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# Students speak out against budget cuts

CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY/CHARLTON — While the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District's 2023 budget was approved by both district towns at their respective annual town meetings, not everyone is happy with the result. Possibly the most vocal outrage has come from the students themselves.

While numerous parents spoke about the cuts associated with the budget prior to its approval, a group of outspoken students recently came forward to speak out against what the resulting cuts will mean for their education and the school experience. The budget proposal received criticism for cutting numerous positions to provide a more palatable spending plan for the general public during a time where increased taxation has been seen as a burden. These include eliminating positions in science, foreign language, and the school libraries among other cuts, all of which were criticized by students during the Regional School Committee's June 8 meeting.

All the current students who spoke were members of the junior class (Class of 2023) and the National Honor Society. The students have also all been recognized for high honors during their time at Shepherd Hill. Caroline Doering was the first to speak on the issue saying she was attracted to Shepherd Hill due to its extensive course options, but now she feels the district Turn To CUTS page A16



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### FROG JUMPING CONTEST WINNERS

Pictured are the 2022 Dudley Grange Strawberry Festival Frog Jumping Contest winners. Front row, left to right: Mila (3rd place), Cal(4th place), Clara(2nd place), Ali B. (1st place). Back row - Yanka, Ray, Maggie, Druw.

# Nichols College hosts first-ever Public Safety Command Academy

DUDLEY — Remaining steadfast on its mission to produce leaders, doers and game changers in their specific industries, Nichols College recently hosted its first-ever Public Safety Command Academy designed to connect New England public safety leaders and Master of Science in Counterterrorism/ Criminal Justice students for in-depth, first-responder training and experiential learn-

Throughout the weeklong, in-residency program, students were given the incredible opportunity to engage with and be mentored by local law enforcement officers from Chelsea, New Bedford, Fall River, Maynard, Haverhill, Montana Highway Patrol, and Rhode Island Department of Corrections. Taking center stage of the experience were daily lectures from presenters, all with vastly different backgrounds in the criminal justice field, who shared invaluable insights, techniques, advice and opinions that will help shape the next generation of law enforcement officers in New England.

Experiential learning was embedded into the curriculum where students conducted case study analysis, student discussion, practical exercises, in-class mindfulness meditation practices as well as other team building practical exercises that took place outside. Each participant learned theoretical and operational applications of motivation, teamwork, problem solving, decision-making, transformational leadership, culture, leadership analytics, ethical decision making, emotional intelligence, mindfulness and resiliency, implicit bias, diversity, DiSC Personality, and the Five Behaviors of a Cohesive

Team framework.

Each of these lessons were intently designed to tie into the curriculum of The Nichols College Master of Science in Counterterrorism (MSC) program, which is about the 'radicalization process' and violent extremism. Focused on the process of an individual's connection to an ideology or belief, and their process toward acting out violently, the MSC educates its graduates with the knowledge and skills to be 'preventative' in recognizing signs of radicalization, as opposed to 'reactionary' after a vio-

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# Ag Commission explores bringing master gardeners to Apple Festival

BY JASON BLEAU CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY - Dudley's Agricultural Advisory Commission is hoping to offer something new for potential and experienced gardeners when the annual Apple Festival returns this fall.

During a meeting in early June, Commission member Lanette Lepper revealed that she had been in touch with the Massachusetts Master Gardener Association about bringing their skills to Dudley. The plan would be for the group to attend the Apple Festival to help inspire or further educate local growers on creating beautiful and flourishing gardens and provide on-site

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# St. Joseph School honors student athletes



WEBSTER — On the evening of Saturday, June 18, the St. Joseph School Athletics Program celebrated accomplishments, thanked the eighth-grade class for its dedication and hard work, and recognized some very special friends of the program. The banquet was held in the Richard A. Nowak Gymnasium.

The banquet is a tradition that the athletes and their families look forward to each year. However, due to the pandemic, the banquet has not been held for the past two years. Therefore, soccer players, basketball players, and cheerleaders from the graduating classes of 2020, 2021, and 2022 were recognized. Unfortunately, also due to the pandemic, St. Joseph School could not run a soccer or basketball program in 2021. Therefore, a Cross-Country team was created to keep students active. Athletes

who participated on the Cross-Country team in 2021 and 2022 were also recognized.

Students were honored for their individual achievements. Trophies were presented to the Most Valuable Players and the Coaches' Choices. Recipients were:

Varsity Boys Basketball: Coaches' Award (2020) Matthew Krysinski, (2022) Steve Mathu; Most Valuable (2020)Player Peter

Barbale, (2022) Rocco Rudnicki

Boys Junior Varsity Basketball: Coaches' Award (2020) Matthew Obrycki, (2022) Ryan Grupposo; Most Valuable Player (2020) Andrew Bergeron, (2022) Jack Keller

Girls Varsity Basketball: Coaches' Award (2020) Toriana Baldasari, (2022)Alexandra Parafinowicz; Most Valuable Player (2020) Maya Podskarbi,

(2022) Gabriela Pianka Girls Junior Varsity Basketball: Coaches' Award (2020) Alexandra Parafinowicz; Most Valuable Player (2020)

Gabriela Pianka Soccer: Varsity Coaches' Award: (2020) Daniel Gronek, (2022) Adam Podgorny; Most Valuable Player (2020) Adrian Sobczak, (2022) Rocco Rudnicki

Coaches' Cheer: Award: (2020) Hannah Watson, (2022) Haleigh Creighton; Most Valuable Player (2020) Maeve (2022) Gianna DiCola-Keddy

Cross-Country (Fall): Coaches' Awards: (2021) Dale Boudreau and Dominik Gielarowiec, (2022) Molly Hachigian; and Ryan Grupposo

Cross-Country (Spring): Coaches' Awards: (2021) Molly Hachigian and Hannah Watson; (2022) Marcus Muchiru and Jack Keller

The following eighthgrade students were awarded plaques highlighting their sports careers at St. Joseph School: Class of 2020:

Sobczak, Daniel Gronek, Gracie Scott, Dooner, Jordan Kippax, Kai Lukasek, Kyleigh Czechowski, Matthew Krysinski, Noalani Perez, Peter Barbale, Roksana Chruslicki, Tessa McCabe, Toriana Baldassari, Wiktoria Potem; Class of 2021: Dale Boudreau, Dominik Duby, Dominik Gielarowiec, Elizabeth Mahlert, Justin Dooner Krystian Kowalczyk, Lauren Gingo, Maya Podskarbi, Samantha Keller, and Zane Ferry; Class of 2022: Podgorny, Aleksandra Kurowski, Alexandra Parafinowicz, Andrew Bergeron, Gianna DiCola-Keddy, Hannah Watson, Juliana Rudnicki, Maeve Sullivan, Matthew Obrycki, Matthew Zdrok, Paul Mankarios, Philopateer Basha, Rocco Rudnicki, Steve Mathu, and Treyton Dery.

The night was full of other recognition and awards as well. Banners highlighting the years of St. Joseph School basketball championships Abigail Kibaru, Adrian Turn To ATHLETES page A16



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# WEBSTER MASONS WELCOME NEW **MEMBERS**

Webster Lodge A.F. & A. M., the oldest active fraternal organization in the Webster/ Dudley area, welcomed two new members, Brother Chukunyere Anthony Uwakwe and Brother Joseph Rufino Portante, at the June 13 meeting. Webster Lodge, 164 years strong in 2022, is part of a rich Masonic tradition of men striving to improve both their own lives and the lives of others. Freemasonry teaches that the search for knowledge is the most noble pursuit there is. For more information, please visit: http://massfreemasonry.org. Pictured, left to right: New Mason, Brother Joseph Rufino Portante, Presiding Master Worshipful Daniel Violette and New Mason, Brother Chukwunyere Anthony Uwakwe.

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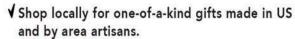
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# Dudley voters choose new selectman, School Committee member

**BY JASON BLEAU** CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – The people of Dudley have spoken as a new selectman and new School Committee representative were the highlights of the annual town election on Monday, June 13.

Positions on both elected bodies were up for grabs after two longtime public servants chose not to seek reelection in 2022. Paul Joseph, a staple of the town's highest

elected board for nearly 143 votes. Landry and Panczyk coming out the two decades, closed out his tenure as a selectman leaving an opening for new leadership in the community. There were actually two selectmen seats up for grabs with one candidate. Jason Johnson, running for re-election. Also contending for the board were Mark Landry and David Durgin. Landry ended up receiving the most votes of the three with 394 while Johnson maintained his seat with 362 votes. Durgin received

Johnson will each serve as selectmen for at least the next three years.

the Dudley-For Charlton Regional School Committee, Catherine Kabala, who had served for nearly four decades. officially retired from her service to the district with two new candidates on the ballot to represent Dudley on the dual-town Caitlynn committee. Panczyk and Maureen Chickering each hoped to win the single threeyear seat available with winner in a 308 to 218 decision.

All other seats on the ballot were uncontested. Lori Smith earned another term as Town Clerk and while he may not have secured a seat as selectman, David Durgin was elected to the Board of Assessors with no competition. Timothy Schur was re-electthe ed to Southern Worcester County Vocational Regional School District. Roberta Johnson remains on the Board of Health while Thomas Fornier and Robert Sullivan were re-elected to the Water & Sewer Commission. Steve Watroba and Guy Earl Horne, Jr. were re-elected to the Planning Board. Benjamin Craver rejoins the Library Trustees while Richard Clark becomes that board's newest member.

The ballot also contained a pair of questions asking voters their opinion on two financial matters. Question 1 sought a debt exclusion for \$240,000 to purchase a police cruiser and fire command vehicle and Question 2 sought a debt exclusion of \$110,000 to purchase a salt and brine ice road treatment system for the Highway Department. Question 1 passed in a 320-220 decision while Question two was approved by a wider margin of 363 to 177. A total of 570 voters cast their ballot throughout the day, only 7 percent of the registered voters in

# Dudley-Charlton to implement district-wide ALICE training

BY JASON BLEAU CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY/CHARLTON-Followingthe deadly shootings at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas in May, parents and members of the Dudley-Charlton Regional School Committee made it clear they wanted the district to enhance its response efforts in case of an emergency situation on any of the school campuses. This included the district-wide implementation of ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training which Superintendent Steven Lamarche confirms will become a standard by the fall.

Superintendent Lamarche announced the decision during a School Committee meeting in early June where he also

been conducted with the help of local law enforcement. While ALICE was utilized at some schools in the district, it was not a district-wide practice until

"We identified summer trainer opportunities for ALICE," said Lamarche. "We have a number of administrators signed up to become Dudley-Charlton Regional School District ALICE trainers for next year. We will identify the number of drills practiced in our schools as we begin the transition to

Lamarche said the "common number" of drills is three per year although he didn't confirm if this would be the Dudley-Charlton District's standard. He did indicate that lockdown drills will remain part of the district's response plan and that multiple lockdown and ALICE exercises will be held throughout any given school year. However, he reminded everyone present that while these are powerful tools to help prepare for an emergency, it takes everyone's awareness and effort to properly respond to any real situation.

The best tool we all have is communication. When it comes to the safety and wellbeing of our schools and the people in them, something noticed is never too small. You're call and email is always welcome," said Lamarche. "I really appreciate the people who have reached out and given us a chance to check on something."

