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SUMMER SUNSET

A fisherman casts a sunset line at Winter Cove on Webster Lake. Photo Courtesy of the Webster and Dudley Past, Present and Future Facebook page.

Webster looking at \$33 million PFAS tab

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — The people got an estimated cost for treating the PFAS contamination discovered last year in local water: \$33 million plus “a high maintenance cost” for annual disposal of the filter material.

That came from Tighe & Bond engineer Danielle Teixeira, speaking during last week’s Water/Sewer Commission public hearing on the subject. Her firm has been tasked with exploring the treatment options to address the fact Webster had to shut down the Bigelow well last summer (and again last week) because toxic PFAS levels keep running above the state’s 20 parts per trillion (ppt) limit.

So far, that has not been an issue in the six Memorial Beach wells. Although “raw” levels there sometimes exceed 10 ppt (the state’s level requiring monthly testing), “finished” levels have so far stayed low due to blending water from all wells.

One problem, though, is that the federal Environmental Protection Agency recently released a new health advisory calling for PFAS water levels far lower than that. DEP Regional Director Mary Jude Pigsley said she expects EPA to seek public comment on new rules this fall for enforceable rules coming early next year. In June, EPA called for extremely low levels of the two most common PFAS chemicals – PFOA (0.004 ppt) and PFOS (0.020 ppt). EPA’s current level is 70 ppt, but it’s “not a regulation and it’s not

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Logistics center shot down

BY GUS STEEVES
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OXFORD — After months of contentious public hearings, the Planning Board rejected a “logistics center” being proposed for Depot Road on Aug. 8.

The motion to reject it came from Jeff Stafford, who said he felt “it does adversely affect the neighborhood” and would be “a hazard.” He said it “doesn’t meet the criteria” as listed in the zoning bylaw and special permit requirements.

To some surprise, member Mark Lee didn’t make or second the motion despite having previously opined at some length against it. He said he thought it could not meet sections 5.4.4 and 5.4.5 of the bylaw.

“I can’t make that finding today and feel like I’ve done my job to my fellow town members as far as health and safety goes around this project,” he said.

He specifically cited road concerns, noting the neighboring intersection is “poorly designed, probably for horse travel.”

Some people noted the bylaw itself is fairly vague in places. Matt Pearson said he saw parts 1-3 as “objective,” but part 4 was “extremely subjective” and part 5 was “pretty subjective,” needing clarity on what “a nuisance” is.

Although four members actually voted to support the project, three voted against the plan; under state law special permits must get at least five votes to pass. When that happened, the board voted 5-2 against its site plan, since the special permit was a requirement.

“I’m sure we’ll be seeing you in court,” proponent’s engineer Kevin Solli said afterward, with board members agreeing that’s likely.

In making his final appeal for approval, Solli said he felt “the intense discussion and scrutiny only makes projects better,” including numerous changes to meet community concerns. To him, its location next to I-395 was ideal: “If there isn’t a more appropriate site for an industrial use, I’m not sure I’ve seen one in my professional career.”

He said it was not a “last-mile” facility transferring from large trucks to smaller vehicles or individual buyers. Instead, he described it as a permissible “wholesale distribution facility [which] is essentially a place where a product comes in from one source and goes to another commercial source.”

Main proponent Elias Patouchas hasn’t spoken much during the long hearing, but noted this facility will be worth about \$45 million when done and pay about \$700,000 a year in taxes.

Additionally, Planner Tony Sousa read a letter from property owner Sandy Davis supporting the project, saying, “the proposed development is what our respective fathers have intended to build on this site for a number of years.” He also read a memo from the DPW outlining three conditions Jared Duval wanted to see, citing the \$1.5 million already proposed in road improvements, and claiming he didn’t think it justifiable to have the proponent rebuild the whole street because of its age.

Most of the citizen arguments in the final session were basically repeated from previous sessions. Several residents trooped to the podium to object to its size and impact on traffic, noise, pollution, water,

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Special election to determine new Dudley Town Hall sign

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — While many voters will be turning out for the state primary on Tuesday, Sept. 6, Dudley voters will have a more lighthearted election throughout the day to determine the design for a new sign to be erected outside of the town municipal building, Dudley’s de facto town hall.

The town will be presenting three designs for voters to choose from, each with differ-

ing features and aesthetics all proposed from three different teams of town employees. Town Administrator Jonathan Ruda said the sign will be paid for through a Janet Malser Humanities Trust and will address a minor, but often heard complaint from residents about a lack of identity at the municipal complex.

“Frankly, one of the complaints that I receive about the appearance of the Town Hall is that the original sign is dated, broken and gross looking and that recurring senti-

ment seems to be universal. My standard answer has been that ‘I don’t have it in the budget to replace it,’ but through a grant that (Administrative Secretary to the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator) Michelle Jervis was able to successfully apply for and obtain through the Janet Malser Trust, the cost of \$18,000 will be 100 percent paid for to replace the sign. That means that the sign is paid for by private money and not by the taxpayer,” said Ruda. “The goal will be

to place a sign that has been designed to meet two objectives; first, to last as long or beyond the life of the Town Hall and second, to be designed in a manner that will not go ‘out of style.’”

Employees from all different municipal departments were involved in crafting the different sign options including fire, police, highway, and administrative teams. The town decided to put the decision in the hands of voters as a fun addi-

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Proposal seeks ban on nip bottles

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — A member of Dudley’s Planning Board is seeking a ban on nip bottles in the town, which he says have become a disturbing source of litter over the years.

Richard Clark appeared before the Board of Selectmen during the citizens comments segment of their Aug. 8 meeting, bringing with him some props, three miniature or “nip” alcohol bottles that he found on the side of a roadway. Clark said he has noticed nip bottles becoming an increasing concern in Dudley and would like the community to follow suit with others in the commonwealth to ban the sale of the bottles in the near future.

“This is indeed a very small fraction of what is all over the town of Dudley,” Clark said of his props. “You can find them probably in the thousands. It doesn’t take a whole lot of looking to come across them. Those people who do the clean-up in the spring, I’m sure they find these almost everywhere.”

This isn’t the first time a citizen has stepped forward seeking to bring a green initiative to Dudley that involved banning specific products in stores. The past year has also seen a proposal to ban plastic bags from grocery stores. However, Clark noted one key difference between a plastic bag ban and a nip bottle ban is the general impact versus the benefit.

“This is something I



think we could seriously give consideration to,” said Clark. “There’s no return on these things. Nobody is going to give you a nickel for them. The impact of (a plastic bag ban) is obviously on a great many businesses in town. This is a handful of people that would be affected if we banned them. This is not a wheel that needs to be invented. Other towns in the Commonwealth have

already banned them.”

Clark proposed that the Board of Selectmen, who issue annual renewal on liquor licenses, impose a ban on the sale of the nip-style bottles in future license renewals. Selectmen stated they would “take it under advisement” and since it was not a preexisting item on the agenda no motion was presented on the matter for the time being.

CT poet laureate to appear at next spoken word event

WOODSTOCK, Conn. — Connecticut's most recent poet laureate, Margaret Gibson (2019-2022) will be among the readers at the next Poet's at Large spoken word/poetry event at Roseland Park in the barn. This will be held on Sept. 11 from 2-4 p.m. at 205 Roseland Park Rd., Woodstock. Recommended for ages 14 and up.

Besides Ms. Gibson who just finished her two-year term in April, former National Beat Poet Laureate Paul Richmond (2020), Montreal International Poetry Contest Finalist Karen Warinsky and Pomfret co-Poet Laureate Nancy Weiss will also read. Open mic will be held after intermission and sign-ups are at the event. Poets will be held to a five-minute limit.

Gibson has a wealth of awards and writing credits. She has authored 13 books of poems, all from LSU Press, most recently *The Glass Globe*, 2021. She has published her poems widely in journals such as *Georgia Review*, *Gettysburg Review*, *Southern Review*,

and *Image Journal*. Her most recent awards include being named a Finalist for the 2016 Poets' Prize for her book "Broken Cup," and the title poem from that book won a Pushcart Prize. Her poem "Passage," was included in *The Best American Poetry* in 2017, and previously she received the Melville Kane Award, the Connecticut Book Award, and she was a Finalist for the National Book Award in Poetry in 1993 for her book *The Vigil*. Ms. Gibson is Professor Emerita at the University of Connecticut.

Richmond hosts monthly readings and organizes yearly Word Festivals, including, *The Turner Falls Annual Word Festival*, and he has a stage at the *Garlic & Arts Festival* each fall. He has published several books including "Living in the Breakdown Lane, You Might Need a Bigger Hammer" and "Quadrillions Down the Pentagon Drain." His newest work is "Swimming on the Titanic." He is also a member of the Funkadelic band "Do It Now."

Warinsky, the coordinator of Poets at Large, has published poetry since 2011. Her work appears in several anthologies including the 2017 release, "Nuclear Impact: Broken Atoms in Our



Margaret Gibson

Hands," the 2019 "Mizmor Anthology," "Honoring Nature," released in 2020, as well as pieces in lit magazines including *Blue Heron*, *Circumference*, and most recently, *Consilience*, published in the

U.K., an effort that combines science and poetry. Her debut collection, "Gold in Autumn," was released in 2020 and her new book is titled "Sunrise Ruby," both from Human Error Publishing.

Weiss is serving as the first co-Poet Laureate for Pomfret. For more than 15 years she has written a weekly column for the *Villager* newspapers. She wrote for the *Putnam Traveler*, *Edible Nutmeg* and *Naturally* at UConn for many years as well.

This year's free word/poetry series is being held in conjunction with readings at the G.B. & Lexi Singh Performance Center, 60 Douglas Rd., Whitinsville. There will be one remaining reading in the series from 2-4 p.m. on October 23 at the Singh Center. Sponsors of the Roseland Park readings include Charter Oak Federal Credit Union, Linemaster Switch, Atty Mark Brouillard, Ashford Xtra Mart, CR Premier Properties, WHZ Strategic Wealth Advisors, Bank Hometown & EA Custom Millwork of Northbridge, MA. Sponsors of the Singh Center events include Webster First Bank, EA Custom Millwork and ValleyCast/Open Sky Community Services. Email karen.warinsky@gmail.com with questions.

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Local Democrats to host "Straight Talk from the Candidates" forum in Webster

WEBSTER — The Democratic Town Committees from Webster, Dudley, Oxford, Douglas and Southbridge will co-host the Democratic candidates for statewide office at a forum on Saturday, Aug. 27 from 9 – 11 a.m. at the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Community Room at 2 Lake St. in Webster. The "Straight Talk from the Candidates" event is free and open to the public. The doors open and a continental breakfast will be provided from 8:45 to 9:15 am when attendees can mingle with participating candidates.

"We recognize that our Democratic candidates are running hard to win the primary on September 6th and we want to give them the opportunity to speak to voters in this area," Tom Klebart, Chair of the Webster Democratic Town Committee explained. "The forum was organized to maximize attendance

from area towns and to provide an informative event for attendees."

Invited candidates include: Maura Healy for Governor; Kim Driscoll, Tami Gouveia and Eric Lesser for Lieutenant Governor; Quentin Palfrey, Andrea Campbell and Shannon Liss-Riordan for Attorney General, Chris Dempsey and Diana DiZoglio for Auditor and Tanisha Sullivan and William Galvin for Secretary of State.

Congressmen Richard Neal and Jim McGovern have also been asked to speak. Paul DePalo, our incumbent Governor's Councillor, will also attend.

"It's more important than ever that voters make an informed decision about the people they elect to office," Democratic State Committee woman Lisa Mosczynski of Douglas said. "We're very fortunate to have very qualified

candidates who make great personal sacrifice and work very hard to represent us. We welcome everyone to come listen to them at the "Straight Talk from the Candidates" forum."

The forum will be co-moderated by Ms. Mosczynski and Leslie Baker, Secretary of the Webster Democratic Town Committee. Attendees are welcome to enter the library at 8:45 a.m. with the program commencing at 9:15 a.m. The program will be streamed on Facebook Live, and a recording will be made available on YouTube after the event.

COVID mandates will be observed, face masks are recommended. For more information please call Tom Klebart, Webster Town Committee Chair, at 860-614-6135.

Local Emerson College students earn Dean's List honors

BOSTON — The following students are named to Emerson College's Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. The requirement to make Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher for that semester.

Jared Tetreau of Dudley is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2023. Samantha Zannotti of Dudley is majoring in Sports Communication and is a member of the Class of 2025.

About Emerson College
Based in Boston, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs in Los Angeles, the District of Columbia, the Netherlands, London, China, and the Czech Republic as well as its new Global Portals, with the first program launching this fall in Paris. The College has an active network of 51,000+ alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

DUDLEY POLICE LOG

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Aug. 5-12.

A 39-year-old male whose identity has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 9 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Carla Grace Hetu, age 29, of North Grosvenordale, Conn. was arrested on Aug. 10 as a Fugitive From Justice on a Court Warrant and in connection with an out of agency warrant.

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Cornerstone Bank awards 16 college scholarships to local graduates

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank, a community bank with 10 locations throughout central Massachusetts, is proud to announce the 16 recipients of their scholarship awards program for local high school graduates. Each chosen graduate is awarded \$2,500 to assist with college expenses.

