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Uxbridge resident joins WooSox Women in Sports panel



WORCESTER — On Saturday, July 23, the Worcester Red Sox celebrated “UniBank Women in Sports Day.” The celebration began with the club’s second youth clinic of the season, presented by Hanover Insurance. More than 80 youngsters—including many aspiring softball players—learned the basic mechanics of diamond sports from WooSox coaches, players, and front office members.

Then, the WooSox hosted a free “UniBank Women in Sports” panel in the DCU Club, which was jam-packed with attentive listeners. Featured panelists included:

- Jen Toland, a veteran sports reporter for the Telegram & Gazette.
- Uxbridge native Allison Cahill, the winningest quarterback in Women’s Football Alliance history as a member of the Boston Renegades.
- Professor Libby O’Hara, the director of Assumption

University’s sport management program, whose list of mentees includes several WooSox front office members.

-Kate Myshrrall, the longtime vice president of advancement at the Seven Hills Foundation, who for 13 years was a sports producer for NESN and NBC.

-Katie Wickstrom, a former state champion golfer at Notre Dame Academy in Worcester, who went on to be team captain of the women’s rowing team at Santa Clara University.

-Kim Miner, the executive vice president and general counsel of the WooSox.

Before her football career took off, Cahill was a standout basketball and softball player at Uxbridge High School. She graduated as the all-time scorer in the women’s basketball program, then played collegiately for four years at Princeton University,

where she graduated with a degree in history in 2003.

However, during the panel discussion, Cahill told the audience that her dream was always to play football. She grew up watching the New England Patriots on TV with her family, and often played football in the yard with her two older brothers. One night, when she was four, she put on one brother’s football pads and helmet and strutted around the family room—and was met with laughs.

But Cahill never let go of her dream, and went on to become the winningest quarterback in Women’s Alliance History by leading the Boston Renegades to seven national titles, including four consecutive titles.

During pre-game ceremonies, Cahill stood alongside two Renegades teammates, one of whom

delivered a Ceremonial First Pitch on her behalf.

The night before, on Friday, July 22, the WooSox welcomed to Polar Park more than 165 youngsters from the Uxbridge Baseball Association, as well as their families. Pitcher Austin Whitney threw a Ceremonial First Pitch to his teammate, Grayson Matthews. Hunter Wilson was the Cornerstone Bank Jr. Announcer—every game, the club asks a youngster to announce the WooSox hitters in the bottom of the third inning using the PA system in the control room. And Patrick Brauning participated in the club’s mid-inning “Table Talk Pies in the Sky” promotional activity on the field.

Douglas receives \$3.3 million grant

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT

DOUGLAS — The Federal Economic Development Administration has awarded a \$3.3 million grant to the town of Douglas.

The funding was announced as part of a grant funding round for infrastructure projects that will enable hundreds of millions of dollars in private investment, create hundreds of jobs, and anchor the town’s revenue outlook, according to a statement released by the town.

The Federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) is a part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, the town released.

“The federal money will allow the town to extend sewer service from its current end point on Gilboa Street to a large warehouse development on Lackey Dam Road in Uxbridge,” the town reported. “The project will also create a sewer service connection for a planned warehouse between Gilboa and Northeast Main Streets in Douglas. The Town will also upgrade an old pump station to handle all the additional flows.”

The scope of work funded by the grant also includes the upgrade of water mains from Main Street to Northeast Main, and all along Northeast Main to the Town border with Uxbridge, according to reports. Existing businesses and residences in this area will benefit from “significant improvements in service levels and reliability” resulting from “loop” connections the warehouse developers will complete across their property, the town shared.

“I want to thank our federal delegation and EDA representatives for working so well with our Town staff to craft a strong application for this competitive grant,” said Douglas Select Board Chair Kevin Morse. “We don’t have a consulting team or cast of thousands to pull together so much material. We have just four people, with only one on task full time, to collect data, file reports, write narratives, gather letters of support and attend all the meetings necessary to compete for these funds.”

Morse added that the town’s regional EDA Representative Deb Beavin, staff from Congressman McGovern’s office, Jeannie Hebert from the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, Sen. Ryan Fattman, and Rep. Joe McKenna all “pitched in with valuable guidance” as the town has gone forward.

“To everyone who has helped, we are very grateful,” Morse said. “Without this EDA grant, we would not be able to complete the project. Congratulations to our Economic Development Project Facilitator Bob Minarik, who is seeing the reward for his persistence

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Uxbridge High principal named to MSAA Board of Directors

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
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UXBRIDGE — High School Principal Michael Rubin will serve on a state Board of Directors for principals.

During its annual business meeting held on July 28, the Massachusetts School Administrators Association named Rubin to the MSAA Board of Directors; he will serve as the State Advocacy Coordinator for the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), according to the Uxbridge Public Schools.

Uxbridge Interim Superintendent of Schools Michael Baldassarre said that he has already recognized Rubin as a “stand-out leader.”

“Uxbridge High School has so much going on with cutting edge technical career programs that Mr. Rubin and his team brought in—it is easy to see how he can assist other school leaders in



Michael Rubin

endeavors such as these,” Baldassarre said. “We are talking about early college high school opportunities for our students, and so much more.”

State coordinators serve a “vital role” alongside NASSP’s Policy & Advocacy Center and their state association, according to a school statement. Their primary responsibility is to “promote NASSP’s advocacy agenda, highlight the

achievement of NASSP’s advocacy efforts in the states, and increase participation in NASSP’s grassroots advocacy activities by state association members and other education stakeholders.”

As the lead volunteer policy advocate in the state, according to a press statement, working in coordination with the state association, state coordinators are tasked with “managing and expanding their state’s advocacy infrastructure and growing a larger network of other advocates.”

“I am extremely excited about the opportunity to serve our state and our community in advocating for schools,” Rubin said. “As we look at the future of our schools, ensuring that policy and support from all levels will be even more of a priority...I am excited to work with our communities, school leaders, and legislators to ensure that our schools are well supported.”



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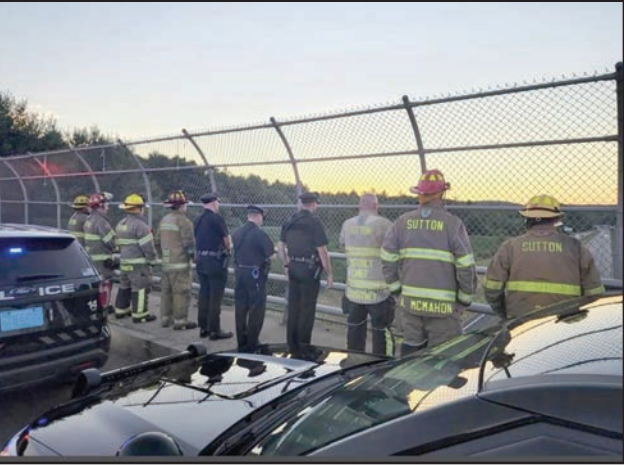
Massachusetts State Police K9 Frankie, a member of the department for nine years, was killed in the line of duty during a mission in Fitchburg.

BY KIMBERLY PALMUCCI
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REGION — When a Massachusetts State Police K9 passes, the K9 handlers have a saying: “Free Time.”

“It means that these brave dogs who work so hard to protect the rest of us have earned their eternal peace,” said Massachusetts State Police Col. Christopher Mason in a statement.

No State Police K9 had ever passed in the line of duty—until July 26, when K9 Frankie was fatally shot during an attempt to apprehend a wanted fugitive who had barricaded himself inside a residence, said Col. Mason. Frankie’s handler, Sergeant David



Sutton police officers and members of the fire department staged over Route 146 as a way to pay respects to K9 Frankie.

Stucenski, was not physically injured, according to reports.

“His sacrifice will never be forgotten,” Mason released. “He was a beloved member of the Massachusetts State Police family and the Stucenski family. He was, as much as any human...member of the Department, one of us and part of us.”

Frankie was a Belgian Malinois; he would have turned 11 next month, and had been a member of the department for about nine years, according to police. He is the first Massachusetts State Police canine killed in the line of duty.

“Free time and Godspeed, Frankie,”

Mason added.

The sequence of events that led to the tragic line-of-duty loss began the morning of July 26. Shortly before 9 a.m., members of the MSP Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section “established surveillance of a three-story multi-family house” in Fitchburg after developing information that fugitive suspect Matthew Mack, 38, was at that location, according to reports. Mack was wanted on warrants charging him with firearms offenses and accessory after the fact stemming from a shooting incident July 21 in Fitchburg, according to Mason’s statement.

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Blackstone Valley NEMBA to open first phase of trail network



UXBRIDGE — In early 2020, the Blackstone Valley Chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (NEMBA) proposed an idea for a mountain bike skills park to be built at

West Hill Dam. NEMBA is a community of mountain bikers committed to creating epic riding experiences, preserving open space, and guiding the future of mountain biking in New England.

The Blackstone Valley Chapter covers the suburbs west of Boston and in southeast Worcester County.

West Hill Dam has

more than 15 trails, named from the military alphabet, that are multi-use for bikers, hikers, and horseback riders. It offered a perfect location to develop this area. The new mountain bike friendly park gives the opportunity for beginner through expert riders to further advance their skills and become more confident on their bikes. It gives people in the community a new place to go for outdoor recreation. It is free for all to use, publicly accessible, and totally unique to the area.