Later, during the citizen comments portion of the meeting, one potential flaw in the system was brought up. David Smolski, a Charlton parent,

noted that his family had discussed the recent shootings and security concerns during dinner and that, like many schools nationwide, the Dudley-Charlton District may be inadvertently giving potential criminals an edge by advertising their security protocols.

"We were talking about that young man also being a product of the school system and if he was growing up in the school system, he likely understood how they prepare for these types of events,' Smolski said. "I don't know exactly a solution but it's almost like the deck is a bit stacked when somebody knows the gameplan from the inside."

The School Committee acknowledged this concern and said they plan to address it at upcoming Committee

# Worcester Polytechnic Institute students complete intensive research projects

WORCESTER — At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to addresses an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of students complete a project at one of the university's 50-plus off-campus project centers, which are located around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people's lives-and make a difference before they graduate.

'The WPI project-based curriculum's focus on global studies brings students out of the classroom and their comfort zones and into the global community to apply their knowledge and to solve problems," said Professor Kent relations and management system Rissmiller, professor of Integrative&

Global Studies and associate dean of The Global School. "Students are immersed in all aspects of a different culture, from the way people live and work to the values they hold to the foods they eat - all valuable perspectives for surviving and thriving in today's global marketplace. They also learn the meaning and magic of teamwork; make a real and meaningful difference in their host community; and gain a competitive edge for any resume, or graduate or professional school application."

The following students completed intensive research projects:

Dudley resident Brandon Scanlon, class of 2025, majoring in Computer Science (BS), completed the project titled George C. Gordon Library Mobile Application IQP

WebsterresidentBradleyMarkiewicz, class of 2023, majoring in Mechanical Engineering (BS), completed the project titled Refining the SYDRC customer

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# Webster resident earns Dean's List honors from MassBay Community College

WELLESLEY HILLS — Jaclyn Wenc of Webster has been named to the MassBay Community College Dean's List. Jaclyn Wenc, who studies Medical Coding, achieved this outstanding academic honor for the spring 2022 semester.

To be eligible for the MassBay Dean's List, students must complete at least six credits of college-level courses, be in good standing with the College, and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

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Legally freed for adoption, Corey's social worker is looking for a loving and supportive two-parent family or a single parent with other adults in the home or in close proximity for daily support. It is also important that

he has a mother figure and he is the youngest in the home. Corey needs to maintain contact with his big sister, Kiy'aa, who is also free for adoption, and if possible would love a family willing to open their home to her.

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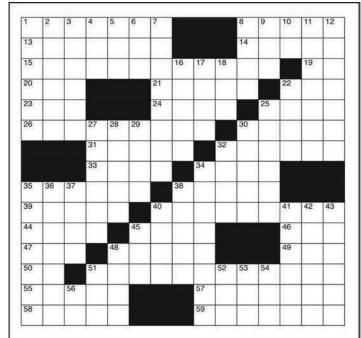
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### **CLUES ACROSS**

- Half-conscious states
- 8. Unnatural 13. Deep regret
- 14. Rogue
- 15. Took without permission 19. An alternative
- 20. After B
- 21. Partner to "flowed"
- 22. The best day of the week (abbr.)
- 23. Helps you hear
- 24. Egyptian river
- 25. Lake \_\_, one of the Great
- 26. Make free from bacteria 30. Indigenous peoples of central
- Canada
- 31. Sanctuaries in Greek temples
- 32. Most unclothed
- 33. NJ senator Booker

34. Tibetan lake

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44. Rugged cliff

45. Not quiet

46. Body part

48. German city

50. NBC's Roker

55. Actress Lathan

57. Most meager

59. Companions

58. Poems

49. A way to save money

51. Dire Straits frontman

40. Views

47. Newt

35. Desecrate something sacred

38. John \_\_, English educator

39. Obtains in return for labor

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Draws over 2. Recur
- 3. Current unit 4. Neither
- 5. Certified Radio Operator (abbr.)
- 6. Power of perception 7. Peace
- 8. Supplemented with difficulty 9. The last section or part of anything
- 10. Dorm worker
- 11. Bones 12. Most unnatural
- 16. Spanish island
- 17. The skill to do something 18. Where golf games begin
- 22. Untethered
- 25. Print errors
- 27. The sport of engaging in

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- 28. Ones to look up to 29. Stringed instrument
- 30. Gives whippings
- 32. Type of tie
- 34. Make more concentrated 35. Die
- 36. Part of a winter hat
- 37. Young men's club
- 38. Bathrooms need it 40. U.S. president
- 41. American novelist
- 42. Take into custody
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Space is limited – registration is required.

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#### MAKE A SOLAR OVEN

Tuesday, June 28 1:00PM-2:00PM

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Wednesday, June 29 2:00PM-2:45PM

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### SCOTT JAMESON MAGIC SHOW

Monday, July 11 6:00PM-7:00PM

See the show audiences are calling "Superb!", "A blast!", and "Heartwarming fun for the whole family." Join magician and juggler Scott Jameson for an extraordinary performance that will have you laughing out loud and perched on the very edge of your seat. Um-brellas will be plucked from thin air, a drawing will come to life, basketballs will be spun and juggled, and a member of the audience will unlock telekinetic abilities. For more information visit Scott's website at www.scottjameson.com. Don't miss it!

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#### HENNA ART FOR ALL AGES

Wednesday, July 13 11:00AM-Noon

Come get a henna tattoo. Registration required – all ages are welcome!

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#### LEARN TO PLAY THE UKULELE Thursday, July 14 1:00PM-2:00PM

Want to try an instrument that is fun and easy to play? Join Julie Stepanek as she shows the fundamentals of ukulele playing. You'll learn how to tune, strum and read chords. After a short lesson, you'll be able to play songs. No experience necessary. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one of hers.

Registration Required.

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Sponsored by the Dudley Cultural Council PĒARLE JAM: SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY – SONGS OF THE 1940S

Thursday, July 14 6:00PM-7:30PM

The annual Pearle Jam concert series continues with Doug Schmolze, who will take us on a "sentimental journey" through songs by Duke Ellington, Rogers & Hammerstein, Glenn Miller, Hoagy Carmichael, and

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### DROP IN SLIME MAKING

Friday, July 15 10:30AM-12:30PM

Drop in and make your own slime to take home, with fun add-ins to choose from.

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### TOM SIELING

Endowment!

Friday, July 15 3:00PM-4:00PM

Tom has delighted tens of thousands in over thirty years of performing - 57 programs in 10 states during the summer of 2019 (pre-Covid!). Every show is a top ten lineup of the most fun, most participatory kids' songs out there-many are even a bit athletic (they only sit for two)! He accompanies himself on guitar, banjo, and harmonica, and adds a drum machine to keep things upbeat and easy to move to. In keeping with the "Read off the Beaten Path" Summer Reading theme, the most cool, interesting nature facts and pictures he can dig up are included, along with lots of encouragement of lifelong participation in hiking, camping, music, reading, and library usage. If you'd like to see a sampler video, just Google "Tom Sieling Sampler" and click on the first link that comes up. Everyone is invited - come on

out for a free, fun time! All children under 12 must be accompanied by an

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**Adult Programming** 

SEED LIBRARY – Spring/Summer 2022

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

SEEING HISTORY: MONET'S GARDENS AT GIVERNY – June 23rd at 6:00PM

This beautiful and informative presentation will bring you into the world of Claude Monet's gardens at Giverny. The place that inspired so many of his masterpieces, from the water lilies to his Japanese bridge, will come alive in this vibrant and fun evening. No registration required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - June 27th at 6:00PM The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group will be meeting in person this month! The group meets at 6:30 pm and the meeting will take place in the Library's Community Room. New members are always welcome! Next month's book discussion will be on Monday, June 27th. The group will be discussing The Wife Upstairs by Rachel Hawkins. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmars.org for

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

Friday mornings through July and August the Gladys E Kelly Public Library will be having a free Tai Chi class! Join Sifu Gary from the Kung Fu and Tai Chi Academy of New England for an hour of focused movement each week to hone your body, mind, and spirit for the day ahead. Classes will be held on the lawn, weather permitting, and students should wear comfortable clothing for movement and sneakers or walking shoes. Students should also bring water or another non-carbonated beverage. No registration required! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

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

Join Julie at the Gladys E. Kelly

# **DEPARTMENT**

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of June 10-17.

Natalie Ann Sullivan, age 29, of Dudley was arrested on June 13 for Assault & Battery against a Police Officer, Resisting Arrest, and in connection with multiple warrants.

Patrick David Ford, age 22, of Dudley was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

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

Children's and Young Adult Programming

MAKER MONDAYS - Mondays from 3:30-4:30PM Feeling artistic? We will have a variety of craft materials available to put your creativity to the test! Every month we will rotate our craft material, stop in to see what we're making this month!

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

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

SENSORY BIN STORYTIME - Wednesdays in June 10:00-11:00AM

Join us for stories and play time in a new sensory bin each week. Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

LASER TAG TEEN KICK OFF - June 23rd 6:00PM

Come celebrate the start of Summer Reading with our Laser Tag kick-off event! This outdoor program is for teens 12-18! Please sign up via the sign-up sheet at the children's desk upstairs or by emailing rcox@cwmars.org. Please fill out the waiver that you can print and have a parent or a guardian sign and bring it into the library or email it to rcox@cwmars. org . You have to have the waiver filled out to play laser tag. Link to the waiver will be on the event page on our website. If you have any questions, please contact Randa our Teen Programming Intern through email listed above! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

ANIMAL ADVENTURES – June 27th 10-11AM

Come celebrate the start of Summer Reading with our Animal Adventures kick-off event! This outdoor program will feature live animals of all shapes and sizes! Learn all kinds of facts about how different animals live in a fun and safe (socially distanced) outdoor setting. Program for all ages! No sign-ups required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public

Library.

TEEN ANIME NIGHT – July 1st 3:30-5PM

Join the Gladys Kelly Library in a day of anime! Vote to watch your favorite anime, sit back and grab a snack and enjoy!

TEEN PAINT BY NUMBERS – July 5th 4:30-6PM

Come in and pick one of our canvases and paint a master piece! These paint by number canvases will make painting easy and fun!

MUSIC TOGETHER - Wednesdays in July, starting July 6th from 9:30-10AM

Fun, fabulous, uplifting, magical early childhood music class! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

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

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

WIGGLES AND GIGGLES – Thursdays from July 7th through the 21st 10-11AM

Come sing, dance, and make music with Lainey Hanlon! Geared for children ages 2-5 and their caregivers, but all ages welcome! Stop by the Children's Room, contact our Children's Librarian, Andrew at atai@cwmars.org, or call the library at 508-949-3880 to register!

PRINCESS PARTY - July 8th 10:30-12PM

Decorate your own crown and join Our Disney princesses as they read and sing. Dress up is encouraged!

TEEN POTTERY: REGISTRATION REQUIRED -July 8th 2:30-3:30PM

Join us with welcoming Pop Up Art School in! They will be bringing the clay for you to build an amazing clay lantern decorated with fun flowers and whimsical animals! Registration required, please call the library at 508-949-3880, or email Randa at rcox@ cwmars.org to register!