“Cornerstone Bank is proud to help students in our community reach their educational goals,” said Cornerstone Bank CEO Todd Tallman. “We want to foster the growth and development of the next generation of business and finance professionals, and congratulate these 16 exceptional students on their achievements, wishing them continued success.”

This is the list of the 2022 scholarship recipients along with the name of the school they plan to attend in the fall:

- Kiana Barnes of East Brookfield, Nichols College
- Emma Blomquist of Holden, University of Massachusetts, Isenberg School of Business
- Madeline Duke of Shrewsbury,

- Indiana University
- Hunter Goguen of Brookfield, Nichols College
- Alexis Goodney of Leicester, Bentley University
- Abigail Hill of Brimfield, Westfield State University
- Nhi Huynh of Worcester, Harvard College
- Brian Langevin of Sturbridge, University of Alabama
- Owyn Law of Dudley, Quinnipiac University
- Colin Minarik of Webster, Bentley University
- Samuel Murillo of Charlton, University of Massachusetts, Lowell
- Christopher Murzycki of Spencer, Worcester State University
- Arieta Nasto of Worcester, Villanova School of Business
- Brennan Ogert, Nichols College
- Lauren Potvin of Charlton, Worcester Academy
- Nina Zurawski of Charlton, Suffolk University

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Submit an official transcript and GPA from their guidance office
Submit a one-page essay

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QCC receives close to \$500,000 for nursing labs

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College (QCC) was recently awarded \$499,815 in Skills Capital Grant funding, which will be used to update three nursing labs at its Healthcare and Workforce Development Center, located in downtown Worcester. The labs enable nursing students to have hands-on training on the most state-of-the-art equipment, which is crucial in preparing them for a career in the field of nursing.

“QCC’s nursing programs have always provided nursing students with the most current, up-to-date equipment and training to ensure students are ready to immediately enter the workforce,” said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D. “QCC is one of the largest providers of nurse education and practical nursing in Massachusetts and staying up-to-date with technology is vital in continuing to supply the Commonwealth with skilled healthcare workers.”

The Skills Capital Grant will not only fund equipment for the nurse education lab, but also the simulation lab and practical nursing lab, where students prepare for an Associate Degree in Nursing or a Practical Nursing Certificate.

“Technology in nursing is constantly changing and advancing, which allows nurses to improve efficiency, communicate effectively, and most importantly provide safer care. This grant will

allow our nursing students to train on the newest equipment and most current technology, similar to what is being used in acute, critical, and long-term care settings. The equipment funded by the Skills Capital Grant will better prepare students to enter the nursing workforce,” said Dean of the School of Healthcare Pat Schmohl.

QCC will use the grant to supply the nursing labs with simulation manikins that allow students to apply the skills they’ve learned in a controlled environment. These highly life-like manikins come in models to represent infants, four- to seven-year-olds and adults. Students can check vital signs, assess symptoms, and practice procedures such as tracheotomies. The grant will also cover a Pyxis medication dispensing system, hospital beds, patient lifts and an Electrocardiogram (EKG) machine.

The Baker-Polito Administration’s Skills Capital Grant program has been funding career education technology since 2015. The latest round included \$22 million given to 70 educational institutions.

WEBSTER POLICE LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Aug. 7-13.

Hector M. Feliciano, age 31, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 7 for Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License, operating a vehicle with No Inspection Sticker, for not being in possession of a license, and in connection with a warrant.
Kevin D. Audette, age 33, of Thompson, Conn. was arrested on Aug. 8 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (second offense) and Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License.

Brianna Lynn Nordstrom, age 26, of Whitinsville was arrested on Aug. 8 in connection with a warrant.

A 39-year-old male from Dudley whose identity has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 9 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

A 28-year-old female from Webster was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on Aug. 10 for Keeping a Noisy & Disorderly House. A 26-year-old female from Worcester whose identity has been withheld from publication was arrested during the same incident for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member, and multiple counts each of Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, Vandalization of Property, and Assault & Battery on a Police Officer.

A 25-year-old female from Webster whose identity has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 10 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Myrna Delgado, age 42, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 10 in connection with a warrant.

Daniel J. Dorr, age 71, of Oxford was arrested on Aug. 10 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol and Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

Timothy E. Ahern, age 66, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 11 in connection with multiple out of agency warrants.

William G. Andrewzuskusky, age 36, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 11 for Disorderly Conduct, Possession of a Class B Drug, and Assault with a Dangerous Weapon.

Joseph Allen Conover, age 29, of Dudley was arrested on Aug. 13 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol and Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

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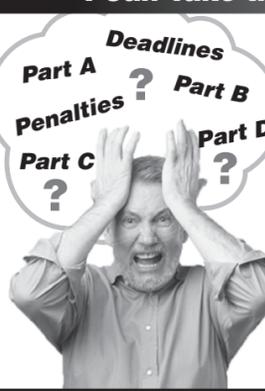


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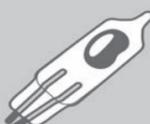
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Thursday, September 15
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Free; children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

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PEARLE JAM: THE NOSMO KINGS
Thursday, September 22
6:00PM-7:45PM
The annual Pearle Jam concert series continues with The Nosmo Kings playing old school rock and roll from Elvis to the Eagles and everything in between. Free; open to all ages. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Sponsored by the Hugh W and Harriet K Crawford Endowment.

THE MAGIC AND MYSTERY OF CROP CIRCLES
Thursday, September 29
6:00PM-7:45PM

Naturalist John Root will lead a program on crop circles, designs that have been appearing with increasing sophistication during the past three decades in farmers' fields and other locations all over the world. Layered weaving of plants in the fields as well as anatomical changes observed in these plants are presented as evidence of powerful and mysterious energies at work, and the effects on soil, animals, and human visitors will be described, along with interpretations of these intricate and exquisite formations, many of which occur near sacred sites and refer to mystical traditions.

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September 29-October 1
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September 1-September 30
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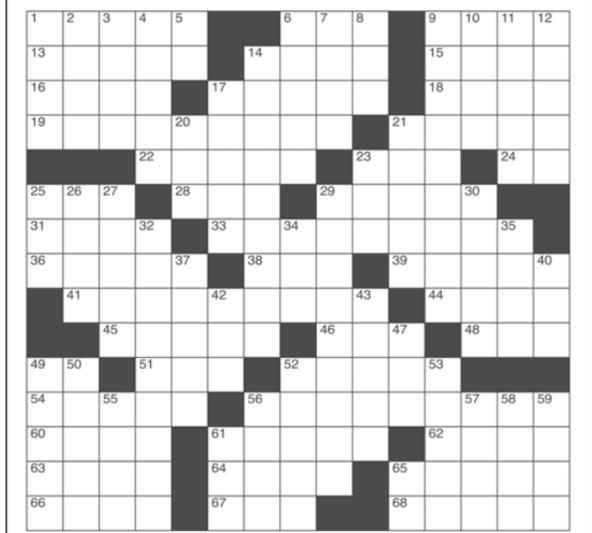
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Thursday, September 8
6:00PM-7:30PM

There are thousands of wonderful movies in the world. Movies that will make you cry, lift your spirits, and inspire you. These are not those movies. Join us for a showing of "Plan 9 From Outer Space" (1959), a classic featuring aliens resurrecting the dead and Ed Wood's chiropractor filling in for Bela Lugosi. Free. Popcorn

WEBSTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
JOB DESCRIPTION: Cafeteria Worker/Server:
SUBSTITUTE POSITION: All Schools

REPORTS TO: Cafeteria Manager
RESPONSIBILITIES: All duties pertaining to the preparation and serving of food and cleaning of kitchen equipment and facility. Duties include interaction with students, and food service adhering to food safety practices. All duties pertaining to the delivery of meals and service at off site programs. Performs other work related duties as instructed. This is a physically demanding position requiring frequent lifting, carrying, and walking with significant standing required per shift.
QUALIFICATIONS:
• School Nutrition, Culinary and/or Food Service experience preferred
• Ability to multi-task and work under pressure
• Understanding of National School Lunch Program requirements preferred
• Proof of valid license required to drive and transport food in the school van
• Must agree to CORI check and fingerprinting (at employee's expense) prior to start date
• Must agree to complete Serve Safe exam within 9 months of hire date
• Must agree to complete required continuing education units over the course of school year, including local travel to conferences, meetings and trainings as necessary
This position is for an as needed cafeteria substitute alternative. There are no set hours, however help is often needed and utilized from fill in subs. If interested, please contact Kelsey Sanders by phone at (508) 943-0104 ex: 40016 or by email at ksanders@webster-schools.org.



- CLUES ACROSS**
- Influential Swedish, Belgian clan
 - Swiss river
 - Nocturnal S. American rodent
 - Like coagulated milk
 - Lima is its capital
 - Lying down
 - Jai __, sport
 - Egyptian statesman
 - Napoleon Dynamite's uncle
 - Renovated
 - Chadic language
 - 18-year period
 - Beverage container
 - Natural logarithm
 - The "mecca" of basketball
 - A way to darken
 - Mackerels
 - Actor Pitt
 - Places to buy seafood
 - True firs
 - Neither
 - Fencing sword
 - Italian pastas
 - Island nation close to the U.S.
 - Begets
 - Resembles a pouch
 - __ student, learns healing
 - Sodium
 - Indicates position
 - The world has one
 - Partner to pains
 - Photographer
 - Chew the fat
 - Culture of the British Iron Age
 - Weaverbird
 63. Advice or counsel
 - Asian nation
 - Brought on board
 - German river
 - Airborne (abbr.)
 - Leaf-footed bug genus

- CLUES DOWN**
- Mark left behind
 - Cry weakly
 - Ancient region in modern Syria
 - Farewell
 - Blue grass state
 - Genus of mosquitoes
 - S. Israeli city
 - You can get stuck in one
 - One who mistrusts others unjustifiably
 - First month of ancient Hebrew calendar
 - Tigers legend Fielder
 - Make more attractive
 - Horses
 - Slight projection in typefaces
 - Male parent
 - Jack and Jill are two
 - After B
 - Licensed for Wall Street
 - Missile with about 600-mile range
 - Goddesses
 - A day kids love
 - Oily secretion
 - One-tenth of a meter
 - A father's male child
 - One point east of southeast
 - Silk garments
 - Cool!
 - The color of anger
 - Trade profession
 - It can get you around
 - Mother-of-pearl
 - Hurt
 - Legendary slugger Hank
 - Polio vaccine developer
 - Incline from vertical
 - Sea creature
 - Actress Kate
 - Affirmative votes
 - Nothing
 - Pie __ mode
 - Expresses surprise

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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WEBSTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
JOB OPENING OPPORTUNITY
Cafeteria Worker /Driver: Bartlett High School

RESPONSIBILITIES:
All duties pertaining to the preparation and serving of food as well as cleaning of the kitchen equipment and facility. Duties include interaction with students, and food service adhering to food safety practices. All duties pertaining to the delivery of meals and service at off site programs. Performs other work related duties as instructed. This is a physically demanding position requiring frequent lifting, carrying, and walking with significant standing required per shift.

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• Ability to multi-task and work under pressure
• Understanding of National School Lunch Program requirements preferred
• Proof of valid license required to drive and transport food in the school van
• Must agree to CORI check and fingerprinting (at employee's expense) prior to start date
• Must agree to complete Serve Safe exam within 9 months of hire date
• Must agree to complete required continuing education units over the course of school year, including local travel to conferences, meetings and trainings as necessary
This position is for 3 hours a day, 5 days a week for a total of 15 hours a week at the High School location. If interested, please contact Kelsey Sanders by phone at (508) 943-0104 ex: 40016 or by email at ksanders@webster-schools.org.

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Webster Public Schools special education information

Child Find
This notice is provided in compliance with State and Federal regulations for conducting Child Find activities in order to identify students who may be in need of an evaluation to determine eligibility for special education services.

Parents/guardians of children ages three through 22, who reside in Webster and feel their child is in need of an evaluation for determination of eligibility for special education services, should contact the Office of Student Support Services at Webster Public Schools, 77 Poland St., Webster, MA 01570.

Information regarding the procedure for requesting an evaluation can be obtained by calling the Office of Student Support Services at (508) 943-3646.

NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

In compliance with Massachusetts Student Records Regulation, the Webster Public School District will destroy the Special Education records of any Webster student who transferred, graduated, withdrew or terminated from Special Education programs or services prior to June 30, 2015. This is in accordance with the requirement to destroy such records after a period of seven years.

Any parent/guardian or student, ages 14 years or older, can obtain their original record within two weeks of this notice. They may do so by contacting Webster Public School's Office of Student Support Services at 508-943-3646 no later than Oct. 1.

All unclaimed student records meeting the above criteria will be destroyed after the Oct. 1 deadline.