Blackstone Valley NEMBA was awarded a Signature Trail Grant through the New England Mountain Bike Association to help fund the project. Koopman Lumber, Uxbridge Police Association, and the US

Army Corps of Engineers at West Hill Dam have also donated as well as other private donors to make the Skills Park come to fruition.

Blackstone Valley NEMBA broke ground in March 2022 to prepare the approximately three quarter acre plot of land, located next to the Charlie trail. The Rangers at the dam have helped clear the land and make it more usable. Once the land was cleared the volunteers got to work on planning and building. Twice a week since May, teams of volunteers have gathered to build trails, construct features, and support each other in this endeavor.

As the end of this first phase of building is near-

ing, the majority of construction work has been completed. There are more than 20 features that have been created this summer, including kid-sized features for even the smallest riders to build their skills on. The second phase of building will commence in Spring of 2023, with more exciting trails and features in the works.

On Aug. 21 at 9 a.m., Blackstone Valley NEMBA will have an official Grand Opening of the Skills Park. We invite the community to come see (and ride!) what we've built. There will be music, food and contests to showcase and celebrate everything that has been built for the community to enjoy.

BVT announces school lunch and breakfast program policy

UPTON — As we await further eligibility and guidance regarding universally free meal services in Massachusetts, all school districts must provide school meal applications to certify children for free and reduced-price meals. Blackstone Valley Tech has announced its policy for free and reduced-price lunch and breakfast for students who are unable to pay the full price for meals and snacks under the National School Lunch & Breakfast Program.

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If you need to complete an application, the district strongly encourages applying online at www.valleytech.school lunchapp.com, which is environmentally friendly and fast, with results available within 24 to 48 hours. Please note that you only need to complete one application per household for all children who attend the same school district.

If you do not have access to a computer, you can arrange to pick up a paper application at the school. If you prefer to print a paper application, visit www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/freereducedmeals. Please be aware that paper applications require up to five days to allow for mail delivery and manual processing. Households must answer all applicable questions as incomplete applications cannot be processed.

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Pleasant St. Church presents Women's Bible Study — "Revelation: God Speaks to the Church"

UXBRIDGE — Coffee Break, a community Bible study for women, will begin its Fall season with a Meet & Greet on Tuesday, Sept. 6. On Tuesday, Sept. 13, we will begin a study of "Revelation: God Speaks to the Church."

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Coffee Break is held each Tuesday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and offers women in the Blackstone Valley an opportunity to read and discuss the Bible, share questions and concerns, and develop new friendships. There's no "homework" required, and no previous Bible knowledge is necessary. Study guides are provided free of charge.

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Ends August 12
Whitinsville Social Library urges families to get ready, get set, go to the library and sign up for Read Beyond the Beaten Path! Participants can win prizes for reaching their reading goals. Tracking your reading through the Beanstack app. For more details, visit <https://whitinsville.beanstack.org/>.

Ed the Wizard
Thursday 8/11 at 11
Ed the Wizard's Impromptu Magic for Camping program will appear on Thursday, August 11th, starting at 11:00 AM. In this program you will learn how to perform easy magic with everyday items that you might take on a camping or hiking trip. This program is for all ages. Registration is required. Register online at www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Northbridge Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Mindful Movement with Miss Lindsey

Tuesdays 10:30-11
Ages 3-6
Join Miss Lindsey on Tuesday mornings for Mindful Movement on the front lawn of the library to practice yoga, fun ways to breathe and mindfulness activities that promote healthy emotional management and a sense of well-being. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel to use on the grass. Registration is required. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL

Outdoor Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins
Wednesdays from 10:30-11
Ages 1-5
Join WSL on the front lawn of the library for Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins! Deb Hudgins will be back with her Preschool Music & Movement Program with the Whitinsville Social Library. There will be plenty of singing, dancing, games, stories and fun for everyone! Bring a blanket or something to sit on in the grass while we move and sing to this fun program! Registration is required. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL

The Historian is In
Wednesdays from 2-3
Drop-in between 2-3 on Wednesdays in August to get in-person assistance with your local history research from historian Carol Brouwer.

Tween and Teen Crafternoons
Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30
Ages 9-17
Join Miss Heather on the front lawn of the library for Tween and Teen Crafternoon! Each week will be a different craft. Join us for this fun filled event! Registration is required. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL

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Join Miss Heather outside on the front lawn of the library to sing songs and rhymes, make a craft, and read some books! Bring a blanket to sit on the grass and join in on the fun!
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Outdoor Baby Bounce
Fridays from 10:30-11
Ages 0-2
Join Miss Heather outside on the front lawn of the library for Outdoor Baby Bounce! Bring a blanket or something to sit on in the grass as we read some fun books, sings songs and rhymes, and other fun activities. Registration is required. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL

Glam and Camp Stuffy SleepOver
Drop-off on Monday 8/8
Pick-up on Wednesday 8/10
Ages 1-10
Join Miss Heather for a stuffy sleepover at the library! Drop off your favorite stuffed animal to spend the night at the library on Monday August 8th, then pick up your friend on Wednesday August 10th along with their camping kit to see what adventures they went on! Registration is required, register online at www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWSL

Adult Craft Morning & Night
Monday 8/8 at 11 AM & 6 PM
Join us at the library for either the morning or evening session to create an etched hanging terrarium with an air plant. Registration is required - please pick time when signing up. For adults.

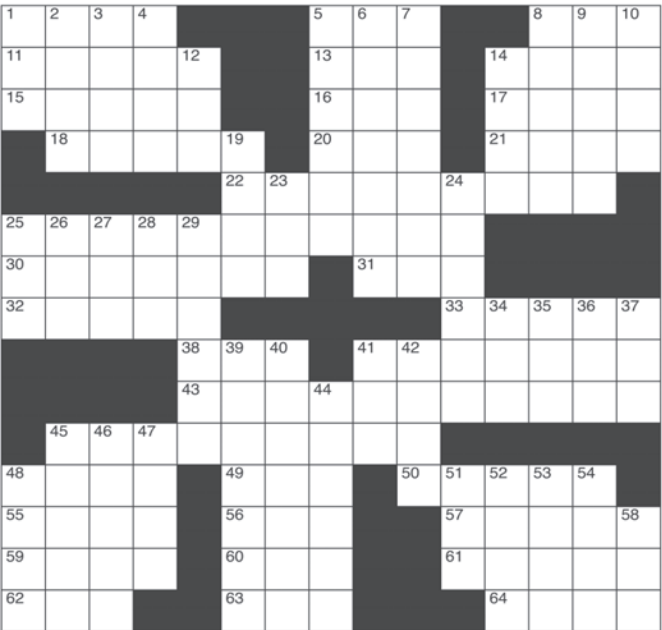
Tuesday 8/9 at 6
Discuss "City of Girls" by Elizabeth Gilbert. Copies are available at the library. Ebooks may be available through Overdrive. Please register.

Books & Brews
Thursday 8/18 at 5:30
Purgatory Beer Co.
This monthly book club meets at Northbridge's local craft brewery Purgatory Beer Co on Linwood Ave. Join fellow book lovers to talk about books. This month's theme is mysteries. Snacks are provided, beers are on you. Please register.

Memoir Book Club
Wednesday 8/24 at 6 PM
Join us at the library for a discussion of "Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption" by Bryan Stevenson. Copies of the book are available at the library or via Overdrive. Please register.

Cookbook Club
Thursday 8/25 at 12
Check out "Big Boards for Families: Healthy, Wholesome Charcuterie Boards and Food Spread Recipes that Bring Everyone Around the Table" by Sandy Coughlin. Make a board at home and bring it to the library. Participants discuss the cookbook and have lunch together. Copies of the book are available at the library or place a hold in the CWMARS catalog. Please register.

Tween & Teen Graphic Novel Book Club
Thursday 8/25 from 2:30 - 3:30
Ages 9-17
This month we are reading two books based on "Dungeon Critters" by Natalie Riess and Sara Goetter and doing a fun activity based on the book. Registration is required. Register at: www.tinyurl.com/EventsAtWS



CLUES ACROSS

1. Breezed through

5. Time units (abbr.)

8. Pigeon's murmur

11. Moves aside in fright

13. Partner to "ahh"

14. Taxis

15. Monetary units of Turkey

16. Returned material authorization (abbr.)

17. Prolific Italian opera composer

18. Restaurants

20. One's grandmother

21. Ancient Greek City

22. Italian mountain ranges

25. Data

30. Acted in an obedient way

31. Autonomic nervous system

32. Not on the up-and-up
33. Mock lightly

38. Mimic

41. Built

43. A neighborhood

45. Inflammation of the kidneys

48. Semitic fertility god

49. Temporary name of Seaborgium

50. Wise people

55. Tear down

56. __-fi (slang)