FLYING HIGH DOGS – July 11th 10AM

Watch these amazing canines fly through the air doing frisbee tricks in an interactive show!

TEEN ESCAPE ROOM – July 11th 4:30PM

Have you ever wanted to escape from thieving pirates? Well now you can! Come and join us for our Escape Room: The Pirates Code!

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# Olivia Perry graduates from Castleton University

CASTLETON, Vt. — Olivia Perry of Webster graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Blology from Castleton University following the successful completion of the spring semester in May 2022.

Castleton University celebrated the accomplishments of members of the Class of 2022 at its 235th Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 14. This year marks the first in-person, university-wide commencement in three years.

Mia Schultz, president of the Rutland Area Branch of the NAACP, addressed the more than 3,500 guests in attendance and those watching the ceremony live from home. She shared her journey to community activism and her lived experience with racism. She encouraged students to become leaders in their communities and push for positive change whenever they can.

"Community service made me realize that great social transformations begin with the individual, spreads to the village, to the town, the city, the state, to the entire nation, and ultimately, to the world I want you to live up to your potential, follow your heart, and do good unto the world. That starts by using that power inside of you and remember that the only thing that perpetuates evil is for good people to do nothing."

Castleton Interim President Tom Mauhs-Pugh reflected on the contributions of the class, including growth in experiential learning opportunities, clubs and activities, and more. He also encouraged students to look ahead and get excited about what's to come.

"While today is certainly a chance to reflect on the difference you have made here and all you have accomplished, it is also a time to look ahead to the difference you will make in the future," he said. "Your Castleton education has prepared - and hopefully inspired you - to find something you are passionate about and do that every day. That is how

you make a difference in the

Larry Courcelle, vice president of the Castleton Alumni Association, presented two distinguished awards to members of the Castleton University community. Assistant Professor and School of Nursing Chair Helen Papeika was recognized with the Outstanding Faculty Award, which is given annually to a faculty member whose excellence in teaching influences students well beyond graduation.

Sport Management graduate Jahwara Rennalls was honored with the Leonard C. Goldman Distinguished Senior Award, given to a student who has excelled in and out of the classroom, contributed to community service, and served as an example to others.

Heather Porter, a parttime faculty member in Psychological Sciences was awarded the Endowed Outstanding Part-Time Faculty Award, which honors one of Castleton's many dedicated. highly-competent part-time instructors.

Andrew Vermilyea, associate professor and chair of the Natural Sciences Department, was awarded the Endowed Richardson Faculty Award, given once every three years to a deserving full-time faculty member.

Class of 2022 President Adam Mitchell addressed his classmates, encouraging them to find the balance between refining their skills and self-care as they begin their careers. He referenced a quote from Abraham Lincoln: "Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the ax."

"I don't think 'ole Abe meant this literally - I hope not for the sake of his back - but rather in the application of knowledge. He thought so highly of learning that he would dedicate over half of his available time to sharpening his mind before he utilized his intellect Yes, you do need to refine your skills, that's a given. But you also

need to have the mental and physical capacity to use those skills efficiently. Your body and mind must be well-rested in order to apply yourself, to do things well, and to achieve."

About Castleton University Castleton University is small enough to be a community where every student matters, yet large enough to offer more than 75 programs of study for undergraduate and graduate students, 28 varsity sports, and over 50 clubs and organizations. The university stresses experiential learning through internships, community service, and research opportunities provided by more than 400 community partnerships. On July 1, 2023, Castleton University will join together with Northern Vermont University and Vermont Technical College to become Vermont State University, a reimagined higher education institution building on the strong legacies of its founding institutions. Learn

# Local students named to Holy Cross' Spring 2022 Deans List

WORCESTER — A total of 1,457 students were named to the College of the Holy Cross' Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2021-22 academic year. The following local students made the list:

Kelsey Connor of Webster, Class of

Meghan Gates of Oxford, Class of 2022

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must pass four or more letter-graded courses with no failing grades during the semester and earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

About Holy Cross:

The College of the Holy Cross, in Worcester, is among the nation's leading liberal arts institutions. A highly selective, four-year, exclusively under-

graduate college of 3,100 students, Holy Cross is renowned for offering a rigorous, personalized education in the Jesuit, Catholic tradition. Since its founding in 1843, Holy Cross has made a positive impact in society by graduating students who distinguish themselves as thoughtful leaders in business, professional and civic life.

### What's the Difference?

There are four differences between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?





Answers: 1. Missing photo in back 2. Extra rose 3. Pearls are longer 4. Missing leaf front right Jower



• 1840: SAMUEL MORSE RECEIVES A PATENT FOR THE TELEGRAPH.

• 1877: ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL INSTALLS THE WORLD'S FIRST COMMERCIAL TELEPHONE SERVICE IN CANADA.

• 1975: THE MOVIE
"JAWS" IS RELEASED IN
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HIGHEST-GROSSING FILM
OF THAT TIME.



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# Springfield Technical Community College celebrates accomplishment of students named to dean's list

more at castleton.edu.

SPRINGFIELD — Paul W. Thomas of Webster has been named to dean's list, which is published each semester to recognize excellence in academic performance. To be considered, degree-seeking students must earn 12 or more college level credits in the current semester, or a total of 12 or more combined college-level credits earned during the fall and spring semesters, and achieve a 3.3 or above grade point average.

STCC, the Commonwealth's only technical community college, continues the pioneering legacy of the Springfield Armory with comprehensive and technical education in manufacturing, STEM, healthcare, business, social services, and the liberal arts. STCC's highly regarded workforce, certificate, degree, and transfer programs are the most affordable in Springfield and provide unequalled opportunity for the vitality of Western Massachusetts. Founded in 1967, the college - a designated Hispanic Serving Institution - seeks to close achievement gaps among students who traditionally face societal barriers. STCC supports students as they transform their lives through intellectual, cultural, and economic engagement while becoming thoughtful, committed and socially responsible graduates.

# Congratulations to STCC Class of 2022 graduate Paul Thomas

SPRINGFIELD — Springfield Technical Community College is proud to recognize Paul Thomas, of Webster, for successfully completing the requirements necessary to graduate from the college during the 2021-2022 academic year with a AS in Land Design & Mgmt Tech.

Members of the Class of 2022 were recognized during a Commencement ceremony on June 2.

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# Webster resident named to Dean's List at Bay Path

WEBSTER — Cody Prince of Webster has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of 2022 at Bay Path.

This distinction is given to students who earn a grade point average of between 3.50 and 3.99 on a 4.0 scale over the past semester.



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Solve the code to discover words related to roses.

Each number corresponds to a letter.

(Hint: 19 = R)

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Clue: Modified flower leaf

B. 16 8 18 19 6

Clue: Sharp protrusion

C. 2 19 5 26 19 5 6 20 14

Clue: Aroma

D. 20 18 21 18 19

Clue: Hue

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row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row,
column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will
appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The
more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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# Bryant University 2022 graduates are inspired and real-world ready to make their mark

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — On May 21 at Bryant University's 159th Commencement celebration, 775 members of the class of 2022 received a Bryant degree at a time when the value of a Bryant education has never been greater. Bryant was recently ranked in the top 1% in the nation for return on investment and was also cited as a top school for economic mobility.

Four years ago, members of Bryant's undergraduate Class of 2022 arrived from around the world, each with unique goals and dreams and all envisioning the moment they would step through Bryant's iconic Archway ready to contribute to the future. Little did anyone imagine the unprecedented challenges they would face when in 2020, a global pandemic changed the world for everyone. Undeterred, this group of students has forged ahead with resilience and determination, becoming stronger for the jour-

"We will continue to proudly represent Bryant wherever we go-whether our travels take us abroad or to local communities. Being Bryant Strong means turning obstacles into opportunities, challenges into choices, and vanquishments into victories," said Paul Theriault '22, who delivered the Student Charge at the Commencement ceremony.

Bryant graduates now join powerful alumni network of more than 50,000 accomplished leaders around the world.

Congratulations to the Class of 2022 graduates including:

Ryan Fenton of Dudley, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance.

Christopher Place of Webster, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Leadership and Innovation Management.

Max Shepherd of North Oxford, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Global Supply Chain Management.

**Bryant University** For nearly 160 years, Bryant University has been at the forefront of delivering an exceptional education that anticipates the future and prepares students to be innovative leaders of character in a changing world. The University delivers a uniquely integrated academic and student life experience with nationally recognized academic programs at the intersection of business, STEM fields and the liberal arts. Located on a 428-acre contemporary campus in Smithfield, R.I., Bryant enrolls approximately 3,800 undergraduate and graduate students from 38 states and 49 countries. Bryant is recognized as a top 1 percent national leader in student education outcomes and ROI and regularly receives high rankings from U.S. News and World Report, Money, Bloomberg Businessweek, Wall Journal, College Factual and Barron's. Visit www.

bryant.edu

# URI student Myles Wagner of Dudley receives Academic **Excellence Award**

KINGSTON, R.I. — Each year, the University of Rhode Island honors graduating seniors for their superior academic achievement. Their selection is based on grade point average, as well as other criteria determined by their individual academic departments. For example, criteria might include an honors project, a research presentation, or a student's professional prom-

Each recipient of a University Academic Excellence Award receives a certificate of academic excellence suitable for framing and a URI medallion. Awards are conveyed in an annual ceremony at Edwards Hall by the deans of each college and Interim Provost Laura Beauvais.

Myles Wagner of Dudley earned an award for outstanding academic achievement in

'We were very pleased that we could celebrate together in person this year, recognizing the extraordinary achievements of our honorees," said URI Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Laura L. Beauvais. "Through grit, determination, and remaining focused on their goals, these students have successfully met and overcome the challenges presented to them over the past few years. These graduates have set a high bar for themselves and are an inspiration to our faculty and staff as well as to our future students. It has been an honor to have them as part of our com-

For more information on each of the honorees or to watch the awards ceremony in its entirety, visit the University of Rhode Island's Academic Excellence Awards page.

About the University of Rhode

Founded in 1892, the University of Rhode Island is the principal public flagship research and graduate institution in Rhode Island. Competitive and highly regarded, its more than 14,500 undergraduate students and 2,200 graduate students represent 48 states and 76 countries across the globe. With 203 academic programs, URI offers its undergraduate, graduate, and professional students distinctive educational opportunities designed to meet the global challenges of today's world and the rapidly evolving needs of tomorrow. At URI, you will find some of today's leading innovators, discoverers, and creative problem solvers. To learn more, visit: uri.edu.

# Nichols College students earn academic honors for Spring 2022

DUDLEY, MA (06/15/2022)--More than 400 students at Nichols College in Dudley have achieved Dean's List or President's List honors during the spring 2022 semester.

The Dean's List and President's List recognize those students who achieve high grades during a single semester. In order to be included on the Dean's List, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for at least 12 undergraduate credit-hours and must have received no grades below B- during the semester. Students whose semester grade point average is 3.85 or

higher for at least 12 undergraduate credit-hours with no grades below B- will receive President's List honors.