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DUDLEY TOWN HALL (508) 949-8000
Board of Selectmen (949-8001)
Monday-Thursday.....8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Fridays 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Evening appointments if needed.
Note: Office hours are for selectmen's secretary and town administrator. S electmen do not hold office hours.
Town Clerk (949-8004)
Monday-Thursday.....8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Thursday nights 5 to 7 p.m.
Fridays9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

DUDLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT (943-4411)
Staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week
DUDLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT (949-8040)
Monday-Sunday6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk Hours!
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Wednesday.....9 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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For emergencies, call 911
OXFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT (987-6012)
Monday-Friday8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WEBSTER

WEBSTER TOWN HALL (508) 949-3850
Office Hours:
Monday8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Tuesday-Thursday8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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WEBSTER FIRE DEPARTMENT (949-3875)
Monday-Friday8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

GLADYS E. KELLY LIBRARY

2 Lake St., Webster
508-949-3880

Library Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Wed: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Fri: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

JOIN OUR MAILING LIST!

Want to receive updates about our upcoming events? Sign up for email alerts by visiting our website, or by reaching out to our Library Director, Sondra Murphy, at smurphy@cwmar.org.

Adult Programming

ADULT SUMMER READING – June 27th – August 22nd

Stop by the Circulation Desk to sign up or Adult Summer Reading! You get a raffle ticket for signing up, as well as a ticket for every book, or audiobook you return to the library between now and August 22nd!

SEED LIBRARY – Spring/Summer 2022

Do you have a green thumb, or are you looking to develop one? We are offering a selection of seeds for anyone to take home and plant! This selection changes weekly! All of the seeds were generously donated by Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds.

FRIENDS FEATURED AUTHOR BOOK SALE – Ongoing

Do you love Jodi Picoult? A grocery bag of her books, just \$3.00 during the month of August!

TAI CHI WITH SIFU – Fridays between July 1st and August 26th 9:00-10:00AM

Friday mornings through July and August the Gladys E Kelly Public Library will be having a free Tai Chi class! Join Sifu Gary from the Kung Fu and Tai Chi Academy of New England

for an hour of focused movement each week to hone your body, mind, and spirit for the day ahead. Classes will be held on the lawn, weather permitting, and students should wear comfortable clothing for movement and sneakers or walking shoes. Students should also bring water or another non-carbonated beverage. No registration required! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

YOGA WITH JULIE – Tuesdays at 6:30PM during the summer, Starting July 5th!

Join Julie at the Gladys E. Kelly Library for a vinyasa yoga class for all levels. In Sanskrit, Vinyasa yoga translates to the “uniting of movement with breath”. A typical class involves a centering of the mind with the breath, aromatherapy, movement of the body to release energetic blockages and, finally, a rest and relaxation. Classes are free. Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

NEEDLE FELTING: SUMMER SCENE – August 18th 6:00-8:00PM

Pop Up Art School will be leading a workshop where participants will paint a summer

scene with yarn! Needle felting is a relaxing and easy craft that will be enjoyable for all ages!

REGISTRATION IS FULL, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON A WAITLIST, CONTACT THE LIBRARY AT 508-949-3880 OR WEBSTERCIRCULATION@GMAIL.COM.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP – September 19th at 6:30PM

The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group will be meeting in person this month! The group meets at 6:30 pm and the meeting will take place in the Library's Community

Room. New members are always welcome! Next month's book discussion will be on Monday, September 19th. The group will be discussing First Women by Kate Andersen Brower. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmar.org for inquiries.

Children's and Young Adult Programming

MAKER MONDAYS – Mondays from 3:30-4:30PM

Feeling artistic? We will have a variety of craft materials available to put your creativity to the test! Every month we will rotate our craft material, stop in to see what we're making this month!

BUILD NIGHT – Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30PM

Put your creative caps on and come build with LEGOs, magnatiles, or other neat building materials! Materials will change monthly, so don't miss it! For children of all ages and their caregivers.

SUMMER EATS – Tuesdays and Thursdays from July 5th to August 4th 11:30AM-12PM

Summer Eats provides FREE grab and go meals for all kids and teens! Stop by the library during these times and either eat lunch outside on the library lawn or take meals home! Meals are pre-packaged and nutritional. Summer Eats is a federally-funded food program that seeks to combat food insecurity and hunger, providing every child with the food they need to succeed! Food is prepared and provided by Webster Public Schools.

MUSIC TOGETHER – Wednesdays starting July 6th, and August 3rd and 10th, 2 sessions, first from 9:30-10AM, second from 10:30-11AM.

Fun, fabulous, uplifting, magical early

childhood music class! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

MESSY SUMMER DAYS – Thursdays until August 18th, starting July 7th from 3:30-4:30PM

Enjoy creating messy art and playing in bins of different messy materials with us outside on the common! Every Thursday in July and August!

UKULELE PRE-K SING ALONG – September 7th 10:00 AM

Join in for some Pre-K Song Time fun!

ENCANTO SING ALONG – September 9th 3:30-5:30PM

Come join Mirabel to sing and dance your hearts out to all of your favorite songs! Something the whole Familia can enjoy! This show is movement heavy and loud music is present to stay as authentic as possible to the Colombia culture and experience. This show IS bilingual.

YOGA PJ STORYTIME – Saturdays in September starting September 10th 9:30-10:30AM

We will read some stories, move our bodies, stretch, breath and reset. You will need a mat, towel or blanket. Stuffed animals and comfy clothes welcome.

ANIME NIGHT – September 13th 6:00PM

Come in and join us for another anime night, popcorn and all! This event is for ages 10-17!

TWEEN AND TEEN TIE DYE (REGISTRATION REQUIRED) – September 22nd 5:00-6:00PM

We are bringing back the tie-dye event!!! Come dye a shirt or bring your own!! For ages 10-17 this event will require registration. Email Randa at rcox@cwmar.org to register!

WEBSTER SENIOR CENTER

5 Church St.
(508) 949-3845

Open Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Email: SeniorCenter@Webster-MA.gov

Like the Webster Senior Center Facebook page to view our photographs, news and announcements. Please stop by to pick up our monthly newsletter for a complete list of activities, upcoming events and our monthly lunch menu.

Tri-Valley Lunches are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 11:30 am. Please call (508) 949-3845 at least 48-hours in advance to reserve or cancel your meal. A \$3.00 donation is appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Tax Aide, a partnership between the IRS and the AARP Foundation, need volunteer counselors to help low- and moderate-income persons in your community prepare their Federal and Massachusetts income taxes. Volunteers work 4-6 hours per week during tax preparation season. Training for volunteer preparers starts in November, with most of the training online. Internet access and basic computer skills are necessary. For an application visit www.aarp.org/volunteer/programs/taxaide

The Bomba Beauty Salon at the Webster Senior Center is closed on Mondays. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Walk-ins Are Welcome on Wednesdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Please call (508) 341-8724 to schedule your appointment!

Mondays and Wednesdays: Exercise Classes with Forty Arroyo – Chair Dancing – the perfect workout for any fitness ability! 9:30-10:30 am. Cost: \$3.00 per class

Mondays: Knitting/Crochet Social 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts promptly at 1:00 pm. Please plan to arrive by 12:30 pm to allow time to buy your bingo sheets.

Do you like to play cribbage? Our weekly cribbage group now meets every Thursday at 1:00 pm – feel free to join us!

Calling card players or interested persons to the Webster Senior Center – come join us for 6-card or 13-card pitch! Six card pitch meets on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Thirteen-card pitch meets on Thursdays at 1:00 pm. Would you like to learn pitch? Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845. Six card beginners will meet Mondays and Wednesdays at 12:15 pm, thirteen card beginners will meet on Thursdays at 12:15 pm. Please call to sign up!

Mahjongg group meets every Friday at 1:00 pm – beginners welcome!

Nothing says Fall quite like chrysanthemums! Come sign up for Bemis Nursery Harvest Porch Pot Workshop! Friday, September 9th at 9:30. Cost: \$25.00. Please sign up at Senior Center front desk. Payment due at time of sign up.

A SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) counselor is available at the Senior Center by appointment only. Please call (508) 949-3845 to schedule an appointment.

SAVE THE DATE! FREE line dancing class will be offered by our exercise instructor Forty Arroyo on Friday, August 26th from 1:00 – 2:30 pm. A free line dancing class will be held on the last Friday of every month.

CRAFTERS WANTED! The Friends of the Webster Senior Center are sponsoring a Craft Fair on Monday, October 17, 2022. Come join us for the craft fair and

rent a table for only \$10.00! Applications available at the Senior Center. Space is limited so be sure to fill out an application early.

Trip 1: Shades of Buble', a three man tribute to Michael Buble' on Tuesday, Sept. 20th at Danversport Yacht Club, Danvers, MA. Trip price of \$99.00 includes transportation, show tickets, luncheon, meal taxes and gratuities. Trip 2: The British Invasion Years, a 60's Musical Revolution with hits from both sides of the Atlantic on Wednesday, Oct. 26th at the Danversport Yacht

Club, Danvers, MA. Trip price of \$99.00 includes transportation, luncheon, and meal tax & gratuity and show ticket. Our trips are quickly selling out so don't wait to reserve your seat! Trip price does not include bus driver gratuity. Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 for more information.

The Worcester County Sheriff's Office House Numbering Program will create a custom wooden sign with your house number free of charge. One sign per senior household. Please contact the Webster Senior Center if you are inter-

ested in having a house number sign made for you. (508) 949-3845.

Senior SAFE is a program that supports fire and life safety education for seniors. The Webster Fire Dept. will do a home visit to ensure that you have the correct smoke and CO2 alarms and that they are working properly, at no cost to you! All you have to do is give them a call at (508) 949-3875.

Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 or stop in to pick up our monthly newsletter for a complete list of additional activities and upcoming events.



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OBITUARIES

Albert C. "AL" Axtman 79



Albert C. "AL" Axtman 79, passed away August 5, 2002 at Webster Manor. He leaves his wife of 55 years Ann L. (Pappas) Axtman, 2 sons, Chris A. Axtman and his fiancé Tracy Williams, of Dudley and Charles F. Axtman and his wife Kimberly of Pennsylvania, 2 grandchildren; Amber and Nathan, numerous nieces and nephews.

Al was born October 26, 1942 son of the late Louis and Jenny (Hunt) Axtman and was also predeceased by brothers and sisters.

Al served his country in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War.

He earned his Associates Degree from Wentworth Institute in electronic

engineering. He was a project manager at Digital Corporation. After which he operated the Big Apple in Webster.

Al was an avid semi-pro fisherman, liked playing cards, and was an entrepreneur.

There are no calling hours.

Graveside Services will be Saturday August 20, 2022 at 11 AM in Mt. Zion Cemetery, The W-D Veterans; Council will do Military Honors. The ROBERT J. MILLER FUNERAL HOME and LAKE CHAPEL, 366 School St., is Honored to be assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Webster/Dudley Veterans Counsel.



Carol Ann Lewis Jensen, 81



Carol Ann Lewis Jensen, 81, died on August 13 with her loving husband of 58 years, Howard Theodore (Ted) Jensen, Jr., by her side. In addition to her husband, she leaves 3 children; Karen Jensen (Joel Hurliman), Ann Heath (Steven) and Sern Christian (Chris) Jensen, and 4 grandchildren; Harley Heath, Ian Heath, Nicolas Jensen and Quentin Jensen. She is also survived by her siblings in PA; Sandra Hespell (Jim), David Lewis (Linda), and Linda Hart. She was predeceased by her parents, Carl and Edith (Quade) Lewis of Lansdale, PA.

Carol was born and grew up in Lansdale, PA, graduating from North Penn High School. She earned an RN from Presbyterian Nursing School (now University of PA), in 1962. She worked professionally before her children were born, returning to the pro-

fession again when they were in school, maintaining her license until 2019. She took great pride in her profession and family. She also had many interests including music, and was a member of the Greater Auburn Community Chorus for many years. She loved traveling and watching Red Sox games with Ted, her garden, crafting and antiquing, and was a voracious reader. Most of all, she was grateful for the love and support of her family and friends throughout her life.

A Memorial service to celebrate Carol's life will be held at Bartel Funeral Home, 33 Schofield Ave. in Dudley on Tuesday, August 23 from 10 -11:30 AM followed by a graveside service at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Calling hours will be held at Bartel Funeral Home on Monday, August 22 from 4 - 7 PM. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library, 2 Lake Street, Webster, MA 01570. www.bartelfuneralhome.com

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Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Desiree and I love to dance and read books.

Desiree is of Caucasian and Hispanic decent. She is an energetic girl who is full of life. Desiree loves playing with dolls, singing, dancing, and reading books. She also enjoys gardening with her foster parents and is very proud of what she has produced in her garden. Desiree is able to be redirected and follows directions with assistance. She can have a difficult time with the word "no" but with support she is able to process and move forward. She gets along well with older foster sisters and her foster parents and enjoys family gatherings. She is described as having a great imagination and dreams

about places that someday she would like to visit and explore.

She has made a lot of progress over the previous school year. She is in the 4th grade in school year 2021-2022 and enjoys school. She is friendly and gets along well with others. Desiree receives weekly therapy and counseling. In therapy she is learning to use her coping skills to manage her emotions and express her feelings.

Freed for adoption Desiree will need a patient and structured home life. She would well in a two female or single female household. Older children in the home would be best. She has a younger brother living in western MA with whom she will need to maintain regular in-person contact.

