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Officers retire from local police departments

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REGION — The Northbridge and Douglas police departments have recently announced the retirement of two of their members.

Officer Conrad Chickinski will retire from the Northbridge Police Department, and Lt. David James Brown has retired from the Douglas Police Department. Both served their communities for 34 years.

“Lt. Brown was a valuable member of our department and he will be sorely missed,” Douglas Police released in a statement. “Our

Department and the residents of Douglas were lucky to have him.”

Lt. Brown was honored at the police station last week and received citations from Senator Ryan Fattman and State Rep. Joseph McKenna recognizing his 34 years of dedicated service. According to the department, Lt. Brown started his career as a dispatcher in 1986 and became a Patrolman in 1988. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1996 and became the department’s first Detective Sergeant in 2004. He was later promoted to Lieutenant in 2017.

“Thank you, Officer Brown, for your service and enjoy your retirement,” Senator Fattman



Officer Conrad Chickinski of Northbridge

said in a statement.

Chickinski will officially retire from the Northbridge Police Department on September 25. According to Northbridge Chief of Police Walter Warchol, Chickinski began his career with the Northbridge department in 1986 as a Reserve Police Officer. In 1995, he was appointed a full-time police officer and attended the Gardner Police Academy where he graduated in January 1996. Chickinski graduated from Northeastern University with a B.S. degree in Criminal Justice in 1988.

During Chickinski’s career, he served the

police department in numerous roles, said Warchol, including; the cruiser maintenance officer, making sure the police department’s cruisers were in top condition; a Breath Test Recertification Instructor; Active Shooter Instructor; and a radar certification officer.

“As computer crimes became more prevalent and people became victims of identity theft and consumer fraud, Chickinski became our resident expert and was assigned to the police department’s identity theft and consumer fraud unit,” Warchol added.

Northbridge to begin school year with remote learning

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NORTHBRIDGE — After extensive research, data analysis, and discussion, the Northbridge Public Schools has recently announced that it will begin the school year in a fully remote learning model.

“This means that we will be providing online virtual instruction to our students in grades K-12 from the first day of school (Sept. 14) until at least the end of the first quarter in November, 2020,” said District Superintendent Amy McKinstry.

Within the initial remote model, the district announced it will

also host in-person learning for a small population of high-needs students, as well as in-person preschool for students whose parents do not choose remote learning.

“We know that under normal circumstances, our students would be best served in our schools every day, interacting with their peers and engaged in live classroom learning. As such, this decision was not made lightly or without concern for the challenges it may present for our staff and families,” McKinstry added.

The district is currently working on various strategies and supports to mitigate challenges, and McKinstry said the district appreciates the “vol-

unteerism and partnership opportunities” that many members of the Northbridge community have already extended.

“As a district, we have reflected extensively on the successes and failures of our remote learning experience from March to June of this year, and we used that data and feedback to make our current remote learning plan substantially more robust and supportive academically, socially and emotionally,” McKinstry said.

District officials added that planning is far from over.

“I am confident that we will be able to get back

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Apple Tree Arts launches new songwriting program



Flu vaccine now required for Massachusetts students

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REGION — State public health officials recently announced that influenza immunization will be required for all children six months of age or older who are attending Massachusetts child care, pre-school, kindergarten, K-12, and colleges and universities.

“The new vaccine requirement is an important step to reduce flu-related illness and the overall impact of respiratory illness during the COVID-19 pandemic,” state officials released.

According to the Department of Public Health, students will be expected to have received a flu vaccine by Dec. 31 for the 2020-2021 influenza season, unless either a medical or religious exemption is provided. Also exempted are K-12 students who are homes-

chooled and higher education students who are completely off-campus and engaged in remote learning only.

The new flu immunization requirement to enter school in January is in addition to existing vaccine requirements for all those attending child care, preschool, K-12, and colleges and universities in the Commonwealth. Elementary and secondary students in districts and schools that are using a remote education model are not exempt.

“Every year, thousands of people of all ages are affected by influenza, leading to many hospitalizations and deaths,” said Dr. Larry Madoff, Medical Director, DPH’s Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences. “It is more important now than ever to get a flu vaccine because flu symptoms are very similar to those of COVID-19 and prevent-

ing the flu will save lives and preserve healthcare resources.”

All children at least six months old who attend child care or preschool must be immunized in accordance with the ACIP Recommended Immunization Schedule. All students in K-12 must receive the seasonal influenza vaccine annually by Dec. 31. New students entering between Jan. 1 and March 31 must have received a dose of vaccine for the current flu season before entry, health officials said.

“Depending on the child’s age and flu vaccination history, a second dose of flu vaccine in the same season may be recommended. In these cases, the second dose is not required for school entry.”

For older students, the flu vaccine requirement applies to all full-time

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GRAFTON — Apple Tree Arts offers a new pilot Creative Youth Development program beginning with Songwriting Sessions this September. Registration is open for students age 14- to 18-years-old at www.appletreearts.org/musicprograms

Led by songwriting and guitar faculty member Alex Calabrese, students will explore a variety of musical genres, craft lyrics, compose melodies and gain confidence in the recording process. Songwriting is used as a tool to strengthen confidence and knowledge of self and to build artistic, problem-solving and expressive skills.

During the 16-week program, students meet virtually one-hour weekly to discover their authentic voices. Monthly coaching sessions allow for one-on-one instruction. Each student will have a recorded EP of several songs created on their own or in collaboration with fellow students by the end of the semester. As they develop

confidence and grow as artists, students learn to gain empathy, respect for others and how to communicate effectively with a diverse set of people.

Before and at the end of the program, students will self-assess their skills in all areas.

Some experience with a musical instrument is helpful but not required. Students may borrow a keyboard from Apple Tree Arts. Mr. Calabrese will assist each individual in improving, experimenting and defining their own style at their skill level.

Mr. Calabrese is a Boston/Grafton based singer-songwriter and the primary lyricist for these nationally touring bands: Old Fox, Neversink and Two Socks. His primary focus is to write hopeful, evocative music about mental health. He puts a positive and hopeful spin on challenging situations with his humorous outlook.

In addition to teaching

guitar and songwriting at ATA, Mr. Calabrese conducts a monthly live music technology class available free to music students from September through June. He answers students’ questions and assists them so they may record and share their music from home. The monthly class is recorded and available for students to watch and keep for reference.

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Blackstone residents to participate in Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk

B L A C K S T O N E — Eight residents from Blackstone will choose their own route on October 4th for the annual Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai. Participants are encouraged to walk wherever they choose: around their neighborhood, a local hiking trail, a treadmill, or anywhere else they are comfortable.

Ross Atstupenas, Carl Boomhower, Ann Costello, Lisa Crochiere, Allison Curboy, Matt Gambardella, Dawn Gambardella, and Jeanne Lunny, along with thousands of other walkers, will participate in virtual programming during the Walk that aims to recreate the most inspiring elements of Walk day. While the event will not physically bring walkers together along the famed Boston Marathon® course, it will unite the community to raise funds to support all forms of adult and pediatric care and cancer research at the nation's premier cancer center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The event has raised more than \$145 million for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in its 30-plus-year history.

"While we can't see everyone in person this year, we are excited for the virtual programing which will give participants the opportunity to support breakthroughs in cancer care and research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute," said Zack Blackburn, Director of the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk. "Together, from a safe distance, we will take critical strides in the journey to conquer cancer."

