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Senior Center officials honored for aiding fire victims

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

LEICESTER — Senior Center officials were recently honored for their efforts in assisting Worcester residents displaced by a fire.

On May 16, several local legislators presented Senior Center staff members and other town leaders with citations in recognition of their efforts following a February fire on Wyman Street in Worcester. With residents scrambling after losing their homes, Leicester officials stepped up to offer support.

"I am so thankful to the town of Leicester for being there when our neighbors were in crisis," said State Rep. David LeBoeuf.

Immediately after the fire, as LeBoeuf worked to find long-term housing for the 50 displaced residents in an apartment or dormitory-style setting, he reached out to Leicester Town Administrator David Genereux and the Select Board for short-term support.

Some of the fire victims were able to find temporary housing with family members, and the Leicester Senior Center



Leicester Senior Center and town officials were congratulated for their efforts to assist a Worcester family displaced by a fire during a March ceremony.

Courtesy

team moved quickly to assist the remaining residents.

"The kindness of the Senior Center staff made it so that the approximately 30 residents who did not have family or friends to stay with had a warm place to go—and the Red Cross could set up operations," LeBoeuf added. "The families are so grateful that members of the Leicester community, especially the Senior Center staff and town officials, made the children's first night away from home less traumatic."

State Representatives Donald Berthiaume and Paul Frost also presented citations to the local leaders, as well as Sen. Peter Durant.

The following Leicester officials were honored for their efforts: Donna McCance, Genevieve Grenier, Nancy Lamb, Rachelle Cyr, and Dianna Provencher.

"We were proud to recognize those who stepped up quickly to help out those folks who were displaced by the fire," Durant said. "The generosity of the team of volunteers at the Senior Center is amazing. It is Turn To **HONORED** page A10

Leicester officials address differences during mediation

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
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LEICESTER — After the Annual Town Meeting was recessed due to disagreements between the Select Board and Advisory Committee, the two boards discussed their differences at a mediation meeting last week.

The May 7 Town Meeting was recessed to June 4, allowing members of both boards sufficient time to meet and make efforts toward reconciling their differences.

During the May 22 mediation meeting, Town Moderator Doug Belanger served as mediator. Former town moderator Don Cherry served as the event's moderator.

The meeting began with basic agreements and com-

mitments among each board to strive for a favorable outcome, then moved into more substantive talks.

"There was a back and forth between the parties, and both sides conceded some things," Belanger said. "I congratulate the parties for putting the townspeople first. I think the public will be happy to see a consensus on most of the budget."

Exiting the meeting, the only dollar item not in agreement was the final balancing of the budget.

Another unresolved aspect, as of press time, was the placement locations of various items within particular budgets. Officials expect that these items can be successfully addressed at Town Meeting.

"The [mediation] meeting was a positive first step. The Finance Advisory

Committee has been advocating for an inclusive and transparent budget process for several years. Having both boards agree on a broader approach to financial management will greatly benefit the town," said Advisory Committee Chairman Peter Cusolito.

Select Board Chairman Rick Antanavica could not be reached for comment following the mediation meeting.

Looking ahead, officials are hopeful that the continuation of the Town Meeting on June 4 will run more smoothly than the May 7 session.

From the onset, the May 7 Town Meeting was rife with disagreements between the boards over the opening articles, prior to the town budget article.

During the discus-

sion of Article 2A, after the Advisory Committee offered a substitute motion on the article, several voters became frustrated with the confusion.

"At that point, a resident rose and made the motion that Town Meeting recess until a date certain, with the request that the TA/Select Board and Advisory meet and reconcile their differences," said Town Administrator David Genereux in a previous interview.

The Town Meeting will resume on Tuesday, June 4, at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall gym.

To learn more about the Town Meeting, visit www.leicesterma.org. A copy of the latest Town Meeting warrant is also available on the Web site.

Thompson Pond Road bridge closed indefinitely

SPENCER — Police have issued an advisory to drivers that the Thompson Pond Road bridge will remain closed indefinitely.

Massachusetts DOT bridge inspectors recently determined that the Thompson Pond Road bridge is not structurally safe for vehicular traffic, officials said.

Since last week, the bridge has been closed in both directions.

"This closure will remain in effect for the foreseeable future as we work with Massachusetts DOT to address and fix the issue," read a statement released by the SPD. "Please note that this was not a planned closure and was discovered after a recent inspection."

We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding and cooperation."

Drivers are asked to plan their travel routes accordingly and use alternate routes.

For updates and additional information on closure points, check the SPD's Facebook page.

SEBRSD students celebrate inclusion at Unified Olympics

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

EAST BROOKFIELD — Students from all four schools in the district celebrated teamwork and inclusion at last week's Unified Olympics.

Held on May 23 at East Brookfield Elementary School, the fourth annual SEBRSD event featured a different venue and format this year due to ongoing construction at David Prouty High School. Despite the changes, school leaders and student volunteers worked hard to ensure that participants enjoyed an unforgettable day.

"We knew this would be a smaller event because of the renovations, but everyone understands the importance of this event and worked hard to make it successful," said EBES Principal Ron Tomlin. "It's always fun to see the smiles on the kids' faces."

Unified Olympics programs bring together students with and without disabilities for a day

of activities and fun. At this year's program, approximately 100 students represented schools throughout the district (Wire Village School, East Brookfield Elementary School, Knox Trail Middle School, and DPHS).

"In Unified Olympics, our teams are put together most often by school, with teams made up of students who are similar in age and abilities," said SEBRSD Superintendent Paul Haughey. "Our students get to have fun in a competition by training and working together; not only on the day of the Olympics but throughout the school year."

Physical education teachers at each school are thanked for helping students prepare for the event by practicing the activities featured on game day. Stations included bowling, soccer, volleyball, an obstacle course, and bucket ball, among others.

The event also includ-

ed an opening ceremony, music throughout the day, ice cream, a medal ceremony, and a visit from four-legged friend Tomo, the district's therapy dog.

Even a little rainy weather was no match for a day of fun and team-building.

"Despite the rain, all of the students had a fun-filled day participating in the Unified Olympics," said EBES Lead Teacher Christine Lavin. "It was so great to see partners working together and cheering their teammates on during the events. The smiles said it all."

SEBRSD leaders take pride in the district's designation as a Unified Champion School District, with all four of its schools recognized as Unified Champion Schools. Across the country, more than 8,300 other schools have also received training from the Special Olympics in inclusion through sport.

"I am extremely proud

to be a part of a learning community that is dedicated to upholding the mission of Special Olympics and Unified Sports," Superintendent Haughey said. "This is an absolute credit to the faculty, staff, and leadership team who have worked together to make this program a reality. There are so many wonderful pro-

fessionals who deserve all of the credit and thanks for not only putting on the event itself, but putting in all of the work to maintain the designation of a Unified Champion School."

School officials thank the district's Unified Olympics Committee, led by faculty members, staff, and administration.

"Our fourth annual Unified Olympics was a massive success for everyone involved, and was a true celebration of inclusion," Haughey added. "At the end of the day, we want everyone who is a part of our regional school district to have a sense of inclusion and belonging."



Kevin Flanders

Students from throughout the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District enjoy the annual Unified Olympics program.

Cornerstone Bank offers financial literacy program in Spanish for residents at Hector Reyes House

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank, a community bank with locations throughout Central Massachusetts, recently held a series of four financial literacy classes in Spanish for residents of the Hector Reyes House in Worcester. In addition to providing individualized residential substance abuse treatment, the House offers educational programs designed to help participants with independent living.

“We place tremendous importance on education and pride ourselves on our dedication to furthering the knowledge of our community,” said Todd Tallman, CEO of Cornerstone Bank. “We have continued to grow and expand our financial literacy classes, and this Spanish-language program is another step toward increasing access. We offered 114 programs in 2022 and 204 in 2023. Our goal in 2024 is to continue this growth, with a focus on underserved populations. We want to provide all the people in the communities we serve with the knowledge

they need to make sound financial decisions.”

Cornerstone Bank employees Joel Laureano, assistant vice president, senior market manager; and Ivori Hidalgo Batista, human resource intern; conducted the classes in Spanish. Content included:

How to manage and balance a checking account

The importance of savings accounts and tips for saving

The difference between a cashier's check and a money order

Understanding ATM cards, credit cards and debit cards

What “insufficient funds” means

How mobile banking works

How to fill out deposit and withdrawal slips, write a check and read a paycheck

What credit and a credit score are, why they are important and how to build credit

How to calculate debt to income ratio, what it means and why it's important

Debt consolidation

How to identify red flags and tips to help avoid scams and fraud

After completing all four classes, participants were invited to open savings and checking accounts at Cornerstone Bank, even if they had been turned down in the past due to their financial history.

About Cornerstone Bank

Cornerstone Bank was formed in 2017, born of a long history of sup-

porting the community, and providing a strong foundation to help people and businesses thrive. Serving Worcester County, Massachusetts, Cornerstone Bank's local presence and community-based banking model enables a unique ability to deliver outstanding service, with a personal touch. Cornerstone provides the highest level of

service and expertise for individuals, businesses, and community organizations with branch locations throughout Central Massachusetts. Cornerstone works to connect customers with opportunities, through a broad range of deposit and loan products, and services. Built on Trust is not just a tag line, but also one of our guiding cor-

porate values. Whether a business or personal partnership, Cornerstone stands on the foundation that relationships are built on trust. To learn about Cornerstone Bank's personal and business banking offerings, please visit cornerstone-bank.com or call 800-939-9103.

Celebrate Dad at Woo Truck festival

SPENCER — Celebrate all things Dad with WooTrucks at the Spencer Fairgrounds, 49 Smithville Rd., Saturday, June 15 from noon to 5 p.m. Admission \$5 at the gate (children under 12 free). Parking is free.

Enjoy fantastic food from dozens of Food Trucks. See all of Dad's favorite classic and custom cars during the infield car show. Participate in feats of strength and daring. Submit your best Dad Joke or finally get something for that ugly tie. Prizes, Drawings, Carnival Games, activities for the kids, craft vendors, music and so much more fun for the entire family! Be sure to visit the DadFest Beer Garden hosted by “The Stein & Vine.” Central Massachusetts' favorite complete mobile bar service.

WooTrucks is a food truck commissary, commercial kitchen, and base of operations for food trucks, caterers, bakers, and food entrepreneurs located at 67 Main St., Boylston.

Our fully permitted and approved facility to prepare food was established to foster a transparent, self-policing community of food trucks and food entrepreneurs prac-

ting only the highest standards of customer service while maintaining strict adherence to health, sanitation and food codes. WooTrucks operates food truck fes-

tivals throughout the region and supplies food trucks to corporate clients, private businesses, breweries, academic institutions, city and town governments.

