speed that we

have that really helps."

Quaboag's offense was in Tantasqua's defensive zone for much of the game, which made it hard on the Warriors' defense, but they played well despite the lopsided possession difference. Junior Molly Ryan made many great saves in net for the Warriors.

"She has been playing for a long time," explained Tantasqua head coach Shelby Green. "She is only a junior, so we are lucky to have her for another year. She is very vocal and she does a great job working with them back there."

Playing such a quality opponent in Quaboag so early in the season is just a learning experience for Tantasqua. It is something to build on.

"We are very fortunate to play Quaboag and everyone else in our league," Green explained. "We have a good league to play in. It is not a league to be taken lightly so all of us do a good job keeping the level of play high out here."

Tantasqua has its opportunities, but settles for tie with Northbridge

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

NORTHBRIDGE — Goal scoring in the first half, tenacious defense in the second half. That was the recipe both the Northbridge High and Tantasqua Regional girls' varsity soccer teams used against each other in their game Monday, Sept. 17 at Lasell Field and the result was a 1-1 tie.

The tie against Northbridge was the 1-1-2 Warriors' second straight draw after a 1-1 start. On Saturday, Sept. 15, Tantasqua tied Algonquin Regional, 0-0. The Warriors are now 1-0-1 in Southern Worcester County League (SWCL) play. Thanks to the tie against Tantasqua the Rams picked up their first point of the year. Northbridge is now 0-3-1 overall and 0-1-1 in the SWCL.

The Rams jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the fifth minute of the game, sophomore Ally Boucher sending the ball into the back of the net after gathering in a textbook right-to-left free kick from senior captain Jackie Puda from about 30 yards out.

"Jackie sent a good ball in and Ally, our outside mid was crashing the back post," Northbridge head coach Stephen DiMare said. "That's the kind of goal we're talking about when we tell the girls we can get easy goals if we do things the right way."

Eleven minutes later Tantasqua tied the game, 1-1, on a penalty kick off the foot of junior midfielder Kate Jones. The PK was set up when a Northbridge defender tripped a Warriors' player inside the goalie box.

Tantasqua carried the play for much of the game, including the last 30 minutes when the Warriors constantly pressured Northbridge junior goalie Megan O'Meara.

"Those last 30 minutes we did everything but put the ball in the back of the net," Tantasqua head coach Matt Rickson said. "It took us a little while to get going in the second half, but then the girls started playing the way they're supposed to play. We carried the play, we put some pressure on them and we had some



Tantasqua's Katie LeBrun defends against the oncoming Carly Duff of Quaboag.

great scoring opportunities, we just couldn't get one in.

"I think we were still tired from Saturday's tie with Algonquin when we played Northbridge. It took us the first 50 minutes to figure out we weren't playing the way we play. We played the way we're capable of playing the last 30 minutes, but the soccer Gods did their thing," continued Rickson, referring to the fact that the Warriors couldn't put the ball in the net despite having several good scoring chances.

A big part of the reason Tantasqua was unable to score — other than the first half PK — was the play of O'Meara, who finished with seven saves.

"Megan had a great game in net for us," DiMare said. "She was part of the difference in the game for us, keeping the defense organized. She has come a long way from the freshman girl who wouldn't talk to the junior who is now communicating with her teammates and leading our defense and coming off the line and being more aggressive. I couldn't be happier about her development."

O'Meara had plenty of help keeping Tantasqua from scoring over the final 64 minutes. The Rams' center backs, senior captain Sarah

Barron and sophomore Hannah Lomonaco, kept the Warriors bottled up in front of the net, especially in the second half. Outside backs Morgan Mawn, Claire Green and Caitlyn Mahoney helped disrupt the Warriors' offensive effort as well.

"Hannah and Sarah work well together; they're a good combination," DiMare said. "One does the reading of the game and the other one does the talking. I've got a nice balance there with the two of them and Claire and Caitlyn are freshmen and Morgan is a sophomore, so that's good for the future of our program."

When Northbridge was able to mount an offensive charge in the final 75 minutes of the game the Tantasqua defense, led by junior mid Erin McCarthy and junior backs Eva Wengender, Hailey Magierowski, Lydia Boland and Sophia Viapiano, and senior Keira Bergeron, shut the Rams down.

"The way we played the last 30 minutes is the way we usually play for the full 80 minutes," Rickson said. "What we learned in this game is that we're looking forward to continuing to play the season. We're going to be competitive every game."

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SPORTS

Defensive adjustments help Bay Path beat Indians



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Bay Path's Tyler Gillespie runs the ball through a hole provided by the offensive line.

BY DEAN P. ST. LAURENT
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — Bay Path Regional senior captain Daniel Keefe capped a big performance with a 48-yard interception return with 4:03 remaining to seal a 36-14 win over Bartlett High on Friday, Sept. 14 at Memorial Athletic Field.

With the win the Minutemen improved to 2-0, while the Indians slipped to 1-1.

"He is a captain for a reason, he is a leader," Bay Path head coach Matt Fall praised. "He is a football smart kid where if I relay a message to get to the

defensive backs he is going to get that across. He does a great job leading his group behind and the kids rally behind him. It was a great game by him."

Keefe also caught two touchdowns on the night for the Minutemen. The captain also was an eraser on defense setting in front of two Bartlett passes for two interceptions.

"It was one of my best games I have had in awhile and it feels great," Keefe explained about his standout night. "It was an overall team effort, it wasn't just me."

Bay Path scored on its first

drive of the game to quickly go ahead, 8-0, but Bartlett bounced back and scored twice to take a lead at the end of the first quarter.

Bartlett scored on back-to-back drives on a four-yard touchdown run by Romeo Soto followed by a 69-yard touchdown by Troy Johnson. This gave the Indians a 14-8 lead with 4:32 left in the first quarter.

Bay Path, however, scored on a 13-yard touchdown run by Tyler Gillespie to tie it at 14-14 with 4:30 left in the first half. Gillespie ran 17 times for 144 yards and two touchdowns in the win.

Defensive adjustments then stonewalled the Bartlett offense the rest of the way and Bay Path scored 22 unanswered points in the second half.

"With our adjustments at half with the offensive line with their blocking and the defense, we had to adjust a couple things back," explained Fall. "We were able to turn the tide a little bit.

"We had a game plan coming in. They run a unique offense that not a lot of



A trio of Bay Path defenders combine to bring down Bartlett's Romeo Soto.



Bay Path's defense was the key in the second half, leading to the Minutemen's victory.

people are running now," Fall added. "We made our own defensive adjustment during the week that we thought would be a good way to stop them, but realized we were just putting our kids at a disadvantage. We adjusted and tweaked a couple things back and got a little more pressure with our linebackers."

Bartlett was unable to score in the second half, but learning

from the loss is the best way to move on.

"We have to get mentally ready, leave the past in the past," Bartlett head coach Dane Laboissonniere said. "What happened this week doesn't matter next Friday, learn from the mistakes and correct them and sometimes in life you learn more in a loss than you do in a win."



Zachary Whittemore, left, and Jonathan Schrader of Bay Path break off the snap to make their blocks.



Xavier Adamuska of Bay Path looks for space up-field during a kickoff return.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Sept. 13

Agawam 153, Tantasqua 159 — Playing at Crestview Country Club, the Warriors' golf team lost to the Brownies and their female duo of Angela Garvin and Alia Godek, who shot 35 and 36, respectively. Tantasqua's Will Pieczynski was the low Warrior with an even-par 36. Tantasqua is now 2-1 for the season.

Leicester Middle School cross-country runners compete in non-scoring race — The future Wolverines were allowed to race with Knox Trail of Spencer, as four Leicester sixth grade runners competed. Jason Fournier came in second place.

Sept. 14

Tantasqua 151, Millbury 164 — Ryan Slade of the Warriors' golf team was co-medalist — along with the Woolies' Jack Remuck — after shooting matching 1-over par 36's. Thanks in part to Will Pieczynski and Michael Sosik, Tantasqua earned the win to improve to 3-1.

Wachusett 42, Tantasqua 0 — The Warriors' defense surrendered six

touchdown to the Mountaineers, as Tantasqua football dropped to 1-1.

Oxford 206, David Prouty 208 — Colin Nosek was medalist for the Panthers' golf team, but Prouty fell two strokes shy in a close match-up. Fisher Haynes, Colin Dube and Gaven Haynes also scored for the Panthers.

Leicester 15, Oxford 40; Uxbridge 22, Leicester 33 — In girls' cross-country, the Wolverines had a 1-1 day at Uxbridge to improve to 3-1 on the season. Emily Moughan won the race on the 5k course with a time of 22:36. Ellie Hills and Abby Bernabei took sixth and seventh place, respectively.

Oxford 28, Leicester 29; Uxbridge 15, Leicester 48 — After the Wolverines lost to the Pirates by 22 points a season ago in boys' cross-country, they nearly defeated Oxford this time around before settling for a one-point loss while also falling short versus the Spartans. Leicester is now 1-3 as Ryan Butler was the team's top finisher by placing seventh.

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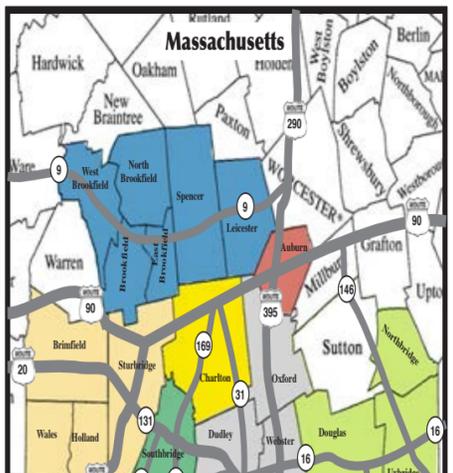
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as if I have no right to privacy, especially in my own home.

I don't like government officials who lobby for my vote only to ignore me once elected. I don't like having representatives incapable of and unwilling to represent me. I don't like taxation without representation.

I don't like being bullied by government bureaucrats, vigilantes masquerading as cops, or faceless technicians.

I don't like being railroaded into financing government programs whose only purpose is to increase the power and wealth of the corporate elite.

I don't like being forced to pay for wars abroad that serve no other purpose except to expand the reach of the military industrial complex.

I don't like being subjected to scans, searches, pat downs and other indignities by the TSA.

I don't like VIPR raids on so-called "soft" targets like shopping malls and bus depots by black-clad, Darth Vader look-alikes.

I don't like fusion centers, which represent the combined surveillance efforts of federal, state and local law enforcement.

I don't like being treated like an underling by government agents who are supposed to be working for me. I don't like being threatened, intimidated, bribed, beaten and robbed by individuals entrusted with safeguarding my rights. I don't like being silenced, censored and marginalized. I don't like my movements being tracked, my conversations being recorded, and my transactions being catalogued.

I don't like free speech zones, roving bubble zones and trespass laws that restrict Americans' First Amendment rights.

I don't like laws that criminalize Americans for otherwise lawful activities such as holding religious studies at home, growing vegetables in their yard, and collecting rainwater.

I don't like the NDAA, which allows the president and the military to arrest and detain American citizens indefinitely.

I don't like the Patriot Act, which opened the door to all manner of government abuses and intrusions on our privacy.

I don't like the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), which has become America's standing army in direct opposition to the dire warnings of those who founded our country.

I don't like military weapons such as armored vehicles, sound cannons and the like being used against the American citizens.

I don't like government agencies such as the DHS, Post Office, Social Security Administration and Wildlife stocking up on hollow-point bullets. And I definitely don't like the implications of detention centers being built that could house American citizens.

I don't like the fact that police departments across the country "have received tens of thousands of machine guns; nearly 200,000 ammunition magazines; thousands of pieces of camouflage and night-vision equipment; and hundreds of silencers, armored cars and aircraft."

I don't like America's infatuation with locking people up for life for non-violent crimes. There are thousands of people in America serving life sentences for non-violent crimes, including theft of a jacket, siphoning gasoline from a truck, stealing tools, and attempting to cash a stolen check.

I don't like paying roughly \$29,000 a year per inmate just to keep these non-violent offenders in prison.

I don't like having my hard-earned taxpayer dollars used against me.

I don't like the partisan nature of politics today, which has so polarized Americans that they are incapable of standing in unity against the government's abuses.

I don't like the entertainment drivel that passes for news coverage today.

I don't like the fact that those within a 25-mile range of the border are getting a front row seat to the American police state, as Border Patrol agents are now allowed to search people's homes, intimately probe their bodies, and rifle through their belongings, all without a warrant.

I don't like public schools that treat students as if they were prison inmates. I don't like zero tolerance laws that criminalize childish behavior. I don't like a public educational system that emphasizes rote memorization and test-taking over learning, synthesizing and critical thinking.

I don't like police precincts whose primary purpose—whether through the use of asset forfeiture laws, speed traps, or red light cameras—is making a profit at the expense of those they have sworn to protect. I don't like militarized police and their onerous SWAT team raids.

I don't like Department of Defense and DHS programs that transfer surplus military hardware to local and state police. I don't like local police dressing and acting as if they were the military while viewing me as an enemy combatant.

I don't like government programs that reward cops for raiding homes and terrorizing homeowners.

I don't like being treated as if I have no rights.

I don't like cash-strapped states cutting deals with private corporations to run the prisons in exchange for maintaining 90% occupancy rates for at least 20 years. I don't like the fact that American prisons have become the source of cheap labor for Corporate America.

I don't like answering to an imperial president who operates above the law.

I don't like the injustice that passes for justice in the courts.

I don't like prosecutors so hell bent on winning that they allow innocent people to suffer for crimes they didn't commit.

