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Friday, November 8, 2024

Frances Perkins returns to the E.N. Jenckes Store Museum!

DOUGLAS — Frances Perkins has been described as one of America's most influential women of the first half of the 20th century. Yet, she sits in the back seat of American history.

On Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m., the Douglas Historical Society will host the second chapter of this incredible woman's history. The portrayal of the country's first woman Cabinet secretary, Frances Perkins, will be given by Janet Parnes of Historical Portrayals by Lady J, Millis. Meet the

Unsung Heroine Behind the New Deal will take place at the E.N. Jenckes Store Museum at 283 Main St. in Douglas. Guests will learn about the trials and triumphs of Miss Perkins' career as the first female Secretary of Labor during the tumultuous years of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's administration.

Guests will hear stories about this Worcester woman who defied the conventions of her middle-class upbringing to become a driving force



behind workplace laws we take for granted including fire-safety codes, the 40-hour workweek, the enactment of Social Security and much more. Come learn about how she her strategies and ability to get things done took her from the political machines of New York to become the nation's Secretary of Labor and a champion of the New Deal.

Guests will learn about Miss Perkins' later personal and professional life as the wife of an untreatable, mentally ill husband and as a mother and woman who forged her way through a man's world. They will gain access to her secrets to building alliances and staring down bullies along her rocky road to Washington to help make government an ally for working adults, children, and retirees.

Janet Parnes of Historical Portrayals by Lady J, Millis will portray Miss Perkins. (www.women-history.com). This program is supported by a grant from the Douglas Cultural Council and is free and open to all. Seating is limited.

Courtesy

(Left) Janet Parnes as Frances Perkins.

BVT's 2024 Annual Report now available

UPTON — Blackstone Valley Tech is proud to announce that copies of its 2024 annual report, Generation to Generation, are now available for residents of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District to view. The report spans the FY24 fiscal year and highlights the distinctive achievements of students and staff, as well as financial information.

"As responsible stewards of your regional vocational-technical school system, we oversee and protect your investment with numerous cost-saving measures," said Superintendent-Director Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick. "The informational document goes beyond the facts and figures of our day-to-day operation to illustrate how the budget is maximized and used to prepare our students to be career- and life-ready by the time they graduate."

Browse the Annual Report!

The annual report includes a profile of Tom Kuik, a 1982 graduate of the Electrical program at BVT. Learn how he discovered his true passion by looking to his past, following a childhood curiosity, and paying attention to what he finds engaging. As BVT graduates share their craft and passion for their trade, they pass on the foundation for future career success, and ultimately their legacy, from generation to generation. This and so much more is in the annual report. It is available on the school's Web site at www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/annualreport.

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.

Blackstone Valley Gardeners to host Open House Nov. 14

WHITINSVILLE — Join the Blackstone Valley Gardeners (BVG) and one of their favorite speakers, Gretel Anspach, at an Open House on Thursday evening November 14 at 6:30 p.m. Gretel will demystify the process of 'Starting Seeds.'

The BVG meets at the United Methodist Church, 61 Linwood Ave. in Whitinsville, on the second Thursday of the month, September through June. For easy access, enter the parking lot behind Domino's Pizza on the south side of Church Street. Use the rear entrance to the church. Gardeners from throughout the Valley are wel-

come at this meeting free of charge, and may become a BVG member for \$25 a year. A hospitality gathering begins at 6:30 p.m.; the program will start at 7 p.m.

Gretel Anspach brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to her programs. She is the 2024 Chairman of the Board of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, a Lifetime Master Gardener and a retired systems engineer for Raytheon. She also maintains a 20,000 square foot food production garden that has provided fresh produce to the Marlboro and Maynard Food Pantries for

ten years.

Those glossy seed catalogs will arrive soon. When the snow is still on the ground there will be colorful racks of seed packets in our favorite stores. How they will tempt us with the lure of perfect flowers and veggies gleaming in the summer sun. If your gardening dreams are often bigger than your reality, join the BVG on Nov. 14 to unlock the promise of successfully Starting Seeds.

Gretel Anspach will present "Starting Seeds" at the Blackstone Valley Gardeners' Open House on Thursday, November 14 at 6:30 P.M.

Another first for Douglas Common Preservation Society, Inc.

BY LYNN PARESKY
 DOUGLAS COMMON
 PRESERVATION SOCIETY, INC.

DOUGLAS — The Douglas Common Preservation Society, Inc. is participating in its first Giving Tuesday since it became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission of beautifying and maintaining the Town-owned Douglas Common.

We hope as you consider which nonprofits to support this year for Giving Tuesday, that you will select us (as one of the nonprofits that does good right where you live) to receive your donation. Since we are volunteer run, 100 percent of all donations received are used for the Common, whether it's for gardening, maintenance, improvements, decorating or other seasonal beautification and activities – such as the recent Scarecrow Contest and upcoming Holiday Lighting Celebration.