Alejandra Arango of Dudley Anthony Barnardo of Webster Ricky Bowden of Dudley Zachary Candito of Webster Tara Daniels of Webster Madalyn Endriga of Dudley Rebecca Ensom of Oxford Veronica Helock of Dudley Lukas Janusz of Dudley Alexander Laws of Dudley Eric Lefebvre of Webster Makenzie MacGregor Webster

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# Nichols College students earn academic honors for Spring 2022

DUDLEY — More than 200 students at Nichols College in Dudley have achieved Dean's List honors for the spring 2022

The Dean's List recognizes those students who achieve high grades during a single semester. In order to be included on the Dean's List, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for at least 12 undergraduate credit-hours and must have received no grades below B- during the semester.

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Webster resident

# named to Dean's List at Dean College

FRANKLIN — Dean College is pleased to announce that Amanda Mulligan of Webster has earned a place on the Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. Students named to the Dean's List have demonstrated a serious commitment to their studies while at Dean College.

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The Webster Senior Center will be closed on Tuesday, June 28th for the town election and on Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

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

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Do you like to play cribbage? We have a weekly cribbage group that meets every Tuesday at 1:00 pm - feel free to join

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

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Trip 1: Lake Winnipesaukee Cruise & Castle in the Clouds on Tuesday, August 16th. Trip price of \$149.00 includes transportation, 2-hour Lake Cruise, visit to Castle in the Clouds, luncheon, meal taxes and gratuities. Trip 2: Shades of Buble', a three man tribute to Michael Buble on Tuesday, Sept. 20th. Trip price of \$99.00 includes transportation, show tickets, luncheon, meal taxes and gratuities. Our trips are quickly selling out so don't wait to reserve your seat! Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 for more information.

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# **Keith Kirkpatrick** graduates from CCU

CONWAY, S.C. — Coastal Carolina University recognized more than 1,200 students during its spring commencement ceremonies, held May 6-7. Among the graduates was Keith Kirkpatrick, a Coastal Marine and Wetland Studies major

A Universitywide ceremony recognizing all graduates was held on Saturday, May 7, at 9 a.m. in Brooks Stadium and featured a keynote address by Vanessa Wyche, a Conway, S.C., native and director of NASA's Johnson Space Center. Each of CCU's academic colleges held individual ceremonies during the weekend, where graduates' names were called and they had the opportunity to walk across the stage and receive their diploma covers.

Coastal Carolina University is a dynamic, public comprehensive liberal arts institution located in Conway, located just minutes from the resort area of Myrtle Beach, S.C. CCU offers baccalaureate degrees in 95 major fields of study. Among the University's graduate-level programs are 27 Master's degrees, two educational specialist degrees, and the doctorates in education and in marine science: coastal and marine systems science. CCU boasts a growing array of internship, research and international opportunities for students, as well as numerous online programs through Coastal Online.

More than 10,400 students from across the country and around the world interact with a world-class faculty, and enjoy a nationally competitive NCAA I athletic program, an inspiring cultural calendar, and a tradition of community interaction that is fueled by more than 180 student clubs and

organizations.

# Dean College announces Spring 2022 Dean's List

FRANKLIN — Dean College is pleased to announce the students that have earned a place on the Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. These students have demonstrated a serious commitment to their studies while at Dean College.

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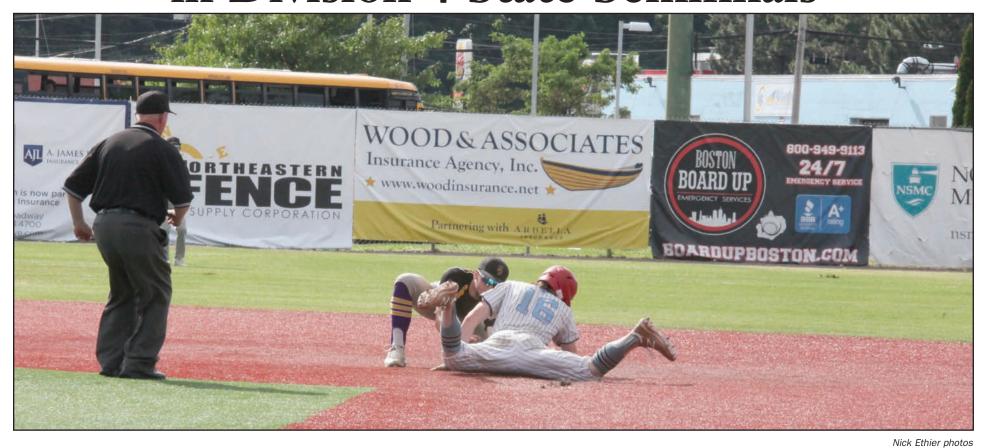
# Local residents make Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology

BOSTON — The following local students have made the Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the Spring 2022 semester. \* Craigon Confer of Oxford

Wentworth Institute Technology of Founded in 1904, Wentworth Institute of Technology is a nationally ranked university offering career-focused education through bachelors and graduate degree programs in areas including engineering, architecture, computing and data science, life sciences, management, and design. Its 31 acres are situated in the Fenway neighborhood of Boston, Mass., within walking distance of several leading cultural, educational, sports, and medical hubs. Wentworth is known for its emphasis on career preparation for students through its leading co-op programs, hands-on learning approach, and alignment with 21st-century workforce needs.

# **SPORTS**

# Seekonk narrowly defeats Minutemen in Division 4 State Semifinals



Bay Path's Zack Fritze tags out Seekonk's Declan Lush during an attempted steal of second base.

BY NICK ETHIER SPORTS EDITOR

LYNN — No doubt any loss to end a season is heartbreaking. But for the Bay Path Regional varsity baseball team, even in defeat — a narrow 2-1 setback to No. 7 Seekonk High in the Division 4 State Semifinals on Tuesday, June 14 at Fraser Field — they can hold their heads high for how well they played. The 14th ranked Minutemen played error-free ball defensively and freshman pitcher Dale Nussey tossed a complete game and only allowed the two runs.

"I'm so proud of these kids," said Bay Path head coach Mark Sansoucy. "They were one of the top eight teams to make it into the Districts [Central Mass. Tournament], one of the top four teams to make it into the State Vocational Tournament, and one of the teams to make it to the State Final Four, it's unbelievable.'

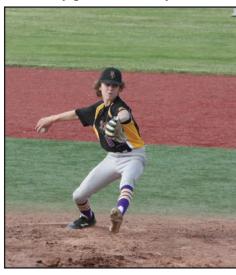
The Minutemen finished 19-6.

In Nussey's six innings of work, he allowed seven hits and a walk while striking out two.

"He pitched great. You couldn't ask any more from him, a freshman stepping up in a game like that — it was great," Sansoucy said of Nussey's performance. "He's been like that all year. He's confident, nothing bothers him. He

wants the ball, great competitor."

The only problem for Bay Path was



Bay Path pitcher Dale Nussey delivers the ball to the plate in the Minutemen's 2-1 loss to Seekonk in the Division 4 State Semifinals.

that they couldn't solve the pitching of Seekonk sophomore Declan Lush, who went all seven innings and gave up the one run on five hits while striking out six and walking one.

"He kind of pitched almost the same way as our pitcher, he kept everybody off-balance. He mixed it up good,' Sansoucy said of Lush.

The Minutemen did solve Lush — at least for one run — in the top of the fourth inning to take a 1-0 lead. Zack Fritze, a junior, led off with a single and then grabbed a one-out steal of second base. Fellow junior Matt Rousakos (2-for-3) followed with an RBI single up the middle.

Seekonk then immediately gained the lead in the home half of the fourth with a two-run inning. There, freshman Connor Flynn (2-for-3) and Lush (2-for-3) singled and senior Kevin Crowe dropped down a perfect sacrifice bunt to push the runners over to second and third base. Then, with two outs, senior Cullen Steitz and freshman David Souto followed with back-to-back singles. Neither ball was hit particularly well, with Steitz beating out an infield hit and Souto dropping one into shallow

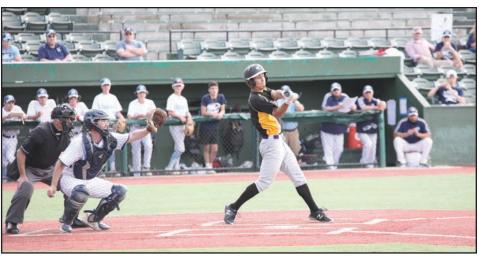
"That's what happens. It is what it is. I would have taken it," Sansoucy said of the Warriors' scoring plays. "I wish it was the other way around."

Nussey ensured that Seekonk wouldn't score again, grabbing the final seven outs through only nine batters. Nussey was quick to compliment his teammates for keeping him even-keeled before the outing.

"I've got great teammates behind me. They helped me and talked to me before the game. They joked around with me," said Nussey, who also credited catcher Dylan McDonald, a junior, with calling a great game behind the plate. "My catcher did a great job changing it up to batters, great curveball and fastball mix.'

McDonald also threw out two wouldbe Seekonk base stealers at second base. "He's a great catcher," said Nussey.

The Warriors then played No. 5 Manchester-Essex Regional for the Division 4 State Championship on Saturday, June 18. The Hornets defeated Seekonk for the title, 2-0.



Brandon Martocci of Bay Path swings at a pitch up in the zone and gets the barrel of the bat on the ball.



First baseman Matt Rousakos of Bay Path gets low to scoop the ball and record an out while Seekonk's Carmine Capuano runs down the line.



Bay Path's Zack Moody checks his swing at a high pitch for a called ball.

# Undefeated season for Webster Youth Soccer U10 Division 2 team



The Webster Youth Soccer U10 Division 2 team is coming off an impressive undefeated season in the Midland Area Youth Soccer League, their second consecutive season without a blemish. The 9- and 10-year-old Webster squad is currently ranked in the top 5 of 64 teams in the U10 division within the league. They have tied for the least conceded goals allowed (5) during the season, where they went 8-0.

The team includes, from left, Coach Mike Shelburne, Ashden Morley, Jael Rivera, Logan Kasprzak, Taylin Whiting, Ariellie Rivera, Noah Beaudette, Shawn Hastings, Camden Melendez, Jack Pinto, Connor Shelburne, Nolan Nadeau, Caleb Latino and Coach Chris Melendez.



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# **EDITORIAL**

Facing down the tough times

While our current economy hasn't dipped to the level it did during the Great Depression, several conversations as of late have gone there, particularly since COVID-19 and the war in Ukraine, have put a strain on our economy. Further, electricity rates have increased dramatically, and will only get worse this winter, when colder weather settles in again and we need more light to stave off the darkness at 4 p.m. Will it get so bad that people will turn to flashlights and candles around the dinner table? Let's hope not. Perhaps a new push for solar energy will resurface.

To date, the Great Depression was the worst economic decline in modern times. A hard jump from the 'Roaring Twenties,' when Americans were enjoying a robust economy with more time to spend and recreate.

After the stock market crash in 1929, those who were still employed saw a decrease in pay of roughly 40 percent. This included doctors and other affluent careers. One quarter of the population remained without a living wage. With that said, the typical American had to adapt to a new way of life that included a level of scrimping and saving never seen before.