Seniors named to Bay Path honor roll

CHARLTON — Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School congratulates the following students in grade 12 on being named to the honor roll for the third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year.

High Honors

Sophia Balestracci, Rachel Carpenter, Meredith Clark, Kirsten Congdon, Mariselle Cosme, Zachary Cournoyer, Daniel Daige, Emma Davidson, Dylan DeJesus, Marissa Dumas, Jenna Gajewski, Simon Greening, Lucas Hafner, Tristan Hanson, Anna Lehtola, Kristina Liberty, Leah Monti, Kayla Nguyen, Peter Nhan, Madison Nolin, Nason Omasta, Noalani Perez, Paige Seymour, Jacob Sirard, Victoria Tinsley, Hailey Williamson, Gabrielle Zopatti

Honors

Alexander Adkins, Kaidra Anderson, Kasey Babkuaskas, Colton Beauchamp, Angeliz Beltre Colon, Alex Beshiri, Jaden Blake, Luke Boliver, Caroline Borgeson, Andrew Bousquet, Emma Bransky, Ryan Bray, Samuel Brill, Vincent Brink, Kayla Brown, Samantha Buchanan, Caitlyn Burke, Gabriella Cabrera, Olivia Carrier, Natalie Cierpich, Petru Cojocar, Yanieris Colon Vega, Karoline Corpes Diaz, Richard Corriveau, Peter Courville, Kyleigh Czechowski, Wyatt Daoust, Emma DeJong, Jeffrey Denham, Jibril Erraihani, James Ferreira, Kacey Flanagan, Robert Fleck IV, Chase Forehand, Jonathan Forget, Ethan Gallant, Sabien Gonzalez, Raceh Gormley, Makayla Graham, Bridget Hast, Riley Heenan, Isabelle Herholz, James Heywood, Carly Impey, Ian James, Stanislaw Janusz, Madisyn Kozlowski,

Braeden LaPointe, Benjamin LaTour, Emma Levasseur, Kai Lukasek, Andrew Lunn, Patrick Luperchio, Catherine Magnusson, Ava Marotta, Sarah Martin, Matteo Mastrototaro, Shaun McLaughlin, Jenna McLeish, Vincent Messier, Adrianna Navarro, Christian Nguyen, Alix Norman, Avelyn O'Brien, Noah Okolita, Gianna Pantalone, Colin Plante, Laci Pollone, Jared Powell, Logan Powers, Evan Provost, Emily Quental, Wendy Ramirez, Victoria Roberts, Caterina Schiappa, Amanda Seidler, Ryan Sinkewich, Jason Sinkis, Catherine Sirard, Gerald Splaine, Brady Staniunas, Adriana Stanley, Lacey Sullivan, Kyle Sylwanovicz, Jackson Taiste, Christopher Verdolino, Landon Walker, Timothy Welch, Thomas Wilk, Charlotte Worster, Stone Zink

Principal's List

Aidan Anderson, Eyan Chase, Jomar Cintron Perez, Deanna Davis, Jayden James Dunston, Nicholas Gagne, Devin Gavaletz, Alba Henriquez Baez, Valerie Hernandez, Derek Hosley, Eva Jerez, Abigail Kibaru, Matthew Lach, Julianna Laforce, Abigail Linde, Albert Luciano, Hannah Luukko, Jadier Maldonado, Marissa Masciarelli, Logan McCann, Macaylah Miller, Matthew Mullen, Megan O'Shea, Brayden Parente, Sylas Perreault, Dominic Pigeon, Ismael Porrata, Gabrielle Proulx, Jacob Reed, Gabriela Rivera Burgos, Daniel Russell, Margaret Russell, Samantha Russell, Connor Sentence, Kayliana Sevieri, Sydney Seymour, Madison Sibert, Brady Suprenant, Yasmin Tolomio, Ryleigh Warchal, Genesis Williams-Heath, Sebastian Winer



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Friday's Child



Hi! Our names are Chantce and Halo and we love to be active!

Chantce and Halo are spunky, creative girls who share a very close bond. Chantce, the older sister, is outgoing and makes friends easily. She loves sports, especially soccer, basketball, and hockey. Both girls love to play outside. Chantce is creative and enjoys art projects. Halo is a curious and sweet girl. While she can be shy at first, once she is comfortable she loves to spend time with others. Halo loves to go swimming and participate in gymnastics. She also enjoys art projects. Chantce and Halo have a very close relationship and love spending time together.

<https://adopt.mareinc.org/waiting-child-profiles#gallery/children/8603-8753>

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

To learn more about adoption from foster care visit www.mareinc.org. Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) can give you guidance and information on the adoption process. Reach out today to find out all the ways you can help children and teens in foster care.



St. Joseph's Parish to hold 31st Annual Strawberry Festival

NORTH BROOKFIELD — St. Joseph's Parish in North Brookfield will be having its 31st Annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 8 in the Parish Hall. The menu will offer baked ham, homemade baked beans, homemade potato salad, homemade cole slaw, rolls, iced tea, coffee, water, and the always delicious strawberry shortcake. Tickets can be obtained by calling the parish office at (508) 867-6469. Tickets: adults \$15 and children five to 10 years old, \$7. Take out is also available. St. Joseph's Church Hall is located at 296 No. Main St., North Brookfield.




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Country Bank opens new Worcester location

WORCESTER — Country Bank, a full-service financial institution serving Central and Western Massachusetts, is pleased to announce the opening of its fourth banking center in Worcester at 1393 Grafton St. The new location will officially open on Monday, June 3.

Country Bank's expansion in Worcester is a testament to its commitment to reinvesting in its communities and providing a valuable resource for customers and community members. Country Bank offers a comprehensive full-service support team equipped with banking center specialists trained

to assist customers with all their banking needs, and ensuring financial security and exceptional customer service. Country Bank invites the public to participate in a week-long celebration filled with exciting activities and giveaways. Customers and visitors can participate in

drawings for local gift cards, Sox tickets, giveaways, and free delicious treats from Wholly Cannoli. The Worcester Red Sox's Smiley Ball and Country Bank's mascot, Buck, will be on hand to entertain on Friday, June 21 from 10 a.m. - noon. All are invited to join in the June 18 ribbon-cut-

ting ceremony at 3 p.m. attended by dignitaries and members from Country Bank's team and Board of Trustees. In addition to its commitment to customer service, Country Bank actively supports the City of Worcester through philanthropy and volunteerism efforts. The bank has made generous donations and has dedicated numerous volunteer hours to various community causes. Country Bank is one of the 21 founding partners of the Worcester Red Sox, and an active supporter of more than 210 local nonprofits in 2024.

The Grafton Street Banking Center hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. Extended hours are offered through ITMs at this location from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

About Country Bank Country Bank is a full-service \$1.8B mutual community bank serving central and western Massachusetts with 14 offices in Ware, Palmer, West Brookfield, Brimfield, Belchertown, Wilbraham, Ludlow, Leicester, Paxton, Charlton, and Worcester. With a commitment to personalized service and community involvement, Country Bank offers individuals, businesses, and municipalities a comprehensive range of banking products and services. Country Bank is a member of FDIC, DIF, and the SUM network. Country Bank can be reached at 800-322-8233 or online at countrybank.com.

Alexis Gosselin named to Regis College Dean's List

WESTON — Regis College proudly announced that Alexis Gosselin of Spencer was named to the university's Spring 2024 Dean's List recognizing their outstanding academic achievements. "Being named to the Dean's List is a testament to students' persistent commitment to their academic journey throughout the semester," said Dr. Mary Erina Driscoll, PhD, the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs. "At Regis, we prioritize the development of students' character and confidence, equip-

ping them with the skills they need for a successful career and life of meaning. Recognition on the Dean's List reflects Alexis's resolute dedication to academic excellence." To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Regis sophomores, juniors, seniors, and professional studies students must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher; first-year students must have a GPA of 3.25 or higher. Additional criteria can be found in Regis' Academic Catalog. Regis College is a coed university 12 miles west of Boston in Weston, Mass. founded by the

Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston nearly a century ago. With over 3,200 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students enrolled on campus and in fully online graduate programs, Regis provides an academically rigorous education within the schools of nursing, arts and sciences, business and communication, and health sciences. In line with Regis' mission of providing innovative, industry-focused learning opportunities, the university offers academic partnerships with hospitals and local employers, a clinical dental center in Waltham,

Mass., and bachelor's completion and accelerated nursing programs at its campus in Lawrence, Mass. The university's 20 NCAA Division III athletic teams compete within the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC). Regis challenges, inspires, and supports students who are driven by passion, purpose, and a pursuit to positively impact the world within a learning community that embraces inclusivity and innovation and builds strong character, confidence, and careers. Visit regiscollege.edu to learn more.

Local residents receive degrees at WPI's 155th undergraduate Commencement

WORCESTER — On Friday, May 10, Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) held its 155th Commencement. Nearly 1,100 undergraduate degrees were awarded during the ceremony. President Grace J. Wang, PhD, and Board of Trustees Chair William Fitzgerald presided over the exercises.

Wang told the graduates that in a changing world, where new technologies and industries are rapidly emerging, and where they could be doing jobs that have not yet been invented, they should dream boldly, persevere, be a team player, and enjoy the journey.

"WPI has prepared you for this future," Wang said. "During your time here, you have been immersed in a transformative, leading-edge, and inclusive environment to ready you for jobs, careers, and, also, exciting opportunities to come."

In her commencement address to undergraduates, Nancy M. Pimental, a 1987 WPI graduate who spent 11 years as a writer and executive producer on the hit Showtime series "Shameless," told the graduates they are well-prepared for whatever career path they choose to follow.

"With your degree from WPI, you're ready for success," Pimental said. "You can literally accomplish anything you set sights on. Isn't that amazing? The possibilities are unlimited. You learn to think critically, solve problems logically, and work together collaboratively. These are the skills you need to overcome any obstacles that are thrown your way. There's nothing you can't do now that you're a WPI grad."

Pimental and Michael J. Dolan '75, WPI Trustee Emeritus, who served for 16 years as an active member of the Board of Trustees, received honorary degrees as part of the ceremony.

Student speaker Samuel Levitan, a biology and biotechnology major, weaved Commencement history into his speech, reminding the audience that Black educator, reformer, and intellectual Booker T. Washington gave WPI's 50th Commencement address in 1915, speaking about America's transformation since the end of slavery. Levitan also talked about the sense of belonging instilled in WPI students, who balance a STEM education with a formative personal experience.

"To learn about cutting-edge technologies and scientific discoveries at WPI takes an open mind," Levitan said. "But no matter where you go and no matter what you do, an open heart is just as important. Remember that you belong wherever that may be, and that the people around you are counting on you to believe that they belong, too."