I don't like the double standards that allow government officials to break laws with immunity, while average Americans get the book thrown at them.

I don't like cops who shoot first and ask questions later.

I don't like police dogs being treated with more respect and afforded more rights than American citizens.

I don't like living in a suspect society. I don't like Americans being assumed guilty until they prove their innocence.

I don't like technology being used as a double-edged sword against us.

Most of all, I don't like feeling as if there's no hope for turning things around.

Now there are those who would suggest that if I don't like things about this country, I should leave and go elsewhere. Certainly, there are those among my fellow citizens who are leaving for friendlier shores.

However, I'm not giving up on this country without a fight.

I plan to keep fighting, writing, speaking up, speaking out, shouting if necessary, filing lawsuits, challenging the status quo, writing letters to the editor, holding my representatives accountable, thinking nationally but acting locally, and generally raising a ruckus anytime the government attempts to undermine the Constitution and ride roughshod over the rights of the citizenry.

Our country may be in deep trouble, but all is not yet lost.

The first step begins with you.

1. Get educated. Know your rights. Take time to read the Constitution. Study and understand history because the tales of those who seek power and those who resist them is an age-old one. The Declaration of Independence is a testament to this struggle and the revolutionary spirit that overcame tyranny. Understand the vital issues of the day so that you can be cognizant of the threats to freedom. Stay informed about current events and legislation.

2. Get involved. Become actively involved in local community affairs, politics and legal battles. As the adage goes, "Think nationally, act locally." America was meant to be primarily a system of local governments, which is a far cry from the colossal federal bureaucracy we have today. Yet if our freedoms are to be restored, understanding what is transpiring practically in your own backyard—in one's home, neighborhood, school district, town council—and taking action at that local level must be the starting point. Responding to unmet local needs and reacting to injustices is what grassroots activism is all about. Getting involved in local politics is one way to bring about change.

3. Get organized. Understand your strengths and weaknesses and tap into

revitalization project. Additional grant opportunities are available for the Town House if the town approves a renovation of its entire downtown sector, officials said.

"We could end up having a project where we redo the roads and sidewalks as part of an overall strategy like they did in Spencer," added Kiley, who also mentioned Complete Streets grants and other funding opportunities that could be considered.

Built in 1864, the Town House is among only four Italianate/Second Empire-style structures in the state. The building has served countless municipal and social functions over the years, including plays and dances.

Much of the building's original exterior and Great Hall remain largely intact. With ADA compliance upgrades, town officials envision the Great Hall once again hosting important meetings and other functions.

For more information about the building, or to learn how you can make a donation to support the renovation effort, visit www.FriendsNorthBrookfieldTownHouse.org.

your resources. Play to your strengths and assets. Conduct strategy sessions to develop both the methods and ways to attack the problem. Prioritize your issues and battles. Don't limit yourself to protests and paper petitions. Think outside the box. Time is short, and resources are limited, so use your resources in the way they count the most.

4. Be creative. Be bold and imaginative, for this is guerilla warfare—not to be fought with tanks and guns but through creative methods of dissent and resistance. Creatively responding to circumstances will often be one of your few resources if you are to be an effective agent of change. Every creative effort, no matter how small, is significant.

5. Use the media. Effective use of the media is essential. Attracting media coverage not only enhances and magnifies your efforts, it is also a valuable education tool. It publicizes your message to a much wider audience.

6. Start brushfires for freedom. Take heart that you are not alone. You come from a long, historic line of individuals who have put their beliefs and lives on the line to keep freedom alive. Engage those around you in discussions about issues of importance. Challenge them to be part of a national dialogue. As I have often said, one person at a city planning meeting with a protest sign is an irritant. Three individuals at the same meeting with the same sign are a movement. You will find that those in power fear and respect numbers. This is not to say that lone crusaders are not important. There are times when you will find yourself totally alone in the stand you take. However, there is power in numbers. Politicians understand this. So get out there and start drumming up support for your cause.

7. Take action. Be prepared to mobilize at a moment's notice. It doesn't matter who you are, where you're located or what resources are at your disposal. What matters is that you recognize the problems and care enough to do something about them. Whether you're 8, 28 or 88 years old, you have something unique to contribute. You don't have to be a hero. You just have to show up and be ready to take action.

8. Be forward-looking. Beware of being so "in the moment" that you neglect to think of the bigger picture. Develop a vision for the future. Is what you're hoping to achieve enduring? Have you developed a plan to continue to educate others about the problems you're hoping to tackle and ensure that others will continue in your stead? Take the time to impart the value of freedom to younger generations, for they will be at the vanguard of these battles someday.

9. Develop fortitude. What is it that led to the successful protest movements of the past headed by people such as Martin Luther King Jr.? Resolve. King refused to be put off. And when the time came, he was willing to take to the streets for what he believed and even go to jail if necessary. King risked having an arrest record by committing acts of nonviolent civil disobedience. A caveat is appropriate here. Before resorting to nonviolent civil disobedience, all reasonable alternatives should be exhausted. If there is an opportunity to alter the course of events through normal channels (for example, negotiation, legal action or legislation), they should be attempted.

10. Be selfless and sacrificial. Freedom is not free—there is always a price to be paid and a sacrifice to be made. If any movement is to be truly successful, it must be manned by individuals who seek a greater good and do not waver from their purposes. It will take boldness, courage and great sacrifice. Rarely will fame, power and riches be found at the end of this particular road. Those who travel it inevitably find the way marked by hardship, persecution and strife. Yet there is no easy way.

11. Remain optimistic and keep hope alive. Although our rights are increasingly coming under attack, we still have certain freedoms. We have the right to dissent, to protest and even to vigorously criticize or oppose the government and its laws. The Constitution guarantees us these rights. In a country such as the United States, a citizen armed with a knowledge of the Bill of Rights and the fortitude to stand and fight can still be a force to be reckoned with, but it will mean speaking out when others are silent.

Practice persistence, along with perseverance, and the possibilities are endless. You can be the voice of reason. Use your voice to encourage others. Much can be accomplished by merely speaking out. Oftentimes, all it takes is one lone voice to get things started. So if you really care and you're serious and want to help change things for the better, dust off your First Amendment tools and take a stand—even if it means being ostracized by those who would otherwise support you.

It won't be easy, but take heart. And don't give up.

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project forward. After spending several summer weekends clearing brush for the rail trail, selectmen and volunteers wasted no time in taking up the Town House project again.

Due to the staggering costs of the overall renovation, officials know they will have to keep chipping away at smaller efforts as funding allows. For now, scraping and painting is the task at hand.

"Ultimately we would like to restore it back to its original color, but our immediate goal is making the building more presentable," Kiley said of the exterior painting project.

Looking ahead, the Friends of the North Brookfield Town House will continue seeking grants in 2019. Established in 2006, the goal of the organization is to preserve the structural integrity of the building while retaining important historical and architectural elements.

The town also recently appointed a downtown development committee to explore ways to incorporate the Town House renovation project into a large



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POLICE REPORTS

Spencer Police Department

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

12:30 a.m.: building checked, secure; 1:07 a.m.: mv stop (Maple Street); 1:11 a.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 2:16 a.m.: medical/general (Cherry Street); 2:18-2:44 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 2:50 a.m.: commercial alarm (Chestnut Street), services rendered; 3:07-3:20 a.m. buildings checked, secure; 5:45 a.m.: commercial alarm (Olde Main Street), services rendered; 6:16 a.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 6:24 a.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 6:28 a.m.: juvenile matter (Smithville Road), spoken to; 6:29 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 6:37 a.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 8:10 a.m.: mv stop (South Spencer Road); 8:20 a.m.: 911 call (Thompson Pond Road), misdial; 8:23 a.m.: accident (Ash Street), report taken; 11:12 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 11:52 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 11:54 a.m.: commercial alarm (Olde Main Street), no service necessary; 12:44 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), no location info; 12:49 a.m.: entire incident redacted from police log; 1:25 p.m.: medical/general (North Spencer Road); 1:45 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), dead porcupine; 2:22 p.m.: fire alarm (Pleasant Street), no service necessary; 2:34 p.m.: juvenile matter (Bixby Road), welfare check/child; 2:58 p.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), firearm info; 3:17 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 4:14 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), 209A questions; 4:41 p.m.: disturbance (Mechanic Street), unwanted party; 6:00 p.m.: accident (Pleasant Street), mv rollover; 8:00 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Northwest Road), open line; 8:46 p.m.: disturbance (Cherry Street), peace restored; 8:58 p.m.: disturbance (Highland Street), spoken to; 9:19 p.m.: building checked, secure; 9:27 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), spoken to; 9:37 p.m.: 911 call (Pleasant Street), non-emergency; 10:06 p.m.: building checked, secure; 11:06 p.m.: (Brooks Road), services rendered; 11:26 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street), no service/party fled.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

12:07 a.m.: disabled mv (Ash Street), assisted; 12:53-2:31 a.m.: buildings

checked, secure; 2:54 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 4:19 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 6:56 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no answer on c/b; 6:57 a.m.: mv repossession (Cherry Street), spoken to; 7:14 a.m.: school alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 7:24 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), LTC change of address; 7:45 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 8:42 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 9:02 a.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), assisted; 9:20 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road); 10:35 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 10:59 a.m.: officer wanted (Chestnut Street), welfare check; 12:20 p.m.: medical/general (Pleasant Street); 1:12 p.m.: suspicious mv (Water Street), spoken to; 1:29 p.m.: mv stop (Barclay Road); 2:01 p.m.: mv stop (Barclay Road); 2:10 p.m.: mv stop (North Spencer Road); 2:24 p.m.: mv stop (Barclay Road); 2:33 p.m.: mv stop (Barclay Road); 2:48 p.m.: mutual aid (West Main Street), Worcester PD bolo; 2:51 p.m.: mv stop (North Spencer Road); 2:54 p.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Road), unattended dog; 3:19 p.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 3:35 p.m.: DPW call (Browning Pond Road), tree across road; 3:50 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), services rendered; 4:25 p.m.: building checked, secure; 6:03 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), services rendered; 6:12 p.m.: medical/overdose (Main Street); 6:29 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), spoken to; 6:43 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Main Street), accidental; 7:39 p.m.: suspicious mv (West Main Street), spoken to; 7:51 p.m.: building checked, secure; 7:52 p.m.: disturbance (Maple Street), unwanted party; 10:09-10:19 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 10:20 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

12:02 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road); 12:19-2:15 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 7:36 a.m.: accident (Temple Street); 8:26 a.m.: medical/general (High Street), lift assist; 8:50 a.m.: mv lockout (Grove Street), assisted; 9:45 a.m.: citizen complaint (West Main Street), assisted; 9:45 a.m.: medical/general (Paxton Road); 9:58 a.m.: 209A service (McDonald Street); 2:16 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), services rendered; 2:46 p.m.: elderly matter (Lincoln Street), poss. theft; 3:07 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 3:30 p.m.: juvenile matter (Lloyd Dyer Drive), spoken to; 3:57 p.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 4:12 p.m.: mv complaint (Route 49), erratic operation; 4:24 p.m.: officer wanted (Lincoln Street), spoken to; 4:26 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), services rendered; 4:43 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 4:54 a.m.: medical/general (North Spencer Road); 5:15 p.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), spoken to; 5:52 p.m.: animal complaint (Kitteridge Road), injure bird; 6:29 p.m.: elderly matter (Lincoln Street), spoken to; 6:35 p.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street); 6:51 p.m.: mv lock-

out (Main Street), assisted; 7:12 p.m.: mv complaint (Franklin Street), erratic operation; 7:12 p.m.: medical/general (School Street); 7:14 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), location undetermined; 7:30 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 8:57 p.m.: 209A service (Meadow Road); 9:48 p.m.: animal complaint (Smithville Road), spoken to; 11:28-11:59 p.m.: buildings checked, secure.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

12:22-12:53 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:03 a.m.: mv stop (West Main Street); 1:24-2:56 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:11 a.m.: accident (Greenville Street), report taken; 6:56 a.m.: officer wanted (Condon Street), noise complaint; 8:33 a.m.: building checked, secure; 8:51 a.m.: residential alarm (Laurel Lane), services rendered; 9:26 a.m.: residential alarm (Laurel Lane), services rendered; 10:14 a.m.: 911 call (North Brookfield Road), elderly party in distress; 10:15 a.m.: animal complaint (Lincoln Street), loose dog; 12:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Northwest Road), spoken to; 12:58 p.m.: residential alarm (North Brookfield Road), services rendered; 2:30 p.m.: officer wanted (Thompson Pond Road), truck felled wire; 2:41 p.m.: lost/found (Charlton Road), item found; 2:50 p.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 2:55 p.m.: disturbance (Smithville Road), noise complaint; 2:57 p.m.: mv lockout (East Charlton Road), assisted; 4:00 p.m.: suspicious activity (Main Street), spoken to; 5:02 p.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 5:49 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road); 6:16 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operation; 6:26 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no answer on c/b; 7:04 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (West Main Street), no answer on c/b; 7:22 p.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), assisted; 7:24 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 7:56 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), noise complaint; 9:07 p.m.: suspicious activity (Valley Street), spoken to; 10:18 p.m.: disturbance (Chestnut Street), neighbor dispute; 11:44 p.m.: medical/general (Church Street).