This year, Giving Tuesday is recognized on Dec. 3, and we are accepting Giving Tuesday donations now through that date. Your tax-deductible donations may be made by check payable to Douglas Common Preservation Society, Inc. sent to 76 NW Main St., Douglas, MA 01516 or via Venmo @Kathleen-Sugrue-Richards. Together, we will do good and make a positive difference in our own community.

All donors will receive



recognition on the Recognition Banner hung at the Common in December. If you would like your donation to be a Memorial Donation,

please indicate your memorial message and that will appear on the Recognition Banner as well.

Giving Tuesday is a

global generosity movement unleashing the power of generosity. It was created in 2012 as a simple idea: A day that encourages people to do good

by supporting nonprofit organizations that make a difference. Since then, it has grown into a global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of

people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity. Please be part of that movement by supporting the Douglas Common Preservation Society, Inc.

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DESE Office of Public School Monitoring to conduct Integrated Monitoring Review at BVT

UPTON — The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Office of Public School Monitoring will

conduct an integrated monitoring review of Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School (BVT) during the week of Dec. 9. Each school district, charter, vocational, and virtual school undergoes an integrated Monitoring Review every

three years. The areas addressed are according to either Group A Universal Standards or Group B. BVT will undergo a Group B monitoring review that addresses licensure and professional development for special education teachers and related

service personnel, parent, student, and community engagement, including compliance with Child Find requirements, facilities and classroom observations, implementation and oversight of Individualized Education Programs, time and learning, and equal access. The review includes interviews with staff and administrators, policies and procedures, and school building visits. It may also include parent/caregiver, student, and teacher focus group meetings to gather additional information. Interpretation will be provided if needed.

accommodation, such as translation, to participate in an interview, the Department will make the necessary arrangements.

Approximately 60 business days after the onsite visit, the Chairperson will provide the school with an informational report that may require further actions. A public report will be accessible at <https://www.doe.mass.edu/psm/tfm/default.html>.

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REAL ESTATE

BLACKSTONE

\$387,500, 3 Fox Run Rd #3, Parziale, Shirley, to Oliveri, Mary T, and Oliveri, Robert F.

\$350,000, 4 Farnum St #B, Varieur, Robert M, to Zephir, Ansy, and Eyma, Sandro E.

DOUGLAS

\$945,000, 291 SE Main St, New Sherborn LLC, to J G & Janice D Ambro RET, and Ambro, John G.

\$420,000, 118 Franklin St, Harris, David, and Soucier, Melanie, to Ferreira, Makaylee, and Martin, Jacob.

\$405,000, 59 Birch St, Ciasullo Ft, and Ciasullo, Joan I, to Opacki Jr, Robert P.

NORTHBRIDGE

\$824,900, 30 Amy Ter, D & F Afonso Builders Inc, to Dadhi, Shruti, and Dadhi, Amar.

\$800,000, 47 Valerie Run, D & F Afonso Builders Inc, to Santos, Anderson S, and Santos, Anna C.

\$570,000, 110 Mendon Rd, Waterman 3rd, Harold J, and Waterman, Kathleen B, to Deoliveira, Bruno P, and Deoliveira, Gabrielle P.

\$567,804, 146 Rolling Ridge Dr #1, Stone Hill Partners LLC, to Rogers, Mary E, and Rogers, David J.

\$550,000, 40-44 Cottage St, Mumford Falls LLC, to Main Street Property Inc.

\$372,350, 50 Lovelace Ln, Johnson, Charles D, and Johnson, Robin, to Essouabni, Abdallah.