The following students earned bachelor's degrees: Meghan Barry, of Spencer majored in Biochemistry
Carley Burns, of Spencer majored in Environmental Engineering
Benjamin Dorr, of Rochdale majored in Interactive Media and Game Development Technology

Samuel Griffiths, of Leicester majored in Mechanical Engineering
Eric Montiverdi, of Leicester majored in Mechanical Engineering
Jack O'Neill, of Leicester majored in Mechanical Engineering
About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing; cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more. www.wpi.edu

Leicester Garden Club to hold annual Plant Sale

LEICESTER — On Saturday June 8, the Leicester Garden Club will hold their annual plant sale. It will be held at the pavilion at the Leicester Rod and Gun Club, 1015 Whittemore St., Leicester, starting at 9 a.m. in the morning until noon. There will be many plants to choose from. Many beautiful pots of annuals, perennials and vegetables. Many plants dug from members sharing plants from their gardens. Don't miss this opportunity to add some plants to your gardens and pots for your porches. Come early for the best picks.

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Assumption students named to Dean's List

WORCESTER — Assumption University has announced those who have been named to the University's Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters.

Richard Cehon of Leicester
Hailey Gershman of East Brookfield
Anastazia Lach of Leicester
Madeline Johnson of West Brookfield
Kya Birtz of Leicester
Breana Escobar of Rochdale
Maria Kapoukranidis of Leicester
Lindsey Soter of Spencer

Assumption University, founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption, is a premier New England University for high-quality education, integrating career preparation and education of the whole person, drawing upon the best in the rich and centuries-long tradition of Catholic higher education. Assumption's graduates are known for their intellectual seriousness, thoughtful citizenship, and dedication to the common good. Located in Worcester, Massachusetts, Assumption has undergone a series of major advancements since transitioning to a university, including new academic buildings, degree programs, and athletic facilities for our NCAA Division II student athlete population. The University offers 38 majors and 50 minors in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing, and professional studies, and other areas, as well as graduate degrees and professional credentials. For more information about Assumption University, please visit www.assumption.edu.

Christ Memorial to hold annual chicken BBQ June 15

NORTH BROOKFIELD — Christ Memorial Episcopal Church will hold its annual chicken BBQ in June.

The event is set for Saturday, June 15, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. The church is located at 133 Main St. in North Brookfield.

Food options will include chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, rolls, and strawberry shortcake.

Take-out or eat-in options are available.

Tickets will be sold at the door. The cost is \$18 per person.

To learn more about the event, call Sandi at 508-867-3272, or Mary at 508-662-8174.

bankHometown to host second annual clothing drives for Veterans Inc., Veterans Base Camp

OXFORD — bankHometown supports nonprofit organizations and causes throughout Worcester and Windham Counties through a bank-wide program called The Giving Tree. One of the pillars of this program is community — supporting programs that enhance the quality of life in the communities where its banks call home. bankHometown is planning its second annual in-branch clothing and food drive to support two veterans organizations in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Veterans Inc. in Worcester is hosting a Veterans Stand Down event on Friday, June 21. The Veterans Inc. Stand Down initiative connects veterans with the assistance programs they need to live healthy and fulfilling civilian lives. The 19th annual Stand Down event on Friday, June 21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will have more than 100 service providers ready to accommodate veterans' needs. In preparation for this event, bankHometown will be collecting clothing donations at all its Massachusetts branches starting Friday, May 24. Veterans Inc. has a specific need for wom-

en's spring and summer clothing, including undergarments and socks. All clothing donations are welcome.

In support of a separate initiative in Connecticut, bankHometown will be collecting food donations at all its Connecticut branches starting Friday, May 24. This drive will support Veteran's Base Camp in Chaplin, Conn., an organization that provides transitional housing for veterans in need, as well as a food pantry for area veterans. Non-perishable items needed include local store/grocery store gift cards; gas gift cards for food bank pickups; condiments such as mustard, mayo, ketchup, and relish; baking supplies such as sugar, flour; baking soda, baking powder and sugar substitutes; pasta; tuna; peanut butter; jelly; macaroni and cheese; toilet paper; paper towels; baby wipes and diapers; and pet food.

About Veterans Inc. Veterans Inc. is a national leader in ending homelessness among veterans. They have one of the highest rates in the nation — 85% — for transitioning veterans out of homelessness. A 501(c)3

nonprofit headquartered in Massachusetts, Veterans Inc. is the largest provider of support services to veterans and their families in New England. Since 1990, They have helped more than 90,000 veterans in need, and today operate offices and programs in all six New England states. For more information, visit veteransinc.org.

Veterans Base Camp is a grassroots A 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to providing resources needed by Veterans, First Responders, Caregivers, and those members of our community who are most vulnerable. The Veterans Base Camp team is a collaborative of: Veterans, First Responders, Caregivers, Social Workers, Clinicians, for profit and non-profit alliances, private citizens and government agencies working together to achieve their mission. For more information, visit veteransbasecampinc.org.

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Katheryn Stapel graduates from Stonehill College

EASTON — Katheryn Stapel of Leicester was among 625 students to process at Stonehill College's 73rd Commencement on Sunday, May 19.

During the ceremony, Ed Cooley '94, head coach of the Georgetown University men's basketball team, gave the keynote address. The speaker also received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree alongside Br. Paul Bednarczyk, C.S.C. '80, superior general of the Congregation of Holy Cross, and Jean MacCormack, former chancellor of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth and former president of the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate.

For more information about Commencement, visit Stonehill College's Web site.

About Stonehill College

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Through more than 100 academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, business and pre-professional field, Stonehill College provides an education of the highest caliber that fosters critical thinking, free inquiry and the interchange of ideas for more than 2,500 students.

Stonehill College educates the whole person so that each Stonehill graduate thinks, acts and leads with courage toward the creation of a more just and compassionate world.

Police officer, student team up to support veterans

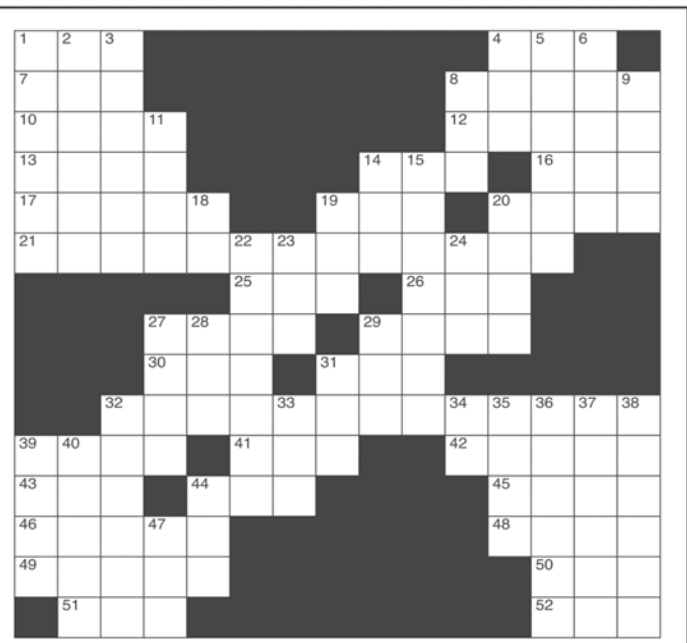
LEICESTER — A local student recently teamed up with a Leicester officer to support veterans.

LPD Officer Michael Lombardo and Tantasqua Regional High School freshman Matt Robbins, of Leicester, supported the Project New Hope food pantry in Worcester.

"We're thankful to see young people like Matt stepping up with a giving spirit to help volunteer in any aspect of life, but especially ones that serve the bravest among us—our veterans," read a statement released by the police department.

Lombardo has taken part in several projects supporting the community over the years.

"Officer Lombardo has a history of helping kids. This is just one example of his fine off-duty activities he enjoys, helping others," said Leicester Police Chief Ken Antanavica.

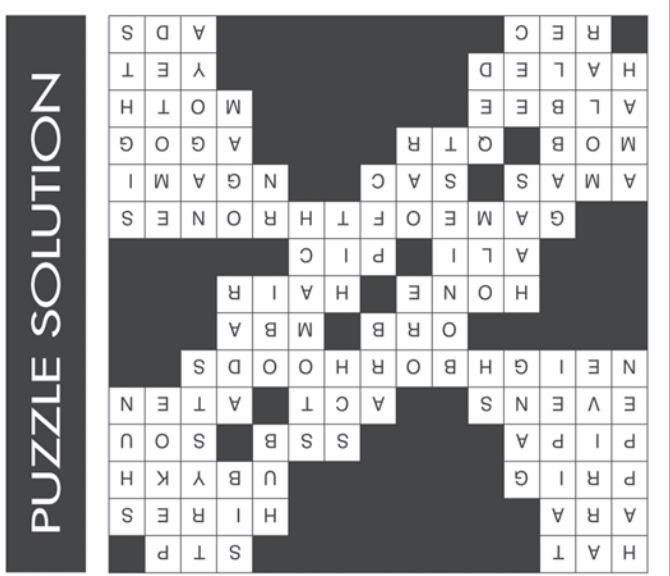


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Fashion accessory
- 4. Engine additive
- 7. Small, faint constellation
- 8. Gives a job
- 10. Self-righteous person
- 12. Caucasian language
- 13. Surinam toad
- 14. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 16. Former French coin
- 17. Levels the score
- 19. What stage performers do
- 20. Egyptian Sun god
- 21. Localities
- 25. Spherical body
- 26. Licensed for Wall Street
- 27. Perfect
- 29. It's on many people's heads
- 30. Boxing's GOAT
- 31. Photo
- 32. Popular HBO show
- 39. Popular music awards show
- 41. Pouch
- 42. Lake in Botswana
- 43. Unruly group
- 44. One-fourth
- 45. Very eager
- 46. Edward ___, author and writer
- 48. Flying insect
- 49. Dragged forcibly
- 50. Thus far
- 51. Not just "play"
- 52. Commercials

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Occur
- 2. Show up
- 3. Capital of Taiwan
- 4. Brother or sister
- 5. Secret get-togethers
- 6. Type of tea
- 8. Where the action is
- 9. Cast out
- 11. Crime group
- 14. Type of vessel (abbr.)
- 15. Accept and handle
- 18. Sacrifice hit
- 19. One who buys and sells securities simultaneously
- 20. Month
- 22. Most thin
- 23. Naturally occurring material
- 24. Luke's mentor ___-Wan
- 27. Postmodernist Austrian "House"
- 28. Aquatic salamander
- 29. Baseball stat
- 31. Beginning military rank
- 32. Talk rapidly and unintelligibly
- 33. Paddle
- 34. Caregiver (abbr.)
- 35. Old Irish alphabet
- 36. Japanese city
- 37. In a way, acted
- 38. Things to see
- 39. Nursemaid
- 40. Type of tooth
- 44. To be demonstrated
- 47. Defunct European group



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Leicester's Rigoberto Alfonso graduates from College of the Holy Cross

WORCESTER — Rigoberto Alfonso of Leicester received a bachelor of arts degree from College of the Holy Cross. Alfonso is among 751 Bachelor of Arts degree recipients Holy Cross celebrated at its 178th Commencement held in person on Friday, May 24 at the DCU Center in Worcester. Dr. Laurie Leshin, director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and former president of Worcester Polytechnic Institute delivered this year's address to the Class of 2024 and received an honorary degree.