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

12:23 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:28 a.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:45-3:08 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:15 a.m.: suspicious mv (Meadow Road), spoken to; 6:58 a.m.: officer wanted (Smithville Road), noise complaint; 9:45 a.m.: officer wanted (Bacon Hill Road), hypodermic needles found; 12:04 p.m.: animal complaint (Collier Circle), fox in yard; 12:45 p.m.: animal complaint (Chestnut Street), stray cat; 1:25 p.m.: medical/general (Grant Street); 4:24 p.m.: medical/general (Paxton Road); 6:07 p.m.: animal complaint (North Spencer Road), injure hawk; 6:21 p.m.: officer wanted (Fairview Drive), threats; 8:32 p.m.: mv complaint (Route 49), erratic operation; 8:47 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road); 8:56 p.m.: medical/general (Mechanic Street); 9:47 p.m.: officer wanted (Langevin Street), missing person.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

12:04-12:33 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 12:44 a.m.: mv stop (Greenville Street); 2:01-3:06 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:05 a.m.: mv stop

(Charlton Road); 6:22 a.m.: mv stop (North Spencer Road); 6:28 a.m.: mv stop (Charlton Road); 6:55 a.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), misdial; 9:09 a.m.: animal complaint (Kitteridge Road), loose dog; 9:19 a.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 9:43 a.m.: juvenile matter (Ash Street), spoken to; 10:34 a.m.: medical/general (Donnelly Cross Road); 11:04 a.m.: 209A service (Grove Street); 11:57 a.m.: larceny (South Spencer Road), report taken; 12:04 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dog; 12:41 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 12:53 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village Road); 1:29 p.m.: parking complaint (Chestnut Street), spoken to; 1:35 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 2:09 p.m.: juvenile matter (G.H. Wilson Road), social media complaint; 2:42 p.m.: 209A service (West Main Street); 4:48 p.m.: suspicious mv (West Main Street), spoken to; 4:52 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), spoken to; 7:11 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), assisted; 7:26 p.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), spoken to; 7:36 p.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), issue w/ daughter; 7:48 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 7:48 p.m.: animal complaint (Meadowbrook Road), bear on property; 8:59 p.m.: suspicious activity (Chestnut Street), spoken to; 9:34 p.m.: officer wanted (Paxton Road), 209A inquiry; 11:31 p.m.: disturbance (Cherry Street), services rendered; 11:45 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

4:14 a.m.: officer wanted (Grove Street), spoken to; 7:15 a.m.: officer wanted (Main Street), spoken to; 7:20 a.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 7:59 a.m.: animal complaint (Smithville Road), question re: euthanasia; 9:19 a.m.: medical/general (Terkanian Drive), lift assist; 9:26 a.m.: mv stop (Terkanian Drive); 11:22 a.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), Harrington CT down; 11:38 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Brown Street), likely misdial; 11:38 a.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 12:33 p.m.: officer wanted (Lake Street), loud bang at school; 12:40 p.m.: mv complaint (Route 49), poss. road rage; 12:46 p.m.: citizen complaint (West Main Street), spoken to; 12:52 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), abandoned cat; 2:29 p.m.: fraud (West Main Street), scam call; 4:16 p.m.: medical/general (Terkanian Drive); 4:18 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Main Street), non-emergency; 5:45 p.m.: suspicious activity (West Main Street), spoken to; 5:51 p.m.: mv lockout (West Main Street), assisted; 5:51 p.m.: vandalism (Bixby Road), mv vandalized; 6:32 p.m.: animal complaint (Wm. Casey Road), loose cats; 7:06 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), family issue; 7:45 p.m.: buildings checked, secure; 8:05 p.m.: accident (Donnelly Cross Road), report taken; 8:15 p.m.: suspicious activity (Lloyd Dyer Drive), spoken to; 8:23 p.m.: suspicious activity (Wall Street), spoken to; 8:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street); 8:33 p.m.: medical/general (Cherry Street); 11:40 p.m.: building checked, secure.

PERRON

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you," Perron told seniors and staff. "We have had a lot of good times here, and everyone has been so kind to me."

When he began working at Howe Village, Perron was able to walk to work from his former residence across the street. He still calls Spencer home, and he has enjoyed a long run with many seniors and staff members.

"He is such a well-rounded guy who always treated the tenants and staff like family. He will be greatly missed," said Howe Village Director Charlene Kaiser, who worked alongside Perron during all but one of his 24 years.

After lunch and dessert, seniors were



Gerald Perron, center, celebrates his retirement with his children, Samantha Nimitz and Gerald Perron Jr.

able to share stories with Perron and wish him well in his retirement. He was accompanied by his son, Jerry Perron Jr., and his daughter, Samantha Nimitz.

MOLD

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the project," Kustigian said on Sept. 13. "The ultimate goal is to get QRMHS up and running as soon as possible."

On Sept. 17, Quaboag students received course outlines and textbooks in the QRMHS gymnasium, which was unaffected by mold. Students were expected to be dismissed that day at 10:30 a.m., giving them time to prepare for their transition to Palmer the next day.

District officials also contracted with Michael Matilainen, a certified industrial hygienist with ATC Group Services, LLC. Matilainen will provide additional testing to ensure the safety of students and staff.

"While we are working to get QRMHS ready for full occupancy, we are grateful to the town of Palmer for offering the use of Converse Middle School," Kustigian added.

District officials also worked with Palmer school leaders in an attempt to

move Quaboag's open house to Converse Middle School as well. Officials want to preserve as many programs as possible, even if it means moving them off site.

"Quaboag is a small, tight-knit community where everyone knows each other and we unite during difficult times," Kustigian said. "The outpouring of support from neighbors, colleagues, friends, and people everywhere is comforting and I appreciate it. A special thank-you to the town of Palmer and all of our incredible staff members who are working feverishly to get our students back in school."

As of press time, officials had not announced a date for the return of normal activities at QRMHS. Kustigian spent the weekend of Sept. 15-16 collaborating with West Brookfield Police Chief Thomas O'Donnell to create a safety plan for students as they temporarily transition to Palmer.

To learn more about the daily status of mold remediation efforts at the school, visit www.quaboagsd.org and follow the appropriate links.

SPENCER FURNITURE

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ership, expanding to 27,000 square feet. Boasting specialized sections for furniture, outdoor pieces, and mattresses, the store enables guests to enjoy a cozy shopping experience in a spacious venue. Moreover, the store's primitive shoppe, featuring hand-crafted items and even Amish creations, adds to the nostalgic ambience.

For many guests, Spencer Furniture has become a shopping sanctuary. Even if they don't buy anything, visitors enjoy the relaxing experience of strolling through showrooms that more closely resemble vignettes of country living. Some residents have even made regular visits to the store as a form of stress relief, occasionally buying items from the primitive shoppe or choosing from the holiday-themed items available as well.

Because of its small town appeal and unique items, Spencer Furniture continued to thrive over the years while other businesses struggled to compete

against online shopping.

"People want to sit on furniture and lay on it. They want to see how it feels," Chalifoux said. "I'm sure we were affected a little [by online shopping], but it wasn't a major issue for us."

Of course, the business never would have been able to succeed year after year without a dedicated staff.

"Our staff is amazing. We wouldn't be here today without the quality and dedication of the staff," Chalifoux said. "It's hard to find great people, and we have a lot of long-term employees."

The hardest part of making the decision to close the business was letting the staff know, Chalifoux said. A going out of business sale that began last week will slowly empty the store, ending an era one item at a time.

Shipments of orders will continue through March of next year, Chalifoux said, and the store will still handle removals, financing, deliveries, and credit card purchases.

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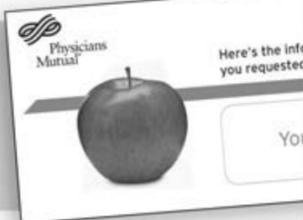


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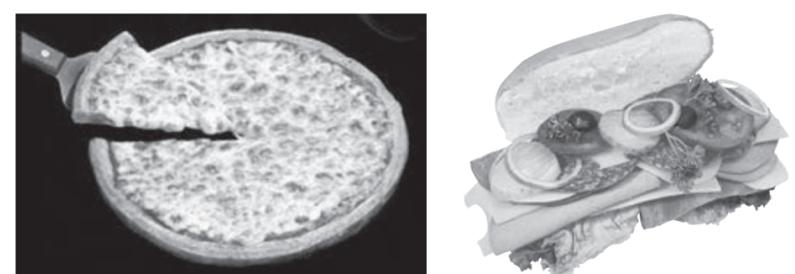
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Schedule:

- Wednesday 9/26/2018: Documents available
- Wednesday 10/03/2018: Site Walk Thru 9:00 - 9:30.
- Thursday 10/18/2018: Bids Due on or before 2:00
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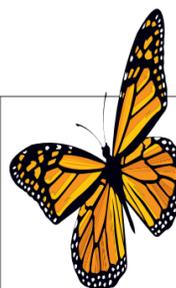
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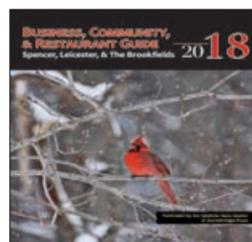
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OBITUARIES

Claire A. Wingler, 91



PALMER – Claire A. (Harnois) Wingler, 91, passed away on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skill Care Center in West Brookfield surrounded by her loving family.

She leaves, her son, Robert Wingler of Sturbridge; her daughters, Diane Gervais and her husband Arthur of West Brookfield, Karen Mucha and her husband Robert of Ware, Elaine Sibley and her husband Louis of Bondsville, and Loretta Buelow and her husband Richard of New Orleans, LA; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; her sister, Marion Harnois of Worcester; her sister-in-law, Margaret Harnois of Rhode Island; and many nieces and nephews. Claire was predeceased by her husband Ernest Wingler; her siblings, Arthur, Clement, Cecilia, Alfred, and David Harnois and Jeanette Laplant. She was born in Palmer, daughter of the late Edward and Edwardina (Brunelle) Harnois.

Claire attended school in Palmer and Hardwick before graduating from David Prouty High School in Spencer, class of 1944. Following High School, during the remaining days of World War II, she worked for the Department of Defense at American Optical in Southbridge and then as a Civil Servant

for the Pentagon decoding messages in Washington, D.C. Her marriage to Ernest took place while she was in Washington and he was in the United States Army. They travelled widely, living on several Army bases in the U.S. as well as bases in Germany during their marriage.

In later years Claire lived in Hardwick and worked at various Mills. She found her calling as a Nurse in Rutland and at the Western Mass Hospital in Westfield, where she was privileged to serve terminally ill patients.

After retirement, Claire lived in Palmer and enjoyed being with her family there and in the surrounding area, as well as actively keeping up with those not in the area by telephone. She loved flower gardens, walking in Stanley Park, where she took all of her grandchildren, and had an abiding interest in studying the Christian Bible, which helped her in caring for others.

A Funeral Mass for Claire will be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 10:00AM in the Church of the Divine Mercy, 2267 Main Street, Three Rivers. Burial will follow the Mass in St. Anne's Cemetery. Calling Hours will be held on Tuesday, September 18, from 5:00 - 7:00PM in Charbonneau Funeral Home, 30 Pleasant Street, Ware.

An online guest book is available at charbonneauafh.com.

Patricia A. (Rice) Daly, 72



WINCHENDON — Patricia A. (Rice) Daly, age 72, died Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Saint Vincent Hospital. She was born in Worcester, daughter of Ernest M. and Adella M. (Mikenas)

Rice and graduated from David Hale Fanning Trade High School. Pat lived in Worcester for most of her life until recently moving to Winchendon to live with her daughter. She worked at St. Francis Home and Providence House for many years as a CNA until retiring due to illness.

Pat is survived by two daughters, Donna M. Belanger and her husband Steve of North Brookfield and Dorene M. Mahan and her husband Scott of Winchendon. She was a affectionately

known as "Big Gram" to Matthew, Jennifer, Samantha, Jessica, Nathan and Jacob and great grandson Gavin. A granddaughter Kristin Mahan, predeceased her. She also leaves a brother, David Rice of Millbury and nieces and nephews. Two brothers, Richard Rice and Ernest M. Rice, Jr predeceased her.

Pat was a loving and devoted grandmother and truly enjoyed spending time and talking with her grandchildren. The arrival of her first great grandchild was very special to her. She enjoyed shopping and her summer trips to Hampton Beach.

Funeral Services and Burial are private and in the care of Callahan Fay & Caswell Funeral Home, 61 Myrtle Street, Worcester. To place an online message of condolence, please visit www.callahanfay.com

Lawrence H. Soucie, 83



NORTH BROOKFIELD - Lawrence H. "Larry" Soucie, 83, of North Brookfield, died on Tuesday evening, September 11, 2018, at Baystate Wing Hospital in Palmer.

He was married just shy of 63 years, a father of six, grandfather of seven, and a great-grandfather of three. He lived a good and full life. Larry loved a good crossword puzzle, the Red Sox, the Patriots, and a subtle joke.

He leaves his wife, Janet M. (Erali) Soucie; three daughters, Karen Norkaitis and her husband Robert, Diane Murphy, and Brenda Powers and her husband James; three sons, Lawrence Soucie and his wife Donna, Thomas Soucie, and Timothy Soucie; his mother Wanita, who is 105; his sister Carol Watelet, and his brothers Donald and Douglas Soucie. He also leaves his grandchildren, Natalie Pelletier, Katie Norkaitis, Anthony Powers, Marie Powers, Peter Murphy, Shannon Soucie, and Jeremy Colebrook-Soucie;

his three great-grandchildren, Dakarei Powers, Cora Pelletier, and Evelyn Pelletier, and several nieces and nephews. He was born in Gardner, son of the late Richard Soucie.

Larry grew up in Athol. He graduated from Athol High School, and was a member of the Army National Guard. He completed the apprentice training program at the Union Twist Drill Company. He subsequently worked on the Apollo space program while employed as a machinist at Brookfield Machine Company, and later at Athbro Precision Engineering. He was a former HAM radio operator.