This year's event will have a lower fundraising requirement (\$100 for adults and \$25 for those 12 years old and younger) and everyone will pay just a \$5 registration fee. Each walker who registers will receive a bib, and medal and the first 5,000 walkers to register will receive a commemorative Jimmy Fund Walk T-shirt.

Anyone interested in additional information can reference the Jimmy Fund Walk: Your Way frequently asked questions or can send an email to JimmyFundWalk@DFCI.harvard.edu. Funds raised from the Jimmy Fund Walk support all forms of adult and pediatric patient care and cancer research at the nation's premier cancer center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The Boston Athletic Association has supported the Jimmy Fund Walk since 1989, and Hyundai has been the presenting sponsor since 2002.

To register to walk (#JimmyFundWalk) or to support a walker visit www.JimmyFundWalk.org or call (866) 531-9255. You can also download The Jimmy Fund Walk App in Charity Miles. The app will allow you to track the miles you walk leading up to, and on Walk day, create a team and walk with your friends, family, and teammates, share your miles and activities via social media to boost fundraising, and see important Walk day news, content, training and fundraising challenges.

About the Jimmy Fund The Jimmy Fund, established in Boston in 1948, is comprised of community-based fundraising events and other programs that, solely and directly, benefit Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's lifesaving mission to provide compassionate patient care and groundbreaking cancer research for children and adults. The Jimmy Fund is an official charity of the Boston Red Sox, the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the Pan-Mass Challenge, and the Variety Children's Charity of New England. Since 1948, the generosity of millions of people has helped the Jimmy Fund save countless lives and reduce the burden of cancer for patients and families worldwide. Follow the Jimmy Fund on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram: @TheJimmyFund.

About Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Dana-Farber Cancer Institute is one of the world's leading centers of cancer research and treatment. Dana-Farber's mission is to reduce the burden of cancer through scientific inquiry, clinical care, education, community engagement, and advocacy. We provide the latest treatments in cancer for adults through Dana-Farber/Brigham and Women's Cancer Center and for children through Dana-Farber/Boston Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders Center. Dana-Farber is the only hospital nationwide with a top 10 U.S. News & World Report Best Cancer Hospital ranking in both adult and pediatric care.

As a global leader in oncology, Dana-Farber is dedicated to a unique and equal balance between cancer research and care, translating the results of discovery into new treatments for patients locally and around the world, offering more than 1,100 clinical trials.

BVT educates their educators with NESDEC grant

UPTON – In the age of COVID-19, the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School District recognized the need to fund and offer additional advanced distance learning techniques for career and technical education (CTE) for its academic teachers and vocational instructors.

"Thanks to a generous grant from the New England School Development Council (NESDEC), we are pleased to offer thirty of our staff members an opportunity to attend Bay Path University's Certificate in Online Learning course, at no cost to them or the District," said Mr. Edward Evans, Academic Curriculum Coordinator. "This is an exciting opportunity on multiple levels. The university course, delivered through Canvas, is a natural fit with what our educators already use."

With this timely grant, the District secured nearly \$10,000 to fund its pilot project, Advanced Distance Learning Techniques for CTE. The one-time request allows BVT to support its educators in partnership with the Strategic Alliances division at Bay Path University to offer them the opportunity to participate in the customized professional development activities. NESDEC's assistance aids in creating a culture of excellence that permeates every classroom, department, and school system, at BVT that means creating a lifelong passion for learning.

Superintendent-Director Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick explained, "While the ongoing pandemic has presented challenges for all educators, it has uniquely impacted career technical teachers and their students in the hands-on shop setting. Providing our educators with new online teaching techniques and skill attainment is vital with a tiered and blended approach to reopening our school."

The online learning course begins in late August and concludes early to mid-September. It is well-timed professional development for BVT educators that complete the course, and the final exam will earn a certificate in online learning from Bay Path University and the National Institute of Online Learning, culminating in 2.2 CEUs (22 PDPs).

"We are responding to Massachusetts Education Commissioner Riley's call to safely bring back as many students as possible for an in-person learning experience at BVT. While also improving upon the quality and relevance of distance learning as that is sure to remain a component of all school programming for the near future," said Dr. Fitzpatrick.

By design, the engaging course utilizes group projects meant for participants to identify job-specific challenges and resolve those with real-world work solutions related to online teaching and learning. With students returning to school on Tuesday, September 8th, BVT educators will have the opportunity to put the techniques discussed and learned in this course into practice this fall.

About Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT) Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School serves the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. Located in the heart of the Blackstone Valley, BVT creates a positive learning community that prepares students for personal and professional success in an internationally competitive society through a fusion of rigorous vocational, technical, and academic skills. The school's Web site is www.valley-tech.k12.ma.us.



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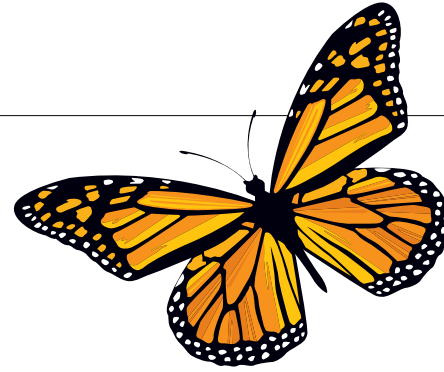
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Registration open for ATA’s fall theatre arts programs

GRAFTON — Apple Tree Arts offers a full line of virtual theatre arts programs this fall including “The Show Must Go Online” (grades two to six), Performance Troupe (grades five to eight), Acting Adventures (grades two to four) and “A Christmas Carol: Radio Play” (grades seven to 12). Registration is open at www.appletreearts.org/theatre.

“The Show Must Go Online” allows students to rehearse, film and upload their own videos that, when played in order, tell the hilarious story of a group of passionate students desperate to keep their annual musical alive . . .online! The four-week musical begins Sept. 9, 6 – 8 p.m., with the premiere planned

for a Zoom watch party Oct. 3, 7 p.m. Theatre arts director Lisa Scarlett and Matt Mariner are directing the musical.

Directed by Matt Mariner, Performance Troupe students host and star in an upbeat video montage featuring scenes, vocal solos, monologues, comedic sketches and group dances set to popular music. Actors advance their acting, singing and dancing skills while using their creativity as they study and apply age-appropriate performance techniques. The program runs Oct. 6 to Nov. 24, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Young actors in Acting Adventures explore their imagination and learn basic performance skills through the-

atre games, scene study, improvisation and choreography. Students focus on self-discovery, creative expression and team building. Each student acts in their own original monologue presented in a class video montage. The six-week musical runs Oct. 5 to Nov. 16, 5-6 p.m.

Our December production features older youth in a live radio broadcast inspired by the Charles Dickens’ classic. “A Christmas Carol: Radio Play” is filled with holiday music, sound effects and vintage advertisements. Four adult actors will be cast as the radio narrators. The eight-week program begins Oct. 14 with a live performance streamed Friday, Dec. 11 and Saturday,

Dec. 12.

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Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce to host Safari at Sunset event

MENDON — The Blackstone Valley Chamber is excited to host their first in-person, social distancing, event this Summer, Safari at Sunset. The event will be held Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Southwick’s Zoo

in Mendon.