In her remarks, Leshin spoke about the forward-looking, visionary pioneers who have paved the way for space exploration success throughout the years, and stressed the importance of being audacious and pushing boundaries.

"So this is my challenge to you, Class of 2024 - to dare mighty things together," said Leshin. "You certainly inherit an imperfect world. A planet, a society, with flaws. But I have faith in you. You have the vision. You have the intelligence and the drive. And if you can you think big, pursue audacious ideas, and do so with passion and commitment, mind-blowing things are possible."

In addition to Leshin, Holy Cross also awarded an honorary degree to Rev. Paul F. Harman, S.J., a longtime Holy Cross administrator who played a key role in the College's transition to coeducation 50 years ago.

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EDITORIAL

Some of the best memories are made in flip flops

With Memorial Day weekend in the rearview mirror, summer is (unofficially, at least) in full swing, with everyone walking around with a sun-kissed glow. Apart from mild weather, lush green forests, swimmable rivers and lakes and beautiful flowers, there are significant health benefits to these summer months.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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VIEWPOINT

OPINION AND COMMENTARY FROM SPENCER, LEICESTER AND THE BROOKFIELDS

The next generation of fishermen



Courtesy

This week's picture shows the Whitinsville Fish & Game Club's Jr. graduating fishing class of 2024.

What a great Memorial Day weekend! The nice weather gave everyone a chance to enjoy time with family and friends in the great outdoors.

It gave Americans a chance to remember all of our veterans that served our country, which is the real meaning of Memorial Day, with many that had paid the ultimate sacrifice.

This week's picture shows the recent graduation of 16 young fishermen that had completed Whitinsville Fish & Game Club's first annual Jr. fishing class. The class was pond Chairman Daryl Carter & Kris Hawkes' idea to have the class in hopes of promoting fishing to many youngsters. After the graduation, the young anglers were treated to a full breakfast by numerous members and volunteers.

With the falling interest in fishing in Mass., hopes are high that the



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annual class will have more anglers participating in the sport of fishing! Nice job, everyone. The following young anglers graduated from the fishing class: Jacob Plumondon, Brayden Nicastro, Jayden Dubois, Arthur Dubois, Jacob Dubois, Khloe Hetherington, Bobby Diamond, Joseph Sever, Boon Flagg, Braydon Vaidyn, Logan Williams, Mason Williams, & Jackson Lavallee. I hope to see you on the water!

Fly fishing was my favorite sport when I was 16 years old, and I hope the upcoming class will have someone that is a fly fishing angler, that will become a

teacher for future students. Joining the New England Fly Tyers group will also provide some great and exciting new fishing and fly tying opportunities.

Striper fishing was hot in both Mass. & Rhode Island last week, with live lining pogies providing the most exciting success. Watching a striper chase a live pogy, and literally inhale the baitfish, and peel the line from the reel until the hook finds its mark! The fight is on! Large bluefish are also hitting lures and live bait, which is not good news for many striper fishing anglers. They are more of a nuisance for some anglers fishing for striped bass. If the striper needs to be released, you need to get them back in the water ASAP, to insure their survival!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Join me in supporting Doug Belanger

To the Editor:

The Town of Leicester will hold an election on Tuesday, June 11. There are a number of elected offices on the ballot. All of them are important. All of them will help forge the future of our Town for the upcoming years. And I hope every registered voter will come to the polls and vote for their preferred candidates.

There is one candidate for Select Board for whom I want to offer a word of support. That candidate is Doug Belanger. Many, if not most, Leicester residents know Doug. They know he is a lifelong resident, and has already served the Town in a number of capacities, and he continues to do so.

Doug has spent over 37 years in public service to our community. He served our community for 10 years as a member of the Advisory Committee. He also served our community for 24 years as a member of the Select Board. Now he continues to serve our community for the past 3 years as Town Moderator. Plus, Doug has served our community on other various Leicester committees and boards.

That is a total of over 37 years of public service to our community. Clearly a lifetime of helping to guide the future of our Town.

Leicester is at a crossroad. With the purchase of the former Becker College a few years ago the Town of Leicester has a great opportunity to forge a new path in our school system with an open campus for our high school. That purchase has come with many challenges. A number of those challenges remain.

In recent years, the town has voted down several Proposition 2½ overrides by significant margins. That was the clear will of residents. But with

that has come serious fiscal issues. At the same time, starting last summer, the Town "leased" three former Becker dorms to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has come to rely heavily on the income from those "leases" for the operating budget of the Town. That reliance on "lease" income that can end at any time exacerbates the Town's fiscal uncertainty and even possible instability.

There is also a new Zoning By-Law proposal being presented to the continued Town Meeting scheduled for June 4. Should that Zoning By-Law proposal pass, a number of new opportunities will open for future development in our Town. Those new opportunities will also present new issues and new decisions to be made. And of course, should it not pass, that too will present different issues as new growth will be impacted by the status quo.

As I consider all of these and the many other issues facing the Town I, for one, want to look to a guiding hand with incredible experience to be one of the voices on our Select Board. That guiding hand is Doug Belanger.

Doug has many years of experience and great institutional knowledge as to our Town. He is a voice of reason who, in my opinion, has no agenda other than to help move Leicester forward.

And so, with all the foregoing in mind I offer my support to Doug. At the same time, I ask each Leicester registered voter to look carefully at what Doug has done for the Town of Leicester for decades, and ask that you too consider giving Doug Belanger one of your votes for the Select Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JEFFREY H. FISHER
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Should estate plans be equal ... or fair?



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When you're creating your estate plan, your biggest priority may be taking care of your family — your spouse, grown children, grandchildren, and other loved ones. And as you think of where you want your assets to go, you also may be thinking about how to be fair — but is that the same as treating everyone equally?

In estate planning, "equal" doesn't always mean "fair." Let's consider some factors that can help explain the difference:

Need – It's highly unlikely that the individuals you want to include in your estate plan — especially your adult children — have the same family and financial situations. For example, you could have one child who is extremely successful and has no children of their own, while another child earns much less income and supports three children. Clearly, your two adult children have vastly different financial needs — so, you need to consider whether you want to treat them equally or fairly. If you decide you want to treat them fairly, you may want to divide your assets in a way that provides more help to the child who needs it most.

Abilities – You may well have some assets that you believe are more suitable for one child over another. This can be especially true if you are planning on passing on a family business. If you know that one child is the most capable of running the business or has been primarily involved in the business, then you may want to give that child control as a next-generation owner. Yet, this may not seem fair to another child, who might also express interest in the business, so you may want to look for ways to provide this child with enough assets to help make the overall inheritance more equal.

Practicality – In some instances, you might think you can meet both the "fair" and "equal" criteria. Suppose, for instance, that you have a cabin or other vacation home that you think two of your children could share. In theory, this joint ownership might sound good, but in practical terms, it could cause problems. Are both children equally willing and capable of paying taxes and upkeep on the cabin or vacation home? What if one child wants to sell their share? And then, there's the question of who gets to use the property at various times of the year. All these issues should be resolvable, but they can also cause great stress within the family.

There's no simple formula for solving the fair-versus-equal dilemma. But keep this in mind: Communicating your wishes to your loved ones while you are drawing up your estate plan can help reduce confusion — and hopefully lead to fewer hard feelings — when you are no longer around. By their nature, fairness and equality issues related to estate plans can trigger a range of emotions, and addressing these feelings beforehand can help provide a great service for your loved ones.

You might also find that some objectivity can be valuable. That's why, when creating your estate plan, you may benefit by working with a team of professionals, including your legal, financial and tax advisors.

When developing your estate plan, you might well strive for equality and fairness but above all, you want to get things right. And careful planning, open communication and appropriate guidance can help go a long way toward this goal.

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BBQ Grilling Tips

It's officially barbecue season! Firing up the BBQ grill, is a summer tradition, and this country boasts a rich history of barbecue celebrations, dating back to the Colonial era. In fact, written history accounts reveal George Washington attended a barbecue in 1769!



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No Fail Marinade
This unconventional recipe from the retro era promises taste and tenderness.

Ingredients: one third cup steak sauce; one half cup packed brown sugar; one twelve ounce can 7Up or Sprite; one half cup melted butter; four tablespoons red wine vinegar; one quarter teaspoon each onion powder, garlic powder, salt and pepper. **Instructions:** Combine all in a bowl or zip lock bag. Allow meat to marinate in mixture for at least an hour, or as long as overnight.

Hot off the Grill: Gauging Doneness
Gauging meats grilled to perfection can be a tricky challenge. Beyond checking the temperature of the meat, backyard chefs have learned to rely on a few "rules of thumb" to test for doneness.

*This "old school" chef trick is still a reliable way to gauge your meat without cutting into it:
To test doneness by "feel" this method compares your hand and fingers to the firmness of the cut of meat. Pressing on the middle of the steak, a rare steak should feel the same as the heel of your hand (the fleshy area between your thumb and wrist) when hand is relaxed; a medium rare steak should feel like the heel of your hand when you press your thumb and forefinger together (which is firmer); a medium rare steak will feel as firm as the heel of your hand when you touch your middle finger to your thumb (firmer yet); and medium well should feel as firm as the heel when you press your ring finger and thumb.

*Another common "rule of thumb" for doneness is the inch method is to cook by thickness of the meat. For a one inch thick steak, cook seven minutes for rare; nine minutes for medium; and 11 minutes for well done.

* When using an internal thermometer: a rare steak should be cooked to 125-130 degrees; 130 to 140 degrees for medium-rare; 140 to 150 degrees for medium, 150-160 degrees for medium-well or 160 to 170 degrees for well done.

BBQ Basics

•As a general guide, when you grill with charcoal, it takes about 30 minutes for coals to reach a medium temperature and become ash covered.

•For gas grills, allow about 15 minutes for the grill rack to preheat properly.