Larry was well loved, and will be deeply missed by his family. At his request, his services will be held privately, and there are no calling hours.

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

Norman H. Gosselin, 72



SPENCER-Norman H. Gosselin, 72, of Robin Rd., passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, Sept. 15th.

He leaves his wife of 53 years, Dorothy M. (Hackett) Gosselin, his four sons Rodney G. Gosselin of Worcester, Kenneth R. Gosselin and his wife Michelle, Brian N. Gosselin and his wife Diane and Peter J. Gosselin and his wife Traci all of Spencer, a brother Albert Gosselin of Millbury, sisters Lucille Jacques and her husband Gerald of Rochdale, and Beatrice Boudreau and her husband Ronald of Charlton, 16 grandchildren, several nieces, nephews and cousins. He is predeceased by brothers Raymond, Ernest, Gerald Gosselin and sister Annette Joncas.

Norman was a sheet metal worker and teacher at Worcester Vocational Technical High School, retiring in 2008. Previously he owned and operated Century Heating & Air Conditioning in Southbridge for 18-1/2 years.

Born in Worcester, he was the son

of Zoel and Yvonne (Arsenault) Gosselin, he graduated from Worcester Boys Trade High School and later served his country with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Norman's funeral was held on Thursday, Sept. 20 from the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church St., Spencer. Burial with Military Honors followed in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Calling hours were Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m. in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Spencer Rescue Squad, Inc., P.O. Box 147, Spencer, MA 01562.

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Bernadette A. Tuttle, 87



WARREN - Bernadette A. (Florence) Tuttle, 87, of Warren died on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at Quaboag Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center.

She leaves her son, Paul F. Tuttle of Warren; a daughter, Dorothy M. Bussiere and her husband Steven of West Brookfield; a grandson, Christopher Carter; and a great-granddaughter, Melody Carter. She was predeceased by her husband, Denis Tuttle; a son, Michael Lizak; a grandson, Marc Bussiere; and a brother Clifford Florence. She was born in Warren, daughter of the late Frank A. and Helen (Avery) Florence, and step-daughter of the late Edgar Gallant. She graduated from the former Warren High School, and was a lifelong resident of Warren.

Bernadette worked as a shipper at the former William E. Wright Co. for many years before retiring.

She enjoyed sewing, polka dances, bowling, shopping, and most of all spending time with her family. She spent many years caring for family members during their times of need.

A Funeral Mass for Bernadette will be held on Saturday, September 22 at 10:00AM in Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church in West Brookfield. A calling hour will be held prior to the Mass from 9:00 to 10:00AM in the church. Burial will be in St. Paul's Cemetery in Warren. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Warren Fire Department Ambulance, P.O. Box 608, Warren, MA 01083. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting the family with arrangements.

An online guest book is available at varnumfuneralhome.com.

Jeanne H. Reilly, 87



SPENCER- Jeanne H. (Hamelin) Reilly, 87, of Birch Drive died Thursday, September 13 in her home after an illness.

Her husband Joseph L. Reilly died in 2010. She leaves a son, Kenneth J. Kalloch and his wife Sheila of Ft. Myers, FL, three daughters; Barbara J. McLean of Tenn., Linda J. Foley and her husband Patrick of Worcester and Cynthia J. O'Hara and her companion Donald McCall of Spencer, a brother, Paul Hamelin and his wife Lorraine of Tarpon Springs, FL, three grandchildren; Brian, Tyler & Ashley and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Reilly was born in Spencer, daughter of Noel and Ida (Cusson) Hamelin. She graduated from David Prouty High School. She was a teachers aide for 30 years at the Mercy Center in Worcester retiring in 1996.

Jeanne was also a waitress at Hillcrest Country Club in Leicester for many years. She enjoyed bingo, jigsaw puzzles, sitting quietly enjoying the lake and walking on the beach collecting shells. Her most cherished times were when she was with her family. The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Linda Strong, VNA Hospice and the St. Vincent Hospital dialysis department for their compassionate care.

The funeral was held Monday, September 17 from J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer with a Mass at 10:00 AM in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 7 Church Street, Spencer. Burial followed in Mary, Queen of the Rosary Cemetery, Spencer. Calling hour were Sunday in the funeral home from 1:00-3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to VNA Hospice & Palliative Care, 199 Rosewood Drive, Suite 180, Danvers, MA 01923.

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Michael A. Marble, 51



BROOKFIELD- Michael A. Marble, 51 of West Ward Way, died Thursday, Sept. 13 at UMASS Memorial Hospital in Worcester. He leaves his wife of 26 years, Diane L. (Dickinson) Marble,

his son Matthew W. Marble at home, sisters Tina Desmarais and her husband William of Spencer, and Serena Silberstein of Leicester, his step father who raised him, Charles Silberstein of Leicester, his nephew William Desmarais, his in laws; William and Louise Dickinson of Brookfield, and his sister in law Christine Gagne and

her husband John of Spencer.

Born in Worcester, he was the son of Chester Marble and Sheila (Facteau) Silberstein and later graduated from Worcester Boys Trade School. He enjoyed carpentry, trips with family to Maine, the beach and Six Flags.

Mike worked 28 years as a building service supervisor at EMC in Hopkinton.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, September 18 at 11 a.m. in the J.HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer. A calling hour preceded the service from 10 to 11 a.m. in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a charity of choice.

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Eleanor M. Johnson, 77



SPENCER: Eleanor M. (Parmenter) Johnson, 77, of Terkanian Drive, died Thursday, September 13 in St. Vincent Hospital after a brief illness.

She leaves her husband of 47 years, Paul W. Johnson, a brother Elmer Parmenter of Millbury, a brother-in-law Marvin Graslie of Spencer and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a brother Charles Parmenter and a sister Jennie Graslie.

Mrs. Johnson was born in Worcester, daughter of Charles E. and Phoebe

M. (Chaffee) Parmenter. She was a daycare assistant at Tiny Tots Family Daycare in Worcester for many years. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints North Brookfield branch. She enjoyed cooking, going to Maine, gardening and most of all talking. She was most happy when spending time with her family and friends.

A Graveside service was held Monday, September 17 at 1:00 PM in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. There were no calling hours. J. HENRI MORIN & SON FUNERAL HOME, 23 Maple Terr., Spencer is directing funeral arrangements.

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OBITUARIES

Frederick A. Hodgerney III, 78

Frederick A. Hodgerney III, passed away on the morning of September 15, 2018 from respiratory and cardiac illness. He was 78 years old.

Fred grew up in Spencer, MA. Following high school he entered the U.S Navy where he served six years. There he trained as a surgical technologist and had the opportunity to travel to many countries. Following his service, Fred returned to Massachusetts and applied for a job at the New England Baptist Hospital. He was hired on the spot to work in surgical technology and during his four decades at the Baptist he worked for many years in the operating room and later became manager of central sterile processing. He retired in 2003, keeping many dear friendships that continued throughout his life.

Fred lived in Boston for more than 40 years at the Charlesbank Cooperative. At the time of his death, he was serving his fourth term as its president. He loved the building which is a unique,

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It was perhaps during Fred's time in the U.S. Navy that he became a worldly kind of guy, appreciating international travel, as well as art, music, excellent food, fine things and especially the theatre.

There will be no funeral service but a memorial event for Fred will be held at the Charlesbank at a later date where his life will be celebrated by his many friends.



Ruth L. Dunnam, 88

BONDSDVILLE - Ruth L. (Richardson) Dunnam, 88, of Bondsville died on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at Baystate Wing Hospital in Palmer.

She leaves a son, Scott L. Wilcox of Sedona, AZ, and three grandchildren. She was predeceased by her longtime companion, Louis "Skip" Kendall in 2009 as well as a grandchild. She was born in Cortland, NY, daughter of the late Albert and Edith (Gilbert) Richardson. She graduated from the High School of Commerce in Springfield.

Ruth was a Bookkeeper at Tambrands in Three Rivers for many years before retiring in 1990.

She was a member of First Congregational Church of West Brookfield.

A Graveside Service for Ruth was held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, September 13, 2018 in Pine Grove Cemetery in West Brookfield. There were no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the First Congregational Church, P.O. Box 371, West Brookfield, MA 01585. Varnum Funeral Home, Inc., 43 East Main St., West Brookfield is assisting her family with arrangements.

An online guest book is available at varnumfuneralhome.com

Bernice V. Messier

OXFORD - Bernice V. (Bugbee) Messier, died Sunday, September 16, 2018, at St. Mary's Health Care Center in Worcester. She was predeceased by her husband of 66 years, Ronald J. Messier of Oxford who died in 2015. She is survived by three daughters, Wendy A. Prunier and her husband Kenneth of North Oxford, Lynn Yeiter and her husband David of Rindge, NH, and Ann Williams and her husband Bill of Oxford; a brother, Harold Bugbee of Spencer; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. She was predeceased by two sisters, Frances Smith and Shirley Mahota. She was born in Oxford, daughter of the late Harold and Temperance (Lowe) Bugbee, and was a lifelong resident of Oxford. She graduated from Oxford High School in 1946

and received her associate's degree from Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester.

Mrs. Messier worked as a dental hygienist throughout her life, spending the last 12 years of her employment working for Dr. Kozica in Worcester. She enjoyed traveling throughout the world and loved spending time with her family.

A graveside service will be held privately at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Health Care Center, ATTN: 3rd Floor, 39 Queen St., Worcester, MA 01610. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

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Saturday September 22

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TOWN WIDE YARD SALE SPACES: Friends of the Spencer Senior Center are offering tables for \$15 each for the Town Wide Yard Sale inside the Senior Center Hall on Saturday Sept.

22. Please call Joyce for more information at 508-885-0130.

Sunday September 23

Learn about Hydroponics: The Brookfield Garden Club will be having a program on Hydroponics on Sunday Sept. 23 at the Brookfield Congregational Church. The program will be held from 2 -4PM. Come and join us! Hydroponics is a practice of growing plants in highly oxygenated, nutrient enriched water. Besides getting a perfectly balanced diet, hydroponic plants have their food and water delivered directly to their roots. However, in nature, plants depend on the sun. With photosynthesis, sunlight is converted into sugars to provide fuel for the plants growth. High density lighting enables growing indoors a viable alternative. This program is open to the public. Refreshments available!

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ONGOING EVENTS

ECONOMY SHOP HOURS FOR August 22 through June 28, 2019

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EAST BROOKFIELD LIBRARY PROGRAMS: The East Brookfield Public Library is currently conducting their fall registration for children's programming. Rhythm and Rhyme is for toddlers aged 18 mos. to 3 years. This program runs from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and includes lots of music, finger plays, physical activities and a story with a related craft.

Preschool story time is geared for children aged 3 to 5 years old. It runs from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30a.m. Seasonal songs, poems, and gross motor activities are part of this program, as well as a story and craft that encourages fine motor skills. Both programs are held on Thursday mornings. Parents and caretakers are asked to remain with their children. For more information or to register by phone call (508) 867-7928. You can also like us on Facebook and visit our website @ www.eastbrookfieldLibrary.com. We look forward to seeing you!

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

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

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

FREE FOR MOM & KIDS: There

will be free weekly parent/child programs from 9 to 11 a.m. Fridays and Wednesdays at the North Brookfield Elementary School, New School Road, North. The program runs on school calendar and closes for vacation and inclement weather according to North Brookfield School calendar. This free program is sponsored by the Spencer, Wachusett, North and East Brookfield Coordinated Family Grant in partnership with the North Brookfield Elementary School. Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information, please call CFCE at (508) 885-2934 or e-mail Wachusettpc@hotmail.com.

SUPPER TIME: A free, community meal is held on the first Tuesday of the month at The Cross Roads Café Coffeehouse, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, 25 Winthrop Terrace, Warren. All ages are welcome. There is no cover charge; however, a love offering is accepted as a gift to the band or musician as thanks to God for their sharing of their talent and gift for the glory of God (www.emmanuelorthodox.org).

STRE-E-E-TCH: Senior Exercises Classes are held every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Rutland Community Center, Glenwood Road. Enjoy an hour of fun and exercise to music to help stay strong, fit, healthy and independent. Classes are co-ed and all are welcome. The fee is \$4 per class. For more information, call Joyce Gamache at (508) 754-2821.

SIT AND KNIT: knitting group every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Merriam Gilbert Library, West Brookfield. Bring your sewing, embroidery, knitting or crochet and enjoy some socializing while you work on your project.

N-37: Bingo at the Knights of Columbus, 10 Meadow Road, Spencer every Thursday. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The first game starts at 6:30 p.m. Along with our regular games we feature two winner take all games, two 50/50 games and two progressive jackpot games with payouts of \$600 and \$500 respectively. Good food and soft beverages are available at Judy's Kitchen. Come and enjoy some good food, good people and hopefully win a little.

STAY HEALTHY: The VNA Care Network and Hospice is holding a free Keep Well Clinic to residents 60 and older from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Spencer Fish and Game Club on Mechanic Street. Local residents may have their blood pressure checked and learn about health concerns. Blood sugar, weight monitoring and other health assessments may also be available. VNA Care Network and Hospice clinics are funded in part by the United Way, local boards of health, private foundations. For up-to-date clinic information visit www.vnacarenetwork.org or call (888) 663-3688 x 5603.

