

Hassle-Free Car Buying?
We can help
trusted for 50 years
508-234-6767
HARBROAUTO.COM
HARBRO
AUTO SALES SERVICE



Free by request to residents of Douglas, Northbridge, Uxbridge, Linwood, Whitinsville and North Uxbridge

SEND YOUR NEWS AND PICS TO NEWS@STONEBRIDGEPRESS.NEWS

Friday, April 19, 2024

Uxbridge teacher sees eclipse from a bird's eye view

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
 STAFF WRITER

UXBRIDGE — While eclipse seekers across the country found themselves stuck in heavy traffic last week, a local educator soared high above the grid-lock for an unforgettable view of the phenomenon.

Amanda Gallerani, a STEAM teacher at Taft Early Learning Center in Uxbridge, joined six other teachers selected by the Massachusetts Wing Director of Aerospace Education to fly during the April 8 total solar eclipse.

For Gallerani, who joined the Civil Air Patrol two years ago as an Aerospace Educator Member, the opportunity to record data and capture photographs of the eclipse from the air was a life-changing experience.

"We were 8,500 feet in the sky, watching the eclipses.



Courtesy

Amanda Gallerani and her team enjoyed a unique view of the solar eclipse earlier this month.

Temperature at the beginning of the eclipses was 6 °C, and at totality it was -2 degrees Celsius," said Gallerani, who has taught at Uxbridge Public Schools for four years. "The entire experience was absolutely unforgettable and incredible."

Gallerani's journey toward the renowned path of totality began with a flight from Worcester to Bangor International Airport to meet up with the rest of the Civil Air Patrol team and teachers.

"We had to go north to Grindstone, Maine, by Katahdin Woods for the eclipses," Gallerani recalled. "I had UV changing pony beads and glow-in-the-dark beads to document with pictures to bring back to the classroom. I also brought a box of Skittles to show how colors changed with the lack of light compared to others."

In her role at Uxbridge Public Schools, Gallerani created the STEAM program at the elementary school, where she teaches students in grades K-3. Following her spectacular



aerial view of the eclipse, she couldn't wait to share stories and photos with her students.

"Returning to the classroom this week has been so rewarding and fun. The kids are so happy and proud of me. They have been begging to hear the stories and see the pictures," Gallerani said.

In addition to her work inside the classroom, Gallerani also established a youth program called Science with Amanda, which allows students to continue STEAM learning outside of school and during the summer months.

"STEAM gives children the opportunity to explore the problem, become problem solvers, create solutions, and show their creativity and intelligence in a positive way," Gallerani said. "STEAM also gives students the chance to explain why and how things work, or why we learn something. When I was growing up, I always enjoyed learning and grasping concepts when I was given the opportunity to apply what I was learning to projects or hands-on science experiments."

Even though her position with Uxbridge Public Schools wasn't part of

her career plan just a few short years ago, Gallerani has enjoyed the unexpected opportunity to work with students at the same school she attended as a youngster.

"I had a forced career change due to the pandemic from informal STEM education at the New England Aquarium and moved back to Uxbridge full-time. I was approached by former Uxbridge Superintendent Dr. Frank Tiano to follow my passion and my style of teaching, and start working at Taft Early Learning Center," Gallerani said. "It has been surreal to return to Taft Early Learning Center years later as an employee and no longer an elementary school student. I have been lucky enough to return to school with many of my former teachers."

Gallerani was thrilled to share her most recent journey with students, as well as stories of past work trips and projects. These include scuba diving trips; rescuing and rehabilitating marine animals across New England (mostly turtles and seals); and researching sharks in Massachusetts.

"It's been really neat to see my students so excited about my teaching and past eclipse adventures, because I see myself in many of those kids being so excited about science," Gallerani said.

Take a historical trolley tour of Northbridge

NORTHBRIDGE — The Northbridge Historical Commission, in partnership with the Northbridge Historical Society, is pleased to offer its popular Historical Trolley Tour of Northbridge on Saturday, May 18. Three tour times are available: 9 a.m., 11 a.m., or 1 p.m., and space is limited. This tour is extra special as it will roll for the last time with Ken Warchol as narrator and guide.

Northbridge historian, teacher, and long-time chairperson of the Northbridge Historical Commission, Ken Warchol, will guide you on a leisurely two-hour trolley tour of Northbridge Center and The Historic District of Whitinsville. Ken began providing historic tours of his hometown in 1977 and has since celebrated and shared Northbridge's history with countless students and community members of all ages. Riders will learn about the vital role Northbridge played in the Industrial Revolution and its growth from a village to a thriving industrial global center under the direction of the entrepreneurial spirit and engineering prominence of the Whitin family. From humble beginnings at the Fletcher Forge to the establishment and growth of Whitin Machine Works into the 1920s, Whitin Machine Shop became the world's most prominent textile machine shop. The tour includes aspects of village life and explores the architectural skeletons and landmarks that remind us of a bygone era. The tour begins at the 1770 Colonel James Fletcher Homestead, former home to James Fletcher, founder of the Fletcher Forge and now the home of the Northbridge Historical Society. It continues with a stop at the Town Hall and on to more historical places and scenic views.

There is no charge for the tour, thanks to a generous donation from Unibank. Seating is by registration only, and tours fill up quickly. To request seat(s), email Folloni1908@gmail.com. Include your contact info, number of seats requested, and preferred tour time (not guaranteed). You will receive a confirmation email with details.

DAR presents Good Citizens awards



Courtesy

Pictured, left to right: Chapter Regent Noveline Beltram, Sarah Cowen from Northbridge High School, Cecilia White from Douglas High School, Caleb Deters from Whitinsville Christian High School, and Brian O'Connell from Blackstone Valley Technical High School.

Soter presents UHS seniors with citations ahead of National Student Government Day

UXBRIDGE — Superintendent Michael Baldassarre and Principal Michael Rubin are pleased to share that Massachusetts State Rep. Michael Soter recently presented two Uxbridge High School Seniors with citations ahead of National Student Government Day.

On Thursday, April 4 Uxbridge High School Rep. Soter, joined by Selectman John Wise, Superintendent Baldassarre, Principal Rubin, Vice Principal Matt Bertrand, Dean of Students David Moura and Social Studies Teacher Brian Grady presented seniors Olivia Holden and Olivia Gray with citations recognizing their involvement in student government.

Holden is a member of the Uxbridge High School Performing Arts Department, the Uxbridge High School Girls Varsity Soccer Team, and the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

Gray is a five-year member of the Uxbridge High School Girls Varsity Soccer Team and completed an internship in the social studies department



Courtesy

From left: Teacher Brian Grady, Olivia Holden, Olivia Gray and Rep. Michael Soter.

this year. She is also a member of the National Honor Society and is active in several community activities.

In addition to this recognition, both Holden and Gray were invited to attend Student Government Day 2024, held on Friday, April 5 at the Massachusetts State House. Grady was also in attendance.

Student Government Day, formally known as Good Government Day, is an informative program about state government that includes students taking on the role of elected

or appointed officials to observe the processes of government. The goal of the event is to provide an immersive experience in the state legislative process by allowing students to engage with representatives and empowering them to voice their own informed views on current legislation.

Throughout the day, Holden and Gray had the opportunity to participate in the legislative process through simulated committee hearings and House and Senate formal sessions, and exchange

views with their peers throughout the state on statewide issues.

"On behalf of the district, I would like to congratulate Olivia Holden and Olivia Gray who were selected to represent Uxbridge High School during the 77th annual Student Government Day," said Superintendent Baldassarre. "They have both devoted significant time to our school organizations and we are thrilled to join Rep. Soter in recognizing their contributions."

DOUGLAS — On April 9, the Captain Job Knapp Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented their 2024 Good Citizens Awards & Scholarships. This award is given by the chapter to honor four area high school seniors selected by their teachers who demonstrated good citizenship qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism in their homes, schools, and communities. The students wrote timed essays utilizing their knowledge of American Civics and History.

This year's Good Citizens are Sarah Cowen from Northbridge High School, Cecilia White from Douglas High School, Caleb Deters from Whitinsville Christian High School, and Brian O'Connell from Blackstone Valley Technical High School.

Each of these four outstanding young citizens received a DAR Good Citizens pin, a certificate, and a \$300

award funded through a generous donation from Unibank and the chapter. The DAR Captain Job Knapp Chapter would like to publicly thank Unibank who has been a community supporter of this Scholarship for more than 50 years.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, founded in 1890 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children. It is a nonprofit, non-political, volunteer women's service organization. Any woman who has an ancestor who fought in or rendered aid in the American Revolution may be eligible for membership in DAR. For more information, please contact Chapter Regent Noveline Beltram at noveline@verizon.net.

Uxbridge Senior Center

36 South Main St.
508-278-8622
Lisa Bernard –
Director
Gail Boutiette –
Outreach
Coordinator
Donna Oncay –
Transportation
Coordinator
Omer Boucher –
Van Driver
Sally Selvidge –
Activities
Coordinator
Pat Ordway –
Chef
**DIRECTOR
NEWS FOR
MAY 2024
NEWSLETTER**

The Uxbridge Elderly Connection will be holding their Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 8th at 5pm at the Senior Center. We will be reviewing the Annual Report and the election of Board of Directors members. Any member of UEC interested in running for the Board should contact Director Lisa Bernard or Donna Oncay at the senior center. The

Uxbridge Elderly Connection is the fundraising arm of the senior center and provides financial funding for some of the senior center's activities and programs. Please join us! The Spring Town Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th at 7pm at Valley Chapel located at 14 Hunter Road in Uxbridge. Please plan on attending to participate

in this important civic event. Every May, the Administration for Community Living leads the nation's observance of Older Americans Month (OAM). The 2024 theme is Powered by Connection, which recognizes the pro-found impact that meaningful relationships and social connections have on our health and well-being. We will explore the vital role that connectedness plays in supporting independence and aging in place by combatting isolation, loneliness, and other issues. Join us in promoting the benefits of connecting with others. Here are some ways you can participate: Promote resources that help older adults engage, like attending the senior center hot lunch program or taking part in activity social groups, and volunteer opportunities. Connect with local services, call the senior center to book your Wednesday shuttle transportation, that can help you overcome obstacles to going out for lunch or go shopping with your friends to achieve and maintain meaningful relationships. Share facts about the mental, physi-

cal, and emotional health benefits of social connection by attending the senior center exercise programs to contribute to your overall well-being. Introducing our new Walk and Talk exercise group! Join Doreen Cedrone, our Wellness Coordinator, in walking local trails in Uxbridge. Walking with a group can help you meet new people, build friendships, and provide a sense of community. Being active is the secret to staying healthy, and walking is one of the easiest and least expensive ways to get moving. The group will meet every Tuesday at 2pm starting on May 14th. The location for the month of May will be the Blackstone Valley Greenway located on Adams Street in South Uxbridge (near McDonald's). Participants will meet Doreen at the walking site, the location may change each month. The program is weather permitting and there is no charge. Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle. Participants are required to complete an enrollment and waiver form. Please call the senior center for more info and to receive your

forms. Best wishes for a Happy Mother's Day and restful Memorial Day to all! Thank you, Lisa Bernard, Director
Thursday, May 2nd – 10:30 am – Veterans' Services with Carl Bradshaw by appointment only. Call 508-278-8622 to sign up.
Thursdays, May 2nd, 9th, 23rd & 30th – 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm – Zumba Classes Continue! New 8-week session will start up on June 6th.
Thursday, May 2nd & 9th – 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm – Last Low Impact Exercise Class. New 8-week session will start up on June 6th.
Friday, May 3rd – 12:00 pm – Lunch & Learn with Chief Montminy. His guest speaker will be Deb Blackburn from Peoples First Food Pantry and she will be discussing Food Insecurity of the Elderly. Be sure to RSVP for this informational luncheon.
Monday, May 6th – 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Computer Tutoring with students from BVT. Please call ahead to book an appointment. This will be held on the first Monday of each month. Next date will be