Homemakers, who were primarily women back then, were shown how to make due with what they had in the kitchen. Meals were stretched as far as possible. To do so, people learned to enjoy more casseroles, such as macaroni and cheese, chili, Mulligan stew (a mix of anything available), bologna casserole, and a 'poorman's meal' (fried potato with diced hot dogs). Another go-to was 'hot water pie,' which was made up from simple ingredients such as butter, vanilla, sugar and flour. Potluck gatherings were also a cheap way for people to come together and socialize. Thrift gardens popped up in vacant lots across the country where community members could grow food, feeding thousands.

Movie theaters were a major source of entertainment during the years leading up to the depression. After the economy tanked, people had to find other, cheaper forms of leisure. One third of the cinemas in the country were shuttered. Miniature golf courses charged people no more than 50 cents per round, making the low-key game another popular thing to do. With that said, board games such as Scrabble and Monopoly became all the rage. People were also tuning into the radio for comedy shows and other dramas.

More women became employed to supplement lost income, despite the fact that they were paid significantly less than men. Government help was also more socially acceptable after President Franklin D. Roosevelt introduced New Deal programs. Before the Depression, those receiving welfare were listed in local newspapers, which was a deterrent for many to accept government

Men grew insecure after not being able to provide for their families, which caused an uptick in suicide. Divorce rates were low, because couples could not afford to separate, even though many couples did unofficially split.

Traveling by rail became very common for teenagers who sought work to help their families on the road. As far as lawlessness, violent crimes did increase; however fell after a few years.

On another note, one topic of conversation has been in regard to political theatre. Stay informed, watch unbiased news reports and pay attention to the words that are coming out of the mouths of actual people, not newscasters. You can draw a lot from what people are actually saying and doing, without watching a bit of news, then go from there. To comment on an issue, be informed. If you are not informed, don't vote and refrain from conversations about topics of which you cannot contribute.

# IHE DEADLINE to submit letters to the editor and commentaries for next week's newspaper is Friday at noon. SEND ALL ITEMS to Editor Brendan Berube at THE WEBSTER TIMES — news@stonebridgepress.news

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Criticism against school officials is unfair

To the Editor:

Webster Public Schools have come under criticism during recent conversations about the proposed renovation of Bartlett High School. While criticism can sometimes be constructive, much of what is being said is unfair, unfounded, and not constructive. I would like to make three points to rebut some of what is being said.

First, many people point to low test scores and graduation rates. What should be taken into consideration are the demographics of Webster's students. Many students arrive in town with great financial, language, and educational disadvantages. Almost 23 percent of Webster's students have disabilities, a number that is greater than the state average. Seventy-nine percent have high needs, a number that is more than 40 percent above the state average (The Massachusetts Department of Education defines a high needs student as "either low income, economically disadvantaged, early intervention or former early intervention, or a student with disabilities.") More than 62 percent are economically disadvantaged, 70 percent above the state average. To expect Webster's students to score above state averages on standardized tests is unreasonable and unfair.

Second, many middle-class and wealthier families can and do send their children to other school districts under school choice or to private and parochial schools. For children of economically disadvantaged families, travelling outside of the district presents challenges, especially for the many Webster families with a single parent household. Renovating Bartlett is likely to draw many school choice students back to Webster and when they return, the state

funding for these students will come back with them.

Third, students are not test scores and graduation rates. Each one is a unique individual and deserves the best opportunity to succeed when they graduate. Punishing these students because of erroneous perceived neglect of the school building by town officials and school administrators makes no sense. What happened in the past cannot be undone and should not determine our future. What can be done is we can give these students the learning atmosphere and programs that they need to thrive in our community.

A town is not just its buildings and streets. Above all, it is a community of people. Regardless of any disadvantages or disabilities they may have, we should offer every young person the opportunity to become the best citizens that they can be by giving them an adequate education. Leaving them in an outdated and inadequate high school fails them and it hurts the future generations of our community.

Many parents, including myself, are extremely grateful for the quality education that our kids received at Bartlett. The school offers AP classes, has caring, involved teachers and our students went on to the colleges of their choice. For those students who have other challenges, it is the responsibility of the community to provide them with the resources they need to be successful after they graduate.

I encourage everyone to support the renovation of the high school and to vote for the debt exclusion at Town Hall on Tuesday, June 28 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

DIANE MANDILE

# Trust the experts and look at the numbers

Vote yes Tuesday, June 28, Town Hall ballot vote, polls open 7 a.m. to 7p.m.

The details of the Bartlett renovation are out there now. I'm not going to discuss them all. I'm not going to tell you that "our children deserve this." I'm not going to talk about what could have or should have been done. We can only look forward to the bottom line and cost/benefit. Like everything else lately, it has sadly been a divisive topic with a lot of misinformation being thrown around. A quick Google or Facebook search will tell you everything there is to know about the project. Most people have already made up their minds how they will vote but on the off chance some of you are still on the fence consider this.

The project started almost a decade ago, and has been reviewed inside and out by several different groups of your peers. A School Building Committee. Town Selectmen, Finance Committee and School Committee have all reviewed ideas and plans in countless meetings since 2013. There have been open forums and meetings for anyone interested in providing feedback or learning more. This is not some last minute, thrown together project with no consideration of other solutions or financial impact to our citizens. Every detail has been carefully thought out and all options have been considered. We did not wait until the last minuteuntil the roof collapsed or the boiler stopped working completely. We made minor repairs in the meantime while this plan was being worked on. The project we are voting on Tuesday is the best and most fiscally responsible option for the Town of Webster. This is not my opinion but rather the opinion of the aforementioned peer groups who have spent countless hours over the last decade in presentations and meetings and have asked all the questions that are being asked now. What do any of them have to personally gain in recommending that we as voters approve this project? They are citizens and taxpayers just like the rest of us. There is no option to do nothing.

Repairs and updates are needed at Bartlett that are outside of the normal operating budget. If we vote down the

\$50 million in grant money from the MSBA on Tuesday, we will be back at more town meetings and more ballot votes over the next several years voting on other ways to fix Bartlett with no help from the State or we will be looking for things to cut out of the normal operating budget. Town budgets are already razor thin and we would likely be looking at cuts to jobs and town services.

We know the numbers if the vote passes and the project goes forward. Webster's expense will be \$50 million spread out over the next 30 years. An average annual tax bill will increase by \$165 per \$100,000 of assessed value starting three or four years from now when the project is complete (i.e. a mortgage for a \$300,000 home would see a \$41 increase in the monthly payment, starting around 2025). We do not know the numbers if the vote fails, but we do have an idea. Webster's expense is estimated to be \$100 million over the next 12 years- just to fix the basic needs such as HVAC systems, a new roof, ADA code compliance and sprinklers; but with no modern renovation addressing educational needs. Bottom line: Yes vote = \$50 million grant from the state and \$50 million bill to Webster for a complete modern renovation addressing educational needs as well as necessary physical updates. No vote = estimated \$100 million bill to Webster just to fix basic needs for wear and tear items that have reached the end of their useful lives and for code updates. Estimates can be off a little but even if it was off by \$50 million. we are still getting a better deal with a

Of course, there is a lot more to this than just the bottom line, but like I said in the beginning, every detail is out there and every detail has been reviewed by the people who we entrust to make decisions on our behalf and guide our town in the right direction on a daily basis. If the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee are recommending approval, maybe we should listen to them and vote Yes on Tuesday.

Thank you,

BOBBY PHILLIPS WEBSTER

To the Editor:

Why are we having these discussions, votes over and over School Restoration? Because the powers that be only want a "yes" vote, won't take "no.'

The state has plenty of money, federal government has plenty. They certainly tax just about everything. Why isn't the state or feds picking up all the tab for the school restoration? Where are those state, and federal reps, and senators when you need them? Don't they get enough from our wallets? Plus the hidden tax inflation. When is enough, enough?

Folks have to speak up, tweet, email, write to the reps, senators, newspapers, TV, whoever. We have to remember

they are our employees; we are not theirs. November election is coming up. The reps, and senators are the poster faces for term limits. Mass voters passed term limits over 25 years ago, why haven't the reps, senators changed the state constitution? Of course, folks you know the answer — why would they want to stop the gravy train? We have to speak up more, and please vote; by voting we can make things happen. Reps, senators been elected for two terms, that's enough, after that I believe they are in office to just feather their nest, not take care of the folks.

JIM ALLISON Webster

# More about the REAL program



CHIEF'S CORNER **STEVE** WOJNAR

A few weeks back, I provided a reminder on the "REAL ID" driver's license program. This is the federal security program created in 2005, designed standardized and secure identifications issued to people throughout the country. This enables people to

use their license as an official identification for domestic air travel or to enter federal facilities. Under this program, Massachusetts ID's will meet similar standards as other states and the date of implementation is May 3, 2023. To obtain this ID, people are required to produce proof of citizenship paperwork. During my recent visit to Joshua Place, I was asked a question on birth and marriage certificates for this process. I was also asked about the cost of converting your current license to a Real ID.

In Massachusetts, the deadline to

obtain a REAL ID was extended until May 3, 2023. This means after that date, only a REAL ID or a valid passport would be an acceptable form of identification to fly domestically or enter federal buildings. To obtain this, you are required to provide proof of citizenship or lawful presence, your Massachusetts residency information, and social security number. You are best to check the Registry Web site for the official list and other information: https://www. mass.gov/guides/massachusetts-identification-id-requirements. A passport or an original birth certificate (with raised seal) are a valid proof of citizenship. For those who are married and have legally changed your name, a marriage certificate is required. Many people may not have an original copy handy and will need to obtain one. Our newly re-elected Dudley Town Clerk provided me with some guidance on how to obtain some of these documents. Birth certificates in Massachusetts can be obtained in the city or town where you were born, or in the town where your parents lived at that time. For example, if your parents lived in Dudley, and you were born in Worcester, you can obtain your birth certificate in either Dudley or Worcester. Marriage certificates are a bit different. The one issued by a church are not considered official documents by the Registry. Marriage certificates are available in the city or town where you declared your marriage intentions. If you lived in Dudley and went to the local clerk (such Clerk Lambros, Finn, or Smith), you can obtain a certified copy there. The location of marriage does not apply. Check with the City or Town where you and your spouse declared your marriage intentions for this document.

The other question posed to me was if you recently obtained a standard driver's license and wished to upgrade to the REAL ID, will you be charged the full fee? According to Mass DOT, if you wish to upgrade your license, there is a \$25 processing fee to do this. If you are within one year of the expiration date of your license (on your birthday if you check) you will be responsible for the full fee. The reason for this is, at that time, you are eligible to renew your license within one year of expiration. Therefore, you will simply receive your new license. Please review the proper documentation to bring with you to obtain the REAL ID to avoid multiple trips to the Registry and the frustration that accompanies it.

For those still seeking vaccination or COVID related information, it can be found at www.dudleyma.gov or by calling 508-949-8036. During these challenging times, we, at the Dudley Police Department, greatly appreciate the support we receive from our community.

Thanks again for your questions and comments. Please send them to me at the Dudley Police Department, 71 West Main St., Dudley, MA 01571 or email at swojnar@dudleypolice.com. Opinions expressed in this weekly column are those of Chief Wojnar only and unless clearly noted, do not reflect the ideas or opinions of any other organization or citizen.