*To increase the heat on a charcoal grill, simply push the coals together; add more coals as needed lower the grilling surface, or fan the fire and tap the ashes from the coals.

•Steaks best for grilling without the need to tenderize, are such cuts such as Ribeye, Filet Mignon, T-Bone and Porterhouse.

•For best results cook pork on direct heat to seal the juices. Then finish it with indirect heat to ensure the center is completely cooked. Just be sure to preheat the grill so it will seal in the juices quickly.

•Cooking for a crowd? To ensure even grilling, meats should be placed about three quarters of an inch apart on the grill rack.

•Does your fish dry out and break up when you cook it on the grill? Brush it with lemon juice while cooking to keep it moist.

*Fish should be from one to one and a half inches thick to prevent drying out.

•Always apply sweet basting sauces made with sugar, honey or syrup during the last few minutes of grilling only to prevent burning.

•When cooking steaks on the grill don't season the meat until each side has browned to keep the cut tender.

•When using a dry rub during barbecuing, always allow the meat to cook for approximately one third to one half of the total time before applying any

basting sauce. This allows the meat to become warm and start absorbing the dry rub seasonings.

•If you are marinating meat, you'll need one to two cups of marinade for every one and a half to two pounds of food. You want enough marinade to completely surround the food.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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

Tenderizing Techniques: Great grilling starts with meat preparation. Taking the time to tenderizing tough cuts of meat can make the difference between grilling success or failure. While the goal is to break down the muscle fibers in the meat, there are a few standard methods that have been proven successful. The manual method employs the use of a kitchen mallet, which is used to "beat" down the fibers in raw meat. Also, there are several meat tenderizers available on the market that can be sprinkled onto the meat before cooking. Perhaps the most popular tenderizing option is the use of marinades, as these liquids not only make the meat tender but impart an important boost of flavor too. Add the fact overnight marinating can reduce cooking time by up to 35%, and it's no surprise the marinating method is a top choice.

BBQ experts recommend tender cuts of beef marinate for just a couple of hours, while tougher cuts may require overnight soaking. Keep in mind marinating should be used with zippered plastic bags or glass or plastic bowls as the acids in some marinades can react with metal. After marinating, be sure to pat the meat dry with paper towels to ensure it cooks evenly on the grill.

Certified Angus Beef Signature Steak Marinade (reprinted with permission and by popular demand!)

This recipe from the country's premiere beef brand is a tasty tribute to grilled steak suppers.

Ingredients: 1/2 cup Lea & Perrins Worcestershire Sauce; 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar; 1 1/2 tablespoons Dijon mustard; 1/2 teaspoon pepper.

Instructions: Combine all ingredients. In large, shallow non-aluminum baking dish or plastic bag, pour marinade over steaks; turn to coat. Marinate in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Remove steaks; discard marinade. Grill or broil steak to preferred doneness.

Checking your coins

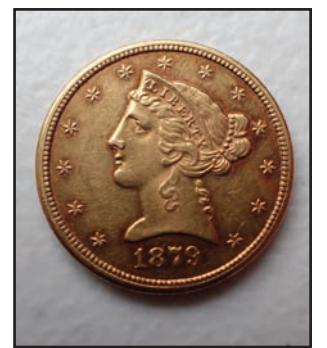
I often handle estates with coins that families have collected. In today's column, I'll share some things you can look for if you also have coins.

We recently auctioned a silver tea set made by Ephraim Brasher, who lived next door to George Washington in New York City. Brasher created the first gold coin, the Brasher Doubloon, over two centuries ago in 1787. The United States minted gold coins for circulation until 1933 when production was halted to stabilize gold value during the Great Depression. However, gold coins are still being made for collec-

tors by the U.S. Mint.

Gold coins will always be at least "worth their weight in gold." Older coins were made from 90 percent gold. Some modern collector gold coins are 99.99 percent pure. Some gold coins are "bullion" meaning they are worth only the value of the gold, however, older coins may have value well above their melt value.

Along with checking the date on your coins, there are other factors to consider. Mintmarks indicate where the coin was produced. A "P" or plain/unmarked coin is from the Philadelphia Mint. "D" is for Denver, "S" indicates San Francisco, and "O" stands for New Orleans. The



Carson City Mint used "CC" and coins featuring that mintmark are often the most valuable.

Just like other collectibles, coins can be graded. Professional grading companies use a scale of 1 to 70. The highest-grade coins are categorized as MS (Mint State), with an MS-70 being a perfect coin. Some coins may be valuable enough to pay to send out for grading, while others may not. Along with the condition,

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SPENCER CELEBRATES THE FALLEN

SPENCER — Residents lined Main Street on Memorial Day to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice defending freedom. The May 27 parade featured local veterans, first responders, elected officials, Scouting groups, and organizations. Despite a drizzly morning, guests showed up with a strong attendance along Route 9.





Courtesy
Leicester High School musicians excelled during a major regional program.

LHS musicians showcase skills at Music in the Parks program

LEICESTER — Musicians from Leicester High School showcased their skills at a Music in the Parks program earlier this month.

LHS musicians traveled to Westfield to compete against other schools across New England. Both the LHS concert band and chorus rated excellent in their respective fields.

"This is one of the best days of the year. Students go above and beyond, and put themselves out there to compete," read a statement released by LHS music teacher Alexis Phillips. "For a small school, it takes much dedication and persistence to be in the top scoring bands in the state that perform on that day."

The concert band performed "Celebration" by Randall Standridge, as well as "Beautiful Inside and Out" by Jeremy Martin. The LHS chorus performed "Al Shlosha D'Varim" by Allan Naplan and "Ah Poor Bird" by Ruth Elaine Shram.

Students enjoyed an afternoon in the park following their performances.

Literacy Volunteers brings on new tutors



Courtesy

Pictured left to right - back row: R. Creighton Peet, Jeff Ardis, Julianne Brechtel, Danelle Laflower, Melissa Damelio, and Amy Ouellette. Front row: Emily Farrell (LVSCM Executive Director), Debbie Twigg (Tutor Trainer), Deborah Harvell, Wendy Woodard, Francine Breger, Wendy Ramirez, Melinda Hannah, and Vanessa Fors (Tutor Trainer).

REGION — Literacy Volunteers of South-Central Massachusetts has 11 new volunteer tutors trained to provide one-to-one tutoring for ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) to adults. These volunteers successfully completed the rigorous 18-hour tutor training on Monday, April 22. The training took place in the Community Room at the Southbridge Police Department and was the first in-person tutor training offered by LVSCM since 2019. Instruction was provided by board member Vanessa Fors and tutor Debbie Twigg, who were both certified to teach this course by Literacy Volunteers of Massachusetts in December 2023.

We're thrilled to have these new volunteers trained and ready to be matched with adults who are on our waiting list. Their volunteer commitment significantly increases our capacity to serve more adults in the community, and will help people reach their personal, professional, and educational goals. Tutoring is free, confidential, and individualized to the needs of each adult learner.

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OBITUARIES

David J. Burque, 49



SPENCER - David J. Burque, 49, of Spencer, lost his short but valiant battle with lung cancer on May 13, 2024 at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

David grew up and attended schools in the Webster Square area of Worcester before moving to Western MA. He leaves his parents, Richard and Sheila (Flanagan) Burque of Spencer; his brothers Jeremy (Mauricio) of Worcester and Daniel of Spencer. He also leaves two stepdaughters Erica Mendala Cannon (Mike) of FL and her children Emmett and Bella, and Kimberly Mendala of Worcester; his fiancée Kahla Brannan and her son Christopher of Westfield. He also leaves his grandmother Anita Burque of Worcester and several aunts and uncles. He is predeceased in death by his wife Debra L. (Cimochowski) Burque, grandparents Bernard and Jean Flanagan, and Joseph Burque.

David worked at Flexcon where he was a machine operator for the past

25 years. Previously he owned his own landscaping business. He was a former volunteer fireman, a Freemason and member of the Eagles and Knights of Columbus, all in Warren MA. David was also a member of the UMass Cancer Walk Team "Surviving and Thriving". He was an avid reader and film buff and had a wealth of knowledge. David loved to travel and explore FL and sites closer to home. He also enjoyed camping on weekends with Kahla and Chris.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Dr Avalani and Dr Chin and all the health care workers at Bay State Medical Center involved in David's care.

Calling hours were held Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 9:00 - 11:00 am with prayers at 11:00 am at Rice Funeral Home, 300 Park Ave, Worcester. Burial will take place at a later date. We ask that flowers be omitted, and Memorial donations can be made to UMass Med Cancer Walk team "Surviving and Thriving", 333 South St, Shrewsbury, MA 01545 or Baystate Health Foundation for Cancer Research, 280 Chestnut St, Springfield, MA 01199.

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people like them who are the glue that holds our communities together, especially in an emergency or a time of need."

Looking ahead, officials are encouraged to know that they have the support of community leaders in several area towns and cities. Whenever disasters strike, local officials and volunteers are always quick to offer help to those in need.

"Unfortunately, our district has experienced

multiple fires and building collapses that have displaced residents over the years. In any emergency where a large number of people are displaced, the first step is to find a location to serve as a triage center so the Red Cross can provide necessary support," LeBoeuf explained. "The priority is to make sure victims of the fire have a place to sleep that night, arrangements are made for children to get to school, and adults can get to their jobs the next day. During such a traumatic event, young people must be given a sense of normalcy supported by their

friends and teachers."

Added LeBoeuf, "It is truly a privilege to represent a district where people across neighborhoods and across municipal lines come together to support one another when a crisis strikes. While stories of conflict and chaos are frequently told, it is important for the stories of kindness and compassion in our community to be highlighted and shared."

Senior Center and town officials were previously honored by LeBoeuf at a ceremony in March.

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there are other variations to coins that can make them desirable. Having slightly different shaped letters and differently placed stars and rays can make a big difference in price. An 1861-S \$20 Double Eagle AU55 (Almost Uncirculated) gold coin sold for \$3,120 at auction in 2023. A "Paquet" variation with the same AU55 grade coin sold for \$162,000 that year.

The United States minted silver coins (dimes, quarters, half dollars, and dollar coins) out of 90 percent silver until 1964. Kennedy half dollars from 1965 to 1970 are made with 40 percent silver. Any silver coins from these years will be at least "bullion" coins and worth their weight in silver but some could be more valuable.

Many of the same factors that impact gold coins also come into play with silver. Age and condition are important. A rare high grade 1794 Flowing Hair Silver Dollar sold for \$6.6 million in 2021. The number of coins produced at each mint for each year is very important. This

holds true for both gold and silver coins. Only 360,649 silver Peace Dollars (depicting the head of the Statue of Liberty) were produced in 1928 while 10,198 were minted in 1925. A 1925 MS66 grade Peace Dollar sold for a little over \$500 recently while a 1928 coin with the same grade sold for over \$30,000.