<https://www.mareinc.org/waiting-child-profiles#gallery/child/6030>

Can I Adopt?

If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ+ singles and couples. As an adoptive parent, you won't have to pay any fees, adoption from foster care is completely free in Massachusetts.

The process to adopt a child from foster care includes training, interviews, and home visits to determine if adoption is right for you. These steps will help match you with a child or sibling group that your family will fit well with.

To learn more about adoption from foster care, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at (617) 964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. Start the process today and give a waiting child a permanent place to call home.

REAL ESTATE

AUBURN

- \$1,150,000, 1 Southbridge St, Bridges RT, and Carlson, David S, to VVL Realty LLC.
- \$1,150,000, 5 Jerome Ave, Bridges RT, and Carlson, David S, to VVL Realty LLC.
- \$690,000, 7 Saint Mark St, Johnson Pleasant Rlty LLC, to Turnpike Development LLC.
- \$600,000, 240 Millbury St, Long-Nguyen, An, and Nguyen, Hung, to Vo, Tong, and Phan, Tina.
- \$590,000, 4 Maywood Cir, Mcnamara LT, and Mcnamara, Michael L, to Bourgeois, Jeremy D, and Rafferty, Hailey A.
- \$500,000, 388 Rochdale St, Leslie, James J, and Leslie, Maria C, to Daluz, Edna J.
- \$360,000, 2 Marilyn Dr, Horgan, Robert J, to Pham, Hung, and Bui, Truc.
- \$110,000, 49 Waterman Rd, Durkan, Liam, to Bera, Pritam.

DUDLEY

- \$495,000, 69 Mason Rd, ALLG LLC, to Rodriguez Jr, Ramon P, and Nettie-Rodriguez, Celena.
- \$100,000, 5 Truman Dr, Galaxy Estates LLC, to Martin, Ronald M, and Martin, Debra L.

OXFORD

- \$654,000, 24 Monument Dr, Chalupka, Norman F, and Chalupka, Marilyn, to Faulkner, Michael.
- \$520,000, 10 Country Ln, Bostek, Joseph M, and Bostek, Christine C, to Hamwey, Ronald, and Hamwey, Gina.
- \$510,000, 4 Matthew Cir, Burke, John H, and Burke, Kathleen A, to Woeller, Christopher S, and Woeller, Lora M.
- \$455,000, 171 Old Webster Rd, Ditommaso, Nathaniel, and Ditommaso, Jesse, to Angell, Scott, and Angell, Shelley.
- \$308,750, 16 Ballard St, Rondeau, Chester D, and Rondeau, Nancy A, to Mitchell, Hope M.
- \$300,000, 18 West St, Pandozzi, Matthew J, and Pandozzi, Jeannine M, to Robbins, Kristi L, and Robbins, Paul J.
- \$150,000, 15 Thayer Pond Dr #3, Landgren, Jennifer, and Gillies, Peter, to Pietrzak, Jane, and Pietrzak, Joseph.
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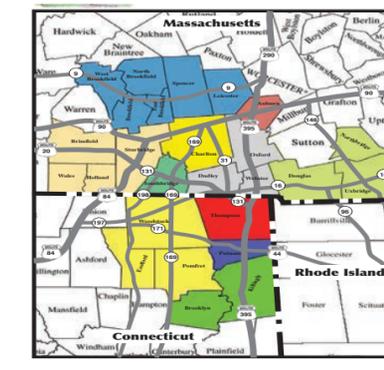
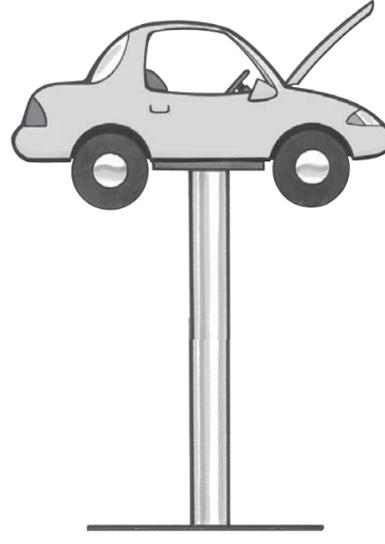
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Forgiving one another

It truly is divine to forgive someone who has hurt us, yet how so difficult! A frequent struggle I hear in counseling is the inability of someone to forgive those who have hurt them. Obviously, the more serious the hurt, the harder one finds it to forgive.



BEYOND THE PEWS

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Our Christian faith centers on the spirit of love and forgiveness. I can't exaggerate the variety of ways our Lord Jesus taught the utmost significance of "loving mercy" and "forgiveness" as indispensable characteristics in the lives of His followers. In the Gospels we hear it over and over again: "Turn the other cheek. Love one another as I have loved you. Forgive even up to seven times seventy. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Love your enemy. If you do not forgive others their trespasses, than neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Of course, the epitome of forgiveness and love is Jesus Christ Himself who willingly died on the Cross for the sins of a world that rejected Him, and then as he suffered on the Cross, He cried out, "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they do." Precisely this spirit we see in countless saints as they forgave their persecutors even as they suffered terribly from injustice and hatred. St. Stephen could even look at his murderers with a peaceful countenance and say, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." St. John the beloved disciple writes while in exile, "If someone says, 'I love God' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?"

Well, few people will argue with me about the importance of forgiving and loving one another, and how these virtues stand at the center of our Christian faith. The difficulty, of course, lies in each of our own particular cases – when someone has specifically betrayed us, hurt us, maliciously lied to us, or done some other evil to us. I'm sure we all can recall when we've been hurt in some way, and the struggle we have to forgive. How many are tempted not to speak with a particular family member, a former friend, a colleague, or some other acquaintance? How many of us speak civilly to another, yet harbor an inner resentment, hurt, anger, and pain deep within our hearts?

Christ's command to forgive surely is not an easy one to fulfill! Yet, this is part of our spiritual development and maturity. It's OK to admit how difficult it is to forgive someone but as Christians, it's not OK to accept this status quo. We each need to realize how essential is the need to forgive! It may take time to gain the strength and wisdom, and we may need to grow spiritually, but we should never lose sight of our ultimate goal – forgiving an enemy and reconciling with our God. For don't forget, when we are out of communion with another, we have lost our communion with our Creator. Love of the other is intimately connected with love of God. Remember, we are as close to God as we are to our worst enemy.

Think for a moment about the one we may have difficulty forgiving, and then place the image of God on that person. As we keep a distance between ourselves and that person, we are keeping that distance also between us and God!

For many people, however, the question may be - how can we learn to for-

give? How can we gain the inner strength needed to forgive? I want to forgive, but what concrete steps should we take to actually forgive? Here are several suggestions:

First, we must properly understand God's love for us, and constantly remind ourselves of this divine and unconditional love. Begin by reminding yourself that life itself is God's greatest gift to us – a life which includes our health, our family, our friends, and the beauty and love that surround us. A key element of this life is the love and experience we receive from our Lord Jesus Christ. When we reflect on our blessings, our hearts should overflow with gratitude towards the Giver of our life!

After we properly think about God's love for us, we need to see ourselves as we truly are. Our faith teaches

us that all of us have fallen away from God in a variety of ways. To sin does not mean simply to break a commandment, but it means to turn away from our relationship with God. We're all called to become saints after the likeness of our Lord. If we fail to live up to this calling, then we have sinned by not fulfilling our potential. By understanding our own sinfulness, we then can better appreciate God's extreme mercy and love towards each one of us.

There is a story in the Gospel of Matthew about a king who forgives a servant an unbelievable debt that would have been impossible to repay, only to watch this same servant show no mercy towards his fellow servant who owed him a small amount. "How can you be so unforgiving and unmerciful," the king said to his servant, "when I have shown you such great mercy!"

These are God's words to us – "How can we be so unforgiving and unmerciful, when God has shown us such great mercy!" These words alone should compel us to forgive those who have hurt us. When we base our forgiving others on the mercy God has shown us, we should then realize we do not forgive others because they deserve our mercy. We forgive others because God has first forgiven us!

A third step in trying to forgive is to understand the other's perspective. Think about what the person has experienced in life and try to understand them before allowing ourselves to condemn them.

A fourth step is trying to put behind us a memory. As long as we brood upon an injury, there is little hope we can forgive. Don't print the incident permanently in your mind. When the hurt recurs in your mind, try to turn your focus on something else – like on your own shortcomings, on God's mercy towards you, on the countless blessings you have in your own life. Don't dwell on the hurt, but dwell on God's love and mercy!

Finally, learn what true divine love is all about. Dwell on Jesus Christ, Divine Love incarnate. The more you develop an intimate relationship with Christ, the deeper you will enter into divine love, and the greater your ability will be to show that divine love through forgiving one another.

The transfigured Christian life represents us as new creations in Christ, people who allow Jesus do dwell in us and radiate His spirit of love onto the world! May we all strive to live out such transfigured lives of love!

Clarifying alcohol transportation laws for minors



CHIEF'S CORNER

STEVE WOJNAR

College will be back in session soon, and a consistent discussion, with students and staff, involves alcohol regulations. Students often misunderstand the laws relative to people under the age of 21 transporting alcohol in a vehicle. I wanted to take this opportunity to clarify some of the confusion people may have about this issue.

The rules for minors transporting alcohol are contained in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 138 Section 34C. In addition to being illegal for people under twenty-one to knowingly possess alcohol or carry it upon their person, the law also prohibits these same individuals from transporting alcohol in a vehicle they are operating. The only exceptions for anyone under the age of twenty-one to possess or transport these beverages lawfully is if they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or if they are transporting or handling it in connection with their employment (i.e., if you are at least 18 years of age and driving a beer truck for work, working as a checkout clerk in a store, etc.). Transportation under any other conditions is considered against the law. An example I put forth to college students is, it would be a violation for someone who is 19 to drive people of legal age to the liquor store and drive them back with alcohol in their vehicle. Whether the driver is connected to the alcohol or not, this is a violation. Unless a parent or guardian is present, this conduct would not be permitted.

Penalties involve fines ranging from \$50 to \$150, and include a right of arrest. There are, however, some other penalties which make this law more substantial. In addition to being subject to arrest, violators can have their license suspended by the Registry for up to 90 days. These penalties make a violation of this law a serious and it should be something for those under twenty-one to consider when making the decision to drive with alcohol on board.

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EDITORIAL

Still "Hopelessly Devoted"

There was more sad news this past week, when we learned that Olivia Newton-John passed away at the age of 73 from breast cancer. Her husband, John Easterling, told reporters that she passed peacefully in her California ranch.

Newton-John, born in Cambridge, England, rose to fame after getting her start as a country singer, and appeared in many commercials. When she was just five years old, her family moved to Australia. A few years later, Newton-John won her first talent contest. At the age of 15, she formed an all girl band with her friend Pat Carroll, called Pat and Olivia.

Her big break, however, was when she landed the role as Sandy in the movie "Grease" in 1978, starring alongside John Travolta. Newton-John was 27, yet easily passed for a 17 year old high school student!

In prior interviews, Travolta noted that their chemistry was indisputable.

Newton-John herself said, "When we walked inside the room together, it was magic, everyone saw it."

Years later, Newton-John said of Travolta, "I had a great love and support from him and the feeling was mutual. We were attracted to each other however we never would date because we were both involved with other people at the time and both of us have a loyalty streak that runs deep."

Other unforgettable roles include the cult classic "Xanadu," a 1980 musical starring Newton-John, Gene Kelly and Michael Beck. The title Xanadu is the name of the nightclub highlighted in the film. One of our reporters, on hearing of Newton-John's death said, "We must go buy roller skates, stat." The disco themed film is now a cult classic.

Her father was a World War II veteran with British Military intelligence, and a professor of German literature. Her mother Irene's father was a physicist who won a Nobel Prize. Newton-John was the first in her family to be involved in theatre and entertainment.

In 1981, her hit "Physical" became the number one single of the decade. She has sold over 100 million records.

After three decades of battling cancer, Newton-John funded research for plant based medicine and created the Olivia Newton-John Foundation Fund.

From her indelible film performances to the soothing vocals on her numerous albums, we salute the spirit of this singular artist, and will always remain "Hopelessly Devoted" to her.

Design a bird-friendly landscape

Temperature extremes, drought and storms take a toll on our landscapes. Sometimes a bit of pruning, proper care and patience is all that is needed to help plants recover. Other times, plants need replacing. It is always sad to lose a favorite plant. The memories, time and money invested are lost, but it presents an opportunity to grow something new.

Consider creating a bird-friendly landscape when selecting replacements for failing and dead plants. Working with nature is a great way to support birds without the use of feeders.

Look for seed, berry and nectar producing plants that attract songbirds. You will enjoy the color and motion these birds add to your landscape. Plus, 96 percent of terrestrial North American birds feed upon insects, helping you manage garden pests.



Plant bird-friendly flowers, shrubs, and trees in clusters whenever possible. This creates an impressive display in the landscape and allows birds to gather food more efficiently and waste less energy traveling between plants.

Select a variety of plants to ensure both seasonal and year-round birds have plenty of food. Include a mixture of plants that provide seeds, berries, or nectar from spring through fall. These plants are nature's birdfeeders, eliminating the need to clean and fill traditional feeders.