IT'S A LUNCH DATE: The East Brookfield Baptist Church invites all senior citizens to a Community Lunch at 11:30 a.m. every second Thursday of the month in Fellowship Hall. A delicious lunch and great desserts will



Ad Libs by June

There's only a couple of weeks left to the "soft" deadline for the **2019 BUSINESS, COMMUNITY & RESTAURANT GUIDE**. I'd like to encourage all businesses to hang their shingle in this book! Consider this... 12,000 households... that's over 30,000 readers... receive this book by mail. PLUS it's dropped during the year to high-traffic locations and gets picked up by hundreds more! The book is online 508local.com for a full year! We offer familiarity and longevity... this is our 37th book! We are not someone's list and you won't be buried because someone paid more to be on the top of those search engines. It's fair and alphabetical according to categories and business names, and you will be cross referenced with listings, making it so easy to find you. 70+ local businesses have already signed on for 2019. Restaurants... this is the place to be with your menu and info on how to order online! I still have some premium glossy color space available... call me at 508-909-4062 or email jsima@stonebridgepress.news with any questions or pricing. You'll be glad you did!

Welcome to **GEORGE P. GOULAS, REALTOR** *The People's Broker*, for Keller Williams, to our Real Estate Professionals section! George has a few Open Houses this weekend... check out his listings in the Real Estate Section! If you're a realtor or a business related to the purchase and sale of real estate, this section runs in 7 Mass papers, to 46,000 households, and only costs \$25/week when you run 10 weeks.

I had the pleasure of having a "Tatnuck Italian Sub" at **TEN WEST MARKET** in Paxton for lunch this past week. The sandwich was amazing! This specialty market has a full deli, grab 'n go ready to eat chicken wings and buffalo chicken dip (great for game days), and there's always something special cooking in the crock pot for take home dinners. Their case is full of fresh meats, some marinated to perfection, the "best steak tips around," fresh seafood, and fresh homemade pies and cookies. Check out and "like" their Facebook page. This is a real gem of a market, just a short ride from our area, at 10 West Street in Paxton.

Looking for pumpkins? Rumor has it that **THE OLD CIDER MILL** Rt. 9 in West Brookfield has an 80 pound white pumpkin! I'm going to check it out this week. They also have beautiful colorful mums, all sizes white and orange pumpkins, and well-seasoned cord wood. Stop by and tell Dick that you saw his ad in the Spencer New Leader!

Have a great week!

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Listings Always Needed - We're Always Busy Selling!!!

NEW PRICE

DUDLEY - 5 Corbin Rd! Beautiful 9 Rm Tri-Level! 4.5 Acres! 3-4 Bdrms! 2 Full Baths! Granite Kit w/Slender to Deck & In-ground Heated Pool! Din Rm w/Hrwdws, Crown Molding & French Dst! Frplc Liv Rm! Master w/Bath! Walk-in Closet, Finished Walk-Out Level! C/Air! 2 Car Garage!
\$459,900.00

SOLD

WEBSTER - 17 5TH Ave! 3 Fam! 4/4 Rms! 2 2/2 Bdrms! Each w/Spacious Kts, & Liv Rms! Full Bath! 1st & 2nd Flr Units Remodeled, Rented in Wood Court! 3rd Flr Vacate, Needs Cosmetics! Washer/Dryer Hookups Each Unit! C/Breakers & Landlord Meter! Separate Gas Heat & Water Heaters! Newer Roof! Nice Yard! Sheel!
\$249,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

AUBURN - 9 Lorna Dr! 2680' Split Entry! Appliances Oak Eat-in Isl Kit w/Corian Counters! Spacious Liv Rm w/Hrwdws! Sun Rm Cathedral to Trex Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hrwdws! Frplc Fam Rm! 2 Full Baths! 4th Bdrm Office! Laundry! C/Air & Vac! Professionally Landscaped! 46 Acre Lot! 2 Car Garage!
\$389,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

DUDLEY - 34 West Main St! 10 Rm, 3,222' Antique Colonial! .87 Acre! Grand Entry Foyer! Frplcd Formal Liv Rm & Frplcd Library/Fam Rm w/Hrwdws! Formal Din Rm w/Hrwdws & Tall Bay Window! Appliances Eat-in Kit w/Flr & Walk-in Pantry! 1st Flr Laundry Rm! 1/2 Bath w/Dressing Rm! Grand Stairway to 2nd Flr! Spacious Frplc Master Bdrm w/Hrwdws, Walk-in Closet & Full Bath! 2 Additional Bdrms w/Built-ins & Hrwdw Flrs. 1 Bdrm w/Access to Additional Full Bath! "Maid's Quarters" w/Spacious Bdrm w/Hrwdw Flr, Full Bath & Separate Stairway Access! 4 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths, 4 Frplcs! Lower Level Finished Fam Rm w/Frplc & Abundant Shelving & Storage! 2 Car Detached Garage w/Full Lot! Fenced Yard w/Circular Driveway! Commercial Zoned!
\$695,000.00

NEW PRICE

OXFORD - 247 Main St! 10 Rm BUSINESS ZONED 2 Family! 4/6 Rms! Well Maintained! 4 Rooms on First w/2 Full Baths! Perfect Office Location! 2nd Flr 3 Bdrm Apartment w/ Eat-in Kit, Dining Area, Liv Rm w/Hrwdws & Sun Rm! Full Bath! Oil Heat, New Furnace! Full Basement! Ample Parking! Handicap Ramp! 2 Car Detached Garage!
\$359,900.00

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER - 24 Oakwood Dr! Custom 9 Rm Colonial! Spacious Center Isl Granite Kit w/Cherry Cabs! SS Appliances! Slider to Trex Deck! Din Rm w/Hrwdws! Den! Frplc Liv Rm! 1/2 Bath! 2nd Flr Master w/Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Walk-in Shower! 3 Bdrms Total! 2nd Flr Tile Bath! C/Air! 1/2 Heat! Loft Office!
\$425,000.00

SOLD

OXFORD - 19 Wheelock St! 6 Rm Cape! Well Maintained! Level Lot! Knotty Pine Sunroom w/Slider to Stone Patio! Appliances Eat-in Kit! Liv Rm w/Hrwdw Flr! 2 Spacious 1st Flr Bdrms w/Hrwdws! Full Bath! 2nd Flr 3rd Bdrm w/ew Carpets! Full Basement w/Laundry! Attached Garage w/Workshop!
\$229,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - 24 Emerald Ave! 2 Family! 5/5 Rms! 2,800 sq/ft! Each w/Dine-in Kit w/Pantry, Fam Rm, Liv Rm, 2 1/2 Bdrms! Washer/Dryer Hookups! Hrwdw Flrs! 2 Car Detached Garage! Insulated Windows! New Furnaces! Incredible Flat Yard! Full Certificates! Well Maintained!
\$239,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

THOMPSON - Quaddick Lake! 52 Beautiful Landings! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! Huge Level Lot/Lawn to the Water - .88 Acres! Open Floor Plan! 4/5 Room Ranch! 2 Bedrooms! 1.5 Baths! Appliances & Furnished! Ideal 2nd Home or Yr Round! LP Gas Heat & HW! Generator!
\$229,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE Access! 2-A Lakeview Rd! View of the Lake & Your Dock! Short Walk to the Shore! Young, "09", Spacious 7 Rm Split Entry Cape with ELEVATOR! Ideal for Handicapped, Wheelchair Bound or Not Wanting to do Stairs! From Ground Level to the 1st Flr & On to the 2nd Flr! 150 lbs. Capacity! 1st Flr Open Flr Plan! Appliances Granite Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Din Area & Liv Rm All w/Cleaning Wood Laminate Flrs! 2 1st Flr Possible Bdrms! Master w/Ceiling Fans & Huge Dble Closets! Full Tile Bath w/S Vanity, Laundry & Linen Closets! 2nd Flr w/2 Spacious Bdrms w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets, Office & Full Bath! Lower Level w/Front & Back Opposite Side 1/2 Garage Doors! C/Air! Super Detached 30'x40' 2 Story Garage! 12x10 Drs! 12' 1st Flr Ceilings, 8' 2nd Flr Ceiling Height! 3 Car Lifts are Negotiable! Has It All!
\$429,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER - 32 Camille Rd! 9 Rm Cape w/Farmers Porch! Open Flr Plan! Appliances Kit! Din Area & Slider to Composite Deck! Din Rm! Liv Rm! Den! 1/2 Frplc Cathedral Liv Rm! Den or Din Rm! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Master Suite w/Master Bath! 2 Add Bdrms! 3 Baths Total! C/Air! LL, Fam Rm! Garages! Irrigation! Shed!
\$349,900.00

SOLD

DUDLEY - 13 Pineview Rd! 7 Rm Colonial! Tiled Foyer! Kit! Din Area & Slider to Composite Deck! Din Rm! Liv Rm! Den! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry! 2nd Flr w/3 Carpeted Bdrms & Full Bath! Master Walk-in Closet & Bath! Finished Lower Level w/Gas Frplc! Patio! Fire Pit! Roof! 2017! Attached 2 Car Garage! Town Services!
\$359,900.00

SOLD

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

NEW LISTING

SUTTON - 30 Jones Rd! Expandable 9 Rm, 2,156' Colonial! 5.31 Acres of Privacy! Long Circular Drive! New Granite Kit! Din, Liv & Frplcd Fam Rms w/Hrwdws! Yr Rd Sunroom w/Skylights! 3 Bdrms! 2 1/2 Master w/Bath! 2.5 Baths Total! 12x24 3 Season Porch! Wraparound Deck! 2 Car Garage!
\$464,900.00

SOLD

WEBSTER - 14 Elaine St! 6 Rm Ranch! Level Tree Studied! 12,023' Lot! Appliances Eat-in Kit! Bay Window Liv Rm w/Hrwdws! Tile Bath! 3 Bdrms w/Hrwdws! Lower Level Knotty Pine Plagr! Large Attached Garage! Large Deck! Detached Garage! Updated Electrical! Town Services!
\$199,900.00

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE - 39 Bates Point! Panoramic Views of South Pond! One of the Lakes Premier Shorelines! Southern Exp! Amazing Amounts of Sun! Park Like Grounds! You'll Spend More Time Outside! Extensive Patio, Paver Walkways & Perennial Gardens w/Landscape Lighting! Irrigation for Lawns, Gardens, Potted Plants using Lake Water! 1832'x4 Partially Covered Composite Deck, w/Vinyl Railings! 90' U-Shape Deck! Beautiful Updated 7 Rm A/C/D Ranch! Perfect 14,549' Level Lot! Inside Find a Lake Facing Cathedral Ceiling Great Rm w/LP Gas Frplce w/Antique Maple Mantle, Hand Planed Maple Hrwdw Flrs, Custom Built Granite Wet Bar w/Tiger Maple Cabinetry! Appliances Granite Kit w/Maple Cabinets & Porcelain Tile Flr! Formal Din Rm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Skylight & Randon Width Birch Flooring w/Hand Cut Antique Nails! 20' Master Bdrm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Skylight, 2 Ceiling Fans, 6.6x11.6 Walk-in Closet & Dble Closet! 2016 Bthrm w/Travertine Flr, Dble Granite Vanity, Custom Tile Shower, Linen Closet & Cathedral Ceiling w/Opening Skylight! Entry Door/Foyer/Mud Rm w/Tile Flr, Slider to the Lake & Door to the Kit! Finished Walk-out Lower Level w/2 Bdrms, 1 Lake Facing! Open Liv Area w/Wet Bar & Frig! Full Bath! Laundry Rm! Work Shop & Storage Rm! Outside to the 26X32 Detached Garage w/2 Stalls, Workbench Area & 2nd Flr Storage! Start Packing!
\$749,900.00

NEW LISTING

SHREWSBURY - 747 Grafton St! 8 Rm Cape! 1.5 Acres off Route 20! Great Business Location! House Needs Total Rehab! 1st Flr Consists of Eat-in Kit w/Built-in Hutch! Large Liv Rm! Master Bdrm w/Closet! Office! Full Bath! 2nd Flr Has 4 Bdrms w/Closets! Vinyl Windows!
\$198,500.00

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE - 15 South Point Rd! Waterfront Lot! Middle Pond - Panoramic Views! Conservation Approved! Built Your Dream! 100' of Shoreline! 53.94 Road Frontage! Land Area 8.147! Town Services Available! 4 Decks! Lots on Webster Lake a Rarity, Don't Let This Slip by without Your Consideration!
\$199,900.00

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 812 Beacon Park! WATERVIEW 1,280' 5 Rm Townhouse! Lake Facing! Recently Appliances! Galley Kit! Frplcd Liv Rm w/4th Smart TV & Hrwdws! Master Bath w/Recent Skylight! 2.5 Tile Baths w/Recent Vanities & New Toilets! 2018 A/C & Heat! Garage! Great Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach!
\$284,900.00

SOLD

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

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 210 Beacon Park! 5 Rm 1,100' Corner Garden Unit! Appliances Kitchen! Dining Room! Spacious Living Room! 2 Bedrooms! Master Bedroom with Master Bath! 1.5 Bathrooms! Tile Floors Throughout! C/Air! Garage! Gazebo! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach!
\$239,900.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 130 Killdeer Island - North Pond! West Expo - Beautiful Sunsets! 6 Rm 3 Season Home! A/C Heat & Use 2 Rooms! Great Potential! 4 Bdrms w/Hrwdws, 2 Large Frplcd! Frplc Liv Rm w/Lake Views! Spacious Kit & Dining Area! 2 Baths! 55' of Sandy Beach!
\$475,000.00