# Now it's our turn

One mission is completed. Another one begins! In the Christian Church, this is how we understand Jesus Christ's Ascension into heaven and His sending of the Holy Spirit upon all His followers on the day of Pentecost. Forty days after Jesus rose from the dead, He ascended into heaven. Jesus completed His earthly mission. He revealed God to the world. He showed what divine love looks like through His life. He offered words of divine wisdom that still resound today. He accepted to die on the Cross to take upon Himself the sins of the world and then to defeat death itself



BEYOND THE **PEWS** By Fr. Luke

A. VERONIS SAINTS CONSTANTINE AND HELEN **G**REEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, Webster

by His own death. As He was dying on the cross, Jesus bluntly stated, "It is accomplished."

With His Ascension into, Christ completed His divine mission. Ten days later, on the feast of Pentecost, a new mission begins! Christ promised His disciples "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem and in Judea and in Samaria and to the ends of the world." Jesus gives to the Church, the followers of Jesus Christ, the task to continue His mission on earth.

What is this mis-

sion? To proclaim to the world the Good News that Jesus Christ is risen and alive and through Him Divine Love will always prevail over all evil. To shine forth His Divine Light of hope and joy in a world that often seems so dark and hopeless. To bring His love anywhere where there is hatred, peace wherever there is discord, comfort wherever there is sadness, hope wherever there is despair, and light wherever there is darkness. To become instruments in God's hand bringing His presence to those who feel alone.

"Don't be sad when I leave you," Jesus comforted his followers, "Don't be afraid because I will never leave you alone. I may not be with you physically, but I will send you a Comforter who will never leave you. I will send you the Spirit of Truth to bear divine fruit in your lives – the fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control.

Our souls are like sailboats and the Holy Spirit is the wind which blows the sails and drives it forward. Without wind a sailboat floats in the water unmoved, but with the power of the wind, a boats speeds through the water.

All followers of Jesus Christ are summoned to fulfill this divine mission. Yet, we don't do it with our own power. Christ invites us to become instruments in His hands, allowing the Holy Spirit to dwell in us and to encourage, inspire, and empower us. God will work through each one of us. Our call is to open our minds, to offer our hearts so that the Spirit of God can dwell in us. Are we open to inviting God's Spirit within us and will

we allow His Spirit to work His miracles through our lives?

Look around the world today and see all the confusion and darkness. The violence, the mental illness, the loneliness and despair seems overwhelming. Every day we can see examples of a dark, hate-filled world. Yet the Spirit of God never allows us to return hatred for hatred, violence for violence, evil for evil. Instead, we offer love in the midst of hatred, light in the midst of darkness, truth in the midst of all deception, kindness and goodness even when others won't understand why we do what we do.

This may sound impossibly difficult, yet with the power of the Holy Spirit filling us, all things are possible Our new mission beings now.

# The ups and downs of saltwater fishing



This week's picture shows Nate True with his 47-inch striper he caught, while fishing with his dad, Captain Mel True, Jr. last week in Narragansett Bay.

Saltwater fishing had its ups and downs this past week on all fronts. "You should have been here yesterday," was heard numerous times by local angler's fishing salt water for numerous species, including stripers and seabass. The canal was hot one day, and slow the next. Nothing has changed. It happens every year. You need to put your time in if you want to catch fish. My brother Ken and I made a trip to the Providence River last Friday, launching the boat at the Hanes park boat ramp. There was not a single car at the boat ramp when we arrived at 5 a.m., which did

The 25 hp motor was started at 5:30 a.m., and we cruised out to our fishing spot, watching for any signs of baitfish (porgies) to be exact. We had two rods that were equipped with snag hooks, in case a school was spotted. As we headed back towards one of our fishing spots my brother Ken hooked into a nice size bluefish. After a brief battle, the fish was boated and placed in the cooler, which was packed with ice. That is one fish

that needs to be bled out and kept cold if you want one for the table. We soon spotted a small group of boats



My granddaughter Andrea, my great granddaughter Eva, myself ,and my great grandson Logan aboard my nephew's boat Fishnet Charters a couple of weeks ago. They all love

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near what they call the windmill area. because of a half dozen windmills in As we approached the area, we

could see that some of the anglers in • • • the boats were in fact attempting to snag some porgies for bait. They were not doing very well, but we decided to hang around the area for a short time, hoping to see some action. Suddenly, my brother spotted a few rises from

the bow of my boat and informed me that he saw a few porgies break the water. We quickly cast our snag hooks in their direction, and we both hooked into one. Quickly placing the fresh caught porgy on our circle hook that was ready for action on another rod, the baitfish was allowed to swim away. I was watching my fish finder when suddenly the screen lit up showing a good school of bass down 10 feet under our boat.

'Get ready, Ken!" I shouted. I no sooner said that and a large striper was on the end of my brother's line. I suddenly felt a hard tug on my rod, and we both were fighting a good size bass. Both fish were boated after a 10-minute battle, but we thought we had a problem, because it looked as though they were over the limit allowed to retain. After measuring the two fish, our concerns were over, and we placed the two fish into the cooler. They both were just under the 35-inch limit. We decided to try catching some more porgies for another day's fishing when the outboard motor stopped. "OH, oh" were my first words out of my mouth. I lifted the gas tank and realized we were out of gas. Luckily, I had a spare tank that was full.

Quickly hooking the fuel line to the full tank, the motor quickly responded to the tank of somewhat fresh gas. My relief was short lived as the motor started to sputter and stopped. The tank was found in my shed a year ago, and I took the time to carefully clean it out before adding the new gas. Evidently, I did not do a good job. I got the motor started and we headed for home with my constant squeezing the ball to keep the gas flowing, and the motor running. I was sure glad to pull into the boat ramp. No tow job needed

After putting the boat on the trailer, I opened the cooler to admire our catch. It took the pain of the screwed-up motor out of my mind, and I realized we were lucky to make it back to the boat ramp. The joys of owning a boat! Contaminated gas can sure ruin a good day of fishing, but we were lucky on that day to

This week's picture shows Nate True with a monster striper he caught while fishing with his dad in one of the bays in Rhode Island last week. The fish is not the largest bass he has caught while fishing with his dad, and I am sure they will get bigger as the days and years go by. Captain Mel True often fished with his dad on my boat back when Mel, Jr. was Nates age. He loved fishing then and loves it even more today. They will be making a lot of memories in the years ahead. Keep them rods bending!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

# Tips to Grow Great Tomatoes

The taste of a garden tomato, warmed from the sun and plucked fresh from the vine, is a simple pleasure worth waiting all year for. While tasty tomatoes are undoubtedly the highlight of most backvard gardens, their sweet success can often be ensured with a few tricks of the trade. Read on for a compilation of tried and true tips:

Prep Plants: Harden off tomato plants for a week to ten days before transplanting outside.

Timely Transplants: Transplant tomatoes in late afternoon for best results.

Deep Seated: Growing deep, extensive roots and full leaves will help establish newly transplanted tomatoes. Many experienced tomato growers pull off the first flowers, so the plant does not devote energy to forming fruit before its roots and foliage have filled out.

R o t a t i o n be dry by nightfall

Inoculation: growers claim insect infestation and plant disease is reduced if you never plant tomatoes in the same spot more than three years in a row.

Mulching Mix: Mulching is an important garden task and natural mulches such as straw, leaves, pine needles and dried grass all are beneficial to tomato plants.

Warm Up To Cool Down: Since mulch keeps the ground cool, it's important to wait until the ground soil warms to 65 degrees before laying the mulch.

Companion Crops: The plants in which tomatoes keep company with can affect their growth. Tomatoes like to grow near onions, parsley, chives, garlic, and car-

Early Irrigation: Water tomato plants early in the day to be sure leaves will

Think Ahead: Pound in stakes for future support at the same time you plant tomatoes. Waiting until later could the

Tie it Up: Stake ties made of strips of old pantyhose or lightweight fabric won't cut into plants

Faded Flavor: If your tomatoes are large, but lack flavor, over watering might be the culprit.

Freezing Tomatoes: If you're lucky enough to have too many tomatoes to use or give away at the end of the season, you might want to consider freezing them. Did you know it is possible to quickly freeze raw tomatoes without blanching them first? They can be frozen without their skins or frozen whole with their skins.

Note: Frozen tomatoes are best used in cooked foods such as soups, sauces and stews as they become mushy when



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they're thawed. Here's how: Select firm, ripe tomatoes for freezing. Sort the tomatoes, discarding any that are spoiled. Wash them in clean water. Dry them by blotting with a clean cloth or paper towels.

Whole Freezing Tomatoes with Peels: Prepare tomatoes as described above. Cut away the stem scar. Place the tomatoes on cookie sheets and freeze. Tomatoes do not need to be blanched before freezing. Once frozen, transfer the tomatoes from the cookie sheets into freezer bags or other containers. Seal tightly. To use the frozen tomatoes, remove them from the freezer a few at a time or all at once. To peel, just run a frozen tomato under warm water in the kitchen sink. Its skin will slip off easily.

Peeled Freezing Tomatoes: If you prefer to freeze peeled tomatoes, you can wash the tomatoes and then dip them in boiling water for about 1 minute or until the skins split. Peel and then freeze as noted above.

Lifespan: To extend the lifetime of frozen foods maintain good quality, package foods in material intended for freezing and keep the temperature of the freezer at 0 degrees F or below. It is generally recommended frozen vegetables be eaten within about eight months for best quality.

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 in Sturbridge! Inn 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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# **OBITUARIES**

# Joseph J. Abdella, 99

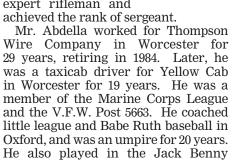




OXFORD – Joseph J. Abdella, 99, died Friday, June 17, 2022, at Brookside Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center in Webster. He was predeceased by his wife of 72 years, Louise M. (O'Reilly) Abdella who died in 2020. He is survived by three children, Elaine M. Hayward of Webster, Patricia A. Murray and her companion Clifford Huston of Spencer, and Thomas

J. Abdella and his wife Mala of Oxford; six grandchildren nine great-grandchildren, and many nephews and nieces. He was predeceased two sisters; two brothers; and a grandson, Brian Hayward. He was born in Utica, NY, son of the late Edward and Anna (Eddo) Abdella, and lived in Worcester before moving to Oxford in 1962. He graduated from North High School in Worcester in 1941.

Mr. Abdella proudly joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1942 and graduated as an aviation electrician before being transferred to gunnery. He was a rear gunner on a dive bomber and completed 56 combat missions. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with one star, the Air Medal with five stars, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Freedom Medal, and the Philippine Liberation Medal. He was an expert rifleman and



League. He played in the Oxford Pitch

League for over 50 years. Most import-

ant in his life was his family. A funeral Mass was held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Those attending are respectfully requested to meet directly at the church. Burial with military honors will be follow at North Cemetery in Oxford. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Veterans Inc., 69 Grove St., Worcester, MA 01605

tified professionals who work to educate and encourage prospective and experienced gardeners across the commonwealth. Their Web site lists several programs including soil pH testing, symposiums, and opportunities to ask a Master Gardener or hire speakers to work with groups to help enhance the gardening



Marguerite M. McMenemy, 72 Webster Marguerite (Savko) McMenemy,

72, passed away at Harrington Memorial Hospital on Friday June 10, 2022.