57. Diamond weight

59. Frosted

60. Predecessor to EU

61. Makes changes to

62. Some are secret

63. Tooth caregiver

64. Old English poet

CLUES DOWN

1. Sign language

2. In style

3. Norwegian river

4. People with impaired hearing

5. Large stinging paper wasp

6. Bucharest is its capital

7. River in Ireland

8. Type of TV

9. Double-reed instruments

10. Spanish motorcycle manufacturer

12. Midway between south and southeast

14. French commune

19. Alike

23. A bachelor's apartment

24. Foot part between the ball and ankle

25. Belonging to a thing

26. Japanese classical theater
27. Supervises flying

28. Not even

29. Capital of Saudi Arabia

34. Electronic countermeasure

35. Consumed

36. American politician (abbr.)

37. Sun up in New York

39. Casually looked through

40. Revealed the presence of

41. Peyton's little brother

42. Diana __, singer

44. Study of moral values and rules

45. Civil Rights group

46. Makes less severe

47. Made an emotional appeal

48. Vivacity of style

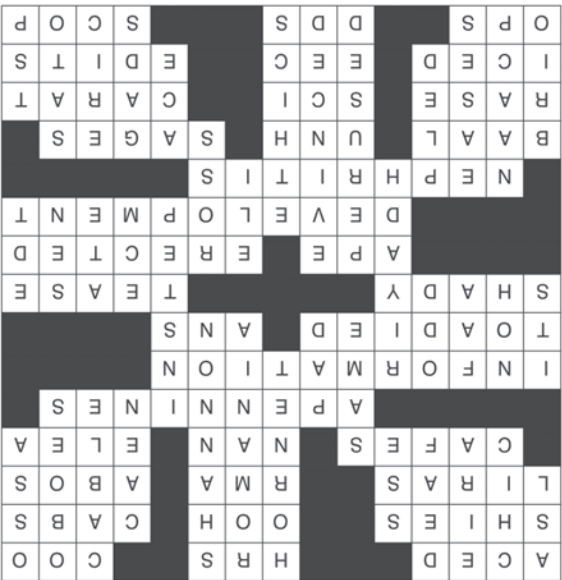
51. One who is highly skilled

52. Gets around in pursuit of pleasure

53. Famed guitarist Clapton

54. Most common Japanese surname

58. Recipe abbreviation



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Outdoor Storytime! Thursdays Fiction Book Club

NORTHBRIDGE SENIOR CENTER

Come play Scrabble! Our next games are on Monday, August 8th at 10:00am. Call Jeanne for more information.

Women's Discussion Group and Coffee Hour: our next meeting is Wednesday, August 10th, 1-2:00pm. Call Amy to sign up or for more information.

Next walk with "Take a Hike" is Tuesday, August 9th at 10:00am. The group will meet at Upton State Forest, call Jeanne at the Center for more information.

Check out our shows on Northbridge Cable TV, channel 194, Monday through Friday from 9-11:00am. We show exercise classes for our senior population as well as entertainment.

We are looking for interest in the following programs: Basic First Aid Class, CPR Class, Pet First Aid Class. If any of these programs are of interest to you, please call Amy at the Center.

FINE began its new cycle of the 120 Club Raffle on July 7th. You may still purchase your \$20 ticket at our front desk. FINE

draws a \$20 winner every week until November 17th when the final drawing will be held and you can win \$100, \$200,\$300, \$400 or \$500!

New Pitch League starting in September, Mondays 9-11:00. Details to follow once we have a complete list. Call Michelle to sign up.

Meet the Author: Mark DerMugrditchian at Plummer Place, Thursday, August 11th @ 12:45pm. Mark is a local author of the book "4 Strokes West" and he will discuss the story of his trip cross-country from MA to CA on his motorcycle. Light refreshments will be served, call the Center to reserve a spot.

AARP Smart Driver Course: August 18th and 19th 9:30-12:00 at Plummer Place with instructor Phyllis Masso. Learn proven safety strategies to help keep you safe while on the road. After taking the course,

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Emerson College students, including Joseph DuBois of Uxbridge, receive National Student Emmy Award for Sports Programming

BOSTON — Emerson College students received a sports programming award from the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences in their work for The Box Score, a student-run sports talk show.

Joseph DuBois from Uxbridge is a member of the 33-person crew who worked on the show for season 12 and 13. DuBois is majoring in Journalism and is a member of the Class of 2021.

Co-producers represented the team in June when the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) presented The Box Score with the Outstanding Sports Program Award for Fall

2021-the program's 12th season.

Founded in 1957, the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) recognizes excellence in television with the coveted Emmy Award for News & Documentary, Sports, Daytime, Public Service and Technology.

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 gradu-

ate 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.

Western New England University announces Dean's List

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University recently named over 730 students to the Spring Semester 2022 Dean's List.

Thomas Andolina of Uxbridge is working toward a BS in Criminal Justice.

Julia Klisiewicz of Whitinsville is working toward a BSE in Biomedical Engineering.

Thomas Schreiber of Uxbridge is working toward a BSE in Civil Engineering.

Mark Spain of Douglas is working toward a BSE in Computer Engineering.

Emmett Berard of Douglas is working toward a BSE in Mechanical Engineering/

Mechatronics Concentration.

Western New England University (WNE) is a private, nationally ranked, comprehensive institution with a focus on preparing work-ready and world-ready graduates. Founded in 1919 in Springfield, Massachusetts as a division of Northeastern College, WNE's 215-acre suburban campus serves more than 3,700 students, including over 2,500 full-time undergraduates. More than 47,000 alumni have earned degrees through its 90+ undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs at Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, and

Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and School of Law. Students come from 39 U.S. states and territories and 23 countries. Of 45,104 living alumni, 30% remain within the region, residing in the four Western Massachusetts counties and northern Connecticut.

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

Movie screening to benefit Douglas High School Celebration Graduation

MILLBURY — On Friday, Aug. 12, The DHS celebration graduation committee will host its first Movie morning, Showcase cinemas 70 Worcester-Providence Turnpike Rd. in Millbury. Movie starts at 10:30 a.m. All Proceeds from the movie will support the Douglas High School Celebration Graduation. To attend the movie please register online at Eventbrite.com/DHS celebration graduation.

"Knowing graduates of preceding generations before its inception, it can easily be said that they lost out on an amazing opportunity. As a parent of seniors who were able attend over the years, it was great to know that they were attending

such a safe event while making lifelong memories. It is an incredible peace of mind," states Detective Sergeant Aaron McLaughlin from the Douglas Police department.

Currently, the DHS celebration graduation committee needs to raise over \$20,000 in funds to make this a successful event. All proceeds from the movie morning benefit the Douglas High School Senior all night celebration. Corporate sponsors for the movie morning event include Labontes Auto school, Ripple Effect Insurance and Lindsey Sarah Realty.

The cost of the movie is \$10 per person. To attend movie please visit eventbrite.com/DHS celebration graduation or

call Lindsey at 508-333-7733.

About DHS Celebration Graduation

DHS Celebration Graduation is an all volunteer 501(c) (3). On the night of graduation, the graduating class attend an all inclusive, up all night event at PINZ, at no cost to them. Buses will be provided to take them to and from the event which keeps them off the roads and in a safe environment, while allowing them to celebrate their accomplishment with all of their friends. The night is filled with food, fun, entertainment and surprises for each student. This event is completely paid for by our corporate sponsors, parents/guardians, and the community.

Western New England University announces President's List

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University recently named over 520 students to the Spring Semester 2022 Presidents List.

Rose Handlin of Whitinsville is working toward a BS in Criminal Justice.

Ryan Paxton of Uxbridge is working toward a BSE in Civil Engineering/Environmental Engineering Concentration.

Nicholas LaPolt of Douglas is working toward a BSE in Mechanical Engineering.

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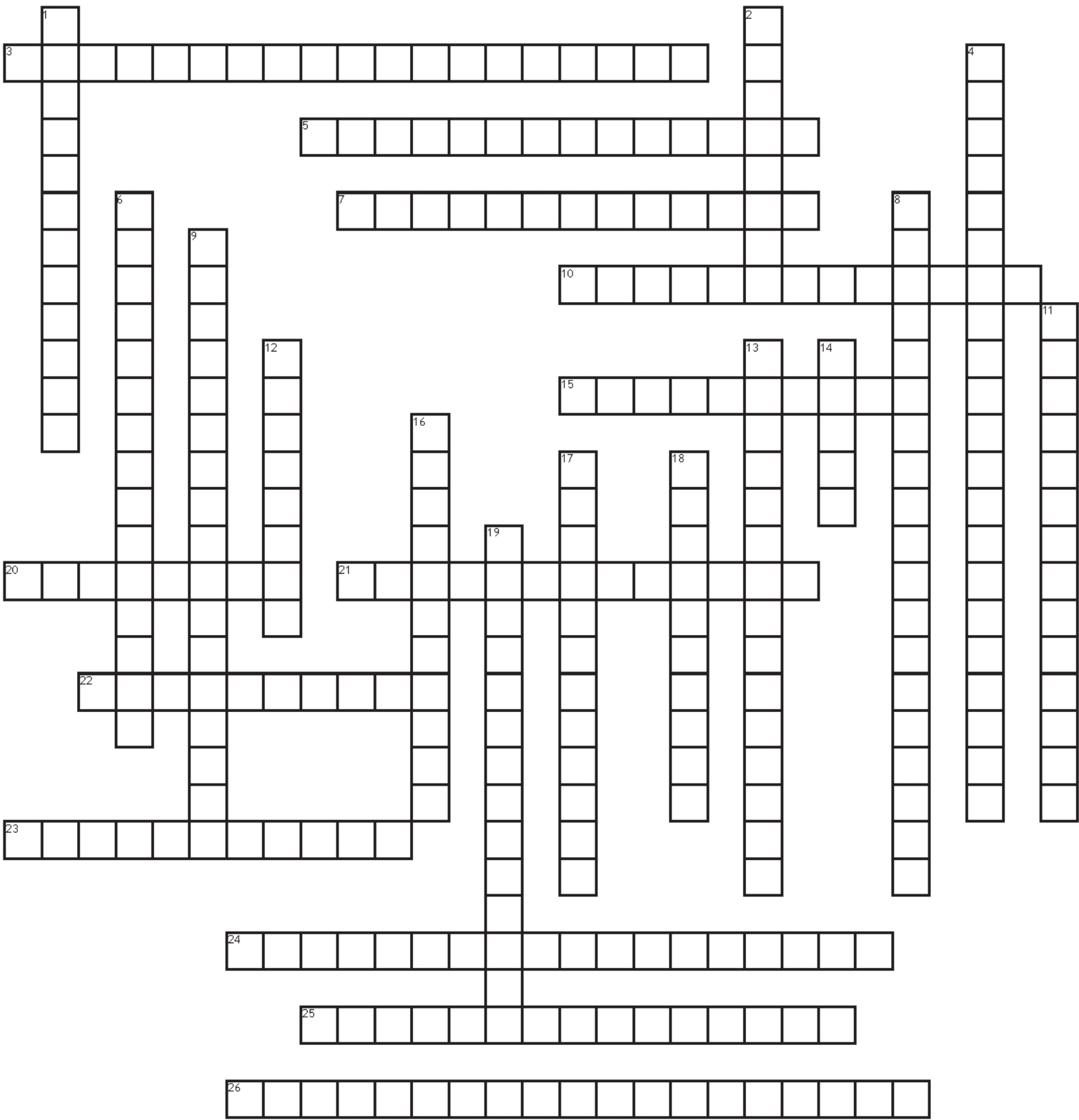
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EDITORIAL