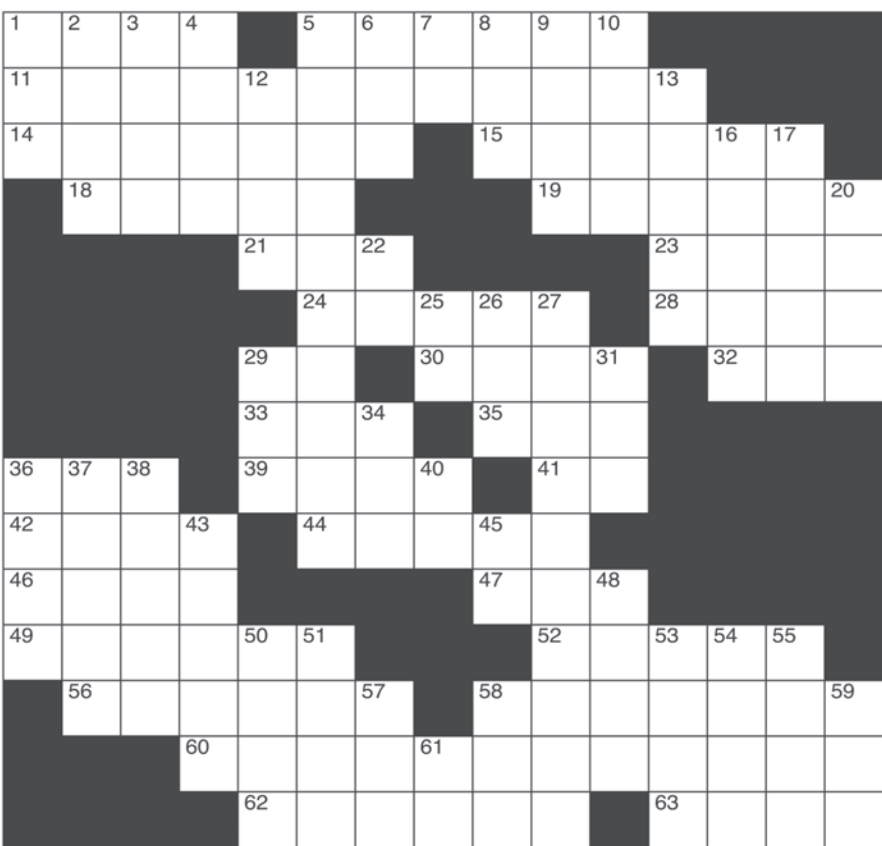
\$300,000, 11 Elm St #11, Boisvert, Benjamin C, and Kaiser, Susan L, to Lulo, Elvis, and Lulo, Onelda.

UXBRIDGE

\$650,000, 138 Chocolog Rd, Paradiso, Matthew T, and Paradiso, Alison P, to Salian, Chetan N, and Kaushik, Manasa R.

\$485,000, 15 Carrington Ln #15, Stratton, Elizabeth T, and Zani, Monica A, to Wagner, John F, and Wagner, Barbara C.

\$235,000, 91 Elm St #6, Bourgelas, Cynthia A, and Bourgelas, Richard T, to Krause, Katelyn.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Absence of effort
- 5. Preserve a dead body
- 11. Gratitude
- 14. The act of coming together again
- 15. Simplifier
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Large, fish-eating bird
- 21. Indicates near
- 23. Former CIA agent and critic
- 24. Icelandic poems
- 28. Pop
- 29. "Hammer" is one
- 30. Senses of self-importance
- 32. Thyrotrophic hormone
- 33. Not around
- 35. Electronic data processing
- 36. Licenses and passports are two types
- 39. Snakelike fish
- 41. Air Force
- 42. Popular computers
- 44. Of a withered nature
- 46. Wings
- 47. Used in combination
- 49. Laid back
- 52. Jeweled headdress
- 56. In slow tempo
- 58. ___ Falls
- 60. Assertions made again
- 62. Periods of history
- 63. Hyphen

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body part
- 2. Mimics
- 3. Expel large quantities rapidly
- 4. Sea eagle
- 5. A type of subdivision
- 6. Variety of Chinese
- 7. Mr. T's name on "The A-Team"
- 8. Consumed
- 9. Chinese dynasty
- 10. NFL great Randy
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Palm trees with creeping roots
- 16. Fungal disease
- 17. Impressionable persons
- 20. Affirmative! (slang)
- 22. Instinctive part of the mind
- 25. "The First State"
- 26. A way to develop
- 27. Fraternities
- 29. Woman (French)
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. Beer
- 36. Spiritual leader
- 37. Indigo bush
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Junior's father
- 43. Ray-finned fishes
- 45. Morning
- 48. Line passing side to side through the center (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. A small bundle of straw or hay
- 53. Got older
- 54. Crater on Mars
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Relating to the ears
- 58. "To the ___ degree..."
- 59. Residue of a burned product
- 61. It cools a home



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Douglas Adult Social Center

331 Main St.
(508) 476-2283
Hours of Operation:
Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m.-noon

DAILY ACTIVITIES:
All our daily activities are free of charge.

Monday: Painting class 9:45 to 11:45, Balance & Strength Exercise 12 pm, Mat Yoga 2 pm

Tuesday: Walking club 9 am, Cribbage 9:30 am, Zumba 9:30 am, Bingo 12:00 pm, Technology Class 1pm (call to make an appt.)

Wednesday: Balance &

Strength 10 am, Darts 10 am, MahJong 1 pm

Thursday: Walking club 9 am, Chair Yoga 9:30 am, Pitch 9:30 am, Hand and Foot card game 12:30 pm

Friday: Balance & Strength 10 am

Senior Van: The van is very busy, please remember to call 48 business hours in advance to book your ride. We realize that last minute doctor's appointments come up, we do our best to accommodate these appointments when we can. The van will be available

on November 5th from 9:00-10:30 for voting at the town hall.

NOVEMBER EVENTS:

The center will be closed on Monday the 11th & Thursday the 28th.