The United States has issued half cents, one cent, two cent, three cent, half dime, and twenty cent coins. There are "type collectors" who look for coins in different denominations and variations. It's worth checking your old coins, some may be worth a pretty penny.

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First Congregational Church to hold "Ashes to Mission" service

SPENCER — June 2 is the anniversary of the fire that destroyed the meeting house of the First Congregational Church of Spencer.

This year, the 2nd falls on Sunday. We decided that we would hold a service at the site at 2 p.m. that afternoon. We want to invite people from the community to take part as we commit ourselves to continuing our mission to serve the Spencer area. As we plan a new facility to carry out what we believe God invites us to do, we want to celebrate the support and encouragement people have extended, and invite them to help us meet some of the needs that we and they see around us.

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THURSDAY, MAY 16

8:13 a.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 8:23 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 8:26 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), citation issued; 8:31 a.m.: ambulance (Folsom Street), transported; 8:34 a.m.: mv stop (Paxton Street), citation issued; 8:42 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), citation issued; 8:50 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:52 a.m.: investigation (Fairview Drive), report taken; 8:58 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 9:00 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), Washington da Silva, 28, 4 Darling Street, Worcester, unlicensed operation, lights violation, arrest; 9:06 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 9:29 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 9:41 a.m.: fraud (Main Street), report taken; 9:49 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 10:08 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), written warning; 10:16 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 10:21 a.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), German A. Echevarria, 38, 25 Queen Street, Worcester, shoplifting by asportation, arrest; 11:51 a.m.: assist citizen (Huntoon Memorial Highway); 12:00 p.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 1:00 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), report taken; 1:47 p.m.: residential alarm (Pleasant Street), report taken; 4:42 p.m.: ambulance (Folsom Street), transported; 4:59 p.m.: ambulance (Rawson Street), transported; 6:18 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, unlicensed operation, license not in possession, citation issued; 6:36 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), spoken to; 6:41 p.m.: ambulance (Marshall Street), transported; 6:49 p.m.: investigation (Atwood Road), report taken; 8:19 p.m.: welfare check (Henshaw Street), assisted; 8:49 p.m.: suspicious mv (Stafford Street), spoken to; 9:30 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 11:47 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning.

FRIDAY, MAY 17

12:34 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:50 p.m.: suspicious person (Main Street), resolved; 3:53 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 7:25 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 8:06 a.m.: harassment (Main Street), report taken; 8:33 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 8:48 a.m.: welfare check (Dale Court), assisted; 9:00 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 9:17 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 9:30 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 9:36 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 10:00 a.m.: escort (South Main Street), assisted; 10:10 a.m.: ambulance (Paxton Street), transported; 10:39 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 10:49 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:08 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 11:11 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:18 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:28 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:56 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:57 a.m.: investigation (Main Street), report taken; 12:13 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 12:35 a.m.: assist citizen (Shady Lane); 12:40 p.m.: accident (Main Street), report taken; 1:31 p.m.: welfare check (Pleasant Street), resolved; 1:34 p.m.: investigation (Soojians Drive), report taken; 1:55 p.m.: assist other agency (Pleasant Street), services rendered; 2:12 p.m.: ambulance (Chandler Street, Worcester), call canceled; 2:29 p.m.: threats (River Street), report taken; 4:20 p.m.: welfare check (Virginia Drive), assisted; 4:42 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 5:08 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, speeding, citation issued; 5:30 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 5:47 p.m.: family problem (South Main Street), report taken; 7:17 p.m.: erratic operator (South Main Street), unfounded; 9:07 p.m.: mv stop (McNeil Highway), verbal warning; 9:19 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 9:34 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

12:19 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 12:42 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:09 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 1:19 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:32 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:35 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning; 3:24 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), citation issued; 5:32 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 5:52 p.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), citation issued; 6:12 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/suspended license, report taken; 9:04 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 11:10 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 11:16 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 11:49 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 12:20 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 12:31 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 12:46 p.m.: mv stop (Burncoat Street), verbal warning; 1:02 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning;

1:13 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:26 p.m.: mv stop (Rawson Street), verbal warning; 1:27 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 1:33 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:39 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 1:56 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 2:08 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:49 p.m.: assist citizen (Mill Street), assisted; 6:12 p.m.: debris in road (Henshaw Street), referred; 6:13 p.m.: ambulance (King Street, Worcester), transported; 6:16 p.m.: summons service (Harding Street), unable to serve; 6:28 p.m.: summons service (Sargent Street), served; 7:38 p.m.: assist other PD (no location noted on police log), services rendered; 8:01 p.m.: mutual aid (Valley Street, Spencer), no service; 8:35 p.m.: ambulance (Grove Street, Spencer), transported; 8:39 p.m.: mutual aid (Charlton Road, Spencer), services rendered; 9:24 p.m.: suspicious activity (Stafford Street), unable to locate; 9:34 p.m.: family problem (Main Street, Spencer), spoken to.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

12:57 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 2:33 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:38 a.m.: mv stop (McNeil Highway), verbal warning; 2:55 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), citation issued; 6:07 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 6:18 a.m.: mv stop (Mill Street), verbal warning; 7:53 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), spoken to; 8:03 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:21 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 8:28 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 8:39 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 8:43 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 8:52 a.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), spoken to; 9:01 a.m.: open door/window (Main Street), unable to locate; 9:02 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 9:17 a.m.: abandoned mv (Tobin Road), services rendered; 9:34 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), written warning; 9:48 a.m.: mv stop (River Street), written warning; 10:09 a.m.: ambulance (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 10:54 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 11:03 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), verbal warning; 11:15 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 11:20 a.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 12:54 p.m.: suspicious mv (Auburn Street), services rendered; 12:56 p.m.: erratic operator (Marshall Street), spoken to; 12:58 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:07 p.m.: debris in road (Marshall Street), referred; 1:09 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:15 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:19 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 1:25 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:30 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:43 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), spoken to; 1:51 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), spoken to; 2:00 p.m.: welfare check (Whittemore Street), assisted; 2:06 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 2:13 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 2:34 p.m.: mv stop (Stafford Street), written warning; 3:05 p.m.: larceny (Mill Street), report taken; 3:26 p.m.: animal complaint (Willow Hill Road), referred; 3:40 p.m.: trespassing (Main Street), spoken to; 4:39 p.m.: ambulance (Lake Avenue), transported; 6:10 p.m.: ambulance (Mannville Street), transported; 8:00 p.m.: disturbance (Collier Avenue), transported to hospital; 9:18 p.m.: assist other PD (Monterey Drive), services rendered; 9:29 p.m.: animal complaint (Town Beach Road), referred; 10:07 p.m.: disabled mv (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 10:10 p.m.: disabled mv (Main Street), services rendered; 10:42 p.m.: disabled mv (Baldwin Street), unable to locate; 11:51 p.m.: mv stop (South Main Street), verbal warning.

MONDAY, MAY 20

12:20 a.m.: mv stop (Pleasant Street), verbal warning; 2:22 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:38 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 2:56 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), citation issued; 5:43 a.m.: disabled mv (Huntoon Memorial Highway), services rendered; 7:19 a.m.: mv stop (Huntoon Memorial Highway), transported; 1:45 p.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street, Worcester), transported; 2:07 p.m.: assist citizen (Charlton Street); 4:05 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:15 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), written warning; 4:27 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street); 4:33 p.m.: welfare check (McCarthy Avenue), report taken; 4:40 p.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 4:53 p.m.: property found (Main Street), services rendered; 5:20 p.m.: arrest warrant service (Pleasant Street), unable to serve; 6:58 p.m.: ambulance (Bunker Hill Road), transported; 9:53 p.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported.

TUESDAY, MAY 21

12:04 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), verbal warning; 12:30 a.m.: mv stop (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, op w/license revoked for being habitual traffic offender, criminal application issued; 8:05 a.m.: ambulance (Parsons Hill Drive), transported; 8:23 a.m.: shoplifting (Soojians Drive), Jesse Marshall, 42, 95-20 Highway 20 West, Tulsa, Oklahoma, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, arrest; 8:35 a.m.: ambulance (Brown Street), transported; 8:54 a.m.: animal complaint (Marshall Street), referred; 11:23 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street, Worcester), transported; 2:19 p.m.: harassment

(Main Street), report taken; 4:26 p.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 5:39 p.m.: animal complaint (Paxton Street), referred; 5:57 p.m.: disturbance (Marshall Street), peace restored; 6:15 p.m.: threats (Brook Street), report taken; 7:03 p.m.: investigation (Towtad Street), report taken; 8:41 p.m.: family problem (Stafford Street), spoken to; 9:31 p.m.: disabled mv (Mill Street), gone on arrival; 11:25 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), gone on arrival.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

5:08 a.m.: ambulance (Stafford Street), transported; 9:52 a.m.: suspicious person (Whittemore Street), spoken to; 11:12 a.m.: search warrant service (South Main Street), resolved; 11:17 a.m.: assist citizen (South Main Street); 11:21 a.m.: ambulance (Main Street), transported; 12:12 p.m.: assist citizen (Clark Street); 12:28 p.m.: larceny (Winslow Avenue), report taken; 1:29 p.m.: ambulance (Soojians Drive), transported; 1:44 p.m.: suspicious person (Peter Salem Road), resolved; 1:46 p.m.: assist citizen (Main Street); 2:56 p.m.: ambulance (Rawson Street), transported; 4:51 p.m.: neighbor dispute (Main Street), name and address redacted from police log, violation of harassment prevention order, criminal application issued; 9:53 p.m.: erratic operator (Main Street), referred; 11:48 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Carleton Road), spoken to.

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Spencer Police Log

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

12:46-2:25 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:31 a.m.: medical/general (Jolicoeur Avenue); 7:26 a.m.: DPW call (Spring Street), c/o brown water; 8:53 a.m.: commercial alarm (Mechanic Street), services rendered; 9:11 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; 9:13 a.m.: accident (Main Street), Christopher P. Lienczewski, 36, 40 South Spencer Road, Spencer, op w/suspended license/subsequent offense, unlicensed operation, arrest; 10:03 a.m.: medical/general (West Main Street); 10:39 a.m.: animal complaint (Wilson Street), re: ordinance regarding roosters; 11:52 a.m.: medical/general (Pleasant Street); 12:18 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Ash Street), resolved; 12:41 p.m.: medical/general (Marble Road); 1:00 p.m.: officer wanted (Lyford Road), req. property checks; 1:25 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), unwanted party; 3:17 p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), investigated; 4:09 p.m.: commercial alarm (Main Street), services rendered; 4:43 p.m.: larceny (Main Street), re: theft of bicycle; 10:10 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operator; (total daily mv stops - 0).