Here’s to the Dog Days

It’s a typical New England summer evening, with a warm breeze blowing through the open windows. the sun is setting with the back drop of dancing leaves hanging on the trees in the distance. Paul Simon, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Led Zeppelin, Edie Brickell and The Doors are taking turns on the five disc CD player recently picked up from a local secondhand shop, and well, here we are, in the dog days of summer. What a great place to be.

But what exactly does that term mean?

The “Dog Days” of summer was coined for the period from July 3 to Aug. 11, typically the hottest days of the season. We found that not many know where the expression comes from. Some thought it simply meant that it’s too hot outside for dogs; however, that is not the case.

The phrase stemmed from Sirius, the Dog Star. During the “Dog Days,” the Sun occupies the same part of the sky as Sirius, the brightest star visible from Earth. Sirius is a part of the constellation Canis Major, the Greater Dog.

Since the Sirius star is so bright on July 23, the ancient Romans thought it added extra heat to the sun, making this span of time hotter. Of course, we know that the heat is because of the Earth’s tilt.

Speaking of summertime and keeping things light as we should during this season, we wanted to dispel some old myths some of us still carry with us from childhood.

Our parents told us we could catch a cold from air conditioning. The extreme changes in temperature from going outside to inside could wreak havoc on your immune system, especially if people around you are sick. Keep your air conditioner at a moderate level and all will be A-OK.

They also told us you can’t get sunburned on a cloudy day; however, we do recall some of our parents actually telling us that we could! Thick clouds cannot block harmful UV rays, leaving you at risk for a bad burn. One of us had an aunt, who told us that putting butter on a bad burn would soothe the pain. Butter may actually cause an infection and make the healing process take longer, keep it on your popcorn.

The old “Don’t swim after eating” line we’ve all heard from about Kindergarten through high school? Well, it turns out that jumping back into the pool with a freshly full stomach might be a bit uncomfortable, but the notion that you will suffer cramps debilitating enough to drown you is a myth.

Saltwater does not heal wounds faster; in fact, it makes them worse. However, dried beach hair after a dip in the ocean is always a ten.

Eating garlic does not keep the bugs away. For a natural repellent, try placing some lavender behind your ears.

Hopefully, these myths brought you back to your summers as a child where back then, you had to be home before the lights went on, catching lightning bugs and putting them in a jar was a nightly activity and jumping through actual inter tubes where the tire valve had better be faced down was what those days were made of, oh and pogo sticks!

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fractured fairy tales

To the Editor:

I so thoroughly enjoyed reading the brief history of Native Americans, that I took a week off from having to defend America from the rabid right. Alas, last week, Pocahontas was unmasked - ‘cult of climate change?’ Isn’t that the pot calling the kettle black! Where to begin...

According to NASA, “The vast majority of actively publishing climate scientists – 97 percent – agree that humans are causing, or exacerbating global warming and climate change.” That is quite the cult. As for the term “climate change” being ‘invented by focus group workshops’, that’s pure bunk. According to the BBC, “In 1975, US scientist Wallace Broecker put the term ‘global warming’ into the public domain in the title of a scientific paper, “Climatic Change: Are We on the Brink of a Pronounced Global Warming?”¹ The term ‘climate change’ has its origins further back in time. In 1956, the physicist Gilbert Plass published a seminal study called “The Carbon Dioxide Theory of Climatic Change”. In 1977 the journal Climatic Change made its first appearance. Within another decade, the term ‘climate change’ was in common use, and embedded in the name of the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which was formed in 1988. UK Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher gave a speech to the UN in which she used the term ‘climate change’ a year later in 1989.” Did you know that, Bev?

Now to Cassandra’s fable regarding Sri Lanka: her story goes that Sri Lanka’s 21 million people are facing starvation and total political and economic collapse because John Kerry, a.k.a. Spider Man’s nemesis ‘The Green Goblin,’ convinced the government to end the use of synthetic fertilizers and pesticides. First, the ban didn’t take effect until April 2021, a little over a year ago. No country collapses after one failed or limited crop harvest. The feckless (now I know why Bev loves that word) government surprised farmers with the new controls, and failed to provide any training or preparation ahead of the annual planting. They were entirely negligent in that respect. Second, the problems leading to the current insolvency are the result of years of corruption and questionable infrastructure projects, along with the largest tax cut in Sri Lankan history. Third, there was a terrorist attack in 2019 that frightened away travelers, after which came the COVID pandemic, which severely curtailed the tourism on which the country relied. In Bev’s fictional take, which totally disregards the historical record, all of Sri Lanka’s problems are lain at the feet of climate change believers. To her credit, her tale does support the GOP agenda – anything that negatively impacts Republican fossil fuel donors must be portrayed as a hoax.

There’s more...Bev then warns “we should be very, very afraid” because Bill Gates has been buying up farm land for decades. Holy rutabagas, Batman! Unfortunately, for her hypothesis, there is no evidence that the billionaire’s farmland buying is anything more

than a desire to have a well-diversified portfolio. “Farmland has had a remarkably consistent ability to hedge against inflation,” says one of Gates’ portfolio managers. And it tends to be “negatively correlated” against other investments, he adds. ‘If the stock market is going down, the return on farmland is likely to be going up’. Gates owns 242,000 acres - not the 300,000 acres that Bev quotes. (Why does Bev always round way, way up?) - .03 percent of America’s total farmland, an area about a quarter the size of Rhode Island. So what should we be “very, very afraid” of? Gates also owns shares in John Deere. Should we worry about lawn mowers? I bet Bev can concoct a conspiracy regarding that too.

I could deconstruct every one of Cassandra’s climate change fables. By now, you should get the picture - rather than actually research and validate her charges, Bev is happy to take whatever bits of conspiracy, lies and disinformation she can conjure up, and just run with them. They do make for great fiction. Why does she do this? As a disciple of der Fuhrer Trump, she has an obvious agenda. My sense is that she also thinks we are dumb, or just too lazy to fact-check. You should ask her for yourself.

As for the gun argument, I realize that it is futile to debate anyone who believes that the framers of the 2nd Amendment – “A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” – could have envisioned the killing power of today’s armaments, or the extent of our national military. First, the predicate – ‘a well-regulated militia’ – does not exist in the 21st century, so everything in that statement, that follows should be moot. We have all heard the arguments, pro and con, and I can offer nothing new. I will simply reiterate a statistic – 321 shootings in America, every day. Within all his ‘Democrats are tricking you...and Democrats have plunged us into a recession (he apparently knows something that our economists don’t know)...and politicians will do this..’ there was no acknowledgement of the number of daily shootings, nor any ideas on how to stop them. All he offers is more fear – the slippery slope of gun control, and the right’s go-to boogie man – fear of the government – which, coincidentally, Republicans just tried to overthrow. The message is that we need guns to protect ourselves from all the other people who have guns. So, we need even more guns, not fewer. The bigger guns they have, the bigger guns the rest of us need. With AR’s in every cupboard, we should be thinking of purchasing bazookas, or Stinger missiles! They are, after all, ‘arms.’

As a last word, I hope you will all join me in honoring the sacrifice of our brave schoolchildren who, unselfishly, lay down their lives to protect our right to bear arms. Let the carnage continue.

Rick Bevilacqua

WHITINSVILLE

Extend your cilantro harvest and enjoyment



Melinda Myers

Cilantro ready to be harvested.

Cilantro is a favorite ingredient in guacamole, tacos, rice dishes and of course salsa. But as summer temperatures climb, the cilantro quickly goes to seed. This can be frustrating but using all parts of the plant or growing a heat tolerant cilantro-flavored substitute can help.

Gardeners in cooler climates can sow seeds every three to four weeks throughout the summer for continual harvests. Those with hotter summers will have the best results growing cilantro in the cooler temperatures of spring, fall and even winter. Grow cilantro in full sun or light shade as temperatures climb and moist well-drained soil for best results.

Mulching the soil to keep the roots cool and moist will help delay flowering. Avoid overwatering that can lead to root rot.