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 7 Point Pleasant Ave! Panoramic Lake Views! Eastern Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,000' Level Lot! 2,300' Custom Contemp Colonial! Built 2015! Like New! Open Flr Plan! Custom Granite Kit w/Land, Stainless Appliances, Gas Range, Soft Close Cabinets & Recessed Lights! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Custom Cabinetry, Recessed Lights & Ceiling Fan! Dining Area w/Custom Ceiling! Full Bath w/Granite Vanity & Custom Tile Shower! Living Room! "Wood Look" Tile Floors throughout the First Floor! 2nd Flr Features 3 Comfortable Bdrms w/2 Being Waterfront! Lake Facing Master w/Slider to Deck, Hrwdws, Recessed Lighting, Walk-in Closet & Bdrm Access! Bdrm Access! Bdrm Access! Bdrm Access! Door to Deck! 3rd Bdrm w/Hrwdws & Dble Closet! Full Bath! Full Bath! Full Bath! Full Bath! Full Bath! C/Air! Gas Heat! 24x30 2 Story Detached Garage! Dock! Get Packing!
\$789,900.00

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 100 Union Point Rd! Western Exposure - Beautiful Sunsets! 11 Rooms! 2,300'! Recently Renovated! Hardwood Floors! 5 Bedrooms! Master Bath! 2.5 Baths! Expansive Decks! Garage! Extra! Lot! Parking Across Street! Still In Time for Summer!
\$629,000.00

ON DEPOSIT

WEBSTER LAKE - 12 Kenneth Ave! South Pond! 5 Rm Ranch! 80' Waterfront! Completely Remodeled! 10 Yrs Ago! Kraftmaid Cabinet Kit w/Island & Silhouette Counters! Bamboo Wood Flrs Throughout! Open Flr Plan! Composite Deck! Lake Facing Master! 2 Bdrms! Full Bath! Fam Rm!
\$399,900.00

NEW PRICE

MILLBURY - WATERFRONT! Ramshorn Lake! 51 Davis Rd! Beautifully Landscaped & Private 1.22 Acres with 500' On the Water! One of Ramshorn's Premier Properties "Rodeyde"! Sprawling 3,117' French Country Villa with Panoramic Water Views from this Perfect Peninsula! Ideal for Entertaining! Stonewalled Gated Entry, Long Private Driveway to its Stately Appearance! Sprawling Stone & Slate 6+ Room Masterpiece! Light Abounds Throughout! Cathedral & Tray Ceilings with Skylights! Unique Country Kitchen! Formal Dining Room! Fireplaced Great Room! Lake Facing Spacious Master Suite with Everything You'd Expect! 3 Comfortable Bedrooms! 3 Full Bathrooms! Central Air! Garages - 2 Car Detached & 1 Car Detached! Reward Yourself!
\$999,000.00

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER LAKE - 8 Reid Smith Cove Road! Panoramic Lake Views! West Expo! Super Sunsets! 9,688' Lot! Gently Sloping! 2,524' Custom Contemp Cape, Built 09 as 2nd Home, Like New! Open Flr Plan! Spectacular Lake Facing Great Rm w/7' Ceiling, Recessed Lights, Sliders to Trex Deck, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound & Cleaning! Hrwdws! Granite Kit w/Slr, SS Appliances, Soft Close Cabinets, Hrwdws & Recessed Lights! 1st Flr Master w/Tile Bath, Whirlpool Tub/Shower, Dble Sink & Linen Closet! Upstairs Sitting Area Overlooking Great Rm w/Lake Views! Hrwdw Hall to 2 Bdrms w/Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Full Bath & Linen Closet! Lower Level Walkout Fam Rm w/Tile Flr, 1/2 Ceilings, Recessed Lights, Ceiling Fans, Stone Gas Frplc, Surround Sound, Wet Bar & Slider! Full Bath w/Flr Utility Rm w/Laundry & Storage! New Deck! Get Packing!
\$724,900.00

NEW LISTING

WEBSTER LAKE - 810 Beacon Park! 5 Rms, 1,100' Garden Unit! Fantastic Lake Views! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath! 2 Full Baths! Brand New Heat & A/C Unit! Appliances! Din Rm w/Bay Window! Large Covered Patio & Manicured Courtyard! Garage! Lakeside Pool! Sandy Beach! Best Seat for July 4th Fireworks!
\$259,900.00

NEW PRICE

WEBSTER LAKE - 104 Treasure Island! 1,874' Townhouse! Oak Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Counter! Formal Din Rm! Frplc Liv Rm! Screened Porch! 1st Flr Master w/Walk-in Closet & Bath! 2.5 Baths! 2nd Level w/2nd Master Bdrm & Bath! Recent C/Air! Attached Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool! Sandy Beach!
\$324,900.00

SOLD

WEBSTER LAKE - 602 Treasure Isl! Townhouse! 6 Rms! 1,874' Hrwdw Floor! Appliances Granite Kit! Open Flr Plan! 2 Bdrms! Master Bath w/Whirlpool Tub, Separate Shower & Heat! 3 Baths! Frplcd Fam Rm! C/Air! Gas Heat! Trex Deck! Recent Windows/Doors! Garage! 2 Boat Slips! Heated Pool, Sandy Beach!
\$334,900.00

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WE WANT YOUR LISTINGS!

Featured Open House!
 THOMPSON, CT - 25 BONNETTE AVE

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New Listing! 1900 sq ft., Hip roof Ranch Attached 2 car garage! PLUS 32x32 Detached Garage! Eat in Kitchen, Fireplaced living room with bow window! 3 bedrooms, enclosed heated sun room, central air, Koi Pond, on .87 +/- acre!
\$275,000

Featured New Listing!
 THOMPSON, CT - 359 E. THOMPSON RD

Very Interesting property, to a home owner or developer. 47 +/- Acres! Home is a 1300 sq ft ranch with a barn. The home consist of 3 bedrooms, and 1-1/2 bath, basement, farmers porch and 1 car garage. Much of the land is cleared. This property has 300 +/- of road frontage on East Thompson Rd, and road frontage on the entire length of pavement on Roy Rd. Rectangular in shape greater than 1300' wide X over 1600' deep. Needs TLC!
\$300,000

WEBSTER - 7 HICKORY LN

New Listing Warm and Inviting, This Lovely Ranch Sits On A Beautifully Landscaped Yard Nestled in A Very Quiet, Wanting Neighborhood. This 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath Home Has So Much To Offer!! Fully Appliances Eat in Kitchen, Newly Carpeted Living Room and Three Cozy and Comfortable Bedrooms All On One Floor. Walk Down To The Lower Level To The Open And Spacious Family Room With Pellet Stove!
\$259,000

DUDLEY - 32 DUDLEY HILL RD

Expanded Cape! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath located in beautiful Dudley town Water & Sewer! A little TLC will go far to making this your forever home. Extra large perennial packed park like yard is sure to help soothe and relax you
NEW PRICE \$219,900

THOMPSON, CT - 653 QUINEBAUG RD

Fantastic Ranch - One Floor Living with 3 Bedrooms / Hardwoods, 2 Full Tile Baths! Eat-in Kitchen with Built-ins. Appliances included. Fireplaced Family Room with Hardwoods, Lots of Natural Light, Ceiling Fans, French Doors, First Floor Laundry, Sweeping in Porch - walks right out to your own private patio. New Roof in 2014. Spacious Flat Level Lot with Circular Driveway. Two separate 1 Car Garages.
\$279,900

PUTNAM, CT - 310 WALNUT ST

NEW PRICE! Simply Move In & Enjoy! Spacious 1,868 SF, 3-4 BR Ranch Home Finished Lower Level & 2 Car Garage Under. Park-like 3 Acres + parcel w/250' of road frontage! Quality built & meticulously maintained home! Central air, updated appliances, ceramic tile floors, and Central Island w/woodwork lighting and a ceiling pot rack. Formal Living room, bow window fireplace w/gas insert. Fully heated 4 season sun room! Entertain your guests in the private 20x15 3 season room! Finished lower level cozy family room w/fireplace! Central air conditioning, wiring for a generator, 2 outbuildings!
\$289,900

WEBSTER - 36 WEST AVE

First Time Offered! This Grand 1960 Custom Built Cape is a 1960's Level 50' by 75' by the Sand Family 10+ Spacious Rooms include 4 BRs, 3 Full Baths, 2 1/2 Full Kitchens, Dining Rm, 2 1/2 Living Rms, Gorgeous Formal Living Rm w/Fireplace & Lovely Front Entry Hall, Plus 2 Delightful 3 Season Enclosed Patio Rooms w/Slate & Terra Cotta Tile Flrs & Windows! Great This FINE HOME offers an amazing 3,225 SF +/- of Flr - 1,815 SF +/- Flr - 1,410 SF +/- 1,000 SF +/- finished finished being great! The main flr is fully finished, you could possibly need for outstanding ONE LEVEL LIVING w/2 BRs (including Master BR) & Full Bath. Around the beautiful open 2nd flr staircase to discover 2 huge BRs & full cut the bath! All BRs have hardwood Flrs. LL has potential for a dynamic low-maintenance kitchen, family living rm, full bath, cedar closet & 2 more of space. This home also offers a low-maintenance garage.
\$299,000

DUDLEY - 22 WILLIAMS ST

Adorable Oversized 6 room, 4 bedroom Cape! 2200+ sq ft of Living area. Eat in kitchen! front to Back Living room! 2 baths! Game room, Hardwoods! Lovely landscaped level yard! Large detached 1-1/2 car garage!
NEW PRICE \$238,900

PUTNAM, CT - 10 KNOLLWOOD LN

NEW LISTING! Spacious Townhouse! 2 Large Bedrooms w/ plenty of closet space, 1-1/2 Baths, Open Flr Plan, Appliances Packed Kitchen with Breakfast Bar & Pantry Closet, Living Room with Sliders to Private Deck, 1 Car Garage Under, Basement for Laundry/Storage. Convenient Location, near Interstate 395! Fabulous area amenities like restaurants, shopping, walking trails along the river, community events, and recreation!
NEW PRICE \$129,900

WEBSTER - 7 ARKWRIGHT RD

First Time Offered! Beautiful & Spacious 1600+/- SF, 3BR Ranch! Freshly painted! Updated Kitchen & Bath. Large Formal Living Rm w/Slr light by window. Great Rm w/cathedral ceilings, fireplace, ceiling fan, & skylights! 3 BRs. Whole house fan. Private back yard, & in-ground pool! 10' x 12' - 3 Season Patio w/wood/ur fireplace. Room in basement served as a large workshop. 15' x 20' Carport & 2 storage sheds!
\$248,800

WOODSTOCK, CT - 606 PROSPECT ST

FIRST TIME OFFERED! Pristine Colonial on 2.54 Acre! Picturesque "Setting"! Magazine Quality Décor! Arched Openings, Balcony, Bonus Room above Garage! 9 rooms, 3 Bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, Teen Suite - Media Room - Game Room - Craft Room! Brick Patio with Attached Fire Pit! *2011 Updates: Roof, Furnace & Re-pointed Chimney! All This and More is Waiting for YOU
NEW PRICE \$399,000

WOODSTOCK, CT - 158 W. QUASSET RD

Extraordinary Waterfront Retreat on Quasset Lake! Historic, Transatl. Quak. Situated & Private Long circular driveway! 5.5 acres of land! Paved, covered patios & balconies, stone faced 3 car deck garage, winding gravel, stone Cape Cod shower, winding gravel path to 265' +/- of shoreline! 5,000 sq ft of 2nd story Colonial! 2nd floor has one bedroom - 1st floor has 1st floor - all w/Private Baths, Finished Walkout LL w/Living & Billiard Rms & Summer Kitchen! Call Sharon at 508-954-7222 for More Information
\$1,299,000

WEBSTER LAKE - 118 POND BREEZE RD

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Dudley: Charming Cape situated in quiet country setting! 8 rooms 3 bedrooms 2 baths. Front to back kitchen/dining area with brick fireplace. Three bedrooms up with full bath. First floor office/guest room with full bath. Level backyard! Two car garage. \$239,900.

Southbridge: CHEAP commercial space/building for SALE. 4328 SF! 2012 rubber roof. 4 large rooms, office, waiting room & bath. Full basement. Being used as dance studio-tenant pays \$1100 plus utilities. Asking \$72,500.

West Brookfield: New Price/Warm & Inviting Victorian set on the prestigious West Brookfield Common! 10 rooms 4 bedrooms 2 baths! Sun filled rooms with hardwood & pine floors. Wavy glass in the windows. Wonderful kitchen with two skylights, cathedral ceilings and French doors out to deck overlooking big level backyard. Formal dining room with woodstove for warm and cozy nights. First floor big bathroom, separate first floor laundry room. Zoning allows limited commercial use, right now an antique business. 1st floor room with own entrance could be used as an office/business. Move in and enjoy the summer concerts on the Common. \$379,900.