Lunch & a Movie: Thursday Nov. 7th @ 11:30am. This month our movie choice is "Gifted." Lunch will be chicken, baked potato, green beans & pudding. Cost for lunch is \$4.00. Please sign up by November 1st.

Three Seasons Restaurant: Wednesday Nov. 13 @ 11:00am,

join us for a wonderful lunch, laughs, and fun with friends.

There is a 3 meal choice, you must decide on your meal when you sign up. The cost for the meal is \$12.00 per person and must be paid when you sign up. Please sign up by November 7th.

Veteran's Breakfast: Thursday November 14th @ 9:00am. We try to show our Veterans support each month with a free breakfast. All Veterans are welcome to sign up with their spouse. Please

call the center to sign up by November 11th.

Candle Holder Craft: Thursday November 21st @ 11:30am. We will be making a birch tree candle holder. This is a FREE craft, supplies will be provided. Refreshments will be served. Please sign up by November 13th.

Sunshine Club Events: Meetings are held at the center on the first Tuesday of the month at 2:00 pm.

PLAN T SWAP FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1st

12PM TO 2PM Bring your extra indoor or outdoor plants to swap. If you are not a plant person stop in talk with some growers and take one home to try.

DON'T BE A TARGET THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14th @ 12:30PM Mandi from the Karate Studio will be here to teach us about personal protection and safety awareness

when out and about. Please sign up before November 8th.

ANNUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING FRIDAY DECEMBER 6th @ 12PM. Come in and have some fun decorating your own house. All supplies are provided. Please sign up before November 22nd.

HOLIDAY SOCIAL SATURDAY DECEMBER 14th

5PM to 6:30PM. We will be at the town common serving cookies & hot chocolate while caroling.

PLEASE CALL (508) 476-2283 TO SIGN UP FOR PROGRAMS & CLASSES

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Plummer Place

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Plummer Place Café is catered by The Neighborhood Kitchen right here in Northbridge. We will serve delicious meals on Tuesdays for \$8.00 per meal right here at Plummer Place. You must call to sign up, space is limited. Please note we are no longer serving lunch on Mondays.

We are accepting donations for our Plummer Place Café. Heavy duty plasticware utensils, heavy duty plates large and small, bowls, napkins, plastic cups, crystal lite packs, bottled water either large or small, creamers, decaf coffee and regular coffee, Shaw's gift cards. We appreciate all donations to help our café run successfully!

Plummer Place Shuffleboard League has openings for a few more players. They meet every Tuesday at 9:00am. Call the Center to join this fun league or for more information.

Plummer Place Singers has changed its day and time. They will now meet on Wednesdays at 1:00pm. Raianne Richards

will lead you as a group, to develop your skills, to enjoy the camaraderie, and to perhaps sing for others. If you would like to join this group, please call the Center to sign up. The cost is \$5 per week.

"Writing Your Way" will meet Thursdays from 2:00-3:30pm. They will meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. All writers are welcome to share their writing with others, get motivated to write their story, and get feedback from fellow writers! Lori Gannon is the instructor for this class, call the Center for more information. \$5/class.

Correction in our newsletter: We incorrectly stated that tickets for the Margaritas and Mistletoe Tropical Holiday Celebration on December 12th would go on sale on December 2nd. Please note, you may purchase tickets now for this event, no need to wait!

Lunch and Learn with Tracey Mosher, Wednesday, November 13th at 12:00pm. Join us and learn all about Senior Living options at Whitcomb House in Milford

through a fun, Jeopardy style game! Pizza and brownies will be served. Hosted by the Residence at Whitcomb House. You must sign up for this event at Plummer Place.

Create a Holiday Card with Jean and Friends, Thursday, November 14th from 10-12:00pm. Come and create some beautiful cards with friends, enjoy the company and creativity! \$5/person. Space is limited. Please bring your own small, sharp scissors. Sign up in the main office.

"Understanding Grief", Mondays, November 18th and 25th, December 2nd and 9th at 2:00pm. Join us for this 4-week class to explore and understand our grief together in a safe environment. Come ready to learn and begin healing. Please bring a journal to write in. At the end of the four-week class, we will continue as a Grief Support Group, meeting the second Monday of the month at 2:00pm, beginning January 13th. Sign up in the main office.

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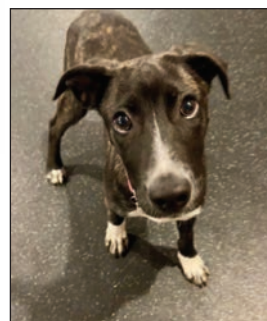
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ROBERT BLACK " ELVIS"
Monday, December 9th 11 A.M.
Ham Dinner and dessert
Reservations no later than December 2nd

FLORAL ARRANGMENT CLASS
Thursday, November 14th 1 P.M. - 3 P.M.
price is \$20
Call the center to sign up!