You are invited to a fun evening out with your family and colleagues at this private event inside Southwick’s Zoo. Enjoy full admission to the zoo and unlimited skyfari rides. Delicious, pre-packaged meals for guests and their children are included with admission, and guests can attend worry free knowing that all safe, social distancing and health guidelines will be followed.

who make events such as this possible. This year’s Sponsors include bankHometown, Lampin, UniBank, Grafton Job Corps, and Whittier Farm.

The cost to attend is \$50 for adults, \$20 for children (3-10yrs), and free for children under three (meal not included). Please go to Blackstonevalley.org to register, or contact the BVCC at 508-234-9090, ext. 102.

The mission of the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce is to promote the economic vitality of the Blackstone Valley, meet the needs of the Chamber’s business members, while providing leadership on issues which impact the economy and quality of life in the Valley.

Level 1B Nursery approved for Milford Regional Medical Center

MILFORD – Milford Regional Medical Center (Milford Regional) has been licensed and approved by the Department of Public Health to operate a Level 1B Continuing Care Nursery within The Maternity Center. The new designation allows Milford Regional to provide a broader range of services to newborns that require additional specialized care and support.

Milford Regional’s Level 1B nursery is designed to accommodate the extra care, comfort and needs of late preterm babies at 35 weeks and beyond, as well as those with health issues. It is equipped with the latest technologies,

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“Those who lead and work with in The Maternity Center at Milford Regional have been diligent and focused in their effort to achieve a Level 1B designation which provides greater specialized care for our newborns,” says Edward J. Kelly, president & CEO of Milford Regional Medical Center. “Our Maternity team is to be congratulated for their dedication to serving our newest members of the community with the very best care.”

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Apple Tree Arts announces virtual early child music programs

GRAFTON — Live, fun-filled, action-packed music and movement classes that are just right for each child’s age level will be available online starting Sept. 29. Sign-up today for Family Music (ages one to four) and Cycle of Seasons (ages three to five) at www.appletreearts.org/earlychildhood.

Family Music, a new toddler class allows children to explore and learn while singing, chanting, moving, dancing, listening to music and playing instruments with their parents/caregivers. The class helps students to bridge the natural connection between music and movement. Each lesson provides movement activities for coordination, body

awareness and control and uses instruments such as rhythm sticks and jingles which participants will receive to use at home.

Cycle of Seasons class celebrates preschoolers’ love of the outdoors and the magic of the four seasons while embracing their growing independence. Focused listening, playing musical games, exploring musical instruments and storytelling activities help them to build attention and expressive skills. Children sing, chant, move and dance within a musical context.

Apple Tree Arts uses Musikgarten, the leading provider of early childhood music education, as the foundation for our childhood music curriculum. Children’s music development begins simply with singing, moving and exploration of rhythm instruments. As their knowledge grows, new levels of complexity are added to expand the singing repertoire, teach complex dances and eventually songs and activities that are tied to music notation. Teacher Kayla Cardin, music faculty member and early childhood educator, brings a wealth of music and teaching knowl-

edge to these 10-week classes.

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Uxbridge residents share Boston Post Cane honors

UXBRIDGE — In 1909, Mr. Edwin A. Grozier, Publisher of the Boston Post, a newspaper, forwarded to the Boards of Selectmen in more than 400 towns in New England a gold-headed ebony cane with the request that it be presented with the compliments of the Boston Post to the oldest male citizen of the town. These canes were used as a gimmick to attract readers. The Boston Post went out of business in 1956, but the Town of Uxbridge continues this tradition.

On Aug. 17, special canes were awarded to Michael Pasichny and Mae Wrona, both of whom turned 100 years old this year and live in Uxbridge. Wrona’s birthday was June 5, 1920 and she has lived in Uxbridge for most of her life. Pasichny’s birthday was Aug. 3, 1920, a U.S. Marine who served his country. The canes were presented by Susan Franz and Steve Mandile on behalf of the Uxbridge Board of Selectmen. The Uxbridge Senior Center helped coordinate this event.

Presenting the canes is an honor of respect to the oldest citizens living in Uxbridge. The original Boston Post Cane proudly hangs on the wall at the Uxbridge Senior Center located at 36 South Main Street. Both Mae Wrona and Michael Pasichny’s names are engraved on the wall near the cane in recognition of this special event.

For more information about the Uxbridge Senior Center, please call 508-278-8622 or email lbarnard@uxbridge-ma.gov.

Fairlawn Church launches fall Coffee Break series Sept. 17

WHITINSVILLE — Coffee Break, a non-denominational community Bible study for women, will open their fall season with a study called “The Gospel of John - That You May Have Life,” beginning on Thursday morning, Sept. 17.

Through this personal account about Jesus, as told by one of his closest disciples, we will discover what it means to be a follower of Jesus, too. This fall’s study can be accessed in two ways—either through Zoom (available through a computer or phone) or in small groups of 5 or less at Fairlawn Church—masks and social distancing are required in the study groups. Due to COVID-19, you are encouraged to bring your own refreshments. We regret that our usual quality child care programs (Nursery and Story Hour) are not available at this time.

Coffee Break is free and open to anyone in the community and is held each Thursday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Fairlawn Church. Coffee Break offers women in the Blackstone Valley an opportunity to read and discuss the Bible, share questions and concerns, and develop new friendships. Each lesson is independent, so if you can’t attend every week, you won’t feel “lost.” There’s no “homework” required, and no previous Bible knowledge is necessary. Study guides are provided free of charge.

Fairlawn Church is located at 305 Goldthwaite Rd. (off Hill Street) in Whitinsville. For directions, questions, or to get more information, call Ginette at 508-234-4806 or visit fairlawnrc.org/outreach/coffeebreak.cfm.