Include native trees, shrubs, and flowers whenever they are suited to the growing conditions in your yard. Native plants, birds and insects have co-evolved over time, making them a great source of food and shelter for native birds. Audubon's Native Plant Database provides lists of plants suited to your location.

GARDEN MOMENTS

MELINDA MYERS

Consider plants with year-round appeal. Evergreens provide screening and a backdrop for other plants and shelter for the birds. Junipers come in a variety of sizes and shapes and tolerate hot dry conditions once established. Choose hemlocks for those shadier locations. They require moist well-drained soil and shelter from winter wind and sun.



Melinda Myers

Evergreens, like this yew, provide year-round appeal and shelter for birds.

Deciduous trees and shrubs – those that lose their leaves in winter – can provide multiple seasons of beauty with flowers, fruit, fall color and interesting bark. Many of these also provide shelter and food for songbirds. Serviceberries have multiple seasons of beauty and produce edible fruit you and the birds will enjoy in June. Dogwoods, including red twig and pagoda, have flowers for pollinators and late summer fruit for the songbirds. Winterberry is an excellent source of winter food. You will need at least one male for every one to five female plants for pollination and fruit to form. Grow these in full sun to light shade and moist acidic soil.

Reduce the risk of injury and the inconvenience of accidentally knocking out power, cable or other utilities while making bird-friendly additions to the landscape. Contact Diggers Hotline at least three business days before you get started planting. Just call 811 or file a request online at <https://call811.com/811-In-Your-State>. They will contact all the appropriate companies who will mark the location of their underground utilities in the designated work area. August 11 has been declared 811 Day to remind everyone to call 811 prior to any digging project.

Your efforts now to welcome birds into your landscape are sure to provide much beauty and enjoyment for years to come.

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Sunrise on the sea

Finally, we got a break in the heat this past weekend, and the fishing was great for seabass & bluefish. This writer and Matt Fontain made a trip back to the Westport River this past Friday to try fishing for a few more seabass, and hopefully a few more bluefish, and possibly a striper. We left Uxbridge at 4:15 a.m. and arrived at Westport at 5:15 a.m., as there is very little traffic during the early morning hours. The tide was still coming in, and would continue to do so for a couple more hours, until it reached high tide. There was only one boat & trailer in the parking lot which seemed a bit odd. Because of the full moon, the tide was running a bit strong, which can produce some great fishing.



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After launching the boat, we were on our way, with the sun slowly rising in the East. I took a quick photo of the sun rising with the Westport Bridge in the background! Although the picture is black and white, I snapped the photo anyway, and included the photo in this week's column. Anyone that has seen sunrises and sunsets on the ocean, can relate as to how beautiful they can be. It is a slow ride from the ramp area to the opening of the breakwater because of all the boats that are moored along the way, with numerous signs, declaring a no wake area. As we entered the mouth of the river, Matt throttled the motor into high speed, and we were at our fishing spot in short time, as the seas were quite calm.

We were doing some bottom fishing, so there was no reason to drop the anchor. Using light rods and conventional reels loaded with 40-pound test braded line, I dropped my high low rig tipped with a small piece of squid to the bottom! The high low rig consisting of two circle no # 3 hooks, make the rig ideal for catching seabass, and other bottom feeding species like huge scaup, fluke, and an occasional bluefish or striper. That is why I love fishing on the ocean. You never know what kind of fish is going to hit your bait. As soon as my bait hit the bottom, I had a strike. The fish was immediately hooked, and was reeled to the boat. It was Just a couple of short seabass, but catching doubles of under-size seabass on light rods, is a lot of fun and a great way to get a kid hooked on fishing.

The drift was a bit fast because of the high tides, but the fish were biting. Between Matt and I, we had to catch over 100 seabass, but most were just a bit undersize. We did manage to catch a few keeper seabass, with the largest 19 inches, along with a few fluke. During our early morning fishing, we also had a school of bluefish breaking on the surface of the water. I quickly grabbed my fishing rod that already had a surface popper on the line. The first cast had a seven-pound bluefish hooked up, and the line was screaming, as it left the reels spool. Bluefish have a lot of fight, and made numer-

ous runs, before it was brought to the boat. I looked around to see what Matt was doing, as he is always ready with the net. He was standing there with his arms folded.

"Hey."
"Are you going to net my fish?"
"No."
"You put it in the paper last week that you did not like my netting capabilities."
It took a minute or two to convince him that I was only joking. He slowly picked up the net, and did a Great Job! Matt quickly grabbed his fishing rod and rigged it with a surface popper also! A huge bluefish came bursting out of the water on his first cast, and was immediately hooked up. Matt had a big smile on his face, as he battled the fish for approximately 10 minutes. Yes, I netted his fish.

The days catch of seabass, fluke, bluefish, three hammerhead sharks, scaup & sea Robbins, quickly tired out this elderly angler, and Matt was also ready to go. The fish that we retained were all placed on a bed of ice in the LiveWell immediately after catching them. Bluefish need to be placed on ice as soon as they are caught, as all our fish are. We had gone a longer distance on the water to find the fish, but it was all worth the effort.

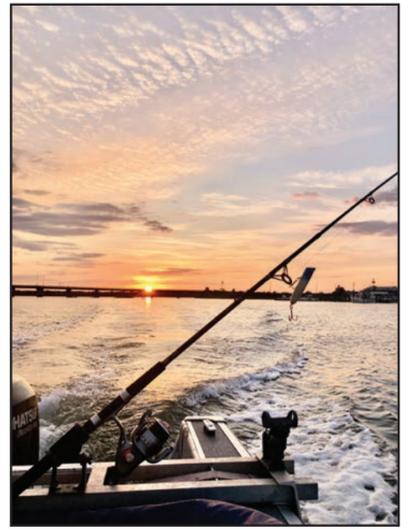
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Ralph True

This week's picture shows the recent sunrise at the Westport River!

One of the Harbor Patrol police were ticketing numerous vehicles, and Matt's vehicle was about ready to have a \$25 ticket placed on his vehicle, but Matt convinced him to allow us to pay the \$5 fee in the box at the ramp entrance. The way this guy was writing tickets; it was evident that very few if any had paid the \$5 fee. It is unfortunate that the ramp was paid with sportsmen's monies, and we still need to pay again!

Take a Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

An Array of Timely Harvest Tips

It's picking season and fresh garden produce takes a front row seat at the dinner table. From harvesting herbs to picking the perfect corn, read on for some tips to enhance your harvest haul!

If you're harvesting herbs from the garden this season, take note of these quick and easy tips!:

* When chopping fresh herbs such as basil and tarragon, sprinkle the leaves with a few drops of olive oil. This effectively slows the darkening of the chopped leaves.

*Here's an easy foolproof way to store fresh basil, cilantro, parsley, tarragon, and other delicate herbs that preserves their fresh from the garden taste: Stand herbs in a tall glass or mason jar. Fill halfway with water and add a pinch of sugar. Then place a plastic bag loosely over the top of it all and place in the refrigerator. Now your herbs will keep their fresh taste for a week!

*To enhance the flavor of dried herbs, simply chop up some fresh parsley with them!

** Hot Peppers are a seasonal garden favorite! Here are some hot pepper hot tips that take your tasty peppers from the garden to the table!:

*After picking hot peppers, you can dry them by stringing through the stem with sewing needle thread or fishing line. Then hang in a sunny window. Thin skinned varieties dry the best.

*To Freeze peppers, wash, dry, cut off the stem and leave the seeds in. Freeze in containers or plastic bags. They'll taste "fresh" any time you eat them.

*Here's how to make your own gourmet crushed peppers: Broil dried hot peppers until they start to darken. Let cool and crush in blender.

Sweet ears of corn on the cob are an anticipated summer treat worth waiting all year for. Read on for tips to pick and cook corn this season:

*Did you know the sugar content of garden corn is highest late in the day? In fact it's perfect to pick the ears just in time for supper.

*Want that newly picked ear of sweet corn to stay fresh longer? The key is keeping the corn cool using this tip. Pick ears either early in the morning, or late in the day and immediately husk and place the ears in an ice bath, until the ears are cooled to about 37 degrees. Then place the corn on the cob in zip-lock plastic bags in the refrigerator. They should stay fresh and sweet for up to two weeks.

*Evaluating ears of corn can be a challenge at farm stands or grocery stores as ripping down the husk to inspect corn is a definite no-no in the marketplace. To ensure a quality ear, look for bright green husks that are



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slightly moist. The silk should be slightly sticky and a pale golden color. If you press gently against the husk you should be able to feel the kernels.

* Also look for corn with lots of silk, as that means there are lots of kernels inside!

*And be sure to check out the bottom of the ear, where it was cut off the stalk. If it is brown, the ear was likely not picked that day.

*Did you know corn on the cob will lose up to 25% of its sugar content after just six hours of storage at room temperature? That is because from the moment it is picked, the sugar in the corn begins to convert to starch. To keep corn at optimum taste, keep corn chilled at about 36 degrees.

*The golden rule of corn on the cob is it should be eaten the same day it is picked. If that's not possible, keep it refrigerated and use within three days to ensure good taste.

*Never husk corn until you just ready to cook it. While stripping the husks off in the supermarket may be a tempting convenience (especially since some keep a barrel there for that purpose),

you'll lose out on flavor. Keep corn in the refrigerator with the husks intact until you can cook it. This helps to slow down the sugar to starch conversion, thus maintaining its sweetness longer.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press newspapers? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, C/o the Southbridge Evening News, PO Box 90; Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Decisiveness

Over the last several weeks, I've discussed five traits you need to develop to accomplish your dream. Today, I will write about the sixth most crucial quality. None of these necessarily have to be in a particular order. Everybody's dream is different, and so is how you will accomplish it. Desire, Faith, Specialized Knowledge, Imagination, and Organized Planning are a requirement in whatever order. The sixth is decision.

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I have read that a lack of decision is one of the most significant factors that lead to failure in accomplishing dreams. The opposite of decision is procrastination. I've written about procrastination before; we've all done it. It's a dream killer. With so many distractions at our fingertips, putting off your dream day after day is easy until you lose all motivation and eventually convince yourself it wasn't meant to be. Some say procrastination is the number one reason people fail to accomplish what they want.

There is much written about successful people. If you read about them, you'll

notice at least one similarity: once they've considered all the relevant information, they make a decision quickly, and they're slow to change their mind. On the other end of the spectrum, people who fail are often prolonged to make decisions and change their minds frequently.

When you do make a decision, you must act! Once you decide, you will discover those around you who try to convince you that it's a bad idea, that you're too late, or that it's been done before. You may experience the judgment of family or friends. You could open the newspaper and read an opinion piece that makes you wonder if you should change your mind.

There are over nine billion people in the world, which means there are unlimited opinions. If you open up to your driver on the way to the airport about what you've decided to do, they'll probably tell you how you're doing it wrong or how you shouldn't do it at all.

When you begin to feel yourself persuaded by the opinions of others, con-

sider this: do they have the desire, faith, specialized knowledge, imagination, and organized planning that you have? If the answer is yes, then you should listen! If it isn't, stay the course, and become hardened in your determination.

It's good to be open-minded and hear the opinions of others but don't act on them. Don't be easily moved by someone who knows nothing of what you're trying to accomplish. Stay the course, follow through, and be strong. If you've done the work and put in the time, why would you allow your dream to be toppled by those who don't have the knowledge or desire you have?

Has it been done before? Maybe you've decided to do it differently. Perhaps you're going to do it better. Possibly you'll be the one to change an entire industry and how it works. The six qualities I'm writing about are so powerful that the opinions of a trillion people couldn't prevail against just one person who carries them out diligently.

Take special care to keep quiet about what you're doing. Don't tell anyone

except those on your team, people you've entrusted to help accomplish your dream, and those who have complete sympathy and agree on what you plan to do. Those are the people whose opinions you might consider. Telling anyone else will only expose you to ridicule, sarcasm, eye-rolling, jealousy, envy, and naysaying, even from those you thought were on your side.

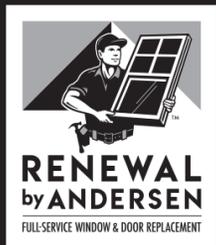
Some might say that if you do this, you're just putting yourself into an echo chamber of people who will echo back to you what you want to hear.

Suppose you have the desire, faith, specialized knowledge, and imagination and have worked to create an organized plan. In that case, it means you've already considered the opinions of others and have decided to move forward anyway. You don't need to hear their opinion anymore.

Once you've decided, keep your eyes fixed ahead of you, don't look back; run the race to the end. Never give up; never give in because you have put yourself in a special class of people who have made the decision.