BETTER BREATHERS CLUB
Tuesday, November 26th 10:30 A.M. - 11 A.M.

SENATOR MOORE'S OFFICE
Meet with a representative from Senator Moore's office!

Wednesday, November 6th

First Wednesday of the month between 11 - 12 P.M.

All are welcome to meet and discuss issues of importance or looking for assistance

TRANSPORTATION
All appointments will be accepted by the WRTA

Millbury Seniors 60 and older / those with ADA services call 508-752-9283 in order to register with the WRTA in advance if they need transportation

Transportation Hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. & Fridays 8 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Rides have to be scheduled by 4:30 P.M. the day before by calling 508-752-9283

For more information on regards

to transportation call the center at 508-865-9154

SENIOR CENTER EXERCISE CLASSES!

ZUMBA CLASSES
Mondays at 1 P.M. (Class is \$3)

LIGHT EXERCISE CLASSES
Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. (Free!)

TAI CHI
Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. (class is \$3)

LINE DANCING CLASSES
Wednesdays at 10:30 A.M. (Class is \$3)

YOGA
Thursdays 9 - 10 A.M. (Class is \$3)

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES!

MAHJONG
Mondays at 12:45 P.M.

CRIBBAGE
Monday through Friday 8:30 A.M.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC
Every Tuesday from 9 A.M. - 10 A.M.

SOCIAL BINGO
Wednesdays at 1 P.M.
Bring your pennies!

PITCH
Thursdays 1 - 3 P.M.

COLORING
Thursdays at 10 A.M.

Lunches are served Monday through Thursday 12 P.M. Friday 11:30 A.M.

The menu is available on the town

website, www.townofmillbury.org
Or our Millbury Senior Center Facebook page.

A 48 hour reservation is required. Call the center at 508-865-9154

"MEMORY CAFÉ"
Please join us on Tuesday, November 26th at 2 P.M.

Refreshments will be served
A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss / challenges and their care partners. It is a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time
Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, is happy to answer any

questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

SNAP APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)

Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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Happy Election Week

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

TOBY MOORE

We stand at the crossroads of another chapter in our nation's story. The act of voting, an honor hard-won and cherished, reflects our journey from a small group of colonies to a mighty republic, constantly tested and reshaped by the hands of its people.

It all began in 1775 with a small group of determined colonists who risked everything for self-governance. Visionaries like George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Benjamin Franklin knew that independence from Britain was only the start. They would go on to craft a nation based on untested ideals of liberty, rallying under the Declaration of Independence—a declaration of rights for all who would call themselves American, even if America's early reality fell far short of this lofty vision.

We faced immediate and daunting challenges. As westward expansion continued, conflicts erupted between settlers and Indigenous tribes.

Tragically, Native American nations were forced from their lands, often with devastating consequences that continue today, reminding us of promises not kept and wrongs that still echo through our history.

Even as America grew, another dark shadow loomed: the institution of slavery. By the 1800s, slavery was entrenched in American life, particularly in the South, where millions of people lived in bondage. Abolitionists like Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, and Harriet Tubman risked their lives to challenge this brutal institution. Their courage would be a rallying cry for the Civil War, a four-year battle that tore the nation apart. Yet, under the leadership of Abraham Lincoln, the Union's victory brought freedom to enslaved people and solidified the principle that "all men are created equal."

The fight for freedom did not end there. The women's suffrage movement took hold in the late 19th century, as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and countless others pushed for equal rights. Decades of relentless advocacy finally succeeded with the passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920, granting women the right to vote and affirming that America's promise of freedom extended to all citizens.

Just when we seemed to be on a path of unity, the world was thrown

into chaos. World War I and later World War II. Veterans of those wars, like Dwight D. Eisenhower and George S. Patton, returned as heroes, their courage reinforcing America's role as a beacon of freedom, yet even as our soldiers fought for liberty abroad, Americans at home wrestled with deep issues of justice and equality.

The Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s marked a new era of change, challenging systems of segregation and discrimination. Leaders like Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, and John Lewis reminded the nation that "freedom for all" meant just that—for every race, creed, and color.

They pushed America toward the promises written into its founding documents through marches, sit-ins, and speeches, which led to legislative milestones like the Civil Rights Act and the Voting Rights Act, which continue to protect and empower citizens today.

Since then, we've faced significant challenges and times of turmoil—from foreign wars to September 11th and beyond.

Through it all, our strength has been found not in perfection but in a continued willingness to change and strive for a better future.

And here we are again, after a divisive election, with candidates on all sides calling for different paths forward.

We must remember that we are united by a shared love for our country and by the knowledge that, regardless of who sits in the Oval Office, the power rests with the people. We must uphold the ideals that have defined America: liberty, justice, and freedom for all.

So whether your candidate wins or loses, whether this election played out precisely as you'd hoped or not, we all have a role to play in moving forward. Our nation's history is built on debate, disagreement, and, ultimately, unity in the pursuit of freedom. That pursuit makes us the "shining city on a hill"—a place of hope, progress, and promise. Our light must never be extinguished.