Monday, June 3rd. **Wednesday, May 8th – 5:00 pm – The Uxbridge Elderly Connection** will be holding their Annual Meeting at the Senior Center. They will be reviewing the Annual Report and the election of Board of Directors members. Any member of UEC interested in running for the Board should contact Director Lisa Bernard or Donna Oncay at the senior center. The Uxbridge Elderly Connection is the fundraising arm of the senior center and provides financial funding for some of the senior center's activities and programs. Please join us!
Friday, May 10th – 12:00 pm – Annual Mother's Day Celebration! Please join us to celebrate all moms and those who love and care for each other. We will have Bob Moon as our entertainer for this event! The meal is being sponsored by the Uxbridge Elderly Connection Inc. Space is limited and there is a waitlist.
Monday, May 13th – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm – MARTAP Staff Training – No lunch will be served today.
Tuesday, May 14th – 1:00 pm – Uxbridge Library Book Club. They will be discussing "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah. You are welcome to join us for lunch on this day, just be sure to call ahead to "book" yours! Next month is on Tuesday, June 11th and their book will be "One Italian Summer" by Rebecca Serle.

Benefit Enrollment Specialist – Tri-Valley, Inc. Call the senior center to book an appointment with Katelynn Wackell. Next date will be June 11th.
Tuesday, May 14th – 7:00 pm – Spring Annual Town Meeting at Valley Chapel, 14 Hunter Drive. Please plan on attending and participate in this important civic event.
Monday, May 20th – 1:30 pm – "Ask the Attorney" with Attorney Ralph Tepper by appointment only. Please Call 508-278-8622 to schedule your appointment.
Tuesday, May 21st – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – SHINE Appointments – Pat Nectow, our SHINE Counselor, is back to help you with your health insurance questions. Please call 508-278-8622 to schedule.
Friday, May 24th & Monday, May 27th – The Senior Center will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. We will re-open on Tuesday, May 28th.
Tuesday, May 28th – 11:00 am – 12:00 pm – Ask the Nurse Free Blood Pressure Clinic with Nancy Favulli, Salmon Health VNA. RSVP to participate and to join us for lunch.
Friday, May 31st – 11:30 am – 12:30 pm – "PopUp Library". Books will be on display to check out, library card sign-ups, book hold pick-ups, etc. This program is being offered by the Uxbridge Free Public Library.

Tuesday, Turn To UXBIDGE
May 14th – 1:00 page A8

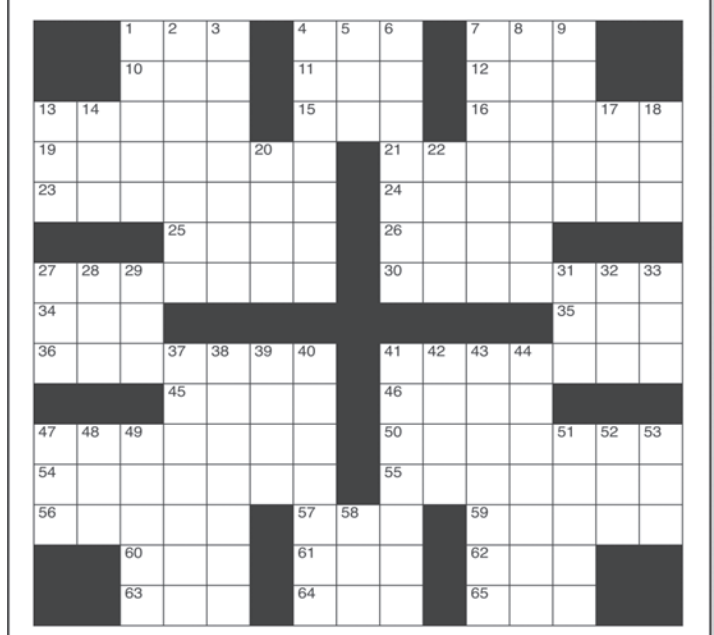
HILLSIDE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
Excavation/ Site work • Utilities Trenching
Drainage/ Water Mitigation • Demolition/ Large junk removal
Land Clearing • Stumping • Farm Services/ Fencing
Brush Control & Mowing • More...
Hillside Excavation & Property Maintenance

774-633-0892 HillsideDigging@gmail.com

MLS Aucoin Ryan Realty
Your Neighborhood Realtor

201 South Street
Southbridge, MA 01550
508-765-9155 1-800-784-0445
FAX 508-765-2698
www.AucoinRyanRealty.com
Spiro Thomo@gmail.com

Spiro Thomo Broker
Licensed 35+ years
508.765.0465
774.200.8043



- CLUES ACROSS**
- Midway between south and southeast
 - For each
 - Airborne (abbr.)
 - Photographs
 - They ___
 - It's important in respiration (abbr.)
 - Monetary unit
 - Cool!
 - A son of Jacob
 - Cut off
 - Devour
 - Agent of one's downfall
 - Best
 - Network of nerves
 - Partner to "oohs"
 - Origins
 - Sewing utensil
 - Alias
 - Swiss river
 - Greek mythological figure
 - Type of whiskey
 - Lay to rest
 - "Rule, Britannia" composer
 - Select jury
 - Feeling
 - Action regarded as morally wrong
 - Makes angry
 - Act incorrectly
 - Defensive nuclear weapon
 - Class of escort aircraft carrier
 - To what degree
 - Buzzing insect
 - The human foot
 - "The Leftovers" actress Dowd
 - A place to stay
 - Sun up in New York

- CLUES DOWN**
- An involuntary muscular contraction
 - Earnest
 - Cuts out surgically
 - Can't move
 - Baseball stat
 - British soldier
 - Traditional medicine plants
 - Political party controlled by managers
 - Hebrew prophet
 - Supporter
 - Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
 - Liberty Mutual mascot
 - Georgia rockers
 - A place where building is done
 - Large, deep-bodied fish
 - Clothing retailer
 - Supplement with difficulty
 - Annoy constantly
 - Founder of Babism
 - Indigenous person in parts of Asia
 - Sea eagle
 - Leave behind
 - Time of day
 - Colorless crystalline compound
 - They lay out course requirements
 - A diamond has three
 - Algerian coastal city
 - Remove cover
 - Rechristened
 - Distinctive practice
 - Defunct phone company
 - Turkish officer of high rank
 - Eliminate from the body
 - Witness
 - Soviet Socialist Republic
 - Founding Father Franklin

PUZZLE SOLUTION

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | I | O | E | | N | N | I | | N | N | V |
| | | S | E | D | | E | E | B | | M | O | H |
| H | E | E | W | V | | W | B | V | | O | D | S |
| S | E | G | V | H | N | E | | T | V | D | N | V |
| S | S | E | N | D | V | S | | T | E | N | V | D |
| | | | | | | E | N | H | V | | A | H |
| N | O | B | H | N | O | B | | S | N | S | V | E |
| H | V | V | | | | | | | | | V | K |
| E | T | B | W | I | H | L | | S | E | S | E | N |
| | | S | H | V | V | | | E | L | E | H | |
| W | N | W | I | L | D | O | | S | I | S | E | W |
| E | W | N | S | N | O | C | | E | S | I | C | S |
| H | E | H | S | V | | D | V | H | | C | N | V |
| | | V | O | C | | E | H | V | | X | I | D |
| | | N | B | V | | H | E | D | | E | S | S |

LOWEST PRICES • FULL SERVICE
Serving Worcester County for almost 60 years!
Shrewsbury's Own...

www.alsoil.com


We accept most major credit cards
24-HOUR EXPERT BURNER SERVICE • 508-753-7221

Advanced BUILDING SERVICES

Southbridge Mass
774-230-4231
New Construction • Additions • Remodeling
Decks & Porches • Kitchens & Baths
Basements • Windows & Doors • Siding & More
774-230-4231 • glenlatour69@gmail.com

BLACKSTONE VALLEY TRIBUNE
TO PLACE AN AD:
MIKAELA VICTOR (774) 200-7308
mikaela@stonebridgepress.news
SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES:
KERRI PETERSON (508) 909-4103
kerri@stonebridgepress.news
TO PRINT AN OBITUARY:
E-MAIL: obits@stonebridgepress.news
CALL: 508-909-4149
OR send to Blackstone Valley Tribune P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550
TO SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE EDITOR:
E-MAIL: news@stonebridgepress.news
OR send to Blackstone Valley Tribune P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550
BLACKSTONE VALLEY TRIBUNE PUBLISHED BY STONEBRIDGE PRESS
PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER
FRANK G. CHILINSKI
860-928-1818 EXT. 103
frank@stonebridgepress.news
BUSINESS MANAGER
RYAN CORNEAU
860-928-1818 EXT. 102
ryan@salmonpress.news
OPERATIONS DIRECTOR
JIM DINICOLA
508-764-6102
jdinicola@stonebridgepress.news
EDITOR
BRENDAN BERUBE
508-909-4106
news@stonebridgepress.news
PRODUCTION MANAGER
JULIE CLARKE
860-928-1818, EXT. 305
julie@villagenewspapers.com

The Blackstone Valley Tribune (USPS 024-873) is published weekly by Stonebridge Press, 25 Elm St., Southbridge, MA 01550. Periodicals postage paid at Southbridge, MA 01550. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to the Blackstone Valley Tribune, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550.

REAL ESTATE
BLACKSTONE
\$24,000, Blackstone St, Fontes, Jessica L, to Mohn, Zackery.
DOUGLAS
None
NORTHBRIDGE
\$620,000, 28 Viewpoint Way #92, Stone Hill Partners LLC, to Gremo, Debra A.
\$335,000, 548 Benson Rd, Ouillette Ft, and Jaynes, Brennan, to Almeida, Ryan.
UXBRIDGE
\$602,390, 264 Crownshield Ave #264, Sterling Court LLC, to Kandukuri, Venkatakrisna, and Kandukuri, Aruna.
\$450,000, 299 W River Rd, Krull, Michael A, and Krull, Mark D, to Natiello, Brandon, and Natiello, Brianna.