Harvest the leaves when they are four to six inches tall and before the plants flower for the best flavor. Harvest as needed a third of the plant at one time to allow it to keep producing or cut the whole plant back to an inch above the ground and wait for it to regrow.

Store freshly cut leaves like a bouquet

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Imagination

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For the last three weeks, I wrote about the three characteristics you’ll need to develop to accomplish your dreams. The first is desire, the second is faith, and the third is specialized knowledge. I say you

will need to develop these qualities because you can cultivate and grow them.

Initially, you may only have a little desire, a small faith, and only an ounce of specialized knowledge. You can, if you choose, become a person of great desire and faith and eventually become a well-versed expert in the specialized knowledge you’ll need to know to accomplish your objective.

Your imagination will be the fourth quality you’ll need to nourish. It’s a common belief that you either have a mind for imagination or you don’t. Undoubtedly, some are born with more imagination than others, but that is true with anything.

How much imagination will you need? It depends on the dream, but you will need at least a little.

You can feed your imagination in many ways. In part, you can feed your imagination from years of specialized knowledge. Still, even with that knowledge, you may only have a vague idea of how to accomplish your dream. You may need to exercise your imagination to pinpoint precisely how you will achieve it and the trail you will need to blaze to get there.

We’ve all seen a business offering a service and had an idea of how the service could improve. When you had that thought, you exercised your imagination. What if you expanded on that thought? What if you sat down and wrote how you could improve that service? What if you worked out the details so clearly, day in and day out, that you discovered exactly how to accomplish your dream?

Transforming your dream into reality will need a plan. To create your plan, you will need to use your imagination.

One of the most effective ways to imagine is to write your plan on paper.

In my life, I knew what I wanted to accomplish but didn’t know how to get there. One day I sat down to write, and I didn’t stop for two years. During the two years, I wrote a 178-page paper. Every night, I came home from work and wouldn’t sleep until I spent a couple of hours writing. What was I writing? A plan based on an idea.

I imagined the fine details of what my business would be. All the problems it would solve, the people it would help, all the services it would offer, and how I would integrate my dream with this business and use it to get where I wanted to go. I wrote over ten drafts of my paper, complete with charts, graphs, illustrations, facts, figures, ideas, and detailed visions of what I planned to do. Every night while I wrote, I exercised my imagination.

Don’t be discouraged; you don’t have to spend two years writing a huge detailed paper to accomplish your dream. All dreams are different. You may only need to write your plan on one piece of paper. The more details you can add, the better. It will become more concrete with every word you write.

Some of the greatest innovators may have only written their plan on a chalkboard and meditated on their ideas daily until their imagination provided them with an exact solution or path they would need to take. Every dream requires a different amount of creativity and planning.

If you find yourself writing a detailed plan of action, know it’s well worth it. I didn’t intend to write something that would bring investment; originally, it was only a plan. This paper I wrote ended up being the reason I found my first investor.

Use your imagination and write down a plan to accomplish your dreams! Don’t rush yourself through the process; take your time. Inevitably your project will need to change a little. Every time it does, go back and refine it!

An idea, when combined with desire, faith, specialized knowledge, and mixed with imagination, can bridge the gap to make your dream a reality.

Tune in to next week’s edition to find the fifth thing you’ll need to accomplish your dream.

Summertime, and the fishing is easy

Here we are in August already, and fishing so far this year has been right on schedule. These next few weeks are considered by many as the dog days of summer, when the waters warm and fishing normally slows down, but so far this year, fishing has been pretty darn good for most anglers.

Tuna fishing remained hot as of last week, with many 70 & 80-pound tuna being caught, by numerous anglers. Seabass fishing is red hot if you know where to find them. This past week my buddy and fishing partner Mat Fontaine fished outside of Westport River, and found fishing a bit slow for the first hour. We had caught a few undersize seabass, and were about ready to move when this writer's fishing rod tip bent down into the water. I knew immediately that it was not a seabass, as the reel was screaming releasing the line from the reel.

I told Matt that he should start the motor soon if the fish did not slow down, so that I could retrieve some line back onto the spool of the reel. After three long runs, I finally started



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to gain some line, but he was not done yet. Suddenly, he started to make another run, and came out of the water like salmon for a brief moment, trying to shake the hook that was imbedded in his lip. I knew then that the huge fish was about ready to give up, and I reeled the fish to the side of the boat, where my buddy did a terrible job netting the large bluefish.

After a couple of missed attempts to get the fish into the net, he finally succeeded and he was lifted into the boat. I heard a bit of grumbling that it was my fault he was unable to put the big fish in the net the first time! This week's picture shows Matt holding my 12-pound bluefish. What a thrill, catching the huge fish on light tackle! After catching a few dog fish, we decide to move to another location and found some great seabass fishing, but most were shorts giving up a few keepers. Numerous large fish were hooked but failed to stay on the hook. We later tried fishing for some fluke, but came up empty hand-

ed. All in all, it was a great day on the water.

During the last few minutes of fishing, I managed to get my line caught in the motor's propeller. After cutting the line we were able to navigate back to the dock. After loading the boat on the trailer, we took a look at the motors propeller, and easily removed the fishing line. I was using 40-pound test power pro line, which was not easily broken. It was the captain's fault!

The Whitinsville Fish & Game Club will hold their annual Field Day on Sept. 17 this year. A chicken barbecue will be served, as well as other food delicacies.

Numerous other clubs are planning their annual events for the fall. Stay tuned.

The instant award program for antlerless deer permits became available this past Monday. All a person needs to do is to go online and bring up your account. The instant award of an antlerless deer permit is available until the end of the year. If you did not apply for a permit before July 16, you cannot apply for a permit now. Do not forget the permits increased to \$10 this year. The surplus deer permits will go on sale



in August, at a later date.
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Summertime Strategies

The dog days of summer are here, and it's more important than ever to ensure carefree hours enjoying the sunny season. The only thing that can put a damper on these bright, warm days are some seasonal hassles. From beating the heat to punishing bugs, the following hacks and hints are sure to make summer a little easier!

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- Foil Garden Bugs:** Are bugs in the garden having a daily feast at your expense? To repel squash bugs that attack squash, cucumbers or pumpkins, place strips of aluminum foil under the vines. As a bonus, some growers claim the foil also makes the squash ripen faster.
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- Attention gardeners:** Plants that grow best in alkaline soil such as geraniums and hydrangea, will bloom better if you water them with a mild mixture of baking soda and water. Is powdery mildew on your roses or lilac bushes? Spray them with a mix of one quarter cup baking soda in two quarts of water to remedy the problem.
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- Alleviate the Urge to Itch:** When mosquitos munch, try these natural ways to alleviate the urge to scratch! A dab of rubbing alcohol on a cotton ball or Q-tip relieves itching instantly for less than a penny per use. To make travel size bottles, refill a clean shampoo sample bottle with straight alcohol. Or, try rubbing a clean bar of soap over the bite, to lessen the itch.
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- Car Washing FYI:** Did you know more frequent waxes are needed if your car is red, black or white? It's because these

- colors are more susceptible to acid rain and UV rays. And be sure to wash your car right after a rainfall. When the rain evaporates, the acid rain residue remains on your finish.
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- Fab Fruits on the Grill:** Cooking vegetables on the grill is a tasty way to stay on a diet! If you season vegetables with a coarse salt before grilling, it will draw out extra moisture from the veggies, which will intensify its sweetness and flavor. And you can prevent vegetables from drying out on the grill by soaking them in cold water before cooking.
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- Sun Blockers:** If you're sweating under the summer sun, Here's something to think about: Did you know cotton shirts are 50% more effective at blocking the sun's rays after they'd been washed a few times. And blue clothing was discovered to be five times more effective than white clothing at blocking UV rays because blue absorbs more light.
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- Heat Wave Hints:** Hating a heat wave? To cool off a home, install white window shades, drapes, or blinds to reflect heat away from the house. And close curtains on south and west facing windows during the day Window fans are a good option if they're located on the downwind side of the house facing out.
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- Sunscreen 411:** Before you slather on the sunscreen this season, listen up: Did you know recommended application for adequate protection is about a handful!



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- And sunscreen should be applied to clean, dry skin 30 minutes before exposure to the sun. That gives it plenty of time to absorb properly and do its job.
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- Anti Ant Trap:** Got ants? Here's an fashioned ant trap that will literally halt the tiny pests in their tracks. Mix together one third cup molasses, six tablespoons sugar and six tablespoons active dry yeast. Mix to a paste and set on a plastic lid near ant hills or where ants congregate.
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- Divide and Conquer:** Not sure if's time to divide your perennials? It is if they start taking over other plants, the center of a plant looks weak, or when blooms are smaller than they have been in previous years. Spring blooming perennials are best divided in the fall. Mid summer or fall blooming perennials should be divided the next spring.
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- Go Green to be Lean:** Did you know green tea has been shown to speed up the body's calorie-burning ability without spiking the heart rate. In a Swiss study, three cups of green tea provided a four percent increase in daily energy expenditure for a typical male, the equivalent of walking approximately 17 minutes!
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- Cool It!:** The best way to keep a house cool is don't let the heat in!. You can help get rid of unwanted heat simply

- through ventilation if the temperature of the incoming air is 77 F or lower. And keep in mind caulking and weather stripping will keep cool air in during the summer. Due angle of the sun, trees, a trellis, or a fence will best shade west-facing windows.
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- 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.