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enforceable,” she said. Pigsley said that’s “too small to measure,” although the technology might evolve to do so in time. Regardless, “what we require for treatment is as close to zero as possible,” she added. The goal is especially to protect “those most sensitive individuals” (including pregnant and nursing women and immunocompromised people) from short-term exposure via residential drinking water. PFAS is an acronym for an extremely large family of over 1000 manmade chemicals, of which tests exist for less than 10. It means “per- and poly-fluoro-alkyl substances,” a name coming from the fact they’re long chains of carbon atoms bonded to chlorine and/or fluorine atoms. Those elements create some of the strongest known chemical bonds, making PFAS chemicals highly useful for many things: heat-, stain- and water-resistant surfaces/fabrics, waxes, cosmetics, hair sprays, fire-fighting foam, and many other very common items. Unfortunately, the same chemistry also makes PFAS toxic at extremely low doses, bioaccumulative, ubiquitous in nature, and almost indestructible. They’re considered “forever chemi-

cal,” can only be destroyed by intense heat (about 1000 degrees C), and “about 99 percent of people in the world have some level of PFAS in their blood,” Pigsley said. Because of toxicity, DEP has made PFAS treatment its top water priority, even above well-known toxins like lead. Towns seeking to address it are eligible for zero-interest loans and, currently, 19.6 percent “principal forgiveness” (that might rise), but it requires towns to approve the money first and get reimbursed. EPA put additional funds into the recently-passed infrastructure law requiring a 20 percent state match, but Pigsley noted it’s “a very competitive process.” About 150 Bay State public water systems exceed the current PFAS standard. Teixeira summarized the treatment options, saying her firm was recommending two 40,000-pound granulated activated carbon filters at each site (Bigelow and Memorial Beach), which would run after treating the water for iron and manganese. The latter is already being done at the beach, but would be built at Bigelow; the plans do not include a pipeline from there to the beach treatment plant that was proposed last year. Those filters have to be handled as hazardous waste when replaced, meaning

Webster will have to ship them to a select list of facilities for disposal. She estimated that would be done annually at a current cost of about \$2.40 per pound (i.e. about \$384,000 per year). The town will see if it gets funding in early 2023, with final design and bidding by March 2024 and construction through March 2026. At the same time, the town will be replacing all 5000 or so water meters (at a cost of about \$4 million) with an “advanced meter infrastructure system [that] will allow real-time tracking of water usage,” Tighe & Bond’s Jeff Faulkner added. That’s aimed at identifying why about 26 percent of the town’s water goes missing annually, even after the system’s leaks are found, he said. Simultaneously, the town’s looking at replacing any lead service lines that still exist, a project EPA is requiring be done by October 2024. They’ll inventory all public lines plus private lines from the street to the houses. DEP is providing \$20 million for this on a “first come, first served” basis, 100 percent reimbursed, and is hoping for more from EPA. Faulkner estimated there’s \$150-200,000 worth of such work in Webster. *Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.*

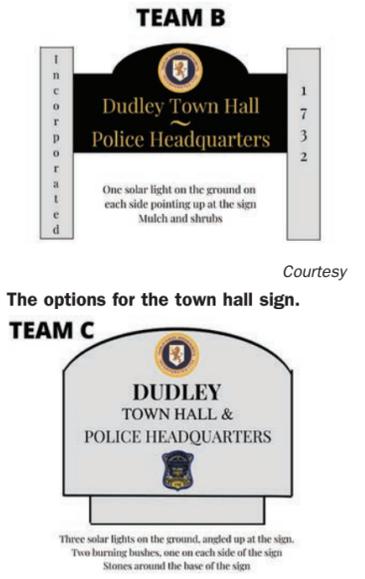
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wildlife, and overall environmental issues. As before, a few people argued the size and nature of the proposal did not qualify as “light industrial” despite being labeled a warehouse, and/or saw it as a prohibited “freight” facility. Others claimed the proposed driveway and other changes would not prevent truckers from using the back roads. Ann Marie Feldman perhaps summarized the opposition by saying, despite the proponent’s mitigation proposals, “Common sense says there’s no way this is not going to have an impact on the entire town.” Dennis Natoli agreed, saying, “You can fit it in there by the bylaw, but should you put it in there? ... This use doesn’t really fit.” *Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.*

tion to the state primaries, but also because, in Ruda’s words, the people should have a say in how their town hall is represented. “We (employees) just work here and are tasked with taking care of the Town Hall and Police Station. Taxpayers should decide on how they want the sign to look that marks their building,” said Ruda. After the Sept. 6 vote, the winning entry will be announced, and the sign will be commissioned soon after. The hope is to have the new town hall sign installed by

Thanksgiving. Pictures and details of each of the three proposals have been made available on the Town of Dudley Facebook page.



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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matthew J. Bonney and Sheryl A. Bonney, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for H&R Block Mortgage, dated June 30, 2004, and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 34045 at Page 8, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., to Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, dated June 28, 2012, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 49271, Page 345; by assignment from Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, dated May 21, 2014, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52556, Page 210; by assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC, to MTGLQ Investors, L.P., dated January 5, 2017, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 56662, Page 27; and by an assignment from MTGLQ Investors, L.P., to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Chalet Series IV Trust, dated August 26, 2019, recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 61191, Page 268, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 A.M. on the 31st day of August 2022, at 10 Sullivan Boulevard, Oxford, MA 01540, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, To wit: Property Address: 10 Sullivan Boulevard, Oxford, MA 01540 Tax Assessor’s Information: 48 C 01.14 The land in Oxford on the westerly side of Sullivan Boulevard, so called, and shown as Lot 11 on a Plan of Land in Oxford, Massachusetts owned by John D. Sullivan and Margaret A. Sullivan, dated April 3, 1989 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 621, Plan 113, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point at the northeast corner of tract herein described on the westerly sideline of Sullivan Boulevard, at the southeast corner of Lot #10; THENCE: south 02 degrees 41’ 48” west along the westerly sideline of said Sullivan Boulevard a distance of twelve and twenty-eight hundredths (12.28) feet to a point; THENCE: running southerly along the westerly sideline of said Sullivan Boulevard on a curve to the right having a radius of 375.00 feet and a length of 143.99 feet to a point; THENCE: north 76 degrees 49’ 25” west along Lot #12 a distance of two hundred fifty-one and ninety hundredths (251.90) feet to a point; THENCE: north 02 degrees 41’ 48” east along land now or lately of one Germain, a distance of one hundred fifty-seven and no hundredths (157.00) feet to a point; THENCE: south 76 degrees 59’ 11”

east along said Lot 10 a distance of two hundred and seventy nine and fifty-two hundredths (279.52) feet to a point; The above described tract contains an area of 41,958 square feet. For our title reference see that deed of Steve Campbell and Nancy Campbell to Nancy A. Campbell, Individually, dated August 19, 1996, and recorded with the Oxford, Worcester (S) County Registry of Deeds on at Book 18192, Page 128. Premises to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed. Terms of sale: A deposit of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Demerle Hoeger LLP, 10 City Square, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02129 within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. In the event of an error in this publication, the description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Chalet Series IV Trust, Present holder of said mortgage, By its Attorneys, Demerle Hoeger LLP 10 City Square, 4th Floor Boston, MA 02129 (617) 337-4444 August 5, 2022 August 12, 2022 August 19, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department WORCESTER, Division Docket No.22D0899 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Michelle Fallas Plaintiff vs. Marvin Fallas Defendant To the above named Defendant: Marvin Fallas A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Michelle Fallas, seeking Separate Support. You are required to serve upon Michelle Fallas - plaintiff-whose address is 10 Maynard Street Apt. 2, your answer on or on before. October 25, 2022. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at WORCESTER. Witness, Leilah A. Kearny, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Worcester, this 4th day of August, 2022. Stephanie Fattman Register of Probate Court

August 19, 2022 **MORTGAGEE’S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE** By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Raymond R. Fish to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Indymac Bank, F.S.B, a federally chartered savings bank, its successors and assigns, dated April 11, 2006 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 38741, Page 282, subsequently assigned to OneWest Bank, FSB by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for IndyMac Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 47214, Page 189, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Lehman XS Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-10N by OneWest Bank, FSB by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 61076, Page 251 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on September 2, 2022 at 27 Dresser Street, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: That certain lot or parcel of land situated in the Town of Webster, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being Lot No. 38 on a Plan of Lots recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds entitled “Dresser Land” in Book 1348 page 653 is bounded and described as follows: Said lot bounds northerly by land now or formerly of Theophil Koeller and measures 63 feet in width and 165 feet in depth. Being the same premises as described in Book 1653 at page 200. For my title see Book 18009 at page 145. The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney’s fees and costs. TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer’s check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee’s attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney. The description

of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee for LEHMAN XS TRUST MORTGAGE PASSTHROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-10N Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANS PC PO Box 540540 Waltham, MA 02454 Phone: (781) 790-7800 19-010196 August 12, 2022 August 19, 2022 August 26, 2022

(SEAL) THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket 22 SM 002135 ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Carmelo Perez ; Evelyn Oquendo and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq): Freedom Mortgage Corporation, claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in North Oxford, numbered 64 Merriam District, given by Carmelo Perez and Evelyn Oquendo to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, dated February 16, 2018, and recorded in Worcester County (South District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58451, Page 64,has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s/Defendants’ Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before September 19, 2022, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of this Court on August 5, 2022. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 22-008273 August 19, 2022

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jeannine A. Brodeur to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC, dated October 7, 2014 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 52911, Page 187 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC, its successors and assigns to Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC, recorded on March 22, 2022, in Book No. 67305, at Page 304

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 3:00 PM on September 9, 2022, on the mortgaged premises located at 1 St. Mary Avenue, Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The Property is located in the county of WORCESTER, state of Massachusetts, described as follows: A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND together with the buildings thereon situated in Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, together with the buildings thereon situated at the junction of St. Mary Avenue and Elizabeth Street and being Lot #8 on a plan entitled "Plan of Buena Vista Heights, Dudley, Massachusetts, dated November 6, 1954, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, bounded and described as follows:

Plan Book 203, Plan 45

BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of St. Mary Avenue eighty (80) feet easterly from the intersection of Elizabeth Street and St. Mary Avenue; thence

NORTHERLY one hundred twenty (120) feet by the westerly line of land now or formerly of one Gardecki; thence

EASTERLY by Lot #12 on said plan eighty (80) feet to a stake; thence

SOUTHERLY by other land of said grantors one hundred twenty (120) feet to the northerly side of St. Mary Avenue; thence

WESTERLY by the northerly side of St. Mary Avenue eighty (80) feet to the point of BEGINNING.

For mortgagor's(s) title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17072, Page 337.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING, LLC

Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,

HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.

150 California St.

Newton, MA 02458

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**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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THE TRIAL COURT
Docket 22 SM 002059
ORDER OF NOTICE**

To:

Larry Darling, Jr.

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act,

50 U.S.C. c. 50

§3901 (et seq.)

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Dudley, 69 Ramshorn Road, given by Larry D. Darling, Sr. to CitiFinancial Services, Inc., dated October 9, 2009, and recorded at the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 44956, Page 47, has/ have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before 9/12/2022 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of this Court on 7/28/2022.

Attest:

Deborah J. Patterson

Recorder

August 19, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court**

**Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court**

**225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200**

**Docket No. WO22P2711EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Scott D Leahy

Date of Death: 05/06/2022

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Kathleen Needler of Oxford MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Kathleen Needler of Oxford MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/06/2022**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

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

Date: August 09, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman,

Register of Probate

August 19, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court**

**Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. 22P2687EA**

Estate of:

Margaret L Rogowski

Date Of Death: November 6, 2019

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Michelle House of Oxford MA**

Michelle House of Oxford MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Rep-

resentative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

August 19, 2022

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 167 Dudley Rd, Oxford, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Edward R. Gendron to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans and now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, said mortgage dated December 22, 2017, and recorded in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 58236, Page 33, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated September 28, 2018, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 59543, Page 48, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on September 9, 2022 at 11:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in the Town of Oxford, County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, on the easterly side of Dudley Road, bounded and described as follows:

See Plan Book 444, Plan 25

PARCEL I

BEGINNING at a point at the most westerly corner of the premises described herein at the end of a stone wall on the easterly line of said Dudley Road, said point being the southwesterly corner of Lot #114 as shown on a plan of land in Oxford owned by Nelson and Jeannette Cournoyer, dated June 22, 1970, Walter Brown surveyor, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 337, Plan 8;

THENCE along a stone wall by land now or formerly of Lacki, S. 88 deg. 29' E., a distance of thirty nine and twenty hundredths (39.20) feet;

THENCE N. 89 deg. 20' E., a distance of ninety (90) feet;

THENCE N. 81 deg. E., a distance of twenty six and five tenths (26.5) feet;

THENCE S. 88 deg. 38' E., a distance of three hundred seventy four (374) feet to a corner of stone walls and all being along said land of Lacki;

THENCE in a southerly direction along a stone wall and continuing by said land of Lacki,

a distance of three hundred fifty and sixty two hundredths (350.62) feet to a corner of stone walls;

THENCE in an easterly direction along a stone wall along said land of Lacki, a distance of seven hundred fifty nine (759) feet to a corner of stone walls;

THENCE Northerly along a stone wall by land of Lacki, a distance of ninety nine (99) feet more or less to the westerly line of Larned Road;

THENCE N. 0 deg. 15' E., along the westerly line of said Larned Road, a distance of ten (10) feet to a point in a stone wall on the westerly line of said Larned Road;

THENCE S. 85 deg. 15' W., three hundred and thirty hundredths (300.30) feet along Lot #16 as shown on a plan of land entitled Subdivision of Land on Larned Road for Nelson Cournoyer, Paul Pytko, C.E. as revised July 15, 1967 and recorded in Plan Book 310, Plan 113 to a point;

THENCE N. 4 deg. 5' E., a distance of eight hundred forty six (846) feet to a point;

THENCE S. 85 deg. 15' W., a distance of fifty (50) feet;

THENCE N. 4 deg. 5' E., three hundred three (303) feet all being along said land now or formerly of Alberts to a point at land now or formerly of LeFrancois;

THENCE S. 85 deg. 15' W., one hundred fifty (150) feet;

THENCE N. 4 deg. 45' W., four hundred (400) feet along said land of LeFrancois to a point, being the southeast corner of Lot No. 102 as shown on the aforementioned plan in Plan Book 310, Plan 113.