To advertise in this directory the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month, please call Mikaela at 774-200-7308 or email mikaela@stonebridgepress.news
It's the best deal in the house!

ROOFING
SHINGLES OR RUBBER
ROOFING
OR RUBBER

Quality Work... Always

Mark Vaz 774-244-6781
Bill Skerry 508-414-9457
HAMMERHEAD CARPENTRY

Millbury Senior Center

CRAFT CLASS
 Tuesday, April 23rd at 1-2 P.M.
 Class is \$5 per person
 Price may vary due to project
 Call or stop by the center to RSVP 508-865-9154

SOCK HOP
 Thursday, April 18th 1-3 P.M.
 Call or stop by the center to RSVP 508-865-9154

COFFEE & DESSERTS WITH LIBRARY
 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24th
 12:30 - 1:30 P.M.
 Call or stop by the center to RSVP 508-865-9154

THERAPY GARDENS ESSENTIALS
 Tuesday, April 16th at 1-2 P.M.
 Call or stop by the center to RSVP 508-865-9154

BREATHERS CLUB
 Tuesday, April 30th at 10-11 A.M.
 Meet with a representative from Senator Moore's office!
 Wednesday, April 3rd
 First Wednesday of the month between 11-12 P.M.
 All are welcome to meet and discuss issues of importance or looking for assistance
 Any questions please call 508-865-9154

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

SENIORCENTER 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)
SENIORCENTER ACTIVITIES!
MAHJONG
 Mondays at 12:45 P.M.
CRIBBAGE
 Monday through Friday 8:30 A.M.
 Tuesdays at 1:00 P.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 CAFE"
 Please join us on Tuesday, April 23rd 2:00 - 3:30 P.M.
 Refreshments will be served
 A Memory Cafe 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!
S N A P APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)
 Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
 Call for an appointment & required documentation
 508-865-9154
 "This project has been funded at least in part with Federal Funds from USDA.
 This institution is an equal opportunity provider
 The SNAP Logo is a service of the

U.S. Department of Agriculture. USDA does not endorse any goods, services or enterprises."

TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

Rutland, MA
28th Annual Town Wide Yard Sale
Sat. April 27
200+ participants

Maps at town lines and on Common (Rts 122A and 56) starting at 7:15 AM
Rain or Shine ~ Join the Fun!

Uxbridge High School Student Council earns national award

UXBRIDGE — Superintendent Michael Baldassarre and Principal Dr. Michael Rubin are pleased to announce that the Uxbridge High School Student Council has been recognized as a National Gold Council of Excellence.

The National Association of Student Councils (NASC) recognized Uxbridge High School's Student Council for its exemplary record of leadership, service and activities

that improve the school and community.

The award is a testament to the highest standards of quality, leadership, innovation and community engagement that the Council consistently demonstrates in its projects and activities.

NASC's National Gold Councils of Excellence are models for student councils nationwide.

Prior to earning this award, the Uxbridge High School Student Council was recognized as a

Gold Council of Excellence at the Massachusetts Association of Student Councils (MASC) Spring Conference in March. According to the MASC website, the Gold Council of Excellence is one of the highest honors a student council can receive from the organization. The award is presented to student council programs that are deemed to be the most outstanding in the state association. The recognition is based on a

competitive scoring rubric voted on by a committee of judges.

The Uxbridge High School Student Council focuses on community and school service. In an effort to give back to the community, council members regularly support the People First Food Pantry, volunteer at the local senior center, support the school's PTO with event planning and projects, sponsor school spirit events, participate in the town's annual clean up, and offer

babysitting services to the school's PTO members.

Members also participate in the Special Olympics Massachusetts Annual Polar Plunge raising money to support Special Olympics Massachusetts.

"I would like to congratulate the Student Council on this outstanding achievement," Principal Dr. Rubin said. "They are incredible student leaders who work hard to create positive change in our school by supporting and uplifting their peers and community members. They are well deserving of this prestigious award."

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 27th
 from 8AM to 12 PM

Friends of St. Louis Yard Sale

Located in the Church parking lot
 Cleaning out? Save you item that are clean & in working order to donate to our yard sale.

Rent a space - \$10 Need a table - Additional \$20

We are accepting donations which can be dropped off at the church hall.


Saturday, April 20, from 8AM to Noon
Thursday, April 25 from 4 to 6PM
Friday, April 26 from 4 to 6PM

Please Note: We cannot accept large furniture, bedding or electronics.
 Clothing accepted in clean decent condition (no rips or holes)

ARTHRITIS?

**Is your arthritis care all that you would hope it to be?
 If not we may be able to help.**

**Osteoarthritis of Hands - Knees- Hips.
 Back and Shoulder Problems
 Rheumatoid Arthritis
 Psoriatic Arthritis - Gout**



Charles A. Birbara, MD
 Associate Professor of Medicine, UMass-Chan Medical School
 25 Oak Ave., Worcester, MA 01605 508-799-2674
"Committed to Advancing appropriate care to people with arthritis"

Northbridge Historical Society Speaker Series continues with "Old House Do's and Don'ts"

NORTHBRIDGE —The Northbridge Historical Society continues its guest presenter Speaker Series Presentation with "Old House Do's and Don'ts." Rachel Farago, Preservation Services Manager for Central New England at Historic New England, will offer tips, insight,

and suggestions for your old home regardless of age. Thoughtful, informed repairs and alterations can preserve its historical and architectural character while updating it for present-day living. Enjoy an illustrated lecture and learn what to think about when con-

sidering changes, including updating and expansion, improving energy efficiency, and working with your home's best features to enhance curb appeal. Questions are encouraged.

The event is scheduled for Thursday, June 6, at 6:30 p.m. at

the Northbridge Memorial Town Hall. Seating is limited. Contact Folloni1908@gmail.com to request your seat(s). A confirmation email will be sent. This event is made possible through a grant from the Northbridge Cultural Council.



Affordable™ Windows & Doors COMPANY, INC.



We Deliver Throughout New England







HOURS: MON. - FRI. 8-4:30 • SAT. 9-1

1152 Main Street • Route 9
 Leicester, MA • 508-892-9292

www.affordablewindows.com

Friday's Child



Hi! My name is Dante and I love wrestling!!!!

Dante is a sweet, affectionate young man who loves hugs. He is great at interpreting facial expressions and identifying emotions. Dante has a strong interest in wrestling and is the proud owner of several wrestling action figures that he spends a great deal of time playing with. He also loves playing video games, listening to music, and dancing. Dante enjoys playing with other children and caring for the goats and the donkey who belong to his residential care facility. He also enjoys playing on the swings and riding on scooters outdoors.

Dante is navigating the complexities of middle school with the support of an IEP. Dante has a great relationship with staff and is working on developing strong peer relationships.


Dante's social worker is looking for a devoted family who will provide him with the love and guidance he needs. Interested families need to be firmly committed to providing appropriate ethnic and cultural role models and information with respect to his birth cultures which includes discussing racism and discrimination. Developing and fostering a relationship with his big brother and former foster family is very important, this includes calls and visits.

<https://adopt.mareinc.org/waiting-child-profiles#gallery/child/7323>

If you're at least 18 years old, have a stable source of income, and room in your heart, you may be a perfect match to adopt a waiting child. Adoptive parents can be single, married, or partnered; experienced or not; renters or homeowners; LGBTQ+ singles and couples. As an adoptive parent, you won't have to pay any fees, adoption from foster care is completely free in Massachusetts.

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

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












*Elevate Slider Price Includes:
 Ultrex Threshold
 Clad Maintenance
 Free Exterior Handle Set
 Low E Argon Gas
 60x80 • 72x80*

\$1848*
**Promotion Price
 Valid when you bring this ad.
 Ends May 4, 2024*

BARGAIN BAY
 LARGE STOCK SELECTION


Visit our Online Bargain Bay affordablewindows.com



FREE Stainless Steel Sink
 With Purchase of a Granite or Quartz Countertop
**See store for details.*

PROMOTION ENDS May 4, 2024

100 We Made The Choice So Simple 100 Visit Our Huge Showroom
 100 Best Price! Best Selection! Best Service!



25 Elm St.
Southbridge, MA 01550
Telephone: (508) 909-4126
Fax: (508) 764-8015
www.stonebridgepress.com

FRANK G. CHILINSKI
PRESIDENT & PUBLISHER

BRENDAN BERUBE
EDITOR

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Blackstone Valley and beyond

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Davis announces for Douglas selectman

To the Editor:
My name is Harold (Hal) Davis, and I have filed nomination papers for the office of Douglas Selectman. I previously served four terms as a Selectman and aims to complete projects to make Douglas an even better place to live.

I take pride in helping to more than doubling the commercial tax base in Douglas. The main aim of our economic development program is to help relieve the property tax burden on our homeowners and tenants. With our economic development program moving along, I would like to have the Board of Selectmen take the lead in making Douglas an even better place to live. In particular, we need to look at ways to speed up our resurfacing of the Town roads. Tired of bouncing from one pothole to another? We have a great crew of skilled workers in our

Highway Department. They need help to keep up with needed road improvements.

A second area I would like to address, once elected, is to create and implement a revitalization plan for our downtown. We should consider running our wires underground and develop common signage. We have made a number of attempts to find a use for the old grammar school building. Let us take another look at what makes sense for the Town in the way of new uses for this building or demolish it.

Troubled by sky-high electric bills? It is worth investigating the creation of our own municipal lighting plant. A number of communities that have gone this route have much lower electric rates. At least let us study and see if the investment is worth it in terms of reduced electric bills.

I promise Douglas voters to use my

experience and imagination to make Douglas an even better place to live.

I am a graduate of Bowdoin College and the Georgetown University Law Center. I am a founding partner of the Boston law firm of Davis, Malm & D'Agostine, PC. My law practice is concentrated on municipal law and innovative concepts in economic development. For my services, I have received awards from the US Small Business Administration and several private organizations.

My wife Alida and I have lived in Douglas since 1997, along with a bunch of our animals that also enjoy the open space in town. If elected, I promise to put all my experience and imagination into making Douglas an even better place to live and raise a family.

*Harold Davis
Douglas*

EDITORIAL

Rediscovering the lost art of manners

In an era characterized by hurried interactions and digital communication, it's not uncommon to hear lamentations about the decline of manners in modern society. Indeed, it often seems that the gracious etiquette of our ancestors has been relegated to the annals of history. Perhaps it is worth taking a moment to reflect on the timeless wisdom embodied by the manners of yesteryear.

Our ancestors lived in a world where courtesy and respect were not mere niceties, but fundamental principles that governed social interactions. Whether it was a firm handshake, a heartfelt expression of gratitude, or a genteel gesture of chivalry, manners served as the currency of civility.