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of flowers in a glass of fresh water. Place in the refrigerator to use for the upcoming week. Hang leaves upside down to dry or freeze. Just wash the leaves, pat dry and place in a freezer bag or air-tight container in the freezer. Or chop up the rinsed cilantro into smaller pieces, place in ice cube trays and top with a splash of water before placing in the freezer.

As temperatures rise, the plant will flower and set seed. Do not discard it but rather look at utilizing the other parts of this plant. Enjoy the beauty and flavor of the lacy white flowers that also attract beneficial insects to the garden.

After the white flowers fade, green seeds appear. Wait for the plants and seeds to turn brown when using them as coriander. Cut off the seed heads, place in a paper bag, and allow the seeds to drop to the bottom. The seeds are ground and used in breads, cakes, pickling spices, and Asian food. Store in sealed containers until ready to use.

Otherwise allow the seeds to drop to the ground in the garden and grow new cilantro plants to harvest and enjoy. Cilantro seeds sprout readily when soil temperatures are 55 to 68°F and the plants can withstand a light frost.



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In the future, consider buying seeds of slow bolting cilantro varieties like Slow-Bolt, Leisure and the 2006 All-America Selections award winner Delfino Cilantro.

Or try growing Papalo, also known as summer cilantro, in next year's garden. It has a similar but stronger flavor than cilantro with a hint of citrus and mint and thrives in hot weather. You will only need one or two plants as this annual grows up to five feet tall and several feet wide. Harvest young leaves for the best flavor and use only half or one third the amount of cilantro called for in recipes.

You may need to start your own plants from seeds if none of the garden centers in your area sell plants. Start seeds indoors or directly in the garden once the danger of frost has passed and the soil is warm.

Extend your cilantro harvest and enjoyment by utilizing every part of the plant. Adjust your cilantro growing techniques as well as plant selection to help beat the heat.

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Don't forget to harvest the roots and use them for seasoning Thai and Vietnamese food. These taste best when harvested in fall.

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Savanna

Hi! My name is Savanna and I really like music and can play the piano!

Savanna is a lovely girl of Caucasian descent. Savanna is polite, caring, friendly and loves to sing, play basketball, be active outside, do gymnastics and can play the piano. She states that she would like to be a professional singer when she grows up. She is also very creative, loves arts and crafts and would like to take horseback riding lessons.

Savanna has done well in school in the past. She is now attending school on the campus of the program in Western MA where she now lives and it is much easier for her to attend her classes.

Legally freed for adoption, Savanna would do best in a two-parent home with no other children or much older children in the home. She responds best with one-on-one attention, structure and routine. She would do best in a home with clear limits and positive praise. Savanna expresses some anxiety about living in a family setting. She will need a slow and gradual transition into her new family that will allow her time to get to know them and feel comfortable and safe. This family may start out as a visitor to her at her program for an undetermined length of time until a level of trust is established. She is very close to her maternal grandmother and would like her new family to help her maintain contact with her.

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Local students named to Dean’s List at Salem State

SALEM — Salem State University congratulates the following students on being named to the Dean’s List for the spring semester of 2022.	Groton Emma G. Gill, Patrick Hampton	Sturbridge Amy Desroches, Jackson Ronald Boyd
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To Matthew Bent of Fort Myers Beach in the State of Florida and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Margaret A. Bent of Mashpee in the County of Barnstable representing that she hold as tenant in common undivided part or share of certain land lying in Northbridge in said County Worcester and briefly described as follows:

EXHIBIT “A”

59-61 Upton Street, Northbridge, MA

A certain parcel of land, together with the buildings thereon, and all of the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in the Rockdale section of said Northbridge on the northerly side of Upton Street, being shown as Lot #24 on “Plan of Subdivision of a portion of the Dwellings & Land of the Paul Whitin Manufacturing Co. at Rockdale in Northbridge, MA” dated November 30, 1935, made by William I. Thompson, C.E., recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 89, Plan 2, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the most southerly comer of the premises in the center line of Upton Street at Lot #22 as shown on said plan;

THENCE North 34° 32’ West 100 feet by land now or formerly of the Paul Whitin Manufacturing Company to a corner;

THENCE North 55° 28’ East 85 feet by land now or formerly of said Paul Whitin Manufacturing Company to Lot #25 as shown on said plan;

THENCE South 34° 32’ East 100 feet by said lot #25 to the center line of said Upton Street;

THENCE South 55° 28’ West 85 feet by said center line of Upton Street to the point of beginning.

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setting forth that her desires that – all – the aforesaid described part – of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$310,000.00 dollars, and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which th Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Worcester before ten o’clock in the forenoon on the sixteenth day of August 2022, the return date of this citation.

Witness, LEILAH A. KEAMY, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of June 2022.

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
July 22, 2022
July 29, 2022
August 5, 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. WO22C0321CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:

Violet Mae Ekstrom
A Petition to Change Name of Adult
has been filed by Violet Mae Ekstrom of Whitinsville MA
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:
Levi James Ekstrom
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/16/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 18, 2022
Stephanie K. Fattman
August 5, 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. WO22P2518EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Sally J Ricci
Date of Death: 05/25/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by
Kevin J Ricci of Taunton 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
Kevin J Ricci of Taunton 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 08/16/2022**. 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: July 22, 2022
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
August 5, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO22P2447EA
Estate of:
Jeffrey A. Jambas
Date Of Death: March 10,2022
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Lucan Williams of Upton MA**
Lucan Williams of Upton 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 5, 2022

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 Linda D. Blair to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Ditech Financial LLC, dated December 22, 2017 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58275, Page 380 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Ditech Financial LLC to LoanCare, LLC, recorded on November 16, 2021, in Book No. 66544, at Page 143 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 4:00 PM on September 2, 2022, on the mortgaged premises located at 553 Sutton Street, Northbridge, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

Land situated in the Town of Northbridge in the County of Worcester in the State of MA

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON AND ALL THE PRIVILEGE AND APPURTENANCES THERETO BELONGING, SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE, IN SAID WORCESTER COUNTY, ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF SUTTON STREET, THE ROAD LEADING FROM THE VILLAGE OF ROCKDALE, SO-CALLED, IN THE TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE TO THE TOWN OF SUTTON, IN SAID WORCESTER COUNTY, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWESTERLY CORNER THEREOF AT A CORNER OF A WALL ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF SAID SUTTON STREET AND AT LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF ONE ADAMS; THENCE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION BY SAID ADAMS LAND, TWO HUNDRED (200) FEET TO A POINT; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN (115) FEET TO A POINT; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION IN A LINE PARALLEL WITH THE FIRST COURSE ABOVE MENTIONED, TWO HUNDRED (200) FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SUTTON STREET; THENCE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION BY SAID SUTTON STREET,

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN (115), MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING.

For mortgagor’s(s’) title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 18550, Page 365.

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.

LOANCARE, LLC
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
20702
August 5, 2022
August 12, 2022
August 19, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Division
Docket No. WO22P2262EA
Estate of:
Francis C. Toto
Date Of Death: June 27, 2021
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner **Lillian M. Toto of Northbridge MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Lillian M. Toto of Northbridge 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 5, 2022



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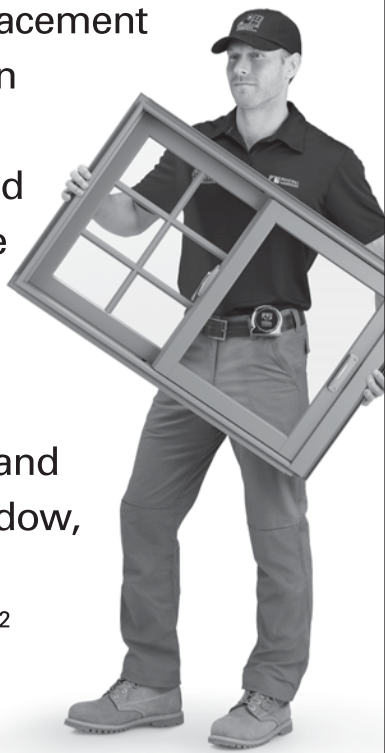
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WEBSTER – 127 Douglas Road! 8 Room Split! 3 Bdrms! 2 Bath! Set on 1.31 Acres! 2 Car Garage Under plus 2 Car Detached Garage w/Lot! Perfect for the Hobbyist or Car Collector! This Home Features Open Concept Living! Frp'd Living Room w/ Cathedral Ceiling & Recent Skylights! Remodeled Eat-in Kitchen w/Granite Counters, Breakfast Bar & Slider to the Deck! Oversized Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Large Walk-in Shower! Hrdwd Flrs throughout the Kit, Liv Rm & Hallway! 3 Bdrms w/Wall to Wall! Finished Lower Level w/Tiled Mudroom! New Luxury Vinyl Flooring throughout Lower Level Fam Rm, Exercise Rm & Bath! Above-ground Pool! Custom Fire Pit! Perfect for Entertaining! Recent Well Pump! 2013 Electrical Service! 2011 Septic! The Updates are Done! Great Commuting Location! Only Minutes to 395 or 146! **\$434,900.00**



DUDLEY – 5 Elizabeth St! 6+ Rm Ranch! Featuring Frp'd Liv Rm w/Recessed Lighting & Guest Closet! Eat-in Kit w/Tile Flr! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Flrs, 2 w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Hall Bath w/Tile Floor! Finished Lower Level! 20x25' Frp'd Fam Rm w/Recessed Lighting & 2nd Bthrm w/Shower! Possible Kitchenette or Office! Laundry & Utility Rm! Wired for a Generator! Economical Gas Heat & Hot Water! 3 Season Porch! Garage! **\$364,900.00**