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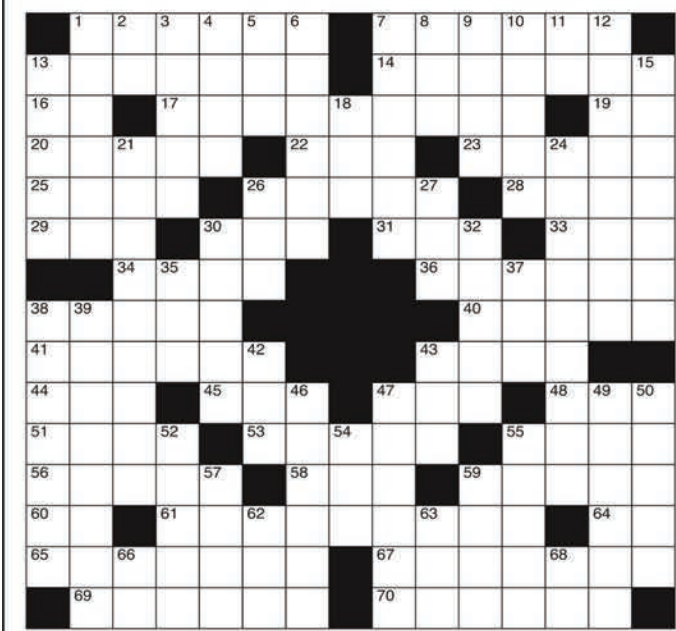
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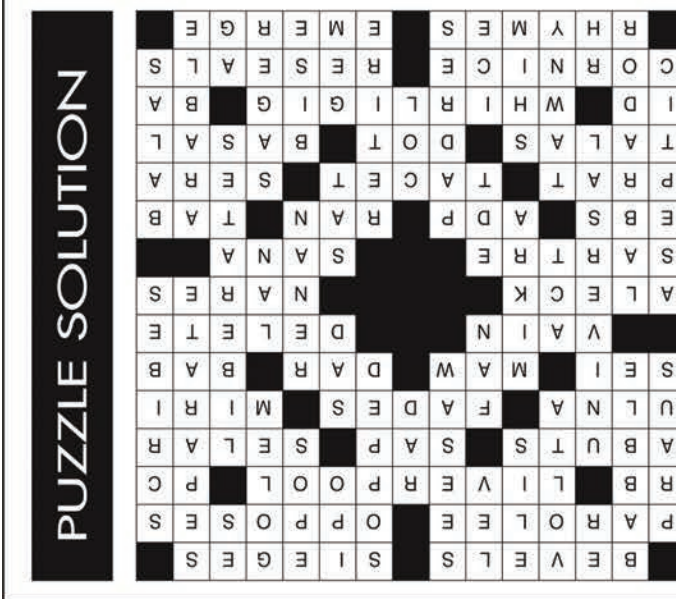
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 - 13. One who has left prison
 - 14. Goes against
 - 16. Atomic #37
 - 17. Home of The Beatles
 - 19. Mac alternative
 - 20. A common boundary with
 - 22. Fluid in a plant
 - 23. Genus that includes scads
 - 25. Longer of the forearm bones
 - 26. Gradually disappears
 - 28. AI risk assessor
 - 29. Type of whale
 - 30. Jaws of a voracious animal
 - 31. Patriotic women (abbr.)
 - 33. Ancient Egyptian God
 - 34. Obsessed with one's appearance
 - 36. Erase
 - 38. A type of smartie
 - 40. Nostrils
 - 41. Influential French thinker
 - 43. Popular K-pop singer
 - 44. One point south of due east
 - 45. Payroll company
 - 47. Moved quickly on foot
 - 48. Bar bill
 - 51. An idiot
 - 53. Indicates silence
 - 55. Protein-rich liquids
 - 56. Rhythmic patterns
 - 58. Scatter
 - 59. Belongs to bottom layer
 - 60. Impulsive part of the mind
 - 61. Carousel
 - 64. Type of degree
 - 65. Ornamental molding
 - 67. Locks in again
 - 69. Sounds the same
 - 70. Come into view

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Speak rapidly
 - 2. Trauma center
 - 3. River in W. Africa
 - 4. Ancient Greek district
 - 5. Bulgaria's monetary unit
 - 6. Children's ride
 - 7. Absorbed liquid
 - 8. Markets term
 - 9. Retail term recording sales
 - 10. Automaton
 - 11. Spanish form of "be"
 - 12. Divide
 - 13. Malaysian sailing boat
 - 15. Writers
 - 18. Cool!
 - 21. Popular tourist attraction studio
 - 24. Sets free
 - 26. An enthusiastic devotee of sports
 - 27. Unhappy
 - 30. Alternate term for Holy Scripture
 - 32. Influential French scholar
 - 35. What thespians do
 - 37. Local area network
 - 38. Free from contamination
 - 39. Coastal region of Canada
 - 42. Sun up in New York
 - 43. High schoolers' exam
 - 46. Fathers
 - 47. Call it a career
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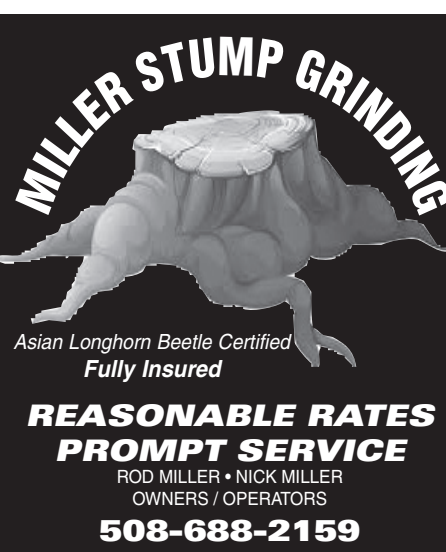
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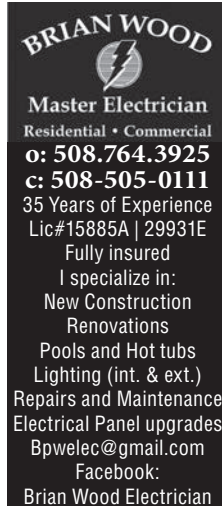

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Rita E. Cogliandro , 91

NORTH UXBRIDGE – Rita E. Cogliandro, 91, passed away on Monday, August 17, 2020 in the Rose Monahan Hospice Home, Worcester with her family by her side. She was the wife of the late Saverio C. Cogliandro who died in 1988.



Rita was born in Milford in 1928, the daughter of the late Dominic and Anna (Romasco) DiRienzo and was a graduate of Uxbridge High School, Uxbridge. She had also worked

at Bernat Yarn and Craft in Uxbridge for several years.

She was a lifelong member of Good Shepherd Church, Linwood and a former chairperson of the Bereavement Committee. She enjoyed candlepin bowling, playing cards with family and friends and vacationing on Cape Cod. She was a faithful attendant at the Uxbridge High School Basketball games.

She was a dedicated “Nana” and loved her family dearly. She loved to cook, enjoyed family gatherings, especially “Family Day”, and also liked an occasional piece of chocolate.

Rita is survived by children, Donna Gazaille and her husband Robert of Davenport, FL, David Cogliandro and his wife Darlene of Uxbridge and Peter Cogliandro of N. Uxbridge; her siblings Katherine Colonero, Marie Colonero, John DiRienzo and his wife Patricia, and Doris Calarese all of Uxbridge; 4 grandchildren Jeffrey Gazaille, Rebecca Gazaille, Samantha Cogliandro and Jennifer Cogliandro and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a daughter Susan Cogliandro.

Visiting hours were held on Friday Aug. 21, 2020 from 5 – 7 PM

in the BUMA FUNERAL HOME, 101 N. Main St., Rte. 122, Uxbridge.

Funeral services were held on Sat. Aug. 22, 2020 from the funeral home at 10 AM followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 AM in Good Shepherd Church, 121 Linwood St., Linwood.

Burial will follow in St. Mary’s Cemetery, Uxbridge.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Rose Monahan Hospice Home, 10 Judith Rd., Worcester, MA 01602 or to VNA Care, 120 Thomas St., Worcester, MA 01608. www.bumafuneralhome.com

Now may be the time to sell gold and silver

An article in the July issue of Forbes was titled “Gold And Silver Are Just Getting Started.” With gold recently rising above \$2,000 per ounce for the first time in history and silver nearing the \$30 per ounce mark, we have been receiving many emails and calls to auction precious metals.

All silver has been selling well, but older pieces typically command the strongest prices. Coins are one example. Silver coins are popular with both collectors and investors. Silver coins may have numismatic value (value to coin collectors) above the silver’s worth. The age, condition, and rarity of the coin can make coin values soar. Dimes, quarters, half dollars, and



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dollar coins from 1964 or earlier were made with 90 percent silver and are worth at least the silver bullion value. Rare ones bring much more. A 1795 three leaves flowing hair silver dollar in fair condition sold for \$4,500. An 1893-S (San Francisco mint) Morgan silver dollar in extra fine condition went for \$6,900.