One need only look to the etiquette manuals of bygone eras to gain insight into the elaborate codes of conduct that governed everyday life. From the intricacies of formal dining to the protocols of courtship, these guides offered a blueprint for navigating the complexities of social interaction with grace and poise. Moreover, they underscored the importance of empathy and consideration for others.

In contrast, the frenetic pace of modern life has often led to a blurring of boundaries and a loss of interpersonal decorum. In our quest for efficiency and convenience, we risk sacrificing the human connection that lies at the heart of meaningful communication. The rise of digital communication, while undeniably convenient, has also eroded the nuances of face-to-face interaction, leading to a decline in empathy and understanding.

Furthermore, the erosion of traditional social structures has contributed to a sense of individualism that often prioritizes self-interest over communal harmony. In an increasingly atomized society, the concept of manners can seem antiquated, relegated to the realm of quaint nostalgia rather than a relevant guiding principle for modern life.

Just as the customs of our ancestors evolved in response to the challenges of their time, so too can we adapt and redefine the concept of manners for the 21st century. Rather than lamenting the loss of a bygone era, we can draw upon its timeless principles to cultivate a culture of respect, empathy, and civility in our interactions with others.

Letter submission policy

Letters to the Editor must include the author's name, address, and a daytime phone number for purposes of verification in order to be considered for publication. Only the author's name and the town in which they reside will be published. Letters submitted without all of the required information will not be accepted.

It is the sole prerogative of the Editor to determine whether a submission satisfies our requirements and decency standards, and any submission may be rejected at any time for any reason he or she might deem appropriate.

To the Editor:

Little Ricky here, reporting from the outer fringes of sanity, where I do battle with conspiracy lovers, religious fanatics, mushroom people, and Word Salad Annie.

Last week, we got a spleen full from the mushroom guy who loves to make accusations – "Biden does nothing but create division..." without ever providing an example. If all you want is "a secure border and legal immigration..." why wouldn't Republicans in the House – on Trump's orders – not sign the Senate bill that would have done just that? "... trying to turn suburban areas into concrete playgrounds by erecting shopping malls and big box hardware stores." Mushroom Mike – who owns all those big businesses, and donates money to Trump and the GOP? "Trump never got us into a war, lowered our taxes.....". Trump undid the Iran nuclear treaty, which put the entire world in danger, as Iran now has all the elements for a nuclear bomb. He made the entire world wonder if they could trust the U.S. any longer. And he made Putin very happy. Biden hasn't started any wars, and finally got us out of one. He 'lowered taxes'... yes, on the rich, and increased the budget deficit by \$7 trillion. Mikey just forgot to mention any of that. Why is it that all the people

Tales of delusion

now speaking out against Trump, are Republicans, and former members of his cabinet, who observed his lunacy first hand? Mikey just wants someone "who will defend and support the constitution." Did he miss the part where Trump said he wants to void the constitution and then, be a dictator "just for one day?" I think we know the real Mr. Magoo now.

Mikey presented all these dire predictions of a second Biden administration. Now, I'm afraid to open my front door! First, they were coming for my bible. Now they will force me to take in a groundskeeper. None with any proof, of course. And "Biden and his henchmen are hell bent on revising or removing the Second Amendment." Running out of material, Mike? No, we should all live in the 18th century, because nothing has changed. I suppose your doctor still uses leeches to moderate your humours? It would explain a lot. All the 'dribble' I posted as a warning if Trump is elected, is right out of Project 2025 – the GOP plan for the fascist takeover of the country. The right knows that the mushroom people don't read, and won't see it on Fox, but fortunately for the rest of us, it was leaked. You can look it up for yourself. You will get a good look at the theocratic dystopia you can expect. The current abortion fiasco is just a small example.

Share my work ethic, not my wealth

best. No, they just think they do.
The bill would wipe out single family zoning throughout the state. Communism.

New York City is facing fiscal disaster. It spends more tax dollars on illegal invaders and less on its own citizens: less on trash, less on transit, less on police and fire. Makes you feel warm and protected by your own government, doesn't it?

Mayor Adams insists New York City is safe. Then, why deploy 1,000 New York National Guardsmen to guard New York Transit?

New York City is the number one destination for illegal invaders, followed closely by Massachusetts. Why? Because Connecticut's Right to Shelter law requires a claimant to have lived in the state for five years. No illegals there. Problem solved.

Massachusetts spends \$75 million bucks a month on illegal invaders with no-bid contracts to contractors. I repeat, No Bid contracts in a state ruined by lowest bid contract law. How is this legal? Commie Healey will spend billions of your tax dollars on them, but cuts funds to cities and towns and tells them to raise their real estate and excise taxes! Hold onto your wallet.

This is lunacy. Can we afford this? Groceries are up 36 percent under Creepy Joe.

Lunacy. Democrat politicians want illegals to increase the population as 1,000 working tax-payers a month flee Massachusetts. The politicians who have

Funny how Mikey never mentioned that?

I do hate Trump. It's because I love our democratic republic. Anyone who doesn't despise this contemptible waste of skin, is just like him, or has Trump Derangement Syndrome. TDS is a mental illness characterized by the belief that a serial adulterer, pathological liar, guilty of fraud and of being a sexual predator, admirer and sycophant of dictators, who has filed for bankruptcy six times, and treats our legal system with contempt, will somehow make a good President.

Last week, I penned a letter detailing the last two years of our involvement in Afghanistan, and who actually was responsible for what. The editor refused to print the letter. So Mushroom Mike got away with another of his accusations without proof or example. I also took issue with Church Lady saying that Trump was "for the people". Trump is the guy who hid the severity of COVID so it wouldn't hurt his reelection chances, and is complicit in 400,000 unnecessary American deaths; and he's the guy who tried to repeal the Affordable Care Act that now provides the only source of health insurance to over 40 million "of the people?" "Of the people" my (expletive)!

*Rick Bevilacqua
Whitinsville*

To the Editor:

Torn from the headlines of The New York Times and the Boston Globe! Illegal invaders bankrupt Woke Blue states!

Twenty thousand illegals in Massachusetts. Seventy-six motels, swamped. \$10,000 a month for each invader. \$1 billion in taxes wasted this year. \$1 billion for demolition next year. The town of Stoughton has more invaders than any town. They are nearly broke.

Massachusetts House Speaker Grifter Mariano said "every program we fund is susceptible to being tapped to fund the [illegal invaders] shelter program." As the signs at the State House say: "Politicians - Woke. Taxpayers - Broke." Mariano said: "Where are we going to get the money? There has to be some realities that people put forth..."

Realities? Seal the border and deport the free loaders. Make them use the legal system that Congress voted on. We do have a legal way to enter the country. Legally. Thousands of people who have filed legally to enter the country - legally - are angry. They see people cut the line, violently, with no screening.

And in the Non-Reality news from Comrade Healey: Massachusetts is 200,000 housing units short! The state will fix it by retrofitting single family homes into multiple unit homes while targeting "our climate and de-carbonization goals." I do not have any climate or de-carbonization goals, do you? We have politicians who have never done anything in the real world telling us what they are going to do to us with our money. Because they know

The last word on climate change hysteria

To the Editor:

What do you see when you look at a tree? For me, I see something as wonderful as a poem. I see an organism that removes carbon dioxide from our atmosphere and in return it gives off oxygen, the tree also provides us with shade and homes for the birds, bees, and squirrels to name a few. Moreover, there is so much more to these organisms that I discovered and trees give us the following but not limited to: Prevent flood-ing, promote health, prevent soil erosion, trees increase communities, help the economy, hold soil, protect the future, etc. A healthy leafy tree can absorb 450 liters of water per day which prevents flooding and with our rainfall recently, it's a good thing we have lots of healthy trees where we live in the Blackstone Valley. Trees combat pollution and help the environment and

that is something that the left in this country refuses to see, they want to do things their way so that their ilk may profit from it. Trees according to band wagon scientists say, "as trees decay and decompose, microorganisms release carbon dioxide and break down its organic matter. This can have a negative impact on air quality and contribute to climate change." The solution is simple, stop deforestation and let Mother Nature do her work like she has done for millions of years. Our carbon dioxide levels worldwide is 0.04 percent, so decomposing trees is not a big deal, truthfully I believe we are the carbon that scientists want to eliminate.

Our Whitinsville liberal claims that climate change is real when in fact, it is and will always be a HOAX. Little Ricky what do you do for work? McDonald's?

Are you a government official? Do you work cleaning the booths in Chinatown? I guess we'll never know what you do but one thing is for sure a climatologist you are not and that's why I will present facts from real climatologists and not use your method of "winging it."

Dr. Judith Curry (climatologist) was interviewed by John Stossel and during that interview Dr. Curry pointed out several misconceptions that you should be aware of. One she was misquoted many times by a certain liberal news network... that's right CNN the fake news organization. When Dr. Curry attempted to clear up the error on their part she was demonized by the left and no longer regarded as a spokesperson on climate change. In others, Dr. Curry wasn't saying

Turn To LETTER page A8

Realizing that Trump actually cares

To the Editor:

Look out, Trump haters. The "Woke" folk at the New York Times are alerting you "Woke" geniuses to the truth. Doing so from deep within the innermost confines of the New York Times "Woke" reporting bubbles.

In its April 14, "Four Years Out, Some Voters Look Back ..." piece comes the New York Times tale of a former Trump hater, Maya Garcia, age 23. Who says "... she has come to believe that Mr. Trump's contentious style helped control crime and maintain order in the country."

While adding this Trump supporting gem, "... to be honest, if you look deep into his personality, he actually cares about the country."

Garcia then cuts to the chase with the facts that she, "...voted for Mr. Biden four years ago but has been unhappy with his handling of the border, crime, mental health and the rising cost of living." And that her plans are to back Donald Trump in November.

Meanwhile, on Saturday the 13th, protected by her almighty "Woke" bubble, the ultra-left-wing looney tunes charac-

ter Michelle Cottle went to hobnob with the rank and file of the Make America Great Again movement. With her highly opinionated rant published by the New York Times on Monday the 15th under the banner, "What I Found Inside the MAGAverse on the Eve of Trump's Trial."

With the wicked witch Cottle discovering the obvious truth of "...variations on this theme: Mr. Trump is the victim of a political witch hunt."

At which point Cottle, from the greater sanctity and sanctuary of her Trump

hating "Woke" bubble, declares that the Trump supporters are the ones who reside in their "alternate-reality bubbles" of the right-kind.

Oh, the humanity. If only Michelle Cottle had brought along a proper translator with her. Such as Maya Garcia, age 23, to explain what was actually going on for the greater good of America.

For it was a gathering of people where each and every one of them but Cottle "... actually cares about the country."