Marguerite born in Worcester, MA on June 17, 1949, daughter of the

late George S. and Margaret (Galeskas) Savko; she worked for CVS for many years prior to her retirement. Marguerite loved reading and going to the Whistle Stop for an occasional coffee martini; she adored her late husband and loved her cat Patches

Being predeceased by her beloved husband John B. McMenemy and her stepson Michael McMenemy, Marguerite is survived by her daughter-in-law Maria Isabel McMenemy of Worcester; her brother Bernard Savko of CA; her sister Geraldine Pepper of Worcester; her granddaughters Franchesca McMenemy of Worcester and Marissa McMenemy of Millbury; she also leaves her nephews Steven and Michael Savko, and her nieces Lisa O'Connell and Laurie LaDou.

Private Committal Services will be held in Mount Zion Cemetery. Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Shaw-Majercik Funeral

In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

A guest book is available at www. shaw-majercik,com where you may offer condolences, share fond memories, or light a candle in remembrance of Marguerite

# Sandra M. Moody, 62



WEBSTER Sandra M. (Sgariglia) Moody, 62, of Webster, died peacefully on Thursday, June 16, 2022, in her home. She is survived by four children, Angela M. Bernard of North Grosvenordale,

Dennis A. Bernard, Jr., of North Grosvenordale, Cole R. Bernard of North Grosvenordale, and Emily L. Moody of Webster; her father, Anthony E. Sgariglia Jr. of Oxford; two brothers, Anthony Sgariglia of Oxford and Michael Sgariglia and his companion Cindy Cormier of Auburn; her twin sister, Susan Saad of Oxford; her granddaughter, Mackenzie C. Bernard of North Grosvenordale; her sister-inlaw, Tammy Sgariglia of Webster; her former husband, Dennis A. Bernard Sr., of North Grosvenordale; her second former husband, Lee C. Moody of Sturbridge; a close friend, Deborah Boucher of Worcester; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was predeceased by a brother, Joseph Sgariglia

who died in 2022. She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Judith B. (Holmes) Sgariglia, and lived in Webster for seven years. She graduated from Oxford High School in Oxford.

Ms. Moody was a teacher's assistant at the Chaffee and Clara Barton Schools in Oxford for 12 years. In addition, she worked at N&J Donuts with her twin sister for many years. She cared for her home and family when her children were young. Sandy loved crocheting, crafts, baking and refinishing furniture. She enjoyed researching her ancestry and always watched Facebook Marketplace for items that her friends and family might need. She enjoyed flower gardening and loved her cat, Harold. She will be best remembered for her kindness, her thoughtful caring ways, the selflessness she showed when helping others, and her loving heart.

Services will be held privately for her family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Wings Program, P.O. Box 29309, Chicago, IL 60629.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

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soil testing. Lepper said they hope to see the entire gardening community embrace the opportunity.

"They have a form you can fill out to request Master Gardeners to come and do soil tests at events. I thought that might be something to pursue," said Lepper. "If they come, I figured we could get the word out through the Charlton Garden Club, the Southbridge Garden Club, and the Quiet Corner Garden Club to just encourage people to come out."

The Massachusetts Master Gardener Association is a statewide group of cerThe Agriculture Advisory Commission

expressed excitement as the prospect of bringing the group on board for the Apple Festival this fall. While the Master Gardners' involvement has yet to be official, Lepper said she would contact the Association to explore what options are available for the town.

# LEGALS

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

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Daniel J. Garney to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Envoy Mortgage, dated December 20, 2013 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51878, Page 150 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Envoy Mortgage, its successors and assigns to Envoy Mortgage dated May 15, 2018 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 58870, Page 300, and Assignment from Envoy Mortgage to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper dated March 16, 2020 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 62080, Page 96, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 4 Millbury Road, Oxford, MA 01540 will be sold at a Public Auction at 10:00 AM on July 5, 2022, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: PARCEL ONE:

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in the central part of Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner thereof at a steel axel driven in the ground on the easterly line of Millbury Road and also being the southwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Nettie F. Chaffee.

THENCE by land now or formerly of said Chaffee, North 87 degrees 49 minutes East, one hundred and thirty-five and ninety-five hundredths (135.95) feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground at land now or formerly of Remillard;

THENCE by land now or formerly of said Remillard South 15 degrees 48 minutes West, ninety-three and eight tenths (93.8) feet to an iron rod driven in the ground;

THENCE by land now or formerly of said Remillard North 86 degrees 40 minutes West, one hundred and thirty-five and ninety-five hundredths (135.95) feet to an iron rod driven in the ground on the easterly line of aforesaid Millbury Road;

THENCE by the easterly line of said road, North 18 degrees 20 minutes East, eight-one (81.0) feet to the point of beginning.

Containing eleven thousand three hundred and eighty - two (11,382) square feet, more or less.

PARCEL TWO:

The land in Oxford, Massachusetts, with building thereon, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the southwesterly corner of the tract to be conveyed at a point on the easterly line of Millbury Road and also being the northwesterly corner of land of the grantors;

THENCE by the easterly line of said Road, North 18 degrees 20' East, 50.0 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground at land now or formerly of the heirs of the Estate of H.V Chaffee;

THENCE by said land of the heirs of the Estate of H.V. Chaffee, North 88 degrees 50' East, 265.7 feet to a stake and South 9 degrees 48' West, 53.0 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground at land now or formerly of Charles F. Heeps;

THENCE by land of said Heeps, North 87 degrees 28' West, 62.5 feet to a stake at land now or formerly of Phoebe Remillard:

THENCE by land of said Remillard, South 88 degrees 05' West, 82.0 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground at land of the grantors;

THENCE by land of the grantors, South 87 degrees 49' West, 135.9 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 13,228 square feet or .3037 acres.

BEING the same premised conveyed to Daniel J. Garney by deed recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds at Book 51878, Page 146.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 51878, Page 146.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage

shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102

Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Garney, Daniel J., 19-036356 June 10, 2022 June 17, 2022

June 24, 2022

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Trial Court of Massachusetts Worcester County Juvenile Court Department** 279 West Main Street **Dudley, MA 01571** Docket No.21CP0125DU CARE AND PROTECTION, **TERMINATION OF** PARENTAL RIGHTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, TO: Steven Chernisky and/or father of Emil G. Chernisky: A petition has been presented to this court by DCF (Whitinsville), seeking, as to the following child, Emil G. Chernisky, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person(s) named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition.

You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time:: 08/15/2022 at 09:30 AM Pre Trial conference (CR/CV)

You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you.

If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter with a trial on the merits of the petition and an adjudication of this matter.

For further information call the Office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 508-949-3070. WITNESS: Hon. Carol A. Erskine, FIRST JUSTICE, Brendan J. Moran, Acting Clerk-Magistrate, DATE IS-SUED: 02/28/2022

June 17, 2022 June 24, 2022 July 1, 2022

A.C. 92A **Commonwealth of Massachusetts** 22E0035PP

Worcester, ss. **Probate Court** 

To Matthew Bent of Fort Meyers Beach in the State of Florida and to all persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Margaret A. Bent of Mashapee 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 corner 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.

Containing 8,500 square feet of land according to said plan.

Subject to and with the benefit of any and all existing rights, reservations, restrictions, easements and encum-

brances still in force and effect. Setting forth that her desires that - all the aforementioned described part – of said land may be sold in 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 advan-

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tageously 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 twelfth day of July 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 June 17, 2022 June 24, 2022 July 1, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts** The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family** Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO22P2045GD **CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF** PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED** PERSON PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 In the matter of: **Kyle Corriveau** Of: Oxford. MA RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Department of Develop**mental Serv of Worcester, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Kyle Corriveau is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

Richard P. Corriveau, Jr. of Oxford,

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 07/12/2022. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the abovenamed person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 14, 2022

> Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate

June 24, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family** 225 Main Street

Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO22P2081EA **CITATION ON PETITION FOR** FORMAL ADJUDICATION

William K Pybas, Sr. Date of Death: 12/01/2019 To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by William K Pybas, II of East Douglas

MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that

William K Pybas, II of East Douglas 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 07/12/2022. 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,

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

action may be taken without further no-

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

Court in any matter relating to the es-

tate, including the distribution of assets

Date: June 15, 2022 Stephanie K. Fattman,

Register of Probate

June 24, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts **The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division** Docket No. WO22P1417EA **Estate of:** Pauline B Wilga

Date Of Death: March 13, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Gary Wilga of Thompson

a Will has been admitted to informal

Gary Wilga of Thompson CT

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

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the 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. June 24, 2022

#### **TOWN OF DUDLEY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** 71 WEST MAIN STREET **DUDLEY MA 01571**

Please take notice that: Shawn and Tanya Semo

Have applied to the Zoning Board of Appeals to vary the terms of the Zoning By-Law · section: 2.04.02

Location: 44 Noble Street Dudley, Ma 01571

In the following respect: To allow the petitioner a 2 feet 1 inch Variance:<>.., the installation of an in-ground pool. The Public Hearing will be held on July 7, 2022@ 7:00pm at the Town Hall room 321A, at which time you may be hard relative to this Public Hearing. Please contact Amanda Jacobson at 508-949-8012 or building@dudleyma. gov to attend the meeting.

George Slingo, Chairman Zoning **Board of Appeals** 

June 24, 2022 July 1, 2022

#### **DUDLEY PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING LEGAL NOTICE**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 5.04, Site Plan Review, of the Dudley Zoning Bylaw, the Dudley Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at 7:15 pm in the Dudley Municipal Complex, Room 321-A (DMC, Veterans Memorial Hall), 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571, on the application of Nichols College, 121 Center Road, Dudley, MA 01571 for Major Site Plan Review. The application involves construction of two new townhome buildings containing a total of 52 beds and a parking lot containing 15 spaces, 4 of which are barrier free. The site plan was prepared by Clough Harbour Associates, LLP, 101 East River Drive, 1st Floor, East Hartford, CT, dated May 25, 2022. Architectural plans were prepared by Juster Pope Frazier, LLC 82 North Street, Northampton, MA 06108, dated May and RES 87 zoning districts.

Copies of the plan and application are on file in the Planning Board Office and the Town Clerk's Office, both of which are located in the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571, and may be inspected during regular working hours.

The Planning Board will receive public input at the public hearing. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated. If you wish to comment but are unable to attend, please submit written comments to the Planning Board Office before 4:30 p.m. on July 13, 2022.