Along with coins, many people are looking to sell their sterling silver flatware and hollowware services, especially with fewer people holding formal dinners than in the past. The good news is that there are still plenty of buyers for sterling. A Georg Jensen sterling ornamental mustard pot with liner and acorn design spoon sold for

\$1,000. A vintage Stieff floral repousse (hammered into relief from the reverse side) rose pattern sterling silver coffee pot went for over \$1,000. A Wendt sterling silver Medallion pattern flatware 79-piece service dinner sold for \$13,500. A Tiffany Co. Japanese pattern sterling silver flatware 57-piece service picturing Audubon birds brought \$36,500.

As you might imagine, gold coins are also selling very well. For investors, even modern coins like American Gold Eagle or American Gold Buffalo coins are desirable. A 2019 MarketWatch article wrote “gold and other precious coins are the easiest collectible item to trade, whether you are investing in bullion coins as a hedge against inflated stock and bond prices or if you’re interested in building a special collection of rarities.” If you have older gold coins, they



may have numismatic value well above what the gold is worth. For example, an 1827 Capped Bust Gold Quarter Eagle \$2.50 coin sold for \$7,700 and a 1907 St. Gaudens gold coin went for over \$15,000 at auction recently. The condition and rarity of the coins made them sell for much more than just the value of the gold.

Antique gold “estate jewelry” also has been bringing strong results at auction. An Edwardian (Edwardian period was 1901 to 1910) sapphire and diamond ring set in gold and platinum recently fetched over \$8,400. A Black Opal Engagement and 14K Yellow Gold ring described as either Art Nouveau (Art Nouveau

period was 1890 to 1910) or Art Deco (1920’s and 30’s) recently sold for \$8,000. An antique openwork (metal work with holes, typically in aesthetic patterns) pearl cuff bracelet 18-karat yellow gold reached \$6,050. Pieces with quality diamonds or gemstones increase value. A recent BusinessWire article titled “Reduced Diamond Supply Lifts Polished Prices” said that diamond prices are also on the rise. In this current market, silver, gold, and diamonds are all shining.

Our Oct. 29, multi-estate online auction will include a large amount of sterling silver and gold. We are now accepting

ing bids for our Warren, R.I. online estate auction. There will be a preview on September 12th in Warren with bidding ending on Sept. 16. Please keep checking www.centralmassauctions.com for information on upcoming events.

Contact us at: Wayne Tuiskula Auctioneer/ Appraiser Central Mass Auctions for Antique Auctions, Estate Sales and Appraisal Services www.centralmassauctions.com (508-612- 6111) info@centralmassauctions.com.



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BAY PATH REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL NOTICE OF DESTRUCTION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

Parents, guardians and former students are hereby notified that all special education records within the possession of the Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational School District/Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School will be destroyed, pursuant to 603 CMR 23.06, 7 years from the date when the student is no longer eligible for special education, graduates, moves or transfers to another district or completes his/her educational program. These records from the 2012 – 2013 school year will be destroyed effective September 30, 2020. Eligible students, parents or guardians may receive the student's special education records prior to the destruction date by submitting a written request to: Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School
Attn: Student Support Services
57 Old Muggett Hill Road
Charlton, MA 01507
August 28, 2020

NOTICE

The Town of Douglas Board of Selectmen, as authorized by Town Meeting, offers excess real estate in the Town of Douglas for sale, specifically, parcels 205-2 and 205-3, totaling 9.1 acres with approximately 356 feet of frontage on the south side of Webster Street (Route 16). The parcels are zoned “industrial.” The Board has voted that the parcels be sold with the restriction that they be developed to include a building or buildings totaling no less than 2,500 square feet. The Board will sell the property to the party offering the combination of price and development plan elements it determines to be most advantageous to the Town. The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be found at <https://tinyurl.com/WebsterStreetProperty>. Sealed hard copy proposals with all documentation required by the RFP must be received no later than noon on Monday, September 21, 2020 at the Office of the Selectmen, Douglas Municipal Center, 29 Depot Street, Douglas, MA 01516.
August 21, 2020
August 28, 2020

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch. 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 48 of the Northbridge Zoning By-law, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 6:55 P.M. VIA ZOOM Join Zoom Meeting** <https://zoom.us/j/95289687892?pwd=ZEVrVzNDVEZQOTg2OU5CTIFGd3Ardz09>

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to consider the petition of Northbridge McQuade, LLC regarding land on McQuade’s Lane, Northbridge, MA 01534 for approval of the development of a solar power facility on a parcel of land that is zoned both Industrial & Residential, which does not have the required frontage, only has access on a residential street known as McQuade’s Lane, and even though a large-scale solar energy facility is an allowed use in an Industrial District but not in a Residential District under the Town of Northbridge Zoning By-law. This matter comes before the Board as a result of a second remand order of the Land Court, dated August 17, 2020, in the case of Northbridge McQuade, LLC v. Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals, Case No. 18 MISC 000519, which concerns the plaintiffs appeal from a decision of the Board filed with the Town Clerk on September 17, 2018 which denied a request for a variance from the stated frontage and use restrictions. In June of 2019, the Land Court ruled that the restriction against use variances contained in the Zoning Bylaw does not prevent an application for approval of a solar energy facility because such a facility is subject to the use protection provision for solar energy systems in section 3 of the state Zoning Act, Chapter 40A of the General Laws. A previous remand hearing was held on September 12, 2019, and a denial decision was filed with the Town Clerk on November 8, 2019. That decision was then subject to a further review by the Land Court. Since the first remand decision did not address the applicant’s request for a frontage variance and the effect of the solar energy systems protection provision in the Zoning Act on such a request the Land Court ordered a second remand to allow the Board to consider the frontage variance issue in light of that Zoning Act provision. The property, shown on Assessor’s Map 25 as Parcel 44, is located in the Residential -2 & Industrial -1 Zoning districts.

Thomas Hansson, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
August 28, 2020
September 4, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608

(508) 831-2200

Docket No. WO20C0231CA
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
In the matter of:

Jenelle Rose Bair Thompson
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Jenelle Rose Bair Thompson of Uxbridge MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Evenfall Rose Zariah Bair**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/08/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 13, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
August 27, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
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Docket No. WO20P2199EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Anne Marie Howlett
Date of Death: 04/21/2020

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Baumont at the Willows of Westborough MA**

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that **Edward Blake Director of Opelfl of Westborough MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/15/2020.** This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to

this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 13, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

August 28, 2020

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In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L Ch 40A, Section 11, and Chapter 173, Section 47 of the Northbridge Zoning By-laws, the Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 7:15 P.M. VIA ZOOM -Join Zoom Meeting** <https://zoom.us/j/95289687892?pwd=ZEVrVzNDVEZQOTg2OU5CTIFGd3Ardz09>
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to consider the application Whitehorse Truck & Trailer Service & Sales Inc. 232 Crawford Street, Northborough, MA 01532 for a Special Permit (I 1-SP-20) pursuant to Article X. Section 173-47 Special Permit, 173-12 Table of Use Regulations. In order to operate a business consisting of sales and repair of horse trailers and other farm related trailers at the location of 300 Commerce Drive, Whitinsville, MA 01588. The property, shown on Assessor’s Map 28 as Parcel 73, is located in a Industrial-I zoning district and is owned by V.E. Properties IX. INC. The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for public comment. Anyone wishing to be heard regarding this matter should attend said meeting at the time and place designated. A copy of the petition is available for review at the office of the Town Clerk and Zoning Board of Appeals Office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Thomas Hansson, Chairman
Northbridge Zoning Board of Appeals
August 28, 2020
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EDITORIAL

A hard-fought right

Women acquired the right to vote on Aug. 18, 1920. It’s amazing to think that there are individuals born during that time are still with us today, bringing into light that it wasn’t long ago that women were given the right to take part in the democratic process.