Together, we can keep America strong, free, and fair—a place where all voices are heard and everyone, regardless of race, religion, or background, can pursue their dreams.

Happy Election Week, and may our love of country keep us united, now and always.

Don't be a target!

DOUGLAS — The Douglas Sunshine Club is sponsoring an important safety program for everyone on Thursday, Nov. 14 to teach us how not to be a target when out and about in our daily routines.

Mandi from the Karate Studio will be at the Douglas Adult Social Center to inform us about personal protection and safety awareness when we are out, either alone or together. This "must see" program will be full

of information to keep yourself safe in your home, out in your yard or out in public doing errands, walking, etc. It is all about safety first: be careful, be aware, and be safe.

The program will start at 12:30 p.m. at the center, located at 331 Main St., Douglas. Light refreshments will be served. Please call the Douglas Adult Social Center to sign up at 508-476-2283.

Free Christmas Day Dinner at BVUMC

WHITINSVILLE — Parishioners and volunteers from the Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church would like to cordially invite the community to a traditional turkey dinner, including the usual holiday meal favorites; potatoes, vegetables, squash, stuffing, and cranberry sauce.

This year's meal will be served on Wednesday, Dec. 25, from noon to 2 p.m. in the Blackstone Valley United

Methodist Faith Hall at 61 Linwood Ave., Whitinsville. Parking is available behind the church accessible from Church Street.

The dinner is open to everyone free of charge. Please come join us for a joyous Christmas celebration that will include holiday fun, food, and fellowship with many from the community. For more information, call the church office at 508-234-2275.

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One of the most knowledgeable antique dealers I've worked with used to call Tiffany "the magic word." The Tiffany name coupled with the quality and craftsmanship of their pieces commands a premium.

Tiffany's history dates back nearly 200 years. Their website states that Charles Lewis Tiffany and John B. Young opened a "stationery and fancy goods" store with a \$1,000 advance from Tiffany's father. The shop opened at 259 Broadway in New York and focused on "American style" goods that differed from the styles of the day in Europe. In 1845, the Tiffany & Co. Blue Book became the first direct-mail catalog, offering jewelry and accessories to those who couldn't travel to the New York store.

Tiffany's silverware designs earned them a bronze medal at the 1867 Paris Exposition. At the turn of the 20th century, they opened locations in London and Paris. They



weren't only known for their silverware. In 1878, they showcased one of the largest and finest yellow diamonds at 128.54 carats with 82 facets.

Louis Comfort Tiffany took over the business in 1902 and formed Tiffany Studios and other offshoots of the main company. Tiffany & Company continued to produce silver and jewelry while Tiffany Studios produced Tiffany Lamps and stained glass. Louis Comfort Tiffany also produced bronze, glass, pottery and other functional and artistic pieces as Tiffany Studios and under different brands.

Tiffany Studios closed in 1932 while Tiffany & Company continued to run. Tiffany & Company produced china for White House dinners, military medals, and sports tro-

phies. Their jewels have been worn by famous women including Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and Elizabeth Taylor. Tiffany & Company still

runs their landmark store on 5th Avenue in New York City. You can even order breakfast at Tiffany's in their Blue Box Café.

As you would

expect, the quality and beauty of Tiffany pieces continues to make them popular with collectors. In one of our auctions last month, we sold a

group of Tiffany bronze and glass desk accessories that brought \$1,200. We also sold a Tiffany "Olympian" pattern sterling silver flatware set for \$3,500. An antique Tiffany 18 karat gold necklace with tourmaline stones brought \$23,000.

Stained glass pieces have also fetched some amazing prices at auction. "The Danner Memorial" window made by Tiffany Studios from the First Baptist Church in Canton, Ohio, sold for a little under \$2 million in 2000. A one-of-a-kind Tiffany stained glass and

bronze lamp that was exhibited at the Exposition Universelle in Paris in 1900 and at the 1901 Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, N.Y., went to auction in 2021. It lit up the auction hall and the bidder's home when it sold for \$3.7 million in 2021.

We have some specialty auctions coming up including a major collection of Civil War memorabilia and a collection of some Hollywood legends. As always, we continue to accept consignments of fine jewelry, sterling silver, paintings by well-known

artists, advertising signs, coins, old comic books and baseball cards, and almost any other valuable antique or vintage item for future auctions. Please visit our Web site, <https://centralmassauctions.com>, for links to upcoming events.

Contact us to consign items or for auction information at: Wayne Tuiskula Auctioneer/ Appraiser Central Mass Auctions for Antique, Collectibles Auctions and Appraisal Services info@centralmassauctions.com or (508-612-6111).