**Guy Horne, Chairman Dudley Planning Board** June 24, 2022 July 1, 2022

#### **TOWN OF DUDLEY PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:45pm at the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571 in the Veteran's Memorial Hall, Room 321A. The Purpose of this Hearing: To Act on a Change of Manager Application for Polish National Alliance of Dudley, Inc. d/b/a PNA located at 214 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the date and time specified or submit their concerns

Jason Johnson Chairman, Board of Selectmen Town of Dudley June 24, 2022

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given by Bonnette's Automotive, Inc., 456 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540 pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.255, Section 39A, that on 7/15/2022 @ 5:00PM at:

Bonnette's Automotive, Inc 456 Main Street

Description of vehicles:

Oxford, MA 01540

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Owner: Jessica Naziozeno Dos Anjos, 82 Edmands Rd, Apt 2, Framingham,-

Vehicle: VIN# JYAVM01E8YA021846, 2000 Yamaha VStar M/C, CT Reg: 00-DZLN

Owner: Omar Tannuri Maluf, 1535

Route 171, Woodstock Valley, CT Vehicle: VIN# 2G1WB58N281322228,

2008 Chev Impala, MA Reg: None Owner: Dennis Harris, 153 Marcy St Apt.1L, Southbridge, MA 01550 Vehicle: VIN# 1G2AS18H097164677, 2009 Pontiac G5, CT Reg: AS 46264 Owner: Keith W. Gomes, 748 Pendleton Hill Rd, N. Stonington, CT 06359 This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L. c255, Section 39A June 24, 2022 July 1, 2022

July 8, 2022

# 25, 2022. The property is in RES 15 **Email:**ads@stonebridgepress.news Himma **Phone:**(508) 764-4325 Reach More Loca/Applicants

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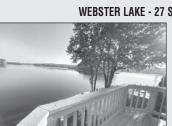
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When we exercise the same parts of our brain every day, those parts become stronger, while

Positively brain that we don't use become SPEAKING weaker.

TOBY

I had a friend college who said out loud several times a day, "I'm such a loser!"

Despite his constant negativity, he was a good guy and very funny, but he had this habit of shouting negative things whenever anything inconvenient happened to him.

One time my dad came up to visit me at college. He and my dad got into a long conversation about positive thinking. During the conversation, my dad suggested that instead of telling himself negative things, he tried telling himself positive things. He responded, "Well, that would be a lie to do that. It's not how I truly feel; it feels unnatural even to consider it."

My dad shrugged and

the parts of our said, "I think if you forced vourself to do it, it would begin to feel natural."

There is a principle that Napoleon Hill wrote about in Think and Grow Rich called "Autosuggestion." "Autosuggestion is the agency of control through which an individual may voluntarily feed his subconscious mind on thoughts of a creative nature, or, by neglect, permit thoughts of a destructive nature..."

Autosuggestion a technique we have all used knowingly or unknowingly. When you affirm negative or positive thoughts, you're tapping into the principle of Autosuggestion.

friend When my from college constantly affirmed negativity, he was negatively using Autosuggestion.

One the most basic

Autosuggestion for good is to repeat positive affirmations.

There were times in my life when I felt overwhelmed; I'd catch myself saying, "I can't do this anymore!". I'd repeat it over and over unconsciously until I felt such despair it became hard to continue. I felt dysfunctional and unable to accomplish my dreams. Later, I decided to prac-Autosuggestion. When I found myself in overwhelming situations, I started repeating, "I can do this; I have all I need to accomplish this and more." As a result, I became more productive, focused, competent, and less stressed.

Many studies have shown that if you positively use Autosuggestion, by repeating positive affirmations and removing negative ones, new thinking patterns will emerge; they'll become familiar and eventually become the dominant thoughts in

I understand that Autosuggestion not be for everybody. I was talking to a friend about this the other day, he wanted to change his thoughts, but he found it impossible. He said, "I've tried, but no matter what, my negative thought life takes over. I can't do it!"

I met a prominent person in the marketing world who used to have a lot of success as a child actor. Once he became an adult, the acting jobs became few and far between; this led him to many years of being very depressed. Eventually, he overcame his depression; he became a very positive, successful person in a completely different career.

How was he able to do this? He developed a habit, every morning, of writing on paper ten things for which he is grateful. This habit helped him put things in perspective and caused negative thought patterns to die off. He replaced his negative thought patterns with gratitude.

Plenty dence shows that Autosuggestion and Gratitude are very effective methods for changing your thought patterns. Try one or both; if you can do it for long enough, a new way of living will open up to you in a way you never thought possible.

Toby Moore is a columnist, the star of Emmy - Nominated A Separate Peace, and the CEO of Cubestream Inc.

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Moss rose's drought tolerance makes it an excellent choice for sandy, gravelly, and rocky areas. The fine seeds make it a bit more challenging to plant. Try mixing the seeds with sand to help distribute the seeds more evenly. Look

most of your plant budget for the year. and the Happy Hour and Sundial series

with flowers that open earlier or stay GARDEN open later in the day, extending your MOMENTS enjoyment. Cleome is a big

annual that can **MELINDA** easily fill the space **MYERS** between small, newly planted shrubs. It prefers full sun and moist

well-drained soil but will tolerate dry conditions. Thin seeds so the final spacing of plants is between 1 to 3 feet. The more space, the fuller and bushier the plant. These plants reseed readily so watch for volunteer plants in next Sunflowers are commonly started

from seeds in the garden. You will find single and double flowered varieties ranging in height from 18 inches to 12 feet or more. Stagger your planting to extend the bloom time. Plant seeds every two weeks, so you have lots of fresh flowers to enjoy. Just check the seed packet for the number of days from planting until flowering. Make sure your last planting has time to reach maturity and bloom before the end of your growing season.

Mexican sunflower is not as well known as the common sunflower but is just as welcome in the garden. The bright orange flowers combine nicely with yellow, blue, and purple flowers and attract butterflies and other pollinators to the garden. Grow these in a sunny area with well-drained soil. Avoid windy locations that may cause the brittle stems to break. Give this big plant plenty of room to reach its mature size. Mexican sunflower grows four to six feet tall and two to three feet wide. Fiesta del Sol and Goldfinger are shorter varieties that are a better fit for smaller spaces.

Check the seed packet for more details on planting seeds of these and other flowers directly in the garden. With proper planting and care you will have lots of flowers to enjoy this season.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's



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Sunflowers, like Suntastic Jaune Coeur Noir, are commonly started from seeds in the garden.

Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.



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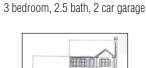
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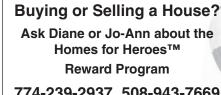
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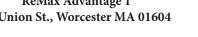


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is falling behind.

"When I first came to Shepherd Hill through school choice, the main factor that drew me in was the expansive selection the school had to boast. I was able to tell all of my friends at Bartlett and Bay Path about the unique and diverse selection. Unfortunately, I do not believe I'm able to do that anymore. I've heard countless classmates express their worries about their favorite classes being dropped," said Doering, who went on to produce a list of 120 classmates she says are directly impacted by the cuts in programs. "I come to you as a student yearning to learn. My friends and I come to you on behalf of all the other students that are voicing the exact same concern. I don't know what the proper solution is, whether that be raising the funds or reallocating them from different departments, but the changes being made are at the detriment of the students at Shepherd Hill."

Maria Piekarczyk, the incoming Vice President of Shepherd Hill's National Honor Society, added that in May the school was recognized with awards where they were complimented for persevering through adversities and "selling the budget." She saw this as less of a compliment and more a criticism of the district's tendency to compromise rather than maintain programs for the sake of lower expenses.

'Shepherd Hill has always been recognized and upheld by our academics and having a multitude of educational opportunities. Now this fact is being threatened. These budget cut has effectively stopped and isolated students from taking the classes that are not only important to themselves, but to their futures," Piekarczyk said.

Aria Humphries was the final student to speak acknowledging that she had planned to take astrophysics, one of the programs effectively eliminated by the cuts. She, too, feels the district's compromises have negatively affected students' abilities to explore new horizons and embrace learning opportunities beyond the basic curriculum

"I believe that this could be a very useful and interesting course as outer space

is such a complex concept **NICHOLS** that there is still so much to learn about. In a more general sense, it's important that lent event is carried out. we keep a variety of science classes offered at our school vital tool for understanding cation to prepare our students and improving our world," said Humphries. "Education is power. Students will be more motivated to learn if they're able to learn what they're interested in, and if we stay in this direction of cutting classes students will have less and less opportunities to explore subjects that may influence their future career and will become more uninterested and possibly even defiant in their classes.'

It wasn't just current students speaking out against the budget. Before any of the students spoke, a Shepherd Hill graduate Colin Humphries, who is currently working towards a political science degree, lambasted the spending plan feeling that it prevents the district from embracing diversity in **ATHLETES** both education enrichment and opportunities to prepare students for a changing and more globalized world.

"As our country becomes more diverse and multi-lingual, foreign language programs are more important than ever in order to create a generation who can interact with people who may speak a different language. Our librarians are the lifelines of our schools. They curate libraries where students can enhance their learning and studies by researching a myriad of different topics," said Humphries referring to the budget cuts eliminating librarian and French teacher positions. "The 2018 override might have worked at the time, but COVID has changed the game and we must adapt. I'm calling on the School Committee to do an override and to convince the residents of these towns that it is necessary in order to fund our schools."

School Committee members acknowledged the concerns stating their intent to address the statements during an upcoming Committee meeting. The district's budget approved in May included an increase of just over 4 percent over the 2022 spending plan totaling \$53.7 million.

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were unveiled. Former Athletic Directors Craig Holmberg and Donna Recko were recognized for their many years of service to the program. And, a scoreboard was dedicated to the memory of Coach Reggie Proulx, a popular Girls Varsity Coach who committed many years to the development of his players. His wife, Marlene Proulx, was present for the unveiling.

In addition, presentations of the Coach Paul Proulx Memorial Athletic Award and the Richard

Skrocki Founders Award took place. The Proulx Award was presented by Marlene Proulx, wife of the late Girls Varsity Basketball Coach. St. Joseph School Dean of Students, Jeffrey Gruposo, presented the Skrocki Award. These awards recognize an eighth grade girl varsity basketball player and an eighth grade boy basketball player for their dedication, sportsmanship, and commitment. St. Joseph School is proud to announce that the 2022 recipient of the Proulx Award is Juliana Rudnicki, and the 2022 recipient of the Skrocki Award is Treyton Dery. Their

names will be engraved on plaques and prominently displayed in the Richard A. Nowak Gymnasium. Congratulations to all the St. Joseph School athletes!

Finally, the award ceremony culminated with Athletic Director Joey Boudreau thanking the coaches for their many hours of dedication to the program. St. Joseph School coaches include: Steve Keller, Jeff Grupposo, Mariusz Macko, Matt Sabacinski, Lisa Sabacinski, Krysinski, Sullivan, Jessica Recko, Christy Creighton, Gina DiCola, David Lopez, Kerrin Ryan.

# More than 6,300 URI students named to Dean's List

KINGSTON, R.I. — The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the Spring 2022 Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List represent nearly all of Rhode Island's cities and towns, all six New England states, New York and New Jersey, and many other states and countries.

To be included on the Dean's List, full-time students must have completed 12 or more credits for letter grades which are GPA applicable during a semester and achieved at least a 3.30 quality point average. Part-time students qualify with the accumulation of 12 or more credits for letter grades which are GPA applicable earning at least a 3.30 quality point average.

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Note: Students who qualified for the Dean's List, but have restricted access to their information under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) guidelines, are not included on this public listing. About the University of Rhode

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**Dudley holds Second** 

Annual Bike Rodeo

DUDLEY - The town of Dudley and the Dudley Board of Health held their second Bike Rodeo event on Saturday, June 11 with a new location but the same goal of trying to inspire safe bicycle operation and practices for kids throughout the region. Following the successful 2021 debut, the second iteration of the Bike Rodeo moved to the parking lots at Nichols College with a large space for the obstacle



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