The 19th Amendment stated that citizens could not be denied the right to vote based on sex. Because of loopholes, many African American men and women were not permitted to vote pending literacy tests and the inability to pay poll taxes leaving the group disenfranchised. That same year some states, such as Georgia, had a law requiring people to register to vote six months in advance, which meant that many were turned away from the polls. In states such as California, New York and Illinois, women were permitted to vote before the 19th Amendment was ratified.

In 1915, a group of 25,000 women marched in New York City, demanding the right to vote. During that time, the New York Times printed an article against the women’s cause, stating, “If women vote, they will play havoc for themselves and society and that if granted suffrage they would demand all the rights that implies. It is not possible to think of women as soldiers and sailors, police patrolmen or firemen, heavens think of the chaos!” The National Women’s Party began to picket the White House in 1917, for the entire year despite weather. Some women were arrested and sent to work camps as punishment.

This month, National Women’s Suffrage Month, commemorates the turning point in American history as well as the founding of the League of Women Voters. Women began requesting the right to vote in the 1600’s. Second lady Abigail Adams wrote to her husband in 1776, “Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husbands. Remember, all Men would be tyrants if they could. If particular care and attention is not paid to the Ladies, we are determined to foment a Rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any Laws in which we have no voice or Representation.” Adams would never cast a ballot.

In 1848, the cause picked up, after a women’s rights convention in New York with Elizabeth Stanton, Susan B. Anthony and Lucy Stone spearheading the group of 300 women. Supporting Stanton, was abolitionist Frederick Douglas. After 70 years, with the last 20 packing a powerful punch, public sentiment changed and women were eventually heard and supported.

This year, when at the polls, let us remember the women who were imprisoned, marched in treacherous weather, went on hunger strikes and dedicated their lives so that the women of the future could have a voice.

Congress designated August 26 ‘Women’s Equality Day’ in 1973.

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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

A Moment in History

BY BEVERLY GUDANOWSKI
UXBRIDGE

Have you ever heard of the young woman who served as a British spy in Nazi-occupied Paris during World War II? “Madeleine” was just 30 years old when she was transmitting vital information from the French Resistance to London via her small, suitcase radio.

Her real name was Noor Inayat Khan. The daughter of a Sufi mystic and an American mother (Ora Baker), Noor was raised in Paris, but the family fled to London in June of 1940 when the German Nazi army invaded France.

Noor did not want to stand up for war. She loathed violence, but her mystic father had raised her to be a good citizen. She realized that fighting the Nazis was “spiritually permissible, even spiritually redemptive.” She joined the Women’s Auxiliary Air Force and began learning Morse code and how to send encrypted messages on her radio.

In June 1943, the British/French spy network in France was collapsing due to French collaborators and Gestapo terror. Nevertheless, a British pilot flew Noor into the French countryside. Biking to the nearest train station, she boarded a train for Paris. The city was now

“the most dangerous place” in France, swarming with German security police. By July 1943, the British government radioed to Noor that it was time to get out. She refused.

For the next year, she worked feverishly with French Resistance while eluding the Gestapo. Once, she hid her radio in a bed of lettuce in a garden. She dyed her hair different colors. She moved constantly to keep the Nazis off her track. The Resistance warned her to trust no one. “Sometimes it is the person closest to you, whom you least suspect, who is the traitor.” Noor found a new apartment - in a building full of Nazis and SS officers. The concierge suspected Noor was a spy, but kept the secret. She knew: “These people are working for us [the French people].” In time, Noor became one of the most hunted British agents in France.

In 1949, the British government awarded Noor its highest medal for bravery, and the French Government bestowed on her the Croix de Guerre. Her amazing story is described in the book by Arthur Magida: “Code Name Madeleine” (the true story of a Sufi Spy in Nazi occupied Paris), published this year, 2020.

Could you be this brave? Could you do this for your nation?

Create strategies to help achieve your financial goals



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Like most people, you probably have many financial goals: a comfortable retirement, long vacations, college for your children or grandchildren, the ability to leave something behind for the next generation, and so on. To achieve these various goals, you may have to follow different investment strategies – and you might have to make some tradeoffs along the way.

To pursue this multi-goal/multi-strategy approach, try to follow a clear course of action, including these steps:

Define your goals – and invest appropriately. You will need to identify each goal and ask some questions: How much time will you have to achieve this goal? How much return will you need from your investments and how much risk are you willing to take? With a longer-term goal, such as retirement, you may be able to invest more heavily in growth-oriented vehicles with higher expected returns. Keep in mind, though, that the value of these investments will fluctuate, and they carry more risk than more conservative investments. However, your long-term horizon allows time to recover from short-term dips. But for a shorter-term goal, such as an upcoming vacation, your investments don’t have the same time to bounce back from large drops in value, so you might follow a more conservative strategy by investing in instruments that preserve principal, even though growth may be minimal.

Know what you’ve invested for each goal. Once you know what type of strategy you should follow to achieve each of your goals, you’ll need to enact that strategy. How? By matching specific investment accounts with the appropriate goals. You should know why you own all your investments. Ask yourself these questions: What goal will this investment help me achieve? How much do I have allocated toward a specific goal? If I have an IRA, a 401(k) and another account devoted to achieving the same goal, are they all working together effectively? The connections between your different investment accounts and your goals should be consistently clear to you.

Understand trade-offs. Your various investment goals may be distinct, but they don’t exist in isolation. In fact, your strategy for achieving one goal may affect your ability to work toward another. For example, would significant investments in your child’s education change your funding for retirement? If you decide to buy a vacation home when you retire, will that alter the legacy you’ll be able to leave to your family? Given limited financial resources, you may have to prioritize some goals and make some trade-offs in your investment moves.

Track your progress. Each of your strategies is designed to achieve a particular goal, so you need to monitor the performance of the investments within that strategy to help ensure you’re making progress. If it seems that you’re lagging, you may need to explore ways to get back on track.

To manage these tasks successfully, you may want to work with a financial professional – someone who can look at your situation objectively, help you identify and quantify your goals, and suggest strategies designed to help you achieve them.

Trying to achieve multiple financial goals can seem like a daunting task, but by saving and investing consistently through your working years, following a clear strategy, being willing to prioritize and accept trade-offs and getting the help you need, you can help yourself move forward.

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Saltwater fishing heats up

Saltwater fishing is heating up for numerous species of fish. Yellow fin tuna in the 50 to 60-pound class were reported by anglers fishing out to the canyon. This writer was heading out to do a bit of fluke fishing in Galilee Rhode Island when I spotted a group of three anglers rushing to get there 25-foot boat in the water. The rods on board were positively identified as tuna rods. The two 200 hp outboard motors on the back of their boat, are what is needed to travel to the canyon. Reports of numerous shark species on their last trip to the canyon was also good news for the group of anglers.