Grow healthier gardens with the help of a soil test

Soil is the foundation of a healthy garden, but let's be honest, most gardeners don't like spending time, energy, and money on it. It's more fun to show off pretty flowers or share tasty vegetables. But creating a healthy soil foundation will increase your growing success which means more beautiful flowers, larger harvests, and a healthier landscape to enjoy.

When creating a new lawn, landscape, or garden bed, begin with a soil test. Use soil testing to evaluate your fertilization

practices and diagnose problems in existing lawns and gardens. Prioritize and spread out the cost by starting with new and struggling gardens or lawn areas. Then implement an ongoing testing schedule that tests one or two existing gardens each year. Testing lawns and gardens every few years can help improve their health while helping you avoid improper and overfertilization that can negatively impact your landscape and the environment.

A soil test



GARDEN MOMENTS

MELINDA MYERS

report tells you what if any fertilizer is needed and what fertilizer is best to use for the plants you are growing. It also evaluates the soil pH, acidity, and alkalinity, advising you of any needed adjustments. Testing this before fertilizing or adjusting the soil pH can help avoid years of problems caused by applying too much or the wrong fertilizer, lime, sulfur, or other products.

You can take a soil sample for testing whenever the soil is not frozen, and you have not recently applied fertilizer. Fall is an excellent time as it allows you to implement the soil test results before the next growing season.

Contact your local or state University Extension Service to locate a qualified soil testing lab near you. Many have a state lab that provides this

service for a fee while others provide lists of soil-testing labs in your area.

Take separate samples for each type of planting, garden bed, and if needed, lawn area. As you may have discovered, the soil can vary greatly from one place to another. Fill may have been added when the house was built, topsoil used to create planting beds, and other soil amendments incorporated that can impact your growing success. Taking a sample from individual planting beds, mixed borders, and the lawn provides

better information on the existing conditions and what is needed for growing those types of plants.

Use a clean trowel and bucket to gather the soil sample. If needed, slide away mulch and remove a narrow slice of soil, four to six inches deep, where many plant roots grow.

Take several samples from the garden or lawn area you want to test. Collect samples from each edge and several throughout the middle of the bed or lawn area. Mix the samples

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together, place about a cup in a plastic bag, and send it to the soil testing lab. Allow several weeks for the test to be completed and the results returned. Consider adding soil testing to your garden preparation and ongoing care. This investment will help you grow healthier, more productive, and more beautiful gardens and landscapes.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 gardening



Melinda Myers

Soil testing can be used to evaluate fertilization practices and diagnose problems in lawns and gardens.

books, including *Gardener's Edition* and *Midwest Handbook, 2nd Small Space*

Gardening. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* instant video and DVD series and the nation-

ally syndicated Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Myers' Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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OBITUARIES

Francis E. Brady, Jr.



Whitinsville-- Frank was born on November 18, 1940, in Milford, MA, the beloved only child of Francis E. Brady Sr. and Genevieve V. (Dion) Brady. Frank spent his early years residing on Providence Road in Linwood until 1952, then the family moved to Union Street when he was 12 years old.

During his youth, Frank played Little League in Northbridge as the catcher for the Cub's team and played for the All-Star team. He was educated in the Northbridge School System graduating in 1958. After graduation, he enlisted in the US Navy and served two years of active duty, primarily aboard the USS Forrestal CVA-59 Aircraft Carrier as a storekeeper, followed by four years in the Navy reserves.

In 1964, Frank graduated from the New England School of Accounting and married the love of his life Eugenie M. Choquette on July 4th of the same year. Together, they raised three children: Julie A. Davieau and her husband Denis; Paul M. Brady and his wife Maria; and Caryn D. Gagner and her husband Alfred. He was also a loving grandfather to Jeffrey, Tiffany, Kyle, Brady, Victoria, Lindsey, Alexandria, Alex, Alfred,

Christopher, and great-grandchildren Zoey, Marc, Alexandro, and Hendrix.

Throughout his career, Frank worked at various places, including Kupfer Brothers, Northbridge, MA, Pythian Bowling Alley, Whitinsville, MA and Prudential Insurance Company of America, Shrewsbury, MA. He eventually purchased Lakeway Liquors, Mendon, MA, where he worked until his retirement in 2005.

Frank was passionate about RVing with his family, boating, bowling, traveling, New England sports teams, and spending quality time with his loved ones. He will be remembered for his dedication to his family, hard work, and love for life.

Calling Hours are Thursday, November 7, 2024, from 10-11:30AM followed by a graveside service at Saint Patrick's Cemetery at Noon. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Northbridge Veterans Task Force, a local group that is working to identify unmarked veteran graves in Northbridge and provide them with a veteran grave marker. Donations may be mailed to The Northbridge Veterans Task Force, 315 Rumonoski Dr, Northbridge, MA 01534.