*Stephen Gambone
Northbridge*



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
RALPH TRUE

Trout fishing takes center stage

Trout fishing took center stage for many anglers that enjoyed catching them this past weekend. The Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club had a good turnout of anglers lined up around their trout pond early, waiting for the 8:00 am opening! Fishing was slow for most of the fishing derby, but many anglers managed to catch their two fish limit, prior to the 10 a.m. deadline. Erin Kossuth managed to catch her first prize winning fish early. The 19 inch rainbow trout was a fish any angler would enjoy catching. Scott Graham took second place and Corey Lepage took third.

A great breakfast was enjoyed prior to fishing by many anglers. Steve Bedard does a great job as kitchen chairman along with



Courtesy

This week's first picture shows Erin Kossuth with a nice rainbow trout she caught at the Uxbridge Rod & Gun Club annual trout derby this past Saturday.

his committee. Thanks, guys and gals.

Wallum Lake opened this past Saturday with an extremely small turnout. The main parking lot was not full at 8 a.m. For those that did attend the opening day at Wallum, fishing was good for most, with many anglers catching their five trout limit. Law enforcement from both Mass. & Rhode Island

were on hand early to check for boat registrations and fishing licenses. Safety equipment was also inspected. The weather was cooperating this year, with light winds and favorable temperatures. Unfortunately, very few youngsters were present to enjoy the day. Major rivers and streams should be stocked by now, with the swollen rivers receding



Courtesy

This week's second picture shows Rene with a nice stringer of rainbow trout he and his fishing partner Ken caught at Wallum Lake opening day last Saturday.

from the heavy rain in the last few weeks.

Over the past few months, weather conditions have raised havoc across the country killing many residents and destroying property and wildlife. These weather conditions continue this week across the Midwest, with fires, tornados, flooding, etc.! Unfortunately, it seems as though

this will be the norm for our country for years to come because we failed to heed the warnings of Scientist. Global warming?

Cod fishing in Rhode Island waters is improving when the boats can get out. Tautog fishing remains slow, but should blow wide open in a couple of weeks.

Take A Kid fishing & keep Them Rods Bending!

Malfunctioning laptop halts MCAS testing at Uxbridge schools

UXBRIDGE — Superintendent Michael Baldassarre issues the following update following Tuesday's incident involving a malfunctioning laptop at Whittin Intermediate School.

On Wednesday, April 10, all students in the district using ACER C734 Chromebooks returned their laptops to school so that the district can conduct a thorough safety evaluation of all the devices.

On Wednesday morning, ACER representatives, including the director of services and chief engineer, met with district administration to review the affected laptop using high-definition cameras. At this time, the cause of the malfunction remains under investigation.

All ACER C734 Chromebooks will remain in the possession of district administration until the investigation and safety evaluations conclude.

Previously scheduled MCAS testing at Uxbridge High School and the Taft Early Learning Center, as well as seventh-grade ELA MCAS testing at the Whittin Intermediate School, proceeded the following day without disruption.

ACER will send the district 450 laptop devices that have the appropriate operating system so that MCAS assessments can resume for students in grades 4-6. The devices are expected to arrive on Monday, April 22. In addition, ACER will send representatives to Uxbridge that week to ensure the proper setup of the alternate devices.

State education regulations call for all MCAS testing to be complete by April 26. The district is working to reschedule ELA MCAS testing for grades 4-6 to meet the state deadline. More information regarding scheduling will be provided as it becomes available.

Sutton Historical Society to host presentation, other happenings

SUTTON — On Tuesday, May 7, at 1 p.m. at the Sutton Senior Center, 19 Hough Rd., the Society will host member, Ed Chrostowski, who will share his metal detecting expertise. Ed has metal detected several historic properties in Sutton finding many interesting artifacts which will be on display. Ed will also discuss the various tools used in metal detecting. Not only does Ed dig into the ground, but he meticulously documents where items were found and links them to individuals who lived on the properties. This free presentation is open to all members and the general public of all ages.

The Annual Town-Wide Yard Sale hosted by the Sutton Historical Society will be held

on Saturday, June 15 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Participant registration forms can be found at suttonhistoricalsocietyinc.org. Cost to participate is \$10. The Society does accept yard sale donations for the benefit of the Society. Please no items such as TVs, computers, monitors, upholstered furniture or clothes will be accepted as a donation. Contact sutton1704@gmail.com if interested in donating items or if you have any questions.

The Sutton Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to preserving history in the Town of Sutton. Membership is open year-round. Members do not have to reside in Sutton. For more information, visit suttonhistoricalsocietyinc.org.

S.C.E. Real Estate makes it personal

DOUGLAS — It's not just business. It's personal.

If how we do one thing is how we do everything, then it follows that taking the purposeful, intentional steps of building the business of S.C.E. Real Estate itself should divert from the traditional industry standards.

And it does. Too often, we've come across the conventional character traits in the general realm of real estate: power hungry, competitive, self-serving, to name a few. That couldn't be in more opposition to the brokerage we've established. Just like with our space, S.C.E. Real Estate was designed to foster community among our agents and our clients alike.

When you win, we win. We operate with open hands + heart. Your success is ours, authentically shared and celebrated. Your home purchase or sale is likely the most significant transaction of your life. We don't take that lightly. We believe in being consistent. Attentive. Data-driven. Caring.

We promise to distinguish yourself with expertise catered to your personal situation, with unrivaled services extending



well beyond the closing table. More than a realtor — consultant, go getter, strategist, problem-solver, status quo breaker.

Since the beginning, we have taken a creative approach to the real estate world, offering full-service solutions and commitments to making your goals a reality. With us, you can expect service done with passion, efficiency, strategy & heart, and a dose of humor.

Exceeding your goals through excellent service and effective solutions is our mission. Earning your business is our personal privilege. From our heart to yours — We look forward to serving you!

S.C.E. Real Estate is located at 295 Main St., Douglas. For more information, call 508-476-5484 or visit www.sce-realestate.com.



TAKE THE HINT
KAREN TRAINOR

Celebrating Chocolate!

Chocolate. It's the universal symbol of good taste and indulgence. A heart shaped box of hand packed chocolates shows one's affection, just as a rich chocolate dessert serves as the perfect end to a fancy meal. Good chocolate, much like fine wine, is now being chosen by vintage years, elevating the sweet, rich confection to status symbol level.

But what if the delicious sweet treat, long enjoyed by kings and royalty, had even more impressive attributes? What if the dark, creamy candy was actually good for you? While it may seem too incredible to fathom that a guilty conscience is no longer a requisite for indulging in the pleasures of chocolate, it's true! Thanks to medical studies that prove chocolate can be an aid to health, enjoying a chunk of the sweet stuff is now a shameless pleasure!

In celebration of chocolate, this week's column will promote the chocolate revolution with a round-up of fun and informative chocolate-ology!

**** Take Two Bon Bons and Call Me in the Morning: Hershey bars as health food? No, you're not dreaming. Read on for the fascinating facts why chocolate is touted as a valuable health booster!:**

The Chocolate Factor: Chocolate lovers, rejoice - here's a great excuse to enjoy everything from a cup of cocoa to hot fudge. Research now shows hot cocoa has more disease-fighting antioxidants than tea or red wine. In fact, the heat may help propel those health boosting compounds into the blood-

stream. The study, which appears in the Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry finds cocoa has the highest levels of antioxidants, twice as high as red wine, and nearly three times stronger than green tea: Extensive studies have shown that black tea, green tea, red wine, and cocoa are "major" sources of antioxidants called phenols and flavonoids - antioxidant chemicals found naturally in foods that can help prevent chronic diseases such as heart disease and cancer. Now you really can say "yes" to a cup of hot chocolate and dollop of hot cocoa fudge - with less guilt!

**** Cough Cure: If you thought nothing could be better than discovering chocolate is good for your heart ~here's a new excuse to break out a bar of Hershey's Dark. A study at the National Heart and Lung Institute in London reveals dark chocolate is better than codeine for suppressing coughs! While codeine was effective at preventing coughs, theobromine, a compound in dark chocolate proved to be 33 percent more effective, preventing coughs for four hours, with no side effects! Dark chocolate can have up to 450 milligrams of theobromine, but milk chocolate has much less.**

**** So how much chocolate should you self-prescribe? Experts say about two ounces for an adult should tame both your cough-and your cravings!**

**** Mood Food: The creamy, sweet taste of chocolate has long been the prescription for a bad mood - but now it seems medical experts agree chocolate really can elevate our moods! It seems the combina-**

tion of fat, sugar and an endorphin releasing substance called phenylethylamine, raises both serotonin and endorphin levels in the brain. That double dose of feel good compounds banishes our bad moods.

**** Milk Trick: The cure for lactose intolerance could be as close as your next glass of milk - chocolate, that is. Research conducted at the University of Rhode Island suggests chocolate milk may have surprising benefits for individuals who are lactose intolerant. In a case study, those who consumed chocolate milk showed significant reductions in their symptoms.**

**** Choco-Therapy: Your chocolate of choice's shape and filling as well as how it is wrapped and disposed of, reveals personality clues, says Psychotherapist Murray Langham, author of "Chocolate Therapy: Dare To Discover Your Inner Self." Here are some of his chocolate claims:**

Love milk chocolate? You, tend to be an innocent person who likes to live in the past.

Prefer dark chocolate? You are likely a materialistic, problem solvers who is excited by the future.

White chocolate fans have an innate sense of fairness and believe they have the power of the universe at their command.

Langham also claims your choice of filling and shape can also reveal much about your nature and state of mind.

He says those who favor oval shaped chocolate candies are social and sensual, while those who prefer chocolate covered coffee filling candies are open-minded, but also impatient, anxious

and immature. But perhaps the most astounding claim from Dr. Langham is that a person's attitude about romance is revealed in the way he or she disposes of the chocolate wrapper. He claims a person who crinkles up a wrapper before tossing it away has so much on their mind that they can't concentrate on romance. Worse yet, those who roll the wrapper into a ball have a boring romantic life, according to the doctor.

**** Chocolate Fun Facts:**

***People who constantly crave chocolate could be deficient in consider adding a magnesium, which is found in chocolate.**

***Chocolate syrup was used for blood in the famous shower scene in Alfred Hitchcock's movie, Psycho.**

***On his fourth voyage to the New World, in 1502, Christopher Columbus was the first European to taste chocolate.**

***The average American eats about 11 pounds of chocolate a year.**

***The Midwest and the Northeast consume more candy per region than the South, Southwest, West or Mid-Atlantic states.**

***Chocolate in a blue wrapper does not sell in Shanghai or Hong Kong because the Chinese associate blue with death.**

***The best selling candy bar in the U.S. is Snickers.**

***Chocolate was once considered a temptation of the devil.**

***It takes 400 cacao beans to make one pound of chocolate.**

***The melting point of cocoa butter is just below the human body temperature (98.6 degrees), which is why chocolate literally melts in your mouth.**

***Although chocolate is not an**

aphrodisiac, as the ancient Aztecs believed, chocolate contains phenyl ethylamine (PEA), a natural substance that is reputed to stimulate the same reaction in the body as falling in love. Hence, heartbreak and loneliness are great excuses for chocolate overindulgence.