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



SUTTON – 90 Ambury Rd! 8 Rm Meticulously Maintained 4 Bdrm/2.5 Bath Colonial, Pleasant Valley Country Club Near, is Ready for You! Formal Living Rm w/French Doors, Spacious Family Rm w/Gas Fireplace, Recessed Lighting & Slider Out to Private Deck! Formal Dining Rm! Fantastic Kitchen Featuring Stylish Ivory Cabinets, Stainless Appliances, Tile Backsplash, Wine Bar & Adjoining Dining Area! All w/Gleaming Hrdwd Floors! Spindle Staircase to the 2nd Flr Featuring a Huge Master w/Cathedral Ceiling w/Dble Walk-in Closet, Master Bath w/Dble Vanity, Tiled Shower & Soaking Tub! 3 Additional Comfortable Bdrms w/Ample Closets & Additional Full Bath! Expandable Walk-Out Lower Level w/Roughed-in Bathrm Ready to Complete! 2 Car Attached Garage & Recent Generator! Listed by Another, SOLD by Lake Realty! **\$829,900.00**



CHARLTON – 42 Harrington Rd! Beautiful 6 Rm Colonial w/3 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths Colonial set on .35 Acre Lot! 1st Floor w/9' Ceilings! Living Rm w/Bump-out, WW Carpeting & Crown Mouldings! Tile Foyer! Dining Rm w/Frplace (never used), WW 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! **\$419,000.00**



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/Gleaming Hrdwd! Bright Liv Rm w/Vaulted Ceilings & View of its Park Like Grounds! Large Eat-in Kit w/Pantry & Gas Appliances, Perfect Gathering Place! Laundry Rm & 1/2 Bath Nearby! 1st Flr Frp'd Fam Rm w/Sliders out to Deck! 2nd Flr w/4 Comfortable Bdrms w/Full Shared Bath plus the Master Bath! Full Lower Level w/Came Rm Awaits Your Finishing Touch! Workshop & Plenty of Storage! 2 Car Garage w/Plenty of Room for Storage & Work! Outdoor Living on the Deck Overlooking Yard! Shed! This Home is Ready to call it Yours! **\$699,900.00**



WEBSTER – 3 Birchwood Dr! Great Commuter Location! Convenient to All Major Routes! 7 Rm, 3 Bdrm, Ranch Ready for Your Taste & Upgrades! 2 Front Entries, Enter through the Huge Attached Fam Rm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Ceiling Fan, Wall A/C & Dble Closet or through the Fireplaced 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/Opener! 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**



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 Applianced Cherry Cabinet Kit w/Breakfast Bar, Corian Counters, Tile Flrs! Din Rm w/Hrdwd, Crown Mouldings & Bay Window! Frp'd Liv Rm w/Pellet Stove, Custom Shelving, Hrdwd & Bay Window! Fam Rm w/Hrdwd, Custom Cabinetry, Ceiling Fan, French Doors & Slider to Deck Overlooking Private Backyard! 1/2 Bath w/Laundry Closet! Hall w/Dble Closet to the 2 Car Garage! 2nd Flr w/4 Spacious Bdrms w/Hrdwd & Vinyl Plank Flooring! MASTER w/2 Walk-in Closets, Ceiling Fan & Custom Tile MASTER BATH! Hall Bath w/Custom Tile Tub/Shower Surround w/Linen Closet! Don't Delay! **\$449,900.00**



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June Cazeault • Laurie Sullivan • Matthew Ross • Lori Johnson-Chausse • William Gilmore II • Brian Bohenko

WEBSTER LAKE - 0 BLACK POINT RD



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

WEBSTER LAKE - 0 PATTISON RD



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

WEBSTER - 6 GREYSTONE



ON DEPOSIT

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

WEBSTER LAKE - 27 SOUTH POINT ROAD



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

WEBSTER - 7 BRODEUR AVENUE



RARE FIND ~ TO BE BUILT - SPRAWLING 2,200 SQFT+ RANCH HOME! GARAGE Level 1/2 Acre Lot! FOUNDATION IS IN. Private backyard. GREAT LAYOUT! SOLID HARDWOOD FLOORS THROUGHOUT!

Seller will sell land, with improvements, Foundation w/Water & Sewer connections in. **\$140,000.**

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ON DEPOSIT

Can't miss this one! Elegant authentic colonial on Historic Woodstock Hill! Loads to offer. "English" Antique Barn, custom built Greenhouse, Separate office space in the original Woodstock Post Office! 2 Living rooms, dining room, newly renovated Kitchen. 4 bedrooms. Offers SOO Much More! **\$689,500.**

LAND: WEBSTER/OXFORD/PUTNAM

OXFORD - LAND - General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! LAND with 4,095 SF Metal Building! 124 SOUTHBIDGE RD (RTE 20). Town Sewer Project Plans are Approved. 22,864 Sq. Ft. Level Lot. 140 ft of road frontage. **EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES! \$795,000.**


OXFORD - LAND - RTE 20 General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! Vacant LAND, Level & cleared. 39.549 SF. **\$419,000.**

PUTNAM - LAND Zoned General Business 29 acre 103' frontage. Water, Sewer, & city gas available. 2 street entrances. **\$125,000**

OXFORD - 2 Merriam Rd 80+/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton. **ON DEPOSIT \$329,000**


On the shores of Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg

WEBSTER LAKE - 13 LOVELAND ROAD




Eastern Exposure & Amazing Sunrises! Beautiful shoreline, on highly sought after South Pond. 3 bedroom Cape features eat in kitchen w/island, fireplace living & dining room. 2nd floor, 2 bedrooms with 1/2 bath! Lower Level walkout, fireplace Family Room!! Half bath. A home for all seasons. New Shore Master Docks & Ramp. **NEW PRICE \$839,900**

WEBSTER LAKE LOT- 22 SOUTH POINT RD



Very Rare, Lot offering! Enjoy, Fun in the Sun! Swimming, snorkeling, kayak, ice fishing! Water & Sewer Laterals connections are on the lot! Betterments Paid! 5,029 S.F. +/- of land. You may even want to Build! Architectural Plans Included. **\$315,000.**

WEBSTER LAKE - 13 BATES POINT ROAD



1st Time Offered! Impeccable Home! 6 Room, 3 bedroom 2-1/2 Baths. Master bedroom, Master Bath. Many recent updates! Oversize 2 car garage! Level Lot to the Shoreline. Nicely Landscaped! **New Price \$705,000**

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DUDLEY: Ranch, Recent system. 3 bedrooms, 2 zone heating. Lower level family room, 2 car garage

11 Fabyan Rd ~ \$359,900



THOMPSON CT: 7car garage, inground pool, 2 full & 2 half baths, Spa room, Multi-levels

370 Pompeo Rd., ~ \$474,900



DUDLEY: 2 units. 1st floor, 3 bedrooms, 2nd & 3rd level has 3-4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, Sided, 2 car garage

38 Oxford Ave ~ \$449,900

FRANKIE

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After State Police fugitive unit troopers joined the investigation and made verbal contact with Mack, he refused to exit the house. Reports said that troopers had information indicating that Mack was currently armed, as well as current intelligence that “indicated a propensity for violence.” The Massachusetts State Police Special Tactical Operations responded to the scene at approximately noon and established tactical positions; negotiators from the State Police Crisis Negotiation Unit also responded to the scene and established communication with Mack via telephone, police said. Negotiators had multiple conversations with Mack, as well as with members of his family whom they contacted, in an “attempt to persuade him to surrender peacefully.”

At approximately 2:48 p.m., Mack was observed at a rear exit of the residence and a decision was made to try to apprehend him, according to police. Sgt. Stucenski and K9 Frankie—assigned to the STOP Team—approached the area where Mack was observed; during the attempt to apprehend him, Mack fired multiple shots toward team members and struck Frankie, reports said. The suspect then retreated back into the residence.

“STOP Team members immediately picked up Frankie and evacuated him from the scene to an ambulance, at which point he was transported to Wachusett Animal Hospital in Westminster, where he was pronounced deceased,” Mason reported, adding that this was the first instance of such emergency care made possible by Nero’s Law, which was passed by the Legislature and signed by Governor Baker last year.

Meanwhile, negotiators were unable to establish further contact with the suspect. At approximately 5:20 p.m., while the STOP Team was planning further operations to resolve the situation, the State Police Drone Unit “deployed an unmanned aerial vehicle on the exterior of the building.” The drone made visual observation of the suspect deceased inside the house from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot, according to reports. No police officers fired their weapons during this incident.

“As K-9 Frankie did hundreds of times before, he placed himself between our members and a dangerous subject,” the State Police Association of Massachusetts released. “We mourn the killing of our coworker, friend, and fellow member of the Massachusetts State Police. We ask for privacy and respect for K-9 Frankie, his handler, family, and those who knew him during this heartbreaking time. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all the first responders and medical staff who tried their hardest to save K-9 Frankie’s life.”

Frankie was a highly decorated member of the Massachusetts State Police, said Mason.

“In 2017, he and Sgt. Stucenski were awarded the Medal of Valor at the state’s annual George L. Hanna Awards for Bravery, the state’s top law enforcement award ceremony,” Mason reported. “They were honored for apprehending a hit-and-run suspect who, during a foot chase, turned and fired a shot at Sergeant Stucenski and Frankie as they pursued him on a Springfield street. The shot missed the Sergeant and Frankie...apprehended him. Sgt. Stucenski and Frankie won the State Police Medal of Merit for that same incident.”