Fluke fishing remained strong again last week in the waters around Carpenters Beach and the Breachway. Many fish were just shy of the 19-inch size limit, but we managed a few 20-inch fish & a few nice seabass. Catching our own mummies and Silversides also helped this writer & my boat captain Matt to catch our targeted fish. The silversides were a few inches long which were affixed to our hook. Threading the silversides on the hook like you would a nightcrawler worked very well, and stopped the short misses.

Anglers were spotted chasing a few small schools of Bonito and False Albacore last week around Point Judith light.

Upstate New York anglers fishing Lake Ontario are catching numerous King Salmon on the lake but River fishing is still slow. Lack of water flow in the river, and warm temperatures have played a huge role in this year’s late migration of King Salmon. Fat Nancy’s Bait & Tackle shop in Pulaski New York ,reported the slow fishing in the river which is expected to blow wide open in the next week or two.

Local bear hunters are excited about the bear hunting in Maine which is slated to open on Aug. 31. Hunting over baits is allowed during the Black Bear season in Maine. Numerous local hunt-



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ers travel to Maine every year to hunt bear, and the reports of numerous large bears hitting the baits prior to the season is good news. If bear hunting in Maine over baits was not allowed, very few bears would be harvested annually causing a bear population explosion.

Most Field days at Rod & Gun Clubs this year have been canceled because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Whitinsville Fish & Game Club recently canceled their Field Day after reconsidering their options. The first priority is keeping everyone safe until the virus is brought under control!

A few local saltwater anglers fished areas around Block Island for stripers this past Friday and were rewarded with a few monster stripers. Unfortunately, they could not be retained and were quickly released. This week’s picture shows Jim Lavalley with a 40-pound striper! Some of the stripers were caught using tube & worm and others were caught using live eels. Hopefully, the slot limit placed on stripers this year in Massachusetts & Rhode Island will not carry over to next year’s fishing. One group of striper anglers reported seeing a monster striper floating by their boat. It was still alive, but was surely a recently released fish. Just one of the many released stripers that succumbed to the new slot limit regulations. What a waste.

NOAA Fisheries enacted Final interim Rule in Mass. extending Recreational Gulf of Maine Cod and Haddock seasons. The bag limits however have not hanged. The one cod daily limit remains the same, as well as the daily bag limit of haddock. A complete listing on the new ruling can be found on the NOAA Web site.

Fishing at the canal this past week was extremely slow according to reports of local anglers. That could change quickly by the time you read this column.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



Fall Planting for Spring Blooms

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KAREN TRAINOR

long New England winter, few signs of spring are more welcome than the first sprouts of green popping up in a barren garden. The promise of a season of beautiful blooms, the tiny shoots are the gardeners reward of a past autumn spent preparing and planting. Experts agree fall offers ideal conditions to plant perennials. In fact, autumn is the preferred time to plant spring blooming bulbs. The following is a beginner's guide to preparing, planning and planting bulbs now for a flourish of flowers come spring.

Choosing Choice Bulbs
If you are selecting bulbs in bulk, such as loose bulbs offered at discount garden centers, it's important to follow a few rules of thumb. Typically, big bulbs produce the largest blooms and may yield more flowers, therefore, it may be worth the cost to pay a bit more for good sized, healthy bulbs. However, if you are on a budget and have the time to wait, smaller bulbs will eventually increase in size and bloom each year. When choosing a bulb, look for those that are firm and plump. Hold them in your palm and select bulbs that feel heavy for their size. Avoid bulbs with bruises, spots or signs of mold. And steer clear of soft, mushy and lightweight bulbs. Sprouting bulbs may indicate a bulb that has been in storage for a long time.

Planning a Flower Garden

A little thought and preparation go a long way in reaping the benefits of a successful spring and summer flower garden. The planning you take time for in the fall will be apparent when the flower garden plantings burst with color and texture next year. Know your flowers before you plan to plant. While most bulbs require an area where there is full sun, other varieties such as the iris and crocus enjoy some shade after blooming. For best results select a location in full sun or sun with morning shade only. Well drained soil is a requisite for flower bulbs. If you have poor soil, raised flower beds may be an effective alternative.

For best results, design your garden with pen and paper first, mapping out the size of the beds and the flowers to scale. Keep in mind color, texture and fragrance are all important factors when deciding on a particular flower garden plan. Plotting a garden plan is an exciting chore, and there are some basic rules that ensure a pleasant mix of color for a showy display. Notice how a clump of daffodils and tulips are much more charming than a tidy row of the springtime flowers. The eye is drawn toward the burst of color when these flowers are situated in generous groups of plantings. Be sure to take an accurate bulb count of such large splashes of plantings. Your layout plan should also include using flower bulbs as accents in perennial beds, or to fill in rock gardens or as an interesting border to greenery. Be sure to plan for extra bulbs to fill in areas or to add as landscape accents.

For an interesting mix, merge short plants with tall specimens to give variety and depth as well as differing textures. And don't underesti-

mate the power of fragrance. Nothing is more delightful than a pathway of floral scents welcoming visitors to your door! You should also decide if you want to plan out every aspect of planting a semi formal garden, or if you choose instead to toss convention and bulbs to the wind, planting bulbs the natural way, thus creating a natural sprinkling of blooms. Scaling plants to the bed is another important factor when plotting your plan. A simple rule to follow is to keep in mind the tallest plant in an island flower bed should have a mature height that is equal to about half the width of the bed. Place these plants in the center, so they can be viewed from all sides. Also remember to take into account plants that grow and expand quickly.

Color is another major consideration when planting your bulbs. If you want your garden to be a showcase all season, select a variety of bulbs that flower during early, middle and late spring and summer for a continuous burst of color. Just as in the home, in the garden bed cool colors seem to recede and warm colors appear to come forward. To make a small garden area appear larger and more spacious, plant flowers in cool, light colors. As a general rule white goes a long way in a garden bed, but if you use a lot of white flowers in an area, consider adding a dramatic splash of bright red or bright pink or purple for visual contrast. And, remember, if you are growing flowers to cut and bring the blooms indoors, choose colors that will go with the decor of your home, as well as harmonize with one another in the garden. Gardens, in fact, are often planned around color. The ambiance of your outdoor living space is determined by

color and your choices decide whether your garden flowers contrast or complement each other which can result in either a subtle hue of color or a spectacular show of brilliant blooms. The former, which relies on soft pastels to make a statement in the flower garden, is often achieved through monochromatic planning. Choosing flowers of all the same color family may offer a soothing garden setting. Interest is accomplished by providing varying textures and flower heights in monochromatic pastel gardens. For a more showy garden, eye catching bright reds, yellows, purples and whites take center stage in a flower bed. Such contrasting colors can be often be achieved with little effort simply by matching up opposite colors on the standard color wheel.