**** Napoleon carried chocolate with him on his military campaigns, and always ate it when he needed quick energy.**

**** Great Late Chef James Beard used to toss a grating of bitter chocolate into chili to give it body and mellow the flavors.**

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

PET of the WEEK




Meet : Freckles 6 Months

This cutie has the most adorable black freckles that are sure to steal your heart. And her underbite? To die for! But it's not just looks. This short legged lady has the cutest personality too!

Freckles has a big heart and is a huge, wiggly snuggle bug! She loves treats, toys, and playing with her dog friends. She wouldn't mind sharing a home with a fellow playful dog friend and older kids. She would also love a fenced in yard to get her adorable zoomies out!

If you think this freckled cutie could be for you, please start the process today!!!

Apply for Freckles at baypathhumane.org

500 Legacy Farms North • Hopkinton, MA 01748





Est. 1887 MILFORD FEDERAL Our Community. Your Bank.

Milford Federal Bank is proud to sponsor Baypath Humane Society's Pet of the Week!

Bring your furry friend along on your next trip to MFB for a treat from our drive-up tellers, or stop in any branch and bring home a treat from our complimentary doggy treat bar.



1271 Providence Rd, Whitinsville, MA
508.234.8256 • 800.357.2265
MilfordFederal.com



Milford | Whitinsville | Woonsocket

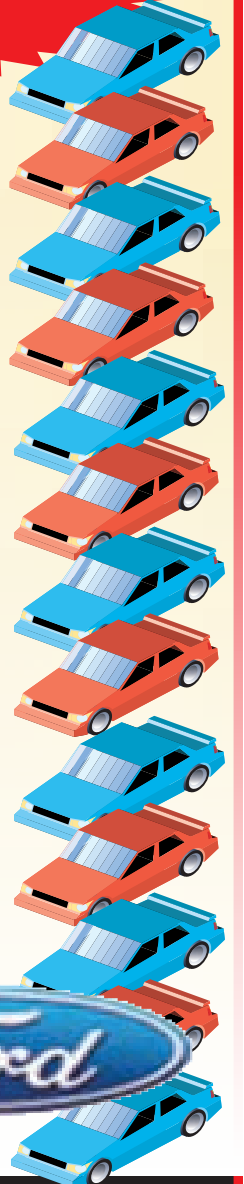
INVENTORY REDUCTION Sale!

VALUE AND SAVINGS!

MORE THAN JUST FORDS!

| | |
|---------|----------------------|
| CU7706 | 2018 BMW 320i |
| CU7828 | 2021 Honda Accord |
| TU10340 | 2021 Ram 3500 |
| TU10480 | 2019 Ram 1500 |
| TU10444 | 2021 Ford Escape |
| TU10542 | 2021 Volkswagen ID4 |
| TU10119 | 2018 Mazda CX5 |
| TU10604 | 2020 Ford EcoSport |
| TU10138 | 2019 Chevy Blazer |
| TU10553 | 2020 Ford F-150 Crew |
| TU10522 | 2021 Maxda CX9 |

| WAS: | NOW: |
|----------|----------|
| \$26,999 | \$25,599 |
| \$32,999 | \$31,599 |
| \$42,988 | \$40,999 |
| \$33,488 | \$31,999 |
| \$29,999 | \$26,999 |
| \$29,999 | \$27,399 |
| \$23,400 | \$22,299 |
| \$21,999 | \$21,499 |
| \$30,888 | \$29,999 |
| \$49,999 | \$48,999 |
| \$36,999 | \$34,999 |



Buy with confidence! Fully Serviced
On-Site Financing and Extended Warranty Coverage!

LAMOUREUX



366 E. Main Street, Rte. 9 • East Brookfield
877-LAM-FORD or 508-885-1000
SALES HOURS: Mon-Thurs 8:30am-6pm • Fri 8:30am-6pm • Sat 8:30am-3pm
SERVICE HOURS: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm • Sat 8am-Noon Sun-Closed

NAI Glickman Kovago & Jacobs
 25 ELM STREET | SOUTHBRIDGE, MA

9,536-SF HISTORIC OFFICE BUILDING FOR SALE

- Historical building, also known as Tiffany-Leonard House, built in 1832
- Large Executive Offices with Elegant Finishes and High Ceilings
- Large Open Concept Cubicle Areas
- Listing price: \$650,000
- Building size: 9,536 SF
- Lot size: 13,939 SF
- Loading docks: (1) tailgate height
- Basement: partial | Unfinished

MORE INFO:

JAMES GLICKMAN
Principal
508-769-5007
jglickman@glickmankovago.com

JONAH D. GLICKMAN
Vice President
508-868-3765
jdglickman@glickmankovago.com

SEND US YOUR NEWS!!!

news@stonebridgepress.news

Luciano's Colleen Club Maxwell Luciano's BANQUET AND CONFERENCE CENTER AT UNION STATION

Mother's Day Brunch

SUNDAY MAY 12TH 2024 9AM TO 3PM.

Adults: \$39.95
Ages: 6-12: \$27.95
2-5yrs: \$19.95

Breakfast Items, Hot Entrees, Salads and Fresh Fruit, Assorted Breads and more ...

Call 508 755-6408 or 508 755-1200
 for information & reservations

Maxwell Luciano's Banquet & Conference Center at Union Station
 2 Washington Square, Worcester, MA 01608

Hearthstone Market & Catering

New Spring specials. Let us do the cooking!

Rt. 20, 630 Main St. • Sturbridge, MA 01566 • 508-347-7077
 Open 7 Days a Week • 11am-7pm - ENTRANCE IN BACK

hearthstonemarket1@gmail.com • hearthstonemarketandcatering.com

ValleyCAST hosts Yellow Tulip Garden Hope Day Celebration

WHITINSVILLE — ValleyCAST, the arts and culture arm of Open Sky Community Services, in collaboration with the Yellow Tulip Project will be hosting their annual Yellow Tulip Gardens Hope Day Celebration on Wednesday, May 1 from 1-3 p.m. at the Dennis H. Rice Community Plaza. This free event is a celebration of resilience, joy, well-being, and community and the public is welcome and encouraged to attend. If it rains, the celebration will move indoors to the Singh Performance Center at the same location.

The Annual Hope Day Celebration brings people together to celebrate hope, smash the stigma around mental illness, and bring suicide prevention, mental health awareness, and resources for recovery to the community in anticipation of May is Mental Health Awareness Month. This year's celebration will feature live music by The Blackstone Valley Quartet, a story of recovery by Christen Mahoney-Pick, wellness offerings, resource information, and a chance to admire our yellow tulip Hope Garden in full bloom.



In collaboration with Yellow Tulip Project, ValleyCAST board members and staff, along with community members from the Whitin Community Cen-

ter, Blackstone Heritage Corridor, and NOWA Peer Recovery Support Center, planted their first Yellow Tulip Hope Garden with 500 tulips at the Alternatives' Whitin Mill in the fall of 2020. This has since inspired the planting of yellow tulip gardens at the Whitin Community Center, The Rockdale Youth Center, Douglas Primary School, NOWA, the Whitinsville Community, Worcester City Hall, The Heartwell

Institute, and as far away as the Town Common in Southbridge. After the Hope Day event, people are encouraged to take a short walk to the Whitin Community Center, 60 Main St., Whitinsville, and the Whitinsville Town Common to see three more yellow tulip Hope Gardens planted by the Whitin Community Center, the Women's Success Network, the local 4H Club, and Girls On The Run Worcester County with more than

1,500 yellow tulips planted in all. The Yellow Tulip Project is a Maine based, youth driven, non-profit that is fiercely dedicated to suicide prevention, mental health stigma reduction, community building, and helping people know that there is help and hope out there... one yellow tulip at a time. To learn more about the Yellow Tulip Project and how to plant your own Yellow Tulip Hope Garden go to www.theyellowtulip-project.org.

Uxbridge Public Schools launches therapeutic crisis intervention training initiative



Left to right: Whitin Intermediate School Principal Leanne DeMarco, Director of Pupil Services Jenn Toth, Taft Early Learning Center Assistant Principal Jennifer Collins, Superintendent of Schools Mike Baldassarre and UHS School Adjustment Counselor Lori Tobin.

UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge Public Schools is launching a new professional development initiative to train staff in Therapeutic Crisis Intervention for Schools (TCIS), an internationally renowned crisis prevention and intervention model. According to Cornell University, which developed the program, Superintendent Michael Baldassarre is one of only 44 professionally registered trainers of this program worldwide. He completed the process of becoming a professionally registered trainer in 2017.

Over the past six months, four additional Uxbridge leaders have earned accreditation from Cornell University to provide training to the district's staff in this acclaimed program. They were trained directly by leaders from the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research at Cornell University. The new TCIS Agency Level Trainers are Taft Early Learning Center Assistant Principal Jennifer Collins, Director of Pupil Services Jennifer Toth, Whitin Intermediate School Principal

Leanne DeMarco, and School Adjustment Counselor Lori Tobin. "Therapeutic Crisis Intervention gives our staff the skills to safely manage crisis situations while promoting positive relationships and preventing future crises," said Baldassarre. "With our own certified trainers, we can provide consistent, high-quality training to our staff that prioritizes both employee and student safety and well-being." The TCIS program is known for turning stressful situations with kids into opportunities to teach them new skills. TCIS teaches staff strategies to prevent and de-escalate potential crisis situations through therapeutic rapport, emotional regulation and crisis co-regulation techniques. If

a crisis does occur, TCIS provides safe, non-harmful intervention protocols to protect all involved. The training aligns with a trauma-informed approach that meets students' academic, social, emotional and physical needs. Studies show TCIS reduces injuries to students and staff, reduces worker's compensation claims, improves staff retention and creates a more positive, supportive school climate. Uxbridge's adoption of this best-practice model demonstrates its commitment to providing a safe, nurturing learning environment for all students. Without the investment of trainers embedded within the school district, the cost of training staff would be significant, according to Director of Pupil Services Toth.

Blackstone Valley Bluegrass to play next Grass Roots Coffeehouse concert



NORTHBRIDGE — Our next Grass Roots Coffeehouse concert on Saturday, May 4 features Blackstone Valley Bluegrass, a local favorite that has been performing for the Grass Roots crowds for more than 20 years! The band plays a mixture of traditional, contemporary, and original Bluegrass music and always puts on an entertaining show. The band consists of Tim St. Jean on mandolin from Putnam, Conn., Pete Fein on banjo from Stow, Peter Tillotson on bass from Grafton, and original band member Bob Dick from Northbridge. The Grass Roots Coffeehouse is located at the Rockdale Congregational Church, 42 Fowler Rd., Northbridge. Admission to the concert is \$15. Hot foods, beverages and desserts are available prior to the concert and during intermission. Doors open at 6:45 p.m., concert begins at 7:30 p.m., and usually wraps up by 9:30 p.m. Proceeds support the artists and the church. The Coffeehouse is run by volunteers. For more information, visit <http://www.rockdalechurchonline.org> or call Bob at 617-429-0347.