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THOMPSON, CT 25 Bonette Ave	S	12-2	\$275,000	Hope Realty/June Cazeault 860-377-2044
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23				
CHARLTON 114 Ramshorn Rd	S	11-12	\$324,900	George P. Goulas Realtor, Keller Williams Realty 508-509-3833
22 Morton Station Rd	S	12:30-1:30	\$499,900	George P. Goulas Realtor, Keller Williams Realty 508-509-3833
DUDLEY 26 River St	S	1-2:30	\$279,900	ReMax Advantage I/Maria Reed 508-873-9254
LEICESTER 11 Crestwood Rd	S	2-3	\$249,000	George P. Goulas Realtor, Keller Williams Realty 508-509-3833
SOUTHBRIDGE 153 Highland St	S	10-12	\$289,900	ReMax Advantage I/Diane Luong 774-230-5044

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<p>UNDER CONTRACT 28 Mechanic St Webster, MA</p>	<p>UNDER CONTRACT 8 Brookline St Webster, MA</p>	<p>UNDER CONTRACT 584 Dennison Dr Southbridge, MA</p>	
<p>SOLD 1 Wysocki Dr Dudley, MA</p>	<p>SOLD 7 Carey Lane Oxford, MA</p>	<p>SOLD 51 Harris Street Webster, MA</p>	<p>SOLD 20 Arnold Road Douglas, MA</p>
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167 Paine Rd, Pomfret \$550,000 NEW PRICE
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John Downs 860-377-0754

OPEN HOUSE SAT 8/22 10:00-12:00



31 Kearney Fork, Pomfret \$345,000
Quality oversized Cape w/newer master suite & cathedral beamed ceilings. Open floor plan and beautifully finished basement.
Charlotte Cook 860-931-6006

OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/22 12:00-1:30



130 Orchard Hill Rd, Pomfret \$465,000 NEW PRICE
Enjoy comfortable and spacious living in this bright, modern, 5 BR, 3.5 BA home. 3 beautiful floors of living space located on 5 acres.
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OPEN HOUSE SUN 8/19 11:00-1:00



16 Wilkinson St, Putnam \$299,000
Move in ready: 5 BR, 3.5 BA, pool, double lot, many updates. Legal 4-room apartment. Easy walk to town center.
John Rich 860-315-2615

Woodstock \$429,000 NEW LISTING



Extraordinary opportunity to create your own retreat on Witches Woods Lake. Direct waterfront cedar sided home. Enjoy westerly lake views & all the seasons!
The White/Cook Team:
Diane 860-377-4016

Pomfret \$243,500 NEW PRICE



1,656 SF, 1.21 acres, 2 car detached garage, off street parking, 3 BR, 1.5 BA, partially finished basement w/ bonus room.
Lauren Heidelberg 860-933-0735

Ashford \$189,900



Great owner/occupy opportunity. Side by side units. Updated in 2003. Sits on 2.44 lovely acres.
Vivian Kozey 860-455-5363

Woodstock \$450,000



Ca. 1745 but completely new w/4000 SF, 4 BR 3 full BA on 1.17 acres w/lovely views! Chef's kitchen extraordinaire & gorgeous 3-car garage!
The Gosselin Team:
Stephanie 860-428-5960

Brooklyn \$224,000



Private, 4 BR, 2 BA Cape with 3 bay garage, paved drive nestled in the woods, back deck overlooks a pond!
Rachel Sposato 860-234-1343

Putnam \$499,900



Truly one of a kind architectural masterpiece. Amazing grounds, 3 BR 2.5 BA.
Catherine Howard 860-234-2901

Eastford \$314,900



Pristine Eastford home, frontage on year-round babbling brook. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, granite kitchen, expand bonus room.
John Rich 860-315-2615

Pomfret \$275,000



Private 3 acres Custom Ranch 1,478 SF FP in living room, dining room, 3 BR, 2 BA, woodstove, 2 car garage.
Mary Collins 860-336-6677

Thompson \$399,900



Elegant home with a two story glassed great room & fireplace. Corian kitchen, finished lower level and 1st floor master.
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Pomfret \$575,000



Over 4900 SF sprawled on 3 floors of living! 6 BR & 3.5 BA w/new kitchen, baths & a park-like back yard. Pool, pool house & barn/garage!
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E. Killingly \$279,000



Pristine 2,100 SF 1870 farmhouse on 2.5 acres & privately nestled w/in acres of open space & recreational land.
Robert Viani 860-264-5921

Canterbury \$324,900



Unique home on 19 acres, this 3 BR, 3 BA home is spacious & inviting! 2 car garage w/potential in-law, storage, man town or teenage haven!
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Woodstock \$475,000



Sweeping valley views! Stunning Antique home. 19.55 acres with pasture, developable land and 4 outbuildings.
John Downs 860-377-0754

Pomfret \$539,900



Custom Colonial built for entertaining. Cooks kitchen & great rm w/ fireplace & cathedral ceiling. Detached & attached garages.
Mary Collins 860-336-6677

Tolland \$299,900



Pride of ownership shines in this 4 BR, 3 BA over-sized Raised Ranch in a private country setting.
This is a must see!
Vivian Kozey 860-455-5363

Brooklyn \$399,900



Colonial reproduction on over 5 acres-nature's paradise with a pond! 4 BR, 3 BA. Wood floors, FP, DR, master on first floor.
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Woodstock \$1,490,000



Wonderful Antique Colonial with 182 acres, pastoral views w/ 4+ miles of wooded trails. Unique open concept, 3 story barn.
White/Cook Team:
Amy Archambault 860-377-2830

Dayville \$230,000



Pristine Country Cape in cul-de-sac. Updated granite kitchen & hardwoods throughout. 4 BR, 2 updated BA.
Close to 395.
Mary Collins 860-336-6677

Woodstock \$295,000



2 acres on 2 sides of the rd, this 2 BR 1890 home has loads of details, front porch & stone walls. Generator, 1 car garage & private yard.
The Gosselin Team:
Stephanie 860-428-5960

Putnam \$4,000/mo. Commercial Lease



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20+ multi-family participation
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

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Do Something FUN This Weekend!



Colorful vines and groundcovers for the fall garden

Create a colorful and fragrant fall finale in your garden with groundcovers and vines. Blanket the earth with hardy groundcovers that add seasonal interest. Then direct your eye skyward with vines climbing on trellises, fences and arbors.



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a delicate beauty to any shady spot. Watch the bold leaves of *Bergenia* transform from green to red. The large leaves persist through winter and combine nicely with early spring bulbs like the squirrel resistant *crocus tommasinianus*.

Add a splash of reddish purple to the fall landscape with perennial geranium. The lobed colorful leaves persist through mild winters, adding color to the winter and early spring garden.

Help the pollinators and enjoy some late season blooms with fall-flowering sedums. Autumn Joy has been a long time favorite, but Autumn Fire is an improvement with larger flowers and a longer bloom time. Mr. Goodbud is another upright sedum with purple stems and smoky green foliage, providing the perfect backdrop for the purple-pink flowers.

The fall color of others like the bronzy-gold foliage of orange stonecrop add a blast of color to the garden.

Include some evergreen groundcovers to brighten the often brown and gray winter landscape. European ginger, creeping phlox, candytuft (*Iberis*), creeping junipers, creeping mahonia, and many ferns are just a few to consider.

As always, make sure the groundcov-



Photo by Melinda Myers, LLC

Sweet autumn clematis with white flowers and fragrant beauty quickly climbs up trellises and arbors.

er and vine will thrive in the growing conditions. Start a list of colorful vines and groundcovers needed to set the fall landscape ablaze.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books and is the host of *The Great Courses' How to Grow Anything DVD series*. Her website, www.MelindaMyers.com, offers gardening tips and videos.

LEGALS

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by PAUL F. WOODIS and DIANN G. BALLARD to COUNTRY BANK FOR SAVINGS, dated November 8, 2001 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 25238, Page 275, as affected by Affidavit Relating to Title dated May 21, 2002 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 26934, Page 184, as further affected by Note and Mortgage Modification Agreement dated March 25, 2013 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 50718, Page 296, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 p.m. on the 18th day of October, 2018, on the mortgaged premises believed to be known as 103 Summer Street, North Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

"The land in North Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon situated on the southerly side of Summer Street, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the northeasterly corner thereof on the southerly side of said Summer Street; THENCE southerly by land formerly of Charles Duncan now of one Bruso 221 feet and 3 inches to a stake and stones; THENCE westerly by land formerly of Dulcena B. Adams now of one MackKay 76 feet to a stake and stones; THENCE northerly by land formerly of Hiram M. Bemis now of one Cuddy 225 feet to said Summer Street; THENCE easterly by said Summer Street 76 feet to the point of beginning; Containing about 62 square rods, more or less.

BEING THE SAME PREMISES conveyed to the Mortgagors herein by Deed dated July 24, 2000 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 22823, Page 353." The premises will be sold subject to any and all restrictions, easements, improvements, covenants, outstanding tax titles, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, and existing encumbrances of record superior to the Mortgage, if any. Said premises will also be sold subject to all leases and tenancies having priority over said Mortgage, to tenancies or occupation by persons on the premises now and at the time of said auction which tenancies or occupation are subject to said Mortgage, to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, also to all laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, all building and zoning laws and ordinances. It shall be the bidder's sole responsibility to ascertain all items described in this paragraph and no representations are made concerning compliance with applicable zoning, building, sanitary or other state and/or municipal regulations.

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The sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the attorney for the mortgagee at the scheduled time and place of sale. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms, if any, will be announced at the sale.

Country Bank for Savings, Present Holder of said Mortgage
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Its Attorneys
September 14, 2018
September 21, 2018
September 28, 2018

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Project File No. 608633

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Foster Hill Road Over Coys Brook Bridge Replacement Project in West Brookfield MA.

WHERE: Town Hall Lower Level Conference Meeting Room 2 East Main Street West Brookfield, MA 01585
WHEN: Thursday, September 27, 2018 @ 6:00 PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed replacement of the Foster Hill Road Bridge over Coys Brook in the Town of West Brookfield, MA. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of replacing the existing 20 foot single span bridge structure with a new 40 foot single span bridge structure. The new bridge structure will accommodate a 24 foot wide roadway and is to be constructed in the same approximate footprint as the existing bridge. The roadway approaches on each side of the bridge will be reconstructed. The work will also include safety improvements such as new guardrail throughout and an improved roadway profile. During construction, the roadway will be closed to vehicular traffic with a three and a half mile detour. A temporary pedestrian bridge will be constructed to allow pedestrians to utilize the roadway during construction.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of West Brookfield is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice

and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project hand-out will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Bridge Project Management, Project File No. 608633. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feed-back.highway@state.ma.us

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JONATHAN L. GULLIVER
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR
PATRICIA A. LEAVENWORTH, P.E.
CHIEF ENGINEER
September 14, 2018
September 21, 2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Docket No. WO18P2891GD
NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
In the interests of
Nicholas James Baisden
of Warren, MA
Minor
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. **Hearing Date/Time:** A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 08/27/2018 by Cheryl L. Peterson of Warren, MA Randy L. Peterson of Warren, MA will be held 10/03/2018

08:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing
Located Worcester Probate and Family Court, Courtroom #8
2. **Response to Petition:** You may

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

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

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

4. **Counsel for Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

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

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.
Date: August 28, 2018

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
September 21, 2018

Notice of Public Hearing- Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals

At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 09, 2018 in the McCourt Social Hall of Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:15p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:

Special Permit (Renewal) - Applicant/ Owner: Bond Construction Corp. Location: Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R09-1& R09-2. The applicant is looking to renew their Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) and 4.8.6 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district.

Special Permit (Renewal) - Applicant/ Owner: Leo Aucoin. Location: 89 Cranberry Meadow Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R02-2-1. The applicant is looking to renew his Special Permit under Sections 4.2 (H.1) and 4.8.6 of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to continue a gravel removal operation. The property is located in the Rural Residential zoning district.

Interested Parties may review these applications at the Office of Development & Inspectional Services in Memorial Town Hall located at 157 Main Street Spencer, MA 01562, during regular business hours from 7:30am-4:30pm Monday-Wednesday and 7:30am-12:00pm on Thursdays.

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THANK YOU ST. JUDE FOR ANSWERED PRAYERS Say 3 Our Fathers, 3 Hail Marys and 3 Glory Be's C.L.

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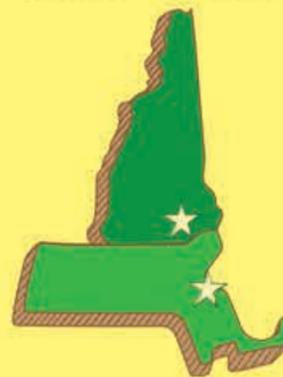
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10am- 2pm... **DJ Phou**

10:30am... **Maggie the Clown - Magic Show**

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11am... **Spotlight Dance School Performance**

1:15pm... **Kara Anderson's
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2pm... **Live music by "She's Busy"**

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(NAPS)

If you're one of the 35 million Americans moving this year—and even if you're not—consider replacing your old mattress with an easy direct-to-consumer online brand. Here's why:

1. **Price**—After all the costs of hiring professionals to wrap and ship your mattress, you may already be looking at more than it would cost to buy a new one. Also, it's worth taking into account that the Better Sleep Council recommends replacing your mattress every seven to 10 years, so if your mattress falls into that category, it's time for an upgrade anyway.

2. **Sleep Trials**—Trying out dozens of mattresses in-store for a few seconds at a time isn't a good indication of how you're going to actually like sleeping on it day in and day out. The only way to truly tell if it's the right fit for you is to be able to sleep on it at your home for an extended time. No brick-and-mortar mattress brand offers that type of super-extend sleep trial. However, Nectar Sleep, an online mattress brand, offers a 365-Night Trial that lets you actually try out the mattress in the comfort of your own home to be totally sure it's

the right fit for you. For added convenience, the company also offers free returns and pickup.

3. **Hidden Delivery Fees**—The price tag you see in stores may not take into account shipping and handling, which is a cost you need to pay and can add a considerable amount to the final bill. When buying a mattress from most online companies, the price you see is the price you pay, which includes shipping.

4. **High Quality**—The technology of today means you can have a high-quality product without going store to store to compare. Brands such as DreamCloud specialize in luxury quality mattresses at what most would consider an affordable price, available exclusively with easy online ordering. Combining patent-pending coil technology with hand-tufting across eight handcrafted layers of latex, memory foam and cooling gel, along with a cashmere-blend top, a DreamCloud mattress features just about everything you'd want with a price tag considerably less expensive than its competitors.