Planting Prep: Planting time varies depending on location, but here in the Northeast it ranges from September until as long as the soil can be worked, usually around the end of October. Prepare your bed by making sure soil is properly fertilized. Be sure to dig out the soil to the proper depth. Loosen the soil and if you choose, add a bulb booster to the soil. Bulbs should be planted with pointed side up. Place them firmly, yet gently, into the ground. Cover the bulbs loosely with soil, water lightly and add a layer of mulch. Typically, bulbs should be planted three times as deep as the bulb is wide. In sandy soils, you can plant a little deeper, and in heavy soils you can dig a slightly shallower hole. Bulbs should be spaced approximately a width twice the diameter of the bulb. Note: Tulips should be planted one inch deeper then indicated if the soil is not too heavy and their location is permanent as deep rooting can prolong the

effective life of the tulip bulb.

Forcing bulbs
Forcing bulbs indoors allows the impatient gardener to enjoy springtime blooms during the winter season. Certain bulbs, such as the narcissus and hyacinth lend themselves to forced budding.

To do: Drop a bulb into a glass jar and fill with water and small pebbles until the water level reaches the base of the bulb. Position the jar in a sunny window. Water must remain at the same level, so add moisture as needed. To prevent mold, change the water periodically.

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 E-mail KDRR@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn.

Finding love and service in pickles and an ironing board

We all have hobbies and passions in life. Some like to do woodworking while others may love to garden. Some activities are common and others unique and unusual. There are more hobbies and passions than I can think of and list on this page, but almost everyone has something. I love

to cook for friends and family. When we have company, I'm up early and working in the kitchen. My skills are limited. I have no professional training. I just know what I like and share it with others. I've often wondered about my cooking obsession and I now realize it



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GARY W. MOORE

is just a way that I enjoy serving others. I love to eat, and I seem to have

a creative gene that encourages me to try new recipes. It makes me feel good knowing that cooking for others makes them happy. It's a positive activity that provides a basic human service for people I care about and love.

Through the years I've developed a few recipes that I'm proud of. I grow pickling cucumbers in my garden and make what I call "Lemony Dill Pickles." I've never canned them because they are eaten as fast as I can make them. It's a citrusy twist to traditional dill pickles by replacing half the vinegar with lemon juice. I thinly slice the cucumbers and put them in a bowl. I never measure anything ... but I put in roughly 40 percent distilled or filtered water, 35 percent white vinegar, 25 percent lemon juice, salt to taste (I like salt), dill, garlic, and black pepper cloves. I let it marinate for twenty-four hours and enjoy. I also thinly slice an onion and put into the mix. I'm sharing this with you as I don't want my recipe lost.

Please let me know if you try this. Play with the mixtures to suit your taste buds. I'd love to know what you think. I also make a killer Barbeque Sauce and a unique recipe of mashed potatoes I'll share later. I love working to please others through my cooking.

When my grandkids were younger, I bought a Mickey Mouse pancake maker that made pancakes in the shape of Mickey. They became known in our family as "MouseCakes." The most common question from my Facebook friends was "Are they made out of real mice?"

My grandkids enjoyed them, until they didn't. Now, my "MouseCake Maker" sits in a cabinet hoping for another grandchild or six.

Cooking isn't an unusual hobby, but my next passion is. I love to iron my children and now grandchildren's clothes. I don't iron on schedule but only by request. "Dad, I'm running late to school. Can you iron this for me?" My daughter would often say as she tossed her shirt down the stairs. I'd sometimes try to resist, but the joy I found in doing this was surprising. I have ironed for everyone but there is a special "ironing bond" I have with my daughter, Tara Beth. Before school ... later in life, before dates or even a job interview, I loved hearing her voice ask me to iron.

One of the things I like about ironing is that it is an anonymous activity. No one ever compliments you on your ironing skills. You've never been asked, "Wow, who ironed your pants? They did a great job!" I like the feeling of doing some-

thing for no credit nor attention but something that is appreciated by the recipient. Does that make sense? It does to me.

I've shared this in the past, but the most memorable ironing experience was on her wedding day. By this point in life, she realized the satisfaction I received by providing this service for her. The morning of her wedding she walked down the stairs with her wedding dressed draped over her arms. All she said was "Dad ..." and I eagerly took it from her and quickly turned away so she would not see the emotion I felt bubbling up. I took my time, as it was the most complex garment I had ironed, but also the most meaningful. My emotions flowed and dotted her perfectly white dress as I ironed my tears into the fabric. It was both a sad but immensely joyful moment that I'll never forget.

So, now you know a little bit more about me and I'm guessing I'm the first person you've met who finds ironing joyful.

Until next week ... try my pickles! ■

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Give your landscape a late summer facelift

Whether it is the hot weather, the age of your landscape or simply the need for change; a late summer makeover can help you increase your landscape's beauty. Put the "wow" back into your garden with a few new plantings, garden art, or other simple improvements.

Many established landscapes have a few or many overgrown plants. Sometimes the plants you purchase perform better than expected or oftentimes we try to squeeze too many plants into a garden or too large of plants into small spaces.

Remove overcrowded plants that have outgrown the space or lost their ornamental appeal. Replace these and other unsightly plants with those more suited to the growing conditions, your landscape design, and available space. Now is a good time to plan and fall is a great time to plant trees, shrubs and perennials. The soil is warm and air cool, making it less stressful on new plantings.

Phase in removals and replacements over time. This is easier on your budget, back, and will keep your landscape looking robust. And be sure to properly space plants to avoid overcrowding in the future. Check plant tags for the plant's mature size and plant accordingly.

Fill in the voids between new plantings with annuals and perennials. As your shrubs increase in size, you will need fewer annuals each year. Move perennial flowers and grasses to a new garden as your shrubs reach full size. Perennials are much easier to move than an overgrown shrub.

A bit of pruning may be all that is needed to bring back the beauty and reduce the size of overgrown plants. Make a note on your calendar to do a bit of pruning at the right time. Prune spring flowering shrubs right after they bloom. They have already set their flower buds for next spring and pruning now will eliminate the spring floral display. You can prune summer flowering shrubs during their dormant season from fall through spring. Prune evergreens in colder climates in late winter or early spring once the worst winter weather has passed. Fall pruning where winters are brutal can lead



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to an increase in winter damage. Replace tired annuals in the garden and containers with fresh plants suited to the upcoming fall season. Don't be afraid to add dried materials to existing planters for added color and texture. Or create new container gardens to set by the front door and welcome guests. These also make great fillers in the garden. Just place the container in a spot where an existing plant has failed. You will benefit from the instant color and extra time you gain to plan for a permanent replacement.

Garden art is another option for filling those late summer voids in the garden. Or use it to create a focal point, drawing attention to areas that are looking their best.

Adding a few new cushions on your outdoor furniture can further enhance your landscape's appeal. It is an easy way to change things up with minimal investment of time and money.

Big or small, a few changes can make a big difference. Tackle a few of the easier ones or those with the biggest impact first. Once you get started, you will not want to quit.

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Garden art can fill in late summer voids or create a focal point in the garden.

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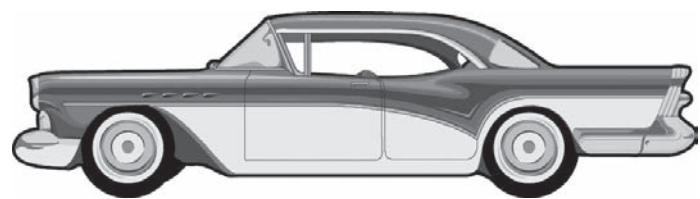
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