THURSDAY, MAY 16

12:41-3:54 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:55 a.m.: residential alarm (Linden Street), services rendered; 2:25 a.m.: parking violation (Pearl Street), ticket issued; 3:32 a.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 3:57 a.m.: fire alarm (Bay Path Road), referred; 7:43 a.m.: medical/general (Northwest Road); 10:12 a.m.: medical/general (School Street); 10:13 a.m.: animal complaint (Wm. Casey Road), injured turkey in yard; 10:15 a.m.: officer wanted (Mechanic Street), req. escort to residence; 12:15 p.m.: 911 call (Lake Street), misdial; 12:18 p.m.: medical/general (Thompson Pond Road); 1:40 p.m.: animal complaint (Condon Drive), re: complaint to MSPCA; 3:49 p.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dog; 3:51 p.m.: medical/general (Smithville Road); 3:57 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), rep. harassment; 4:26 p.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), erratic operator; 4:34 p.m.: medical/general (Whittemore Court); 4:52 p.m.: mv lockout (Main Street), assisted; 7:35 p.m.: 911 call (Pleasant Street), rep. mv taken; 7:40 p.m.: parking complaint (Main Street), mv blocking d/way; 11:49 p.m.: 911 call (I. Capen Road), hang-up; (total daily mv stops - 1).

FRIDAY, MAY 17

12:10-1:57 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 3:14 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 7:25 a.m.: medical/general (Jolicoeur Avenue); 7:27 a.m.: fire alarm (Main Street), test; 7:45 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), loose dog; 8:53 a.m.: mv complaint (Main Street), brake checking/road rage; 9:30 a.m.: fire alarm (Lake Street), referred; 9:45 a.m.: animal complaint (Temple Street), re: aggressive bull dog; 10:52 a.m.: officer wanted (Valley Street), spoken to; 10:54 a.m.: mv lockout (West Main Street), assisted; 10:58 a.m.: larceny (Hastings Road), report taken; 11:16 a.m.: lost/found (West Main Street), c/c found; 12:05 p.m.: DPW call (School Street), low-hanging wires; 1:16 p.m.: DPW call (Charlton Road), tree threatening wires; 2:06 p.m.: medical/general (Paxton Road); 2:37 p.m.: officer wanted (Cooney Road), neighbor mowing caller's lawn; 3:00 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), ex violating court order; 3:48 p.m.: mv complaint (Northwest Road), mv speeding; 4:34 p.m.: larceny (West Main Street), report taken; 4:40 p.m.: harassment prevention order service (Main Street); 5:30 p.m.: animal complaint (Pleasant Street), rep. sick/injured raccoon; 5:52 p.m.: medical/general (Clark Road); 6:08 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 6:17 p.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), rep. poss. threat; 6:34 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 6:43 p.m.: mv complaint (Pleasant Street), erratic operator; 8:00 p.m.: disturbance (Pond Street), noise complaint; 8:01 p.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services

rendered; 11:11 p.m.: medical/general (Northwest Road), lift assist; (total daily mv stops - 2).

SATURDAY, MAY 18

12:14 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 12:31 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 12:52 a.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 1:05 a.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), investigated; 1:21-2:37 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:48 a.m.: parking violation (High Street), ticket issued; 1:54 a.m.: parking violation (Elm Street), ticket issued; 2:05 a.m.: officer wanted (Howe Village), assisted citizen; 6:29 a.m.: medical/general (Adams Street); 9:00 a.m.: juvenile matter (West Main Street), report taken; 10:01 a.m.: animal complaint (Clark Street), dead raccoon in road; 10:26 a.m.: animal complaint (Main Street), dead cat in road; 12:39 p.m.: DPW call (Cherry Street), re: road conditions; 12:40 p.m.: 911 call (Maple Street), no emergency; 3:45 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), req. escort/del. papers to ex; 6:18 p.m.: suspicious persons (Main Street), investigated; 6:41 p.m.: medical/general (Lincoln Street); 6:48 p.m.: fire alarm (Buteau Road); 7:26 p.m.: accident (Charlton Road), Emmanuel K. Whyee, 25, 42 Hastings Road, Spencer, negligent operation, leaving the scene of a property damage accident, disorderly conduct, arrest; 7:51 p.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 8:32 p.m.: medical/general (Grove Street); 10:40 p.m.: accident (Chestnut Street), report taken; (total daily mv stops - 1).

SUNDAY, MAY 19

2:32-3:07 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 10:25 a.m.: medical/general (Charlton Road); 11:08 a.m.: suspicious mv (Chestnut Street), investigated; 12:58 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), no emergency; 2:03 p.m.: mv complaint (Meadow Road), erratic operator; 2:48 p.m.: larceny (Howe Road), report taken; 4:56 p.m.: citizen complaint (Brooks Pond Road), noise complaint; 6:10 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), assist citizen; 7:10 p.m.: medical/general (Main Street), req. wellness check; 7:30 p.m.: officer wanted (Parent Street), re: issue w/ex; 9:47 p.m.: 911 call (West Main Street), accidental; 9:55 p.m.: animal complaint (Lake Whittemore Drive), dog bitten by dog; (total daily mv stops - 3).

MONDAY, MAY 20

12:57-2:01 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 6:10 a.m.: medical/general (Church Street); 8:05 a.m.: LTC issued (West Main Street), assisted; 8:15 a.m.: abandoned 911 call (Condon Drive), no contact; 8:49 officer wanted (Route 49), check o-sized load; 9:57 a.m.: 911 call (Bixby Road), open line; 12:18 p.m.: restraining order service (West Main Street); 12:35 p.m.: officer wanted (Paxton Road), syringe found/side of road; 12:51 p.m.: fraud (Main Street), report taken; 1:08 p.m.: citizen complaint (Main Street), rep. threats; 1:12 p.m.: officer wanted (West Main Street), spoken to; 1:34 p.m.: abandoned 911 call (Bixby Road), accidental; 1:57 p.m.: medical/general (Spring Street); 2:44 p.m.: hit/run accident (Lincoln Street), report taken; 2:52 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 3:52 p.m.: officer wanted (Charlton Road), spoken to; 4:22 p.m.: parking complaint (G.H. Wilson Road), mv partially blocking d/way; 4:52 p.m.: officer wanted (Cherry Street), req. escort/custody exchange; 5:34 p.m.: parking complaint (Mechanic Street), mv blocking d/way; 5:37 p.m.: mv complaint (Kittredge Road), erratic operator; 6:05 p.m.: suspicious mv (Main Street), investigated; 6:44 p.m.: commercial alarm (West Main Street), services rendered; 7:18 p.m.: juvenile matter (High Street), info taken; 7:20 p.m.: suspicious persons (Chestnut Street), investigated; 8:29 p.m.: mv complaint (Northwest Road), noise complaint; 8:49 p.m.: 911 call (Langevin Street), child w/phone; 10:57 p.m.: medical/general (Bixby Road); (total daily mv stops - 1);

TUESDAY, MAY 21

12:25-1:24 a.m.: buildings checked, secure; 1:46 a.m.: disabled mv (West Main Street), no action necessary; 2:01 a.m.: medical/general (Northwest Road); 2:06 a.m.: officer wanted (Ash Street), car not returned by bf; 7:52 a.m.: medical/general (Main Street); 9:10 a.m.: accident (Maple Street), report taken; 9:15 a.m.: commercial alarm (Water Street), services rendered; 10:11 a.m.: officer wanted (Donnelly Road), req. assistance w/fire drill; 11:00 a.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), dog left in mv; 11:03 a.m.: animal complaint (Duggan Street), bear in area; 11:03 a.m.: fire alarm (Maple Street), referred; 11:51 a.m.: medical/general (Valley Street); 12:55 p.m.: animal complaint (West Main Street), re: missing cat; 1:41 p.m.: accident (West Main Street), report taken; 3:15 p.m.: suspicious persons (Mechanic Street), investigated; 3:26 p.m.: mv complaint (Greenville Street), mvs speeding; 5:23 p.m.: 911 call (Main Street), open line; 5:55 p.m.: mv complaint (Park Street), c/o aggressive operator; 6:49 p.m.: juvenile matter (Main Street), kids spray painting guardrails; 7:29 p.m.: medical/general (Howe Village); 9:10 p.m.: disturbance (Main Street), probs at drive-thru; 9:14 p.m.: disturbance (Water Street), noise complaint; 10:42 p.m.: vandalism (Mechanic Street), Roger Frederick Ahearn, Junior, 36, 30 Nelson Street, South Barre, malicious destruction of property less than \$1200, disturbing the peace, disorderly conduct, arrest; (total daily mv stops - 2).

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Grow vertically for added beauty and garden productivity

Expand your planting space, grow a living screen, or add vertical interest to your garden beds. Train vines up a decorative support, onto a fence, or allow them to climb a trellis set in front of a wall or structure.



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ach. The buttery nutty flavor is great fresh, added to a salad, used as a sandwich wrap, stir-fried, or steamed. The red stems, flowers, and seeds make an attractive display in the vegetable or ornamental garden.

Pole beans, peas, Malabar spinach, cucumbers, melons, and squash are all edible candidates for growing vertically. Training these vegetables up a support saves space in the garden. Plus, the increase in light and airflow through vertically trained plants helps reduce the risk of mildew and other diseases.

Growing vertically can also increase your yields and make harvesting much easier. Pole beans typically produce an extra picking. Plus, it requires less bending to harvest. If it is easy, you are more likely to pick regularly, increasing productivity and ensuring the best flavor. Try scarlet runner beans or purple podded pole beans for added color.

Train Malabar climbing spinach up an obelisk in a container or over a decorative trellis in the garden. Use the leaves the same way you use true spin-

Support the heavy fruit of melons and squash when growing vertically. Create a sling from cloth strips, an old T-shirt, or macramé – yes, it's back! Tie the sling to the trellis to cradle the large fruit. The sling handles the weight, preventing the heavy fruit from ripping the plant off the support and damaging the plant. Elevating the fruit also reduces loss to soil-dwelling insects and disease.

Use decorative supports to add a bit of beauty or help blend edibles into ornamental plantings. Save money and add some personality by upcycling found items into creative supports. A section of an old iron fence, headboard, golf clubs, or farm implements can add a bit of functional whimsy to your garden.

Add color to a plain fence or wall with annual and perennial flowering vines.

Use a support and leave space between wooden fences and siding to reduce moisture buildup that could damage these structures. This also makes it easier to manage future repairs and painting if the vines can easily be moved away from the structure.