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For further facts on mattresses, go to www.dreamcloudsleep.com and www.nectarsleep.com.

Owning A Vacation Home Is More Affordable Than Many Realize



When you're not on vacation, your second home can be at work, too, earning money as a rental.

(NAPS)

Relaxing by the water or in the mountains is more than a once-a-year vacation for people who own a second home, and the explosive growth of the vacation home rental industry has put the dream of affording a vacation home within reach for more people. For those who already own a second home, the increasing popularity of renting those homes to others is boosting retirement savings, college tuition payments and disposable income.

How It Works

Here's helpful information to know when estimating how much you can earn by renting out a second home to others: Vacation home owners who list their properties for rent on one site, HomeAway.com®, garner an average of \$32,000 each year, according to HomeAway data. That income lets most owners cover a significant chunk of their mortgage payment each year, 75 percent or more. The numbers get even more appealing if house payments are split among more than one owner. In fact, nearly one in three vacation homes are owned by multiple people, typically family members and friends.

What You Should Know

Here's what potential buyers should consider before taking the plunge into buying and renting out a vacation home:

- HomeAway.com offers a free online tool called "Earn" that lets you enter a home's address and other information, then presents a range of rental income potential based on nearby high-performing, like-sized properties already being rented out. The tool is available at HomeAway.com by clicking on "List Your Property" or going

directly to www.homeaway.com/earn.

- Calculate more than the mortgage. Vacation home owners often must pay for additional insurance coverage and may want to hire professional cleaners between guests. New owners may need to invest money to get a house guest-ready with fresh paint and linens, as well as for professional photography for the online listing. Also consider the tax obligations on the home's income, as well as any local or state tax that may apply to the home as a rental property.

- Be realistic about how much time the house will be available to renters. The typical vacation home on VRBO.com is occupied by renters 18 weeks a year, leaving plenty of time for use by the owners' family and friends. Owners who use their homes during peak travel times will earn less than those who block their calendars during less popular vacation times.

- Decide whether managing the property is a do-it-yourself project or is better left to a professional property manager to handle reservations, guest communications, cleaning and maintenance. Homeowners report they spend seven hours a week managing their vacation homes when they do it themselves.

Vacation rentals continue to grow in popularity each year. Travel research firm Phocuswright measures the private accommodation industry in the U.S. alone to be worth nearly \$37 billion by the end of this year, a figure that is growing at twice the rate of the travel industry's.

For further information on the financial opportunity of renting a second home, visit www.homeaway.com/earn.

How to avoid electrical mishaps around the house



Accidents around the home happen. Some are minor and easily brushed off, while others can lead to serious injury or financial peril.

Many accidents, even those that are relatively minor, can be prevented. Such is often the case with electrical accidents, which may be more common than many people think. According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, home electrical fires account for an estimated 51,000 fires each year, resulting in roughly 500 deaths and more than \$1 billion in property damage.

Homeowners who want to do all they can to reduce the likelihood of electrical mishaps at home can employ various strategies.

- Be mindful of cords and plugs. Cords and plugs can be found throughout the typical home. While few people may perceive cords and plugs as threats, they can serve as catalysts for accident and/or injury. Cords and

plugs should always be kept clear of heat and water sources, and cords should not be placed in areas where they can pose any tripping hazards. Even if residents grow accustomed to cord locations and know to maneuver around them, guests won't be as familiar. When pulling plugs from outlets, always pull the plug, and not the cord, to reduce injury risk.

- Periodically take inventory of electrical appliances and components. Some electrical appliances age well, while others may not. Periodic inspections of appliances and their components, such as their cords, can reveal wear and tear that can lead to fires or injuries. Replace any items that pose a threat and stop using these items immediately.

- Avoid DIY electrical work. Many homeowners are handy with hammers and other tools, but professionals are better trusted to perform electrical work on a home. The risk of accident or

injury when working with wiring and other electrical components is simply too great for untrained homeowners to do on their own.

- Unplug appliances before flipping a fuse. Fuses blow from time to time. Some may be knocked out by especially powerful storms, while others may blow because they're overloaded. Regardless of why fuses blow, homeowners should turn off appliances on blown fuses before flipping those fuses back on. Leaving appliances running when flipping a fuse can increase the risk of fire or accident. Turn off appliances, unplug them and then turn them back on one by one after the fuse has been flipped.

- Be especially cautious if anyone smells gas. Gas leaks are often detected by the aroma of the gas in the air. When such leaks are detected, homeowners should not touch or turn any electrical switches. Doing so may create a spark that can react with the gas in the air, leading to fire. If a gas leak is detected, go outside and contact a local emergency service.

Many home electrical mishaps can be prevented if homeowners exercise caution and hire certified electrical contractors to handle wiring and other electrical tasks around their homes.

How to choose the right window treatments for your home

Plantation shutters? Mini-blinds? Cafe curtains? Formal draperies? Homeowners' options in regard to window treatments for their homes are extensive, which can make outfitting home interiors challenging for novice decorators.

Some people do not pay a lot of attention to window treatments, failing to realize just how great an impact the right window treatments can have on a space. According to the design experts at Hunter Douglas, window treatments are often an afterthought because residents may not consider them necessities. As a result, homeowners may install whatever is on hand or accept window treatments that came with a house or apartment. But ignoring window treatments, especially when they can fulfill certain needs, is a missed design opportunity.

One of the first steps to choosing window treatments is determining your end goal. Is privacy your main goal? Are you seeking more natural light in a room? Is there too much light and you need to darken the room? Window treatments can serve multiple functions, and some treatments may make better fits depending on homeowners' ultimate goals.

Semi-sheer window treatments

Semi-sheer window treatments are often fabric and can help brighten rooms with natural light but offer little privacy. They're usu-

ally appropriate for spaces where people gather, such as living rooms, dens or dining rooms. Semi-sheer curtains may be paired with another complementary window treatment so privacy can be customized as needed. For example, sheer curtains let light into a bedroom, but shades can be drawn at night.

Maximum privacy

Bedrooms, work spaces or bathrooms can benefit from extra privacy. While some people may think that privacy comes at the cost of light, that's not always the case.

Functional curtain panels can be drawn closed when privacy is desired and then opened to let in light. The thickness of the fabric will also dictate the amount of privacy the panels create.

Tiers are hung on a short rod-pocket panel and usually cover the lower one-third of a window. They're popular choices to let light in from the top, but obscure views from the bottom portion of the window.

Cellular shades are another option that provide privacy but still let light in. Cellular shades come in hard and fabric varieties and their use depends on the room. Many cellular shades are constructed with a honeycomb design, offers the design resource Houzz, so they can insulate as well as decorate windows.

Blackout shades/shutters

Perfect for rooms where



babies nap, shift workers rest during daylight hours or external lights, such as that from a street lamp, need to be blocked out, blackout shades do just what their name implies. A dense fabric lining helps keep light out entirely.

Shutters also can block out light but add to the character of the room. They can be painted a bright color to make a statement or match wall colors to blend in seamlessly.

When selecting window treatments, shoppers can choose retail options or custom treatments. Many designers recommend custom window treatments because they are measured, manufactured and installed specifically for homeowners' windows. However, there are many DIY options available at budget-friendly retailers.

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Remodel Unused Living Space To Maximize Your Home's Potential



When you get down to it, remodeling your basement can be a great way to have a new home at the old address.

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If the real estate market has you frazzled or if the notion of trading up leaves you with sticker shock, a home remodeling project may be just the right answer.

An Idea

A finished basement, for example, can offer a little extra room to give a growing family space to breathe or to create an income suite to offset mortgage costs. It can also offer the added benefit of bolstering the value of your

home. With so many uses, a remodeled basement may be the exact solution to what your home is missing, whether it's additional storage space, a soundproofed media room, craft room, guest room or home gym. The possibilities

are practically endless.

The Advantages

An unfinished basement, on the other hand, can be a source of energy loss, so with a remodeling you can expect to see savings on your monthly heating and cooling costs. Industry experts recommend finishing the space with the proper framing, insulation and vapor barrier to guarantee cozy and inviting rooms. Insulation plays a key role in the comfort of your newly remodeled space and although hidden within your walls, it will make sure the basement stays cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

A Problem

Unfortunately, moisture can be a common challenge in many basements. Starting with a dry space is important.

An Answer

As a result, builders and contractors often favor an inorganic stone wool insulation that's resistant to mold and mildew growth, such as Rockwool Comfortboard and Comfortbatt products. Not only will they help protect indoor air quality, they're easy to install and won't slump in the wall cavity. This serves to ensure the comfort of your newfound living space, so you can count on long-term thermal performance for years to come.

Remodeling a basement can be very worthwhile, especially when you consider that moving to a larger home can add significant bulk to your mortgage. To get the most from the project, be sure to practice due diligence, obtain the right permits, and educate yourself on building codes. If you don't have the know-how, it's worth the peace of mind to hire a qualified professional.

Learn More

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Raising The Bar And Wine Cellar To New Heights

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When you're looking for a great place to unwind with friends, as more and more Americans are discovering, few spots can beat your own home bar or wine cellar.

What's Cool In Wine Cellars

A recent survey of home decorators, designers and fabricators found four facts and trends to consider when you want to install your own bar.

1. What are the new technologies for bars and wine cellars? The majority of designers brought up LED lighting, flexible lighting, appliance lighting and the addition of more lighting displays. "Bars and wine cellars will trend toward backlighting in the future with the increasing prevalence of LED lighting," according to Paul Menninger, owner of Capitol Granite. "The options for LED come with reduced costs, longer life and lower heat generation."

2. What materials or appliances are trending? The hottest materials today

include ultracompact surfacing—more commonly known as "thin" tile. These surfaces have the advantage of stain resistance and durability—you can have a marble look, for instance, without having to worry about stains. Mixed textures were also a common answer. These are spaces designed to "stand out."

3. What trends do you anticipate for the future? Designers and fabricators anticipate the use of more glass, unique surface materials such as porcelain countertops, or looks such as a mitered drop edge. Cheryl Clendenon, owner of InDetail Design, states, "I would say unique wine storage in unusual places—we have proposed one in a large foyer. Sounds odd but it will be part of a built-in area with a bench and the wine will become drinkable art! Also, more clients want wine refrigeration."

"Clients tend to want a bar or wine cellar that is a conversation piece," states Krista Lake, owner of Signature

Interior Expressions. "They like for their bar/wine cellar to have a unique look that stands out from the rest of the home."

"The products we feel are currently trending are wine barrel and winepress furniture," states Brad Burns, partner/owner of Cutting Edge Countertops. That may help explain the appeal of Blanco's new Empressa faucet collection, which coordinates bar and kitchen sink faucet styles with a vintage winepress-inspired handle shape.

4. What colors are in for bars and wine cellars? Mostly whites and grays, automotive and industrial finishes. "Whites and grays with dark-colored woods contrasting in the wine cellars, like walnut and cherry," are popular, adds Menninger. What's working, he said, is contrasting light and dark colors for entertaining spaces. For example, the Empressa faucet ranges from contemporary polished chrome or stainless, to more traditional polished



The best bar around could be the one in your own home.

nickel and even oil-rubbed bronze.

The award-winning design team at Blanco foresaw the fusion of old-world influences and contemporary style in today's kitchens and bars. Traditional finishes such as oil-rubbed bronze are making a comeback, even as modern

design is surpassing traditional. The result is a transitional look with one foot in the familiar past and another in the functional present. It can be the best of both worlds.

Learn More

For further facts about faucets, go to www.blancoamerica.com.

Make the most of your home improvement dollars

Home improvement projects provide homeowners with a chance to put their own stamp on their homes. In addition, many such projects make homes safer and, in some instances, more eco-friendly.

The opportunity to make a home more comfortable, safer and/or more eco-friendly entices many homeowners to open their wallets. In fact, the Home Improvement Research Institute estimates that the home improvement products market will grow by more than 5 percent in 2018.

Homeowners might experience some sticker shock when researching home improvement projects or receiving estimates from contractors. But there are ways for budget-conscious homeowners to transform their homes and still



make the most of their home improvement dollars.

• Do your homework. Each year, Remodeling magazine publishes its "Cost vs. Value Report," a comprehensive study of 21 popular remodeling projects in

149 United States markets. The report notes the value each project retains at resale in 100 markets across the country. Homeowners who want to get the strongest return on investment can access the "Cost vs. Value Report" (www remodeling.how.net) to see which home improvement projects are best suited for them.

• Do some of the labor yourself. Homeowners willing to swing a hammer also can stretch their home improvement dollars. For exam-

ple, the home improvement resource This Old House® notes that homeowners willing to do their own demolition before the contractors arrive can save substantial amounts of money. A professional contractor may charge \$1,000 to demo a 200-square-foot deck, but This Old House estimates that homeowners who demo their own decks may spend only \$450 (for the dumpster rental and parking permit).

• Hire a consultant. The DIY movement is incredibly popular, no doubt thanks to television channels such as HGTV and the DIY Network. Homeowners with DIY experience may be able to complete projects on their own with little consultation from professional contractors. Some contractors may not offer consulting services, however. The consultation

route, which typically requires paying licensed contractors hourly fees to offer guidance, should only be considered by homeowners with legitimate DIY skills, for whom this option can be a great way to save money.

• Schedule renovations during homeowner-friendly times of year. Summer and fall tend to be contractors' busy seasons, and homeowners will likely pay more for projects during this time of year. If possible, delay starting projects until right after the new year, when contractors aren't so busy and might be more flexible with pricing.

Budget-conscious homeowners can employ various strategies to make the most of their home improvement dollars without sacrificing quality.

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