St. Gabriel's Parish announces annual Christmas Fair

UPTON — St. Gabriel's Church, 151 Mendon St., Upton, will hold their annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fair has a wide variety of fresh balsam wreaths, cemetery baskets and table top arrangements.

Raffles on theme baskets, gift certificates, a \$200 Amazon gift card and a Scratch Ticket raffle valued at over \$450 are available. A New Gift Boutique featuring new and "like new" items, "Old Time" Christmas

decorations, Gems and Jewels and a Christmas Holiday decor section will have selections to interest everyone. The Bake Table offers an assortment of cookies, pastries, candy, jams and jellies.

Come by and say "hello!" Enjoy coffee, tea, cold drinks and breakfast pastries or lunch with an assortment of finger roll sandwiches and chips.

We look forward to seeing our friends and neighbors during this festive holiday season!

Uxbridge Historical Society hosting Annual Meeting

UXBRIDGE — Members and the general public are invited to the Uxbridge Historical Society annual meeting on Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. This meeting will be at the Community House adjacent to

the Congregational Church at 7 Court St., across from the Uxbridge Town Common.

The meeting will encompass election of officers, summary of our activities, financial update, future goals, and a question answer session.

Don Koerten, a well known local historian who has a vast collection of Uxbridge photos along with a thorough knowledge of Uxbridge history will present "Uxbridge Center - Through the Years" an historic journey along main street.

Refreshments will be served. Questions or comments can be forwarded to Jim Beauchamp, President, at 508-498-0270 or jim.beauchamp2251@gmail.com.

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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 9, 2024
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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 11/26/2024**
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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: October 30, 2024
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
November 8, 2024
(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket No. 24 SM 003265
ORDER OF NOTICE
TO: **Bonnie Lopez**
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (*et seq*)
NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing
claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Northbridge (Whitinsville), numbered 84 East Street, given by **Bonnie Lopez** to "MERS", **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a separate corporation acting solely as nominee for "Lender", Residential Mortgage Services, Inc. and its successors and assigns**, dated December 5, 2017, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58144, Page 134, as affected by Modification Agreement dated August 4, 2020 and recorded with said Registry in Book 63687, Page 390, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.
If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that

basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before 12/02/2024 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.
Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on 10/24/2024
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
November 8, 2024
Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
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Docket No. WO24P3665EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate Of:
Albert Hector Jolicoeur
Date of Death: 07/24/2024
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Northbridge Rehab Center, LLC of Northbridge MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:
Northbridge Rehab Center, LLC of Northbridge MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/26/2024**
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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy,

First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 29, 2024
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
November 8, 2024
Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. WO24P3684EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate Of:
Bernard Arthur Lapierre, Jr.
Date of Death: 07/18/2022
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Joan M. Lapierre of Northbridge MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:
Joan M. Lapierre of Northbridge MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.
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WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 28, 2024
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
November 8, 2024

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Docket No. WO24P3726EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate Of:
Gary P. Trottier
Date of Death: 08/19/2024
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Judith A. Trottier of Whitinsville MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that:
Judith A. Trottier of Whitinsville MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.
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Christmas means Wreaths Across America time

UXBRIDGE — The goals of the not-for-profit “Wreaths Across America” grow ever bigger. Annually, the organization raises more money and places more live balsam wreaths on veterans’ graves nation-wide than previously. This year, join the Deborah Wheelock Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in adding to the number of wreaths decorating headstones of veterans in both Prospect Hill and

St. Mary’s Cemeteries. It is a beautiful way to remember and honor all fallen heroes, a beloved veteran-family member or dear friend.

Dec. 14 marks the date when community volunteers will place wreaths on more than two million veterans’ graves in local, national and military cemeteries as well as Veterans’ Memorials and historic sites across America. “Wreath laying” is a family affair, and a wonder-

ful way to teach young people appreciation for the sacrifices made by others for them. For information on volunteering, contact www.wreath-sacrossamerica.org.

The Deborah Wheelock Chapter, DAR, has a goal of 100 wreaths that will honor veterans buried in these Uxbridge cemeteries. A wreath can be purchased for a \$17 tax-deductible contribution. Your donation is twice-appreciated, because \$5

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Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.
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Answer: Registered nurse

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- English:** Nurse
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Age 11
Registration # 7811

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Local seniors and older adults joined in on the festivities which included a luncheon provided by New England Pizza, entertainment and storytelling by Davis Bates, courtesy of a grant from the Northbridge Cultural Council, a local agency, supported by the MA Cultural Council, a state agency, goodie bags from Struggles and Snuggles, "Monster Mix" treats from State Representative David Muradian, desserts from Shaws, raffle baskets from Hawk Hill Orchard, and overall support from Unibank and the

Friends of Northbridge Elders (FINE). Everyone at Plummer Place enjoyed seeing their friends' creativity in dressing up in their costumes and being a part of the fun! Costume prizes were awarded in nine categories this year and winners received gift cards from Burger King.

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