Double up your plants to increase the floral impact. Use annual vines to provide quick cover for the first few years while establishing perennial vines onto the support. Consider mixing two vines on one support if space allows. Select vines that bloom at the same time to create interesting combinations. Or plant two vines that bloom at different times to extend the floral display.

Always select supports strong enough to support the plants you are growing. Make sure the support provides the structure needed for the vines to climb. Those with twining stems and petioles need something to grab onto while those with root-like holdfasts or suction cups need a rough surface for attaching. Make sure the structure will not be damaged by the vines adhering to the surface. Other vines may need their stems to be tied to the support.

As you can see, the possibilities are endless. Start gathering decorative supports, look for spaces that need a bit of vertical interest, and select vines suited



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LEGALS

Town of West Brookfield Zoning Board of Appeals
A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the West Brookfield Town Hall, to act on an application for a Special Permit, for Christine Luszc. The applicant wishes to operate a dog grooming business on her property located at 5 Birch Hill Road.
May 31, 2024
June 7, 2024

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **LIDA N. SEREMETH** of 21 Moore Ave., Warren, MA 01082 to **WARE CO-OPERATIVE BANK**, which has merged into North Brookfield Savings Bank, which mortgage is dated May 30, 2006 in the original principal amount of \$160,000.00 and encumbers the property located at 21 Moore Ave., Warren, MA 01083, and is recorded in Book 39090 Page 106, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at Eleven O'clock, (11:00) A.M. on June 27, 2024 A.D. at 21 Moore Avenue, Warren, MA all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,
To wit: The Land in Warren, Worcester County, Massachusetts Which is bounded and described as follows: A certain tract of land located on the westerly side of Moore Avenue in said Warren bounded and described as follows: Beginning 161 2/3 feet northerly from the junction of the westerly line of said Avenue and the northerly line of W. Main St.; Thence North 7° East 122 feet to land now or formally of one Majka; Thence by land now or formally of said Majka West 4° North 94 feet to land of one McCarthy; Thence by land of said McCarthy 120 feet to land of one Gondek; Thence easterly by land of said Gondek 110 1/2 feet to the point of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagee by Deed recorded in Book 35456 Page 213.

The above premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any.
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TERMS OF SALE: Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, cash or certified check will be required as a down deposit at the time and place of said foreclosure sale, and the balance of the purchase price is to be paid by cash or certified check within twenty

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North Brookfield, MA 01535
(508) 867-6885
db@berthiaumelegal.com
May 31, 2024
June 7, 2024
June 14, 2024

At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, in McCourt Social Hall at the Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:
Notice of Public Hearing – Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals
Special Permit– Applicant: Sean Wood; Owner: Michael Foley; Location: 15 South Spencer Road, Spencer Assessor's Map U10-08. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 4.3.23 (Automobile repair shop, autobody shop) of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to operate an automotive restoration business out of the existing structure. The property is in the Commercial (C) zoning district.
May 24, 2024
May 31, 2024

NOTICE TO ABUTTERS PUBLIC HEARING
In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166, of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held in the Conference Room at the West Brookfield Town Hall, located at 2 East Main Street in West Brookfield. The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11th at 6:15pm on the petition of National Grid (No. 30851105) and Verizon New England, Inc. who are requesting permission to locate poles, wires and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:
PIERCE RD. - National Grid to install 7 JO Poles on Pierce Rd. beginning at a point approximately 567 feet south of the centerline of the intersection of Ragged Hill Rd. and Pierce Rd. and continuing approximately 5540 feet in a south direction. Install Pole #33-50 Pierce Rd. ~110' south of P34 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #31-50 Pierce Rd ~123' south of P32 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #29-25 Pierce Rd. ~100' north of P29 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #28-50 Pierce Rd. ~130' southwest of P29 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #23-50 ~ 130 southeast of P24 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #8-50 Pierce Rd. ~94' southeast of P9 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #3-50 Pierce Rd. ~143' northeast of P3 Pierce Rd.
Members of the public are invited to attend this hearing to express any comments or concerns. If you are unable to attend in person, you may submit your comments or concerns to my attention prior to the hearing to be included as part of the official records.
Municipal Contact: Beth Gobeille Executive Assistant
Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen
Town of West Brookfield

2 East Main Street
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508-867-1421 Option 1
bgobeille@wbrookfield.com
May 31, 2024

Worcester, SS To the District Clerk:
GREETINGS: You are hereby directed to notify the Voters of the Burncoat Pond Watershed District to meet in the town hall gymnasium, 3 Washburn Square, Leicester, Massachusetts, on June 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., to act on the following articles:
Article 1: To see if the District will vote to elect a District Moderator for one (1) year or to take any action thereon.
Article 2: To see if the District will elect a District Clerk to hold office one (1) year from this annual meeting, a clerk shall be elected by ballot for one year or to take any action thereon.
Article 3: To see if the District will elect a District Treasurer to hold office one (1) year from this annual meeting, a treasurer shall be elected by ballot for one year, or to take any action thereon.
Article 4: To see if the District will vote to elect a member of the Management Committee to hold office for a term of three (3) years, a member of the Management Committee shall be elected by ballot, or to take any action thereon.
Article 5: To see if the District will vote to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2025, the appropriation of monies to be raised by assessment upon the proprietors in support thereof, or to take any action thereon.
Burncoat Pond Watershed District Management Committee
May 31, 2024

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W. MAIN ST. - National Grid to install 2 JO Poles on W. Main St. beginning at a point approximately 20 feet northwest of the centerline of the intersection of West Main St. and Pierce Rd and continuing approximately 20 feet in a southwest direction. Install Pole # 49-25 on W. Main St ~127' southwest of P1 Pierce Rd. Install Pole #48-50 on W. Main St. ~120' southeast of P49 on W. Main St.
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Town of Spencer, MA Tree Public Hearing
In accordance with MGL Ch 87 §3, The Town of Spencer, MA Tree Warden will hold a public hearing in-person or remote on Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at 3 Old Meadow Road, Spencer, MA. (Water Dept.) to consider the proposed removal of trees: Smithville Road.
The Remote meeting may be accessed by:
Dialing in from your phone:
1 (224) 501-3412
Enter Access Code: 928-904-381
Or join from your computer: <https://www.gotomeet.me/TownofSpencerUF/meeting-room>
Information pertaining to these particular trees may be viewed at spencerma.gov
Ray Holmes
Tree Warden
May 24, 2024
May 31, 2024

At the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, in McCourt Social Hall at the Memorial Town Hall, 157 Main Street, Spencer, MA, a public hearing will be held on the following items starting at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard:
Notice of Public Hearing – Spencer Zoning Board of Appeals
Variance– Applicant/Owner: Matthew Runyon; Location: 24 Hastings Road, Spencer Assessor's Map R37-21. The applicant is seeking a Variance under Sections 4.9.2.3 (nonconforming structures) of the Spencer Zoning Bylaw to build a 14x28 deck. The property is in the Rural Residential (RR) district.
May 24, 2024
May 31, 2024

Town of Spencer Conservation Commission PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL c. 131, s. 40 and the Spencer Wetlands By-Law:
Laura Ernst (New England Power Company) has filed an **NOI** with the Spencer Conservation Commission to conduct exploratory soil borings located between Meadow Road & William Casey Road, Spencer, MA.
Susan Tee has filed an **RDA** with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace the footings on the sunroom located at **23 Jolicoeur Avenue, Spencer, MA.**
Tina Ghelli has filed an **RDA** with the Spencer Conservation Commission to replace the deck footings located at **5 Jolicoeur Avenue, Spencer, MA.**
Adam German has filed an **NOI** with the Spencer Conservation Commission for a proposed driveway and septic system located at **75.5 East Charlton Road, Spencer, MA.**
Jennifer & James Reil have filed to **Amend the Order of Conditions at 1 Lamoureux Lane, Spencer, MA**
Applications can be reviewed at the Office of Development and Inspectional Services, Town Hall. A public hearing regarding these filings will be held by the Spencer Conservation Commission in McCourt Social Hall at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at which time all persons having an interest may be present or call in remotely to participate. Conservation Commission meetings open at 6:15 p.m.
Mary McLaughlin, Chairwoman
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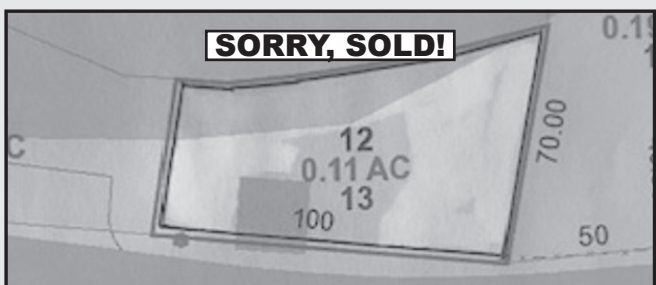
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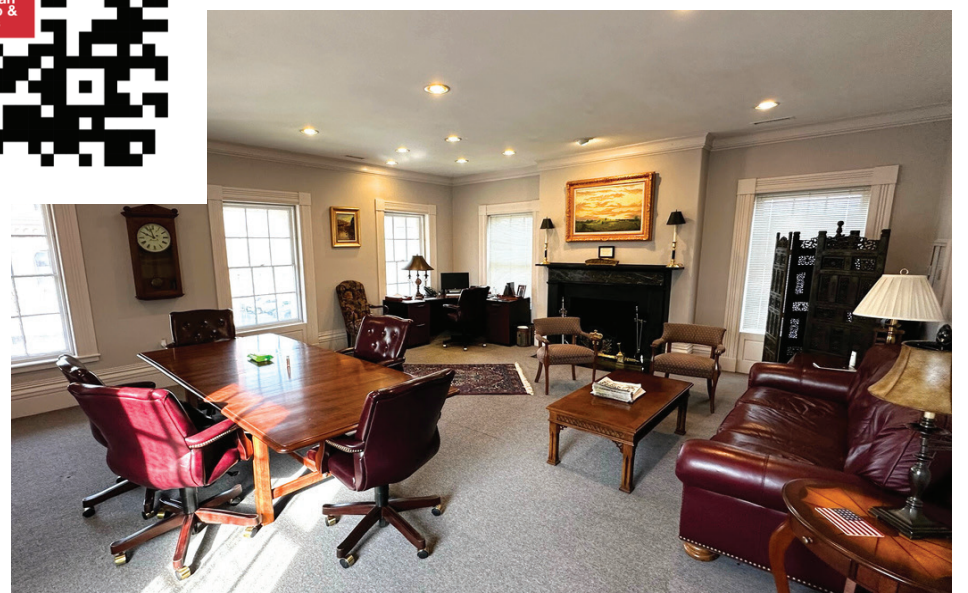


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