In 2014, then Trooper Stucenski and Frankie won three awards from the United States Police Canine Association for evidence recovery, agility, and other law enforcement skills. And last month, the department honored Sergeant Stucenski, Frankie, and other members of the Special Tactical Operations Team for apprehending an armed child pornography suspect who had opened fire on them when they went to arrest him at a West Springfield motel in 2019, Mason released in the statement.

“Frankie had every trait we seek in a good law enforcement officer, canine or human: intelligence, immense courage, and dedication to protecting the public. He was as loyal a partner as any Trooper ever had,” Mason added.

A procession of police cars with lights flashing was held for Frankie.

“Frankie was one of a kind. He was not just a K-9, but a Trooper, a teammate, a partner, and a friend to many,” said Association President Patrick M. McNamara, who added that he had worked directly with Frankie and Stucenski. “We had the honor of bringing Frankie to Rhode Island...with full honors.”

Locally, police departments and other emergency personnel honored K9 Frankie and offered condolences. Sutton police officers and members of the fire department staged over Route 146 as a way to pay their respects.

“We offer our deepest sympathies to K9 Frankie’s handler...thank you for your service, Frankie,” the department shared.

Members of the Uxbridge Police Department and the Uxbridge Fire Department staged on the Pond Street and Mill Street Route 146 overpasses to pay their respects.

“All of us at the UXPd offer our deepest sympathies to K9 Frankie’s handler, his family, and all members of the Massachusetts State Police,” the department shared in a statement on social media.

“His sacrifice will never be forgotten,” the Douglas Police Department shared.

The state’s House of Representatives observed a moment of silence in memory of Frankie. Representative Michael Soter said he was “honored” to join his colleagues in this moment of silence.

“Let’s always remember the dangers our K9’s and their partners face every day,” Soter released in a statement. “[Heroes] come in all shapes and sizes...Frankie is a hero.”

Joseph DuBois from Uxbridge graduates from Emerson College

BOSTON — Emerson College, the nation’s premier institution for the arts, communication, and the liberal arts, awarded more than 1,000 undergraduate degrees during its 142nd Commencement at Agganis Arena in Boston on Sunday, May 8.

Joseph DuBois from Uxbridge received a BS in Journalism.

During the ceremony, the College honored three award-winning artists, innovators, and Emersonians for their contributions and efforts to the arts, communication, and greater humanity. Crazy Rich Asians and Raya and the Last Dragon screenwriter Adele Lim ‘96; composer and singer Toshi Reagon; and Emerson Trustee, founder and chairman of Samuels & Associates, and film producer Steve Samuels each received honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees. Lim ‘96 gave the commencement address.

“I admire your sense of community, of social justice, fairness, and your willingness to use your voice in the pursuit of those ideals,” said Interim President William Gilligan in the President’s Address at the ceremony. “The world needs you now to continue that with all the skills and knowledge you have acquired, the values you have developed and displayed, and that indomitable Emerson spirit that you have shown us often.”

Commencement speaker Adele Lim ‘96, said, “I am far from done, but what I hope for myself, for all of us, for all of you, is what all great stories have: a journey that is authentic and meaningful, and if we’re lucky, one that touches the lives of others.”

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.




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AUBURN RECREATION AND CULTURE SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE RESULTS



Nick Ethier photos

The Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League concluded regular season play on Tuesday, July 26.

AUBURN — It's playoff time at Auburn High, as the Auburn Recreation and Culture Summer Basketball League has finished up regular season play. In the girls' league, back on Tuesday, July 26, the 14 teams had their final game before playoffs began on Thursday, July 28. In the boys' league, both Monday, July 25 and Wednesday, July 27 were the final regular season dates for the 16 teams (with one makeup game being played on Tuesday, July 26), with playoffs beginning on Monday, Aug. 1.

Girls' Summer League Results

Tuesday, July 26 — Regular Season

Finale

Grafton 34, Worcester Tech 23

Northbridge 37, Notre Dame Academy 28

Quabbin 34, Uxbridge 28

Sutton 41, Blackstone Valley Tech 18

Worcester South defeated David Prouty (forfeit)

Tantasqua 55, Leicester 31

Auburn 36, Quaboag 30

Final Regular Season Standings

Worcester South (9-0; first round bye)

Northbridge (8-1; first round bye)

Sutton (7-2)

Notre Dame Academy (6-3)

Quabbin (6-3)

Uxbridge (5-4)

Tantasqua (5-4)

Blackstone Valley Tech (4-5)

Auburn (3-6)

Quaboag (3-6)

Leicester (3-6)

Grafton (2-7)

Worcester Tech (2-7)

David Prouty (0-9)

Thursday, July 28 — First Round of Playoffs

Uxbridge 42,	Leicester 12
Sutton 47,	David Prouty12

Auburn defeated Blackstone Valley Tech (forfeit)

Tantasqua 25,	Quaboag 16
Notre Dame Academy 41,	Worcester Tech 32

Quabbin 45, Grafton 35

Boys' Summer League Results

Monday, July 25

Millbury 81, Quaboag 44

Uxbridge 50, Shepherd Hill 33

Southbridge 47, Sutton 43

Quabbin 47, Leicester 38



Tantasqua 38, Bartlett 25

Oxford 48, Bay Path 43

David Prouty 48, Grafton 29

Auburn 74, Tahanto 58

Tuesday, July 26

Oxford 67, Shepherd Hill 60 (OT)

Wednesday, July 27 — Regular Season

Finale

Southbridge 39, Shepherd Hill 28

Quaboag 48, Quabbin 39

Auburn 75, Bartlett 44

Uxbridge 84, Tahanto 60

Grafton 67, Oxford 45

Millbury 50, Leicester 25

Tantasqua 40, Sutton 38

David Prouty 42, Bay Path 37

Final Regular Season Standings

Auburn (8-1)

David Prouty (8-1)

Southbridge (7-2)

Uxbridge (7-2)

Quaboag (6-3)

Quabbin (6-3)

Bartlett (4-5)

Tantasqua (4-5)

Grafton (4-5)

Oxford (4-5)

Shepherd Hill (4-5)

Bay Path (3-6)

Millbury (3-6)

Tahanto (2-7)

Sutton (1-8)

Leicester (0-9)

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and diligence, System Manager Bob Sullivan, who has worked very hard on the details of this project, Town Administrator Matt Wojcik, and Community Development Director Matt Benoit for their contributions to and oversight of the application process.”

Selectmen Fitzpatrick, Bonin, and Davis also noted the involvement of the Douglas Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and Water Commissioners, as well as the town leadership in Sutton and Uxbridge, as key to making the tri-town project successful.

“We are proud of the way everyone cooperated to see that this project is a good fit for our communities. Elected and appointed boards made orderly progress through the permitting process. Federal, state and local leaders demonstrated through this initiative that all levels of government can work together for a common goal.”

“We now have an overarching economic development initiative in place

that includes this EDA project, a nearly complete water main extension and upgrade effort that was funded by the Baker Administration’s MassWorks program, and other infrastructure work currently in the application phase, that together represent a total of \$8.6 million in infrastructure improvements,” added Town Administrator Matt Wojcik. “These utility and road-way efforts will leverage over \$206 million in private sector investment, create about 750 new jobs, and give the town badly needed diversity and stability in its tax base.”

Of the \$8.6 million in infrastructure improvements, \$3.3 million has been funded by MassWorks, the EDA grant provides \$3.3 million, private developers have contributed \$1.7 million, and the town has provided about \$300,000 in engineering costs, the town released. There are no tax increment financing or other municipal incentives involved in this project.

All work—including the completion of the buildings—is expected to be done within the next two years.

Harvest Festival accepting vendor applications

WHITINSVILLE — Come join us at the fair! The VCC Harvest Festival, sponsored by the Village Congregational Church in Whitinsville, is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on the Town Common in Whitinsville. (The rain date will be Sunday, Sept. 25 from noon until 4 p.m.)

A 14-year tradition on the Northbridge Park common returns this year across from Village Congregational Church on 5 Church St. Whitinsville, MA. VCC brings our community a full day of arts, crafts, plants, food court, Local farmers market products, bounce pad, entertainment, children’s activities & games, music, a huge variety of raffle prizes and a very special handmade quilt raffle! VCC is currently looking for volunteers and accepting vendors of various handcrafted arts and crafts, artisanal products, herbs, honey products, jewelry and artisan crafted home decor. Check our Village Congregational Church Facebook page to request an application or email Vendor Coordinator, Claudia Dexter at office@vccucc.org Sign up soon! Vendor space includes a 12’x12’ space on the park common at \$40 per space. All applicants are vetted and approved for appropriate wares and variety. Educational organizations and local businesses wishing to promote their craft classes or farm stands are welcomed to apply.

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Local residents named to Clark University Dean's List

WORCESTER — The following local residents were named to Clark University's Spring 2022 Dean's List:

Ally G. Dunphy, of Douglas was named to second honors.
Lily J. Salatiello, of Whitinsville was named to first honors.
John H. Roche, of Whitinsville was named to second honors.
Jacob P. Devlin, of Whitinsville was named to first honors.

Students must have a GPA of 3.8 or above for first honors or a GPA between 3.50 and 3.79 for second honors.


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