NOR'EASTER ROOFING INC.

Over 30 Years Experience

Our roofs will weather the storm!

Thank You for making us your #1 choice.
Deal directly with the owner, Rob Chaile, No outside salesman!

ROOFING • VINYL SIDING • WINDOWS
CHIMNEY REPAIRS • SEAMLESS GUTTERS
SPRAY FOAM INSULATION

Residential & Commercial
From a hole in your roof... to a whole new roof!

508-NOR-EAST / 508-667-3278
www.NoreasterRoofing.com
Visit our showroom
1 Providence Ln., Whitinsville, MA
Call us for a FREE Estimate
CS#69907 HIC#160483

facebook

LIVING ROOM SALE

Our finest lines will include Names like La-z-boy, Craftmaster, Best, Ashley and Lancer

We are in the process of selling out some Floor Samples! Come check them out at **BIG SAVINGS**

0% INTEREST - FOR 1 FULL YEAR!

www.sundeenfurnitureinc.com

Sundeen Furniture

241 Providence Rd., Whitinsville • 508-234-8777
FREE REMOVAL • FREE DELIVERY
M.T.W. 9:30-6:00; TH. & FRI. 9:30-7:00; SAT. 9:30-6:00; SUN 11-5

GRILL SALE!

SPRING SALE!

GOING ON NOW!

BIG SELECTION OF E-BIKES

GIANT BIKE SALE WE REPAIR BIKES!!!

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| MATTRESS SALE! | 5 CU. FT. CHEST FREEZER #7150 \$219⁹⁹ WAS \$299.99 | FRIGIDAIRE DISHWASHER #7150 \$329⁹⁹ WAS \$599.99 | 18 CU. FT. REFRIGERATOR \$549⁹⁹ WAS \$699.99 | MAYTAG DISHWASHER #MDB4949SKZ \$549⁹⁹ WAS \$649.99 | STAINLESS STEEL BOTTOM FREEZER \$899⁹⁹ WAS \$1295.99 | DELUXE WHIRLPOOL WASHER \$499⁹⁹ WAS \$699.95 |
| | FRIGIDAIRE SIDE-BY-SIDE REFRIGERATOR \$999⁹⁹ WAS \$1,599.99 | HOTPOINT WASHER OR DRYER \$449⁹⁹ WAS \$599.99 | MAYTAG DRYER OR WASHER \$569⁹⁹ WAS \$699.99 | WHIRLPOOL FRENCH DOOR BOTTOM FREEZER \$1599⁹⁹ WAS \$2,699 | 10 CU. FT. CHEST FREEZER \$499⁹⁹ WAS \$599.99 | 20 CUBIC FOOT UPRIGHT FREEZER \$799⁹⁹ WAS \$999.95 |
| | LG TOP FREEZER 18 CU. FT. \$699⁹⁹ WAS \$899.99 | AMANA GAS RANGE #AGR1533CBAS • Stainless Steel \$599⁹⁹ WAS \$699.99 | GE FRONT LOAD WASHER #GFWSOSSNWW \$749⁹⁹ WAS \$999.99 | 20 CU. FT. CHEST FREEZER \$899⁹⁹ WAS \$1099.99 | LG SMOOTH TOP ELECTRIC STOVE \$729⁹⁹ WAS \$999.99 | G.E. OVER-THE-RANGE MICROWAVE \$229⁹⁹ WAS \$279.99 |

NO CREDIT? BAD CREDIT? NEW EASY FINANCING TERMS ON EVERYTHING IN THE STORE!

WHITCO

140 MAIN STREET
SPENCER, MA
508.885.9343

SEE WHITCOSALES.COM
FOR 100'S OF DEALS!

Store Hours: Mon. through Fri: 10am-8:30pm • Sat: 10am-8pm • Sun: 12pm-7pm

Uxbridge Free Public Library

15 North Main St.
www.uxbridgelibrary.org
508-278-8624
May 2024 Programs
POINTILLISM CHERRY TREE PAINT NIGHT

Calling all adults—join us on Thursday, May 16 at 6pm for Paint Night at the library! You will create a stunning cherry tree painting using pointillism. This painting technique originated during the Impressionist era and involves using dots of different colors to create an impression of flowers and grass. Start with a brush to outline the tree and background, then add colors and details using dots. This will give your painting a beautiful and unique texture. Registration is required—sign up on the Library website or by calling the library at 508-278-8624.

SIGN UP FOR A CW MARS ECARD
Don't have a library card? You can sign up for a CW MARS eCard at home right now — it provides immediate access to the library's online resources, like ebooks and audiobooks on Libby or Hoopla, newspapers like the T&G on Newsbank, and movies and documentaries on Kanopy! You can always upgrade your eCard to a physical library card by visiting the library. Apply for a CWMARS eCard and use it today: <https://bit.ly/uxecard>

ADULT PROGRAMS
Register now:
Gentle Flow Yoga – Mondays, May 6, 13, & 20 at 7pm & Thursday, May 23 at 7pm
Uxbridge Knit-n-Stitch Circle – Mondays, May 6, 13, & 20 at 6pm
Cardmaking Hands-On Workshop – May 9 at 6:15pm

Pointillism Cherry Tree Paint Night – May 16 at 6pm
Embroidery 101 with Madonna Terlizzi – May 29 at 1pm & May 30 at 6pm
PopUp Library at the Senior Center – May 31 at 11:30am
Book-a-Librarian – Need help downloading e-books and using other library digital resources? Contact the library to book a 30-minute appointment with a librarian for hands-on tech assistance. Wednesdays from 2:30pm-4pm.
Join a Book Club:
Uxbridge Senior Center Book Club – The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah, May 14 at 1pm
Historical Fiction Book Club – The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters, May 21 at 3:30pm
Bookies Book Club – The Guncle by Steven Rowley, May 20 at 6:30pm

YOUTH & TEEN PROGRAMS
Register now:
Teen Book-In-A-Bag (ages 13+) – Pick up your themed book-in-a-bag choice between May 1-15
Teen Paint a T-Shirt! (ages 13-19) – May 30 at 6pm
Teen Tarot Readings (ages 13-19) – May 20 at 6pm
Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins (all ages) – May 2 & 16 at 11am
Blossoming Youth Yoga (ages 5-12) – May 6, 13, & 20 at 6pm
Lego Challenge Build (ages 6+) – May 8 & 22 at 4pm
Family Candy Bar Bingo (Theme: Ocean Creatures, ages 6+) – May 4 at 12:30pm
Virtual Fortnite Tournament (ages 8+) – May 9 at 6pm

Henna by Jen! (ages 10+) – May 16 at 6pm
Science with Amanda: Dolphins (ages 6+) – May 23 at 4:30pm
Craft Programs:
Potted Lilies (ages 6-12) – May 7 at 4:15pm
Unicorn Miniatures Painting (ages 8+) – May 13 at 4:30pm
Beaded Frames (ages 8-12) – May 14 at 4:15pm
Pom Pom Puppy (ages 4-7) – May 21 at 4:15pm
Build-a-Birdhouse (ages 6-12) – May 28 at 4:15pm
Storytimes and Playgroups:
Baby Storytime (0-2 years) – Mondays, May 13 & 20 at 11:30am
Toddler/Preschool Storytime (2-4

years) – Wednesdays, May 8 & 15 at 11:30am
Baby Bumble (Socialization playgroup, 0-2 years) – Tuesdays, May 7 & 21 at 11am
Toddler Tumble (Socialization playgroup, 2-5 years) – Tuesday, May 14 & 28 at 11am
Drop-In Programs:
Crafty Wednesdays – Wednesday mornings and afternoons
Please visit the Library's website at uxbridgelibrary.org or call us at 508-278-8624 to inquire about our upcoming programs or to register to attend! Many of our programs are supported by the Uxbridge Board of Library Trustees and the Friends of the Uxbridge Free Public Library.

Upton VFW summer flea markets return May 11

UPTON — The Upton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5594 (VFW) will open its annual summer series of flea markets on Saturday May 11 at post headquarters, 16 Milford St. (Route 140) in Upton. It will be joined in May by the Blackstone Valley Garden Club that will offer outdoor and indoor greenery ready for spring planting.
Hours are 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with donuts and coffee available in the morning, then hot dogs, chips, and cold drinks for lunch. Parking is free.

Ample vendor spaces are available for \$10 each or banquet sized tables can be provided by the post for \$15 each. Reservations are not needed. Post member David Kennedy can answer further questions by calling him at 508-529-3314. Kennedy heads up these events that are held the second Saturday of each month through October. There are no rain dates. These fundraisers benefit the post and the community at large.
The post is located next door to Upton's new Town Library and Senior Center.

UXBRIDGE

continued from page A2

Friday, May 31st – 12noon – May Birthday Cake Celebration. Come Celebrate all the birthdays that are in April!

Card Game played during lunch on Mondays.

Hannaford grocery shopping every Tuesday. Pick up begins at 8:30 AM. Please sign up in advance by calling us at 508-278-8622 to reserve your seat on the van.

Knitting Club every Tuesday @ 1:30 pm – Come join the creative fun!

Walk & Talk Exercise Group every Tuesday @ 2:00pm – This starts on May 14th. Join Doreen Cedrone, our Wellness Coordinator, in walking local trails in Uxbridge. Walking with a group can help you meet new people, build friendships,

and provide a sense of community. Being active is the secret to staying healthy, and walking is one of the easiest and least expensive ways to get moving. The location for the month of May will be the Blackstone Valley Greenway located on Adams Street in South Uxbridge (near McDonald's). Participants will meet Doreen at the walking site, the location may change each month. The program is weather permitting and there is no charge. Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle. Participants are required to complete an enrollment and waiver form. Please call the senior center for more info and to receive your forms.

Every Wednesday – 9 am – 3 pm – The Uxbridge Senior Center Transportation Program Community Shuttle. This shuttle is for seniors and individuals with disabilities to destinations such as post office, pet care appointments, hair salon or barber, bank, pharmacy & shopping anywhere in the Uxbridge/Northbridge area. Note: this replaces the weekly bank/pharmacy and Shaw's Ocean State rides. Call 508-278-8622 for more information and to book your ride. Requests require a 48-hour notice.

Wednesdays - "Canasta" Hand, Knee & Foot Card Game – 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm.

Every Thursday – Play Scrabble! – 1:00 pm – Come by for an afternoon playing Scrabble. Boards are supplied by the senior center. Let us know if you'd like to join us for lunch! No Game on May 30th.

Medical Transportation is accepting appointments. Call 508-278-8622 to schedule your rides.

The senior center is in need of the following donations: Lysol wipes, newly packaged napkins, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, ground regular & decaf coffee. We thank you for your support!

Feel free to contact us at 508-278-8622 or visit us on our web page at Uxbridge.ma.gov/coa or like us on our FB page or by googling Uxbridge Senior Center and our new YouTube Channel or even dropping by.