THENCE S. 31 deg. 10' W., one hundred twenty nine (129) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 27 deg. 05' W., one hundred thirty five (135) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 22 deg. 30' W., seven hundred fifty six and forty hundredths (756.40) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 23 deg. 30' W., one hundred forty and seventy hundredths (140.70) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 25 deg. 43' W., one hundred twenty seven and ninety hundredths (127.90) feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 30 deg. 28' W., one hundred twenty five (125) feet to an iron pipe and Lots 103-113, inclusive and all being shown on the aforementioned

plan recorded in Plan Book 337, Plan 8; THENCE N. 63 deg. 35' W., three hundred (300) feet along said Lot 113 to an iron pipe on the easterly line of said Dudley Road;

THENCE Southerly along the easterly line of said Dudley Road in a curve to the right with a radius of one thousand nine hundred seventy (1,970) feet a distance of two hundred eighty three (283) feet to the point of beginning;

As affected by an Affidavit for true and accurate measures of various bounds recorded September 13, 1982 in Book 7553, Page 269.

EXCEPTING therefrom the land located easterly of Lot 100 as shown on a plan recorded in said Deeds in Plan Book 337, Plan 8, in which the excluded piece does not abut the herein conveyed premises.

EXCEPTING therefrom those parcels of land conveyed to the following deeds:

1. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Richard D.Zack et al dated September 13, 1982 and recorded in Book 7553, Page 270;

2. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Robert J. Fiels et ux dated November 30, 1984 and recorded in Book 8508, Page 245;

3. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Mark A. Heroux et ux dated April 11, 1985 and recorded in Book 8650, Page 61.

PARCEL II

Also conveying another tract of land in said Oxford on the easterly side of Dudley Road adjoining Parcel I and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe at the northwest corner of the tract herein described on the easterly side of the 1958 Worcester County Highway layout of Dudley Road;

THENCE S. 88 deg. 29' E., mostly along a stone wall by said Parcel I herein, 39.20 feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE N. 89 deg. 20' E., along a stone wall by said Parcel I, 90 feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE N. 81 deg. 00' E., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 26.50 feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE N. 89 deg. 29' 56" E., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 342.11 feet to a drill hole in intersection with another stone wall;

THENCE S. 11 deg. 24' 34" W., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 351.53 feet to an iron pipe at the intersection with another stone wall;

THENCE N. 54 deg. 53' 28" W., by said stone wall by land now or formerly of Richard D. Zack, 545.86 feet to an iron pipe on the easterly side of Dudley Road;

THENCE running northerly along the easterly side of said Dudley Road on a curve to the left, having a radius of 2,030 feet and a length of 30 feet to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING an area of 2.153 acres shown as Parcel A on a plan recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 499, Plan 85.

EXCEPTING therefrom that portion of land conveyed by Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Mark A. Heroux et ux dated April 11, 1985 and recorded in Book 8650, Page 61.

For title see deed recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 32294, Page 20.

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

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated December 11, 2017, and recorded in Book 58236, Page 26 with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds.

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

TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within forty-five (45) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Marinosci Law Group, P.C.

275 West Natick Road, Suite 500

Warwick, RI 02886

Attorney for

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC

Present Holder of the Mortgage

Telephone: (401) 234-9200

MLG File No.: 19-01734

August 19, 2022

August 26, 2022

September 2, 2022

LEGALS

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family
Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO22P2656EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**
Henry J Konkel
Date of Death: 01/08/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Judith A. Konkel-Dery of Webster MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Judith A. Konkel-Dery of Webster MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/06/2022**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 03, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

August 19, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO22P2669EA
Estate of:
Louise C Girard
Date Of Death: May 03, 2022
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Chery A Shenette-Mongolla of Oxford MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Cheryl A Shenette-Mongolla of Oxford MA

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

August 19, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. 22P2590EA
Estate of:
Thomas William Izbicki
Date Of Death: May 7, 2022
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Melissa Asselin of Dayville CT**

Melissa Asselin of Dayville CT

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachu-

setts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

August 19, 2022

**(SEAL)
THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT
Docket 18 SM 001890
ORDER OF NOTICE**

To:
Alan J. Nash Jr.
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):
Freedom Mortgage Corporation claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 1 Duncan Avenue, given by Alan J. Nash, Jr. to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, dated June 8, 2016, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester South District) Registry of Deeds in Book 55448, Page 227, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three

Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before September 19, 2022, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.
Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of this Court on August 8, 2022.

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
20-006439
August 19, 2022

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

Premises: 55 Appleton Road, Auburn, MA 01501

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lindsay R. Morang to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for RBS Citizens, N.A., and now held by **Citizens Bank, N.A.**, said mortgage dated July 17, 2015 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54023, Page 18, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Mortgagee, as nominee for RBS Citizens, N.A. to Citizens Bank, N.A. by assignment dated December 13, 2019 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 61620, Page 283; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction** on September 21, 2022 at 12:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, situated on the easterly side of Appleton Road, Auburn, Massachusetts, being shown as an unnumbered lot on Plan of Land in Auburn, Mass., owned by Warren Berg, et ux, dated April 13, 1959, by William C. Taylor, Reg. Land Surv., recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 240, Plan 87, more particularly bounded and described as follows:
BEGINNING at a point in the easterly line of said Appleton Road at the

Northwest corner of the tract to be conveyed, which point is one hundred (100) feet southerly of the intersection of the southerly line of Athens Street and the easterly line of Appleton Road; **THENCE** North 78 degrees 16' 40" East, two hundred thirty-one and thirty-four hundredths (231.34) feet by Lots numbered 1 and 2 as shown on said plan to a stone wall at land now or formerly of Sibley; **THENCE** South 10 degrees 25' 30" East, one hundred and nine hundredths (100.09) feet by said stone wall and land of one Sibley to a point. **THENCE** South 78 degrees 18' West, two hundred twenty-nine and eight hundredths (229.08) feet to the easterly line of Appleton Road; **THENCE** North 11 degrees 42' 50" West, one hundred (100) feet by the easterly line of Appleton Road to the point of beginning.

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

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated July 1, 2015 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 54023, Page 15.

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

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

Brock & Scott, PLLC
1080 Main Street, Suite 200
Pawtucket, RI 02860
Attorney for Citizens Bank, N.A.
Present Holder of the Mortgage
401-217-8701

August 5, 2022
August 12, 2022
August 19, 2022



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KIDS CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY
COMMUNICATE ON CHILDREN'S
LEVEL AND HELP
CHILDREN FEEL LOVED.

ANSWER: PLAY

Crossword Puzzle

1			2				
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4					5		
6			7				
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ACROSS

- Water hobby
- Type of flowering tree
- National park
- Takes pleasure in

DOWN

- Related to one another
- Seek out
- Comes together
- Women
- Sense of self-importance

Answers:
Across: 1. Fishing 4. Magnolia 6. Yosemite 8. Enjoys
Down: 1. Family 2. Hunt 3. Hunt 3. Ladies 5. Ladies 7. Ego

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

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- 1914: BRUSSELS IS CAPTURED DURING THE GERMAN INVASION OF BELGIUM DURING WORLD WAR I.
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BOND

a relationship based on shared feelings or experiences

How they SAY that in...

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ITALIAN: Vacanza
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<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>CHARLTON – 42 Harrington Rd! Beautiful 6 Rm Colonial w/3 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths Colonial set on .55 Acre Lot! 1st Floor w/9' Ceilings! Living Rm w/Bump-out, W/W Carpeting & Crown Molding! Tile Foyer! Dining Rm w/Frplace (never used), W/W Carpet, Crown Molding & Wainscoting! Open Kitchen & Dining Area out to Wood Deck! Kit w/SS Appliances, Granite Island! 1/2 Bath off Kit w/Laundry! 2nd Floor w/3 Comfortable Bdrms! Master w/Vaulted Ceilings, Ceiling Fan, Walk in Closet, Master Bath w/Jetted Tub & Separate Shower, Skylight, & Double Vanity! 2nd Floor Hall Bath w/Skylight! Full Basement has Walk-out to Second Deck, Third Full Bath, Utility Rm! 2 Car Garage! Horseshoe Driveway w/Plenty of Parking! Deep Wooded Lot! \$419,900.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>SHREWSBURY – 34 Monroe St! 8 Rm, 4 Bdrm Colonial is Situated in a Sought After Neighborhood! Tree Lined Street w/Sidewalks, Close to Schools, Town Center & Highway! The Foyer Welcomes You into the Formal Din Rm w/Cleaning Hrdwds! Bright Liv Rm w/Vaulted Ceilings & View of its Park Like Grounds! Large Eat-in Kit w/Pantry & Gas Appliances, Perfect Gathering Place! Laundry Rm & 1/2 Bath Nearby! 1st Flr Frp'd Fam Rm w/Sliders out to Deck! 2nd Flr w/Comfortable Bdrms w/Full Shared Bath plus the Master Bath! Full Lower Level w/Game Rm Awaits Your Finishing Touch! Workshop & Plenty of Storage! 2 Car Garage w/Plenty of Room for Storage & Work! Outdoor Living on the Deck Overlooking Yard! Shed! This Home is Ready to call it Yours! \$699,900.00</p>	<p>ON DEPOSIT</p> <p>WEBSTER – 3 Birchwood Dr! Great Commuter Location! Convenient to All Major Routes! 7 Rm, 3 Bdrm, Ranch Ready for Your Taste & Upgrade! 2 Front Entries, Enter through the Huge Attached Fam Rm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Ceiling Fan, Wall AC & Dble Closet or through the Fireplace! Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Floor! Galley Kit w/ Raised Panel Wood Cabinets! Dining Area w/Hrdwd Floor & Slider out to the Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Floors & Ample Closet Space! Full Bathrm w/Linen Closet! The Lower Level once Finished, Ready to Finish Again! Many Possibilities! 1 Car Garage w/Open! The Home is Accessed by 2 Driveways, 1 to the Left of the House & 1 to the Right, Plenty of Parking! Built w/Electric Heat but has been converted to Oil, Hot Water Baseboard! Town Water! Passed Title V! Don't Delay... \$299,900.00</p>	<p>SOLD</p> <p>DUDLEY - 16 Joseph St! Spacious UPDATED 8 Rm Center Hall Garrison Colonial! Nicely Landscaped 25,561' Lot Set on a Cul-De-Sac "Dead End"! Ideal Residential Neighborhood! Dble Glass Door Tiled Center Hall Entry Foyer w/Guest Closet! SS Appliance Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Corian Countertops, Tile Flrs! Din Rm w/Hrdwds, Crown Molding & Bay Window! Frp'd Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Custom Shelving, Hrdwds & Bay Window! Fam Rm w/Hrdwds, Custom Cabinetry, Ceiling Fan, French Doors & Slider to Deck Overlooking Private Backyard! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry Closet! Hall w/Dble Closet to the 2 Car Garage! 2nd Flr w/4 Spacious Bdrms w/Hrdwd & Vinyl Plank Flooring! MASTER w/2 Walk-in Closets, Ceiling Fan & Custom Tile MASTER BATH! Hall Bath w/Custom Tile w/Shower Surround w/Linen Closet! Don't Delay! \$449,900.00</p>

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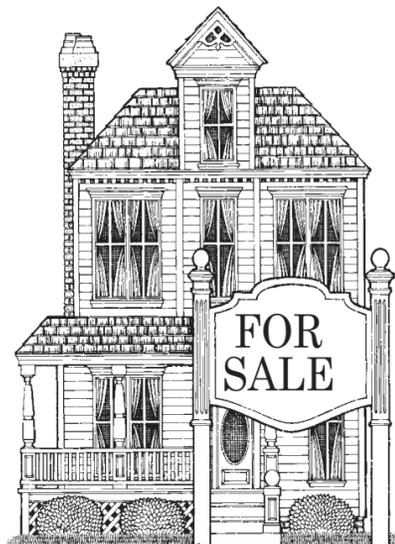
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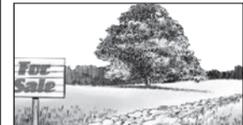
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BY STEVEN MARSHALL AND CAROLINE VILLA

Auburn Historical Museum

AUBURN — The newest exhibit at the Auburn Historical Museum celebrates the service-oriented history of 41 South St.