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNh_RiQ99rucmFH-UO7VFBw
• <https://www.uxbridgetv.org/schedule/192>

Mike Downing
Whitinsville

BVCC sings in spring!

UXBRIDGE — The Blackstone Valley Community Chorus will present their concert, "American Rhythms & Roots," on Sunday, May 19 at 3 p.m. The concert will take place at Valley Chapel at 14 Hunter Rd. in Uxbridge.

"American Rhythms & Roots" includes a blend of American folk music and jazz standards and celebrates American songwriters from George and Ira Gershwin to John Denver. Admission is free, though donations are accepted and appreciated!

The Blackstone Valley Community Chorus is composed of singers from towns throughout Central Massachusetts. Singing under the direction of Diane Pollard of Douglas, the BVCC has been committed to bringing varied musical performance opportunities to the Blackstone Valley for almost twenty years. The BVCC has also been invited to sing at the State House in Boston on Wednesday, May 22. Visit the BVCC on Facebook or at www.bvccchorus.com for more information on these events.

LETTER

continued from page A4

what they wanted her to say. The interview was full of facts Little Ricky is going to hate, like that climate related deaths which the left believe (no facts) were going to go up in fatalities have gone down significantly. The data put together by scientists show that from 1920 to 2020 climate related deaths went from just under 500,000 to a mere 50,000 in 2020. According to Dr. Curry, the 1930's was the worst decade for natural disasters and New England's 1938 hurricane was one of them. Once again the data proves that beyond a shadow of a doubt that the climate is not getting worse like our Chicken Little liberals want you to believe.

All of this climate hysteria was started just after Hurricane Katrina by none other than Dr. Curry herself who presented data that the media spun into a completely different version...their version and she chuckles at the fact that she started this whole thing. Alarmists and propagandists decided to tie extreme weather to global warming and voila... We have climate change and that's the story we're going to run indefinitely says our fake news.

Dr. Curry also knows that the IPCC has not been telling the world all the facts relating to the climate and accused the IPCC of "cherry picking" the things

they want the world to see and read. Dr. Curry explained that the IPCC never points out the benefits of climate change and it was explained to me very simply that there are benefits. For instance, we are on the cusp of 8 billion people on this planet and the need for more food is growing along with the population. This is where the benefits of global warming should be welcomed, permafrost keeps us from planting and the absence of permafrost makes that possible in colder climate regions. Think of it — areas where we could not plant crops are now possible to feed the population.

"Global warming is a part of the natural cycle and there's nothing we can actually do to stop these normal cycles. The world is now facing spending a vast amount of money in tax to try to solve an issue that doesn't actually exist." — Dr. David Bellamy

"Fossil fuel opponents don't want you to know the precise magnitude of climate change ...because if you did, you wouldn't be scared of climate change, you'd be scared of losing the benefits of fossil fuels." Compliments of Prager University.

The liberals in this world constantly say it's conservatives that are very controlling but the very nature of this climate change hysteria itself has to do with lots of control over everything and they want you to pay for it. The U.N., IPCC, and even the WHO are all gun-

ning to take our liberties away all in the name of what they call good health and climate change.

Dr. Meryl Nass: The WHO Pandemic Agreement is a "soft coup", which will enable the WHO "to take over jurisdiction of everything in the world by saying that climate change, animals, plants, water systems [and] ecosystems are all central to health".

In addition to that, it will remove human rights protections, enforce censorship and digital passports, require governments to push a single "official" narrative, and enable the WHO to declare "pandemics" on a whim.

"We're undergoing a soft coup... under the pretext of pandemic preparedness and the biosecurity agenda.

Time to wake up, people! We are being scammed from all angles and if the government and all those agencies have their way, we won't be able to have a vegetable garden in your own backyard. Look what's happening to farmers over in Europe they're being told in the name of climate change to change up their routine or else... does that sound controlling? Yeah, it does and that's leftist agenda. If we continue to allow this hysteria of climate change to continue, who knows what liberties will be removed next.

God bless.



Morin JEWELERS
Fine Jewelry & Gifts
The Jewelry store where you buy with confidence

WE BUY GOLD

Specializing in Custom Designs
All types of Jewelry Repairs

MASTER JEWELERS™
BRILLIANCE YOU DESERVE®

409 Main St. Southbridge, MA
morinjewelers.com • 508-764-7250
Located at CVS Plaza

Charlton Oil
Propane
508-248-9797

Don't Pay Too Much for Propane

| PROPANE | PRICE PER GAL | PROPANE | PRICE PER GAL | Tanks Filled |
|---------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| 0-50 | \$5.70 | 300-500 | \$2.55 | to 80% |
| 50-75 | \$3.40 | 500 PLUS | \$2.40 | Driver |
| 75-150 | \$3.05 | Dual Fuel | \$3.75 | Discretion |
| 150-300 | \$2.75 | Drop off Tanks | \$3.00 | |

DON'T PAY TOO MUCH FOR OIL!
• Friday price 4/12/24 was \$3.59 per gallon*
100 gallon minimum

ONLINE ORDERING NOW AVAILABLE AT
www.charltonoil.com

"Call Us First!"
*prices subject to change

Crooked Creek Farm
East Brookfield, Massachusetts

Stock up now!

Retail Cuts, Quarter, & Half sides of Beef Available!

To purchase your meat packages
CALL/TEXT: (774) 200-7308
www.CrookedCreekFarmMA.com

FREE LOCAL DELIVERY!

Find Us on Social Media

For Advertising Information
Call 774-200-7308
email: mikaela@stonebridgepress.news

News from Beginning Bridges

BeginningBridgesCFCE.weebly.com
Facebook: Beginning Bridges CFCE
Emurray@smoc.org
508-278-5110

Beginning Bridges CFCE's vision is that children, youth and families reach their full potential now and in the future. Our mission is to work with families and community partners to create the conditions for children, youth and families to thrive socially, academically and economically. Funding for the Coordinated Family & Community Engagement Grant (CFCE) is provided by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) and sponsored by South Middlesex Opportunity Council

(SMOC-Childcare/Head Start). Beginning Bridges CFCE has funding for the towns of Mendon, Northbridge, Upton & Uxbridge. Currently, our FREE comprehensive services include weekly indoor and outdoor parent/child playgroups. We also offer parent education programs, the Ages & Stages Developmental Questionnaire and can connect families to community resources.

Upcoming Events

Registration is required for all upcoming events.

Uxbridge High School awarded fifth Innovation Career Pathways designation

UXBRIDGE—Superintendent Michael Baldassarre and Principal Dr. Michael Rubin are pleased to share that Uxbridge High School has been named a spring 2024 Innovation Career Pathways designee by the Healey-Driscoll Administration.

The new Innovation Pathway, in Healthcare and Social Assistance, is Uxbridge High School's fifth Innovation Pathway designation. The school currently offers the Manufacturing, Information Technology, Biomedical Science, and Business & Finance pathways.

The Healthcare and Social Assistance pathway will involve connections between courses in psychology, child development and educational methods, the national Educators Rising "Grow Your Own" program, and the Taft Early Learning Center and Whittin Intermediate School.

Through the pathway, students will be prepared to complete in-class teaching experiences, receive teaching assistant credentials, and understand how to support students with a variety of learning profiles and needs.

In 2018, UHS was one of the first four schools to earn an Innovation Career Pathway designation. Most of the Massachusetts school districts that have earned the designation since worked closely with UHS, visited the school or participated in workshops that have furthered the growth of these programs across the state.

"We are proud to be a leader in the

Douglas High School honor roll

DOUGLAS — Douglas High School has released its honor roll for the third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year.

Grade 9
Highest Honors
Isabella Bartusek, Daniel Berche, Saige Cobb, Arianna Delgado, Benjamin Elliott, Matthew Horne, Elyse Johnston, Lyla Jordan, Julia Kaminski, Jalaiyaz Naranjo, Dennis Petrin, Isabel Rooslet, Noah Roulier, Francesca Scinicariello, Caroline Sherry, Taylor Smith, Sevanna Scroczeni, Kenley Wood

Honors
Jakson Barthelemy, Amer Chaudhary, Lyla Couture, Gabriel Heney, Ryan McCallum, Ayla McDermott, Renata Pierre, Emalena Ventura

Honors
Kylee Smith, Cameron Visser, Nathan Wightman, Cameron Zanchi

Grade 10
Highest Honors
Adriana Acosta, Sebastian Acosta, Ashton Bachand, Logan Beauchemin, Adeline Cherrier, Nathan Chesley, Ray Clontz, Mia Darling, Nadia Dziobak, Richard Fonseca, Julianne Forget, Allison Gordon, Jillian Gould, Ella Greenough, William Higgins, Emma Kagels, Sarah Lemire, Branden Mills, Sadie O'Toole, Thomas Oum, Emily Pacheco, Emily Ramsdell, Anthony Smith, Neo Telles, Aiden Vassar

Honors
Alexandra Brunetti, Mia Colucci, Zoe Greenough, Megan Prue, Krista Rice

Honors
Mackenna Chiasson, Angelina Jenks

Grade 11
Highest Honors
Fani Angelidaki, David Berchem, Maegan Bradley, Shaan Chaudhary, Olivia DeFalco, Juliana Desmarais, Avery Greenough, Ava Haire, Travis King, Charlotte Loy, Elyse McCarthy, Taylor Morel, Brady Olson, Erin Picanso, Jessica Rose, Joshua Roulier, Zachary Sargent Stone Slowik, Gianna Smith, Hannah Sobolewski, Joranni Souphida, Tayla Sullivan, Kay Taylor

ing events. Links can be accessed on our website or contact Emily Murray at 508-278-5110 or Emurray@smoc.org.

Please check our website and Facebook page for our latest Newsletter.
Wednesday, May 1: Coffee and Conversations 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Taft Public Library, 29 North Ave. in Mendon. Join us for an informal drop-in playtime where families will be able to build social connections, learn about early childhood development and family friendly resources. Please bring your own coffee. Muffins from Muffin House Cafe will be provided. Puppet Storytime will follow at 10:30 a.m. Register for both on the Taft Public Library Web site.

Wednesdays May 1-22: Parenting Toolbox 10-11 a.m. at the Uxbridge Free Public Library. Join us for a series of conversations around the topics of positive discipline, bedtime struggles, eating challenges, toileting troubles and the importance of both play & routines. (limited childcare is available at the Uxbridge playcenter) Contact emurray@smoc.org to register)

Thursdays April 4-May 23: from 9 to 10:30 a.m. – Tinker Playgroup. Join Beginning Bridges CFCE and Taft Public Library for a free six-week playgroup to play and learn together. Meet

Innovation Career Pathway work in Massachusetts as one of the first four schools to ever earn the designation," Principal Dr. Rubin said. "The new Healthcare and Social Assistance pathway will provide additional unique opportunities