The building has served many purposes over the years. In 1922, it opened as the Tuttle Square School. From there, it has undergone several transformations to best serve the community and its history. These include a WWII base hospital, school administration offices, special education classes, and headquarters for the VNA. Finally, in 2004, it became the site of the Auburn Historical Museum which is operated by the Auburn Historical Society.

To learn more about the building and its century-long history, come into the Auburn Historical Museum where you will find a timeline that highlights all of this! The timeline was created and compiled by interns at the museum. Feel free to come in on either Tuesdays or Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call 508-832-6856 or email auburnmuseum@verizon.net for more information.

How to find a car that fits your budget



Drivers in the market for a new or pre-owned vehicle over the last couple of years likely discovered that the process of buying a car or truck is as difficult as ever. Prior to and during the COVID-19 pandemic, factory closures, supply chain issues, semiconductor chip shortages, and a bevy of other complications led to fewer vehicles on lots and much higher sticker prices on cars that were on the lot. That has caused people who are on strict budgets to reevaluate priorities and timelines.

According to Ivan Drury, Edmunds' senior manager of insights, consumers can't expect to walk into the dealership thinking they're going to find incentives or bargains right now. Plus, they may not even be able to see or test drive a vehicle they want. That reality makes now a great time for car shoppers to rethink their buying strategies.

Choose a different vehicle class

Tyson Jominy, Vice President of Data and Analytics at J.D. Power, says vehicle inventory in

November 2021 reached record lows. Although there has been some improvement in 2022, consumers may still have to make some concessions if they need a vehicle promptly. SUVs and pick-up trucks have been some of the hardest inventory to find. Considering a sedan or even a compact car may be the only way to get a new car quickly.

Wait it out

Those with the luxury of time may continue to wait for inventory to increase and prices to decrease. Tech experts, including Intel CEO Pat Gelsinger, expect chip shortages to persist into 2024. If a person's vehicle is in good condition, it may be more economical to hold on to it a little longer and do the maintenance required.

Seek out no-markup dealerships

It may take some investigation, but there are certain dealerships that are not adding astronomical markups, also called "market adjustments," to the costs of their vehicles. These dealers may advertise online, and car

buyers can always call ahead to ask about markups.

Take what you can get

Lots filled with a variety of makes, models, colors, and features are no longer the norm. Shoppers will be afforded more flexibility in price if they're willing to take what's available.

Check with different lenders

The Federal Reserve increased interest rates in the middle of 2022 and it initially planned to increase rates a few more times throughout the year. People, particularly those who do not have the best credit, can do themselves a favor and shop around at different banks for the best loan rates — the loan may be less costly than what's offered through the dealership. Also, certified pre-owned vehicles tend to come with promotional interest rates that are lower than the average APR, which makes them a viable alternative.

Vehicles are still expensive and in short supply, necessitating changes to how people buy their cars or trucks.

Dudley Cultural Council accepting grant applications starting Sept. 1

DUDLEY — The Dudley Cultural Council (DCC) is one of hundreds of local Cultural Councils in Massachusetts that grant programs providing entertaining and educational experiences. We are supported and funded by the state through the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC). Funds are allocated to qualified individuals, schools, and cultural organizations that bring cultural programs in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to the Dudley community.

Recent grant recipients have included the following: "The Places You'll Go," a summer reading program at the Pearl L. Crawford Memorial Library; The Dudley Grange Summer Music Series; Samuel Slater Experience-field trip for the Dudley Middle School, grades 5; "Island Vacation" by Roger Tinknell at the Dudley Senior Center; Launch of The Titan Newspaper at the Dudley Middle School.

Current members of the Dudley Cultural Council include: Patty Biron, JoAnn Brinker, Jane Champagne, Ginni DiDonato, Annette Gion, Marilyn Kramarz, Mary Kunkel, Peg Macuga,

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SPORTS

Worcester South tames shorthanded Tantasqua, then wins Auburn Summer League championship



Nick Ethier photos

Tantasqua Regional was the only Stonebridge Press affiliated school to reach the semifinal round of the Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League. Tantasqua lost to Worcester South in the semis, and South went on and won the championship over Quabbin Regional.



BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — What a difference five days makes. The semifinal and final rounds of the Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League were scheduled to be played on Thursday, Aug. 4. An off-the-charts heat index — coupled with National Grid's notification to summer league director Kristen Pappas that, because of the high heat index, power to Auburn High School, site of the games, would be lowered to the point that the air conditioning units at the building would not be able to be turned on — moved the games to Tuesday, Aug. 9.

That rescheduling had a dramatic affect on the seventh-seeded Tantasqua Regional team which, if its semifinal round game with top-seeded and undefeated South High of Worcester had been played on Aug. 4, would have had 15 of its 17 players in attendance. So, instead of battling the Colonels with an experienced nucleus of players that would have included rising senior Hannah Johnson, rising juniors Nicole Vejack and Elizabeth Thompson, and rising sophomore Maggie Johnson, the Warriors showed up with a seven-player roster that included a rising junior, three rising sophomores and three incoming freshmen. Tantasqua battled throughout the game, but the Warriors lost to South, 46-13. South went on to finish the summer league without experiencing the bitter taste of defeat, beating fifth-seeded Quabbin Regional in the champi-

onship game, 48-27. Quabbin advanced to the final with a 33-28 victory over third-seeded Sutton High in the semifinal round. Other area schools which competed in the Auburn Summer League were: Auburn High; Blackstone Valley Tech, David Prouty Regional; Grafton High; Leicester High; Northbridge High; Quaboag Regional; and Uxbridge High. "What was so disappointing to us about the decision to reschedule the semifinals and the final was the fact that the last time we played them we had the majority of our regular players and we gave them their toughest game of the regular season," Tantasqua coach Matt Ezzo said. "The last time we played them we trailed by just six points at halftime and they only won the game by 13 points, after winning most of their games this summer by 30-plus points. "It was one heck of a good game the last time around," Ezzo continued. "This time was a different story." Playing for Tantasqua in the semifinal against South were junior-to-be Angie Reno, sophomores-to-be

Maya Gidopoulos, Gianna Nichols and Eleanor Leland, and freshmen-to-be Sofie Ezzo (coach Ezzo's daughter), Jules Petersen and Maeve Early. Gidopoulos finished the game with six points, Nichols three, Early two, and Reno and Ezzo one each. All of the Warriors that played against South are, or will be, Tantasqua students except for Nichols. Coach Ezzo said Nichols, a Sturbridge resident, attended Marianapolis Prep in Thompson, Conn., last year but is considering returning to Tantasqua this year. According to coach Ezzo, Nichols and her parents have until Aug. 31 to decide where she will attend school for the 2022-2023 academic year. Matt Ezzo was quite complimentary to South following the defeat. "That's a tough team, no doubt about it," coach Ezzo said "I don't think I've ever seen a high school team shoot the percentage they shot from the field. Everything they threw up went in the hoop. In the first half I think they hit about 80 percent of their shots. It was amazing."

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SPORTS

Millbury gets hot late to beat Quaboag, win Auburn's Summer Basketball League



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Quaboag Regional was the Stonebridge Press affiliated school that reached the final of the Auburn Recreation and Culture Boys' Summer Basketball League. Quaboag lost to Millbury High for the title.

BY KEN POWERS
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

AUBURN — For the Quaboag Cougars, the championship game of the Auburn Recreation and Culture Boys' Summer Basketball League must have felt like the hoops equivalent of the first time you're allowed to back your father's new car out of the driveway. Everything's going fine and then you step on the gas pedal instead of the brake and you slam dad's new ride into the massive oak tree across the street.

Thanks to a 7-0 run to end the first half and a quick start to the second half, fifth-seeded Quaboag led Millbury, the No. 13 seed, by two points with 15 minutes remaining in the game, played Aug. 8 at Auburn High.

A not-so-funny thing happened to the Cougars on the way to winning the title, however. At that point, the Woolies went on a 19-4 run, and from there cruised to a 64-48 victory, capturing the school's first-ever Auburn Summer League championship.

Quaboag advanced to the title game with a 61-33 win over third-seeded Uxbridge High in the semifinal while Millbury defeated David Prouty Regional, the No. 2 seed, 40-33, to claim its spot in the final.

Other area schools which competed in the Auburn Summer League were: Auburn High; Bartlett High; Bay Path Regional; Leicester High; Oxford High; Shepherd Hill Regional; Southbridge

High; and Tantasqua Regional.

"My kids ran out of gas; they got tired, but we can't use that as an excuse," Quaboag coach Fran Elliott said. "We were happy to make it to the final, but Millbury beat us and I congratulated them for that. There are no sour grapes."

Quaboag trailed, 23-19 with two minutes left in the first half. The aforementioned 7-0 spurt, capped by a Chase Potvin (six points) 3-pointer, gave the Cougars a 26-23 lead heading to the second half. Quaboag led, 34-32, when its shooting touch went cold and Millbury took full advantage.

The Woolies scored in every conceivable fashion — a 3-pointer, a put-back, a bank shot, a short jumper, and five layups — to take command of the game, building a 51-38 lead with eight minutes to play in the game.

Ryan Fernandez led the Quaboag attack with 16 points while Owen Stevens added 15 and Matt Tiberi tossed in nine.

"All of these guys are great kids. They're all very coachable. When I say they're coachable it's because you explain something to them one time and they've got it," Elliott said. "Owen, Ryan and Matt, they all lit it up in the first half. In the second half we couldn't make a basket. It all went to heck in a hand basket in that second half."

Quaboag's roster against Millbury featured one rising senior, two rising

juniors and four rising sophomores.

"I think this team is going to be good in the regular season," Elliott said. "These kids lost a year to COVID. Some schools played, but we didn't. So this summer league was a learning experience for a lot of our guys. I told the

kids to go out and have fun. I told them to experiment and that's what they did. Guys would pass up a good shot because a teammate had a better shot. I was very pleased with the way we played tonight."

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Emily McKinney, LPN, Brookdale Eddy Pond East's Health & Wellness Coordinator

AUBURN — Emily Rose McKinney, LPN of Millbury is the health and wellness coordinator at the Brookdale Eddy Pond East, a well-respected senior living community that offers Assisted Living and Memory Care services.

In her role as health and wellness coordinator, McKinney takes on additional duties related to education on proper PPE donning and doffing per state regulations for COVID-19, screening potential new residents for appro-

priateness for Assisted Living, completing and implementing service plans every 6 months and/or for change of conditions for current residents, filling in as wellness nurse or resident care associate as needed.

McKinney is a graduate of Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy Class of 2013.

"I can hardly believe that next year will be 10 years since this huge accomplishment," said McKinney. "I have

worked in a few different fields since graduating (homecare pediatrics, LTC/SNF, and Assisted Living). I have found my calling within the geriatric community."

McKinney joined Brookdale Eddy Pond East as a wellness nurse in 2020. She enthusiastically shared, "to see how much nursing has evolved in just the nine short years since I graduated amazes me, especially now with COVID-19. The way that we have had to adapt throughout this Pandemic is something that I did not think that I would get used to, however I have!" McKinney adds, "and I have learned so much. I am constantly trying to read new articles and keep myself updated and informed so that I may provide education to those around me, especially my residents when they ask me questions."

McKinney credits Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy and her professors, stating, "I do not know where I would be today if I had not taken the leap and went to Bay Path. I always wanted to be a doctor, to heal others, however, now I cannot imagine any other career for myself other than being a nurse. I try to be the nurse that I would want for my family and friends, lending a listening ear when one of my residents needs someone to listen to them, holding their hands when they are having a bad day and just being that familiar friendly face for them when they haven't seen their family in so long because of COVID-19. The Bay Path Practical Nursing Program helped to prepare me for anything that could be thrown my way, and anything that could change in the Healthcare industry."

McKinney specifically mentioned Virginia Dockstader, BSN, RN of Hopkinton, noting "When I think of the



kind of nurse that I want to continue to be and grow into, I think of Professor Dockstader. She was who I looked up to, her caring, soft-spoken ways always amazed me in clinical and I always thought to myself, she is the nurse that I want to model myself after."

McKinney expressed her gratitude, and in closing, said, "I will forever be grateful to Bay Path Practical Nursing Program for teaching me and helping me to become the best nurse that I can be. For providing me an outstanding education, and for continuing to provide support in any way that they can, even all these years later."

Nicole Buczkowski of North Oxford earns University of Nebraska-Lincoln degree

LINCOLN, Neb. — Nicole Elizabeth Buczkowski of North Oxford was among 626 graduates who received degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln during a combined graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremony Aug. 13 at Pinnacle Bank Arena.

Buczkowski earned a Doctor of Philosophy from the Office of Graduate Studies. The graduates are from 34 countries, 39 states and more than 70 Nebraska communities.

Susan M. Swearer, Willa Cather Professor and chair of the Department of Educational Psychology at Nebraska, delivered the commencement address.

In addition, previous graduates who were unable to attend their ceremonies due to the COVID-19 pandemic were celebrated. Four returned to be recognized. For the full list of August graduates, visit <https://go.unl.edu/grads-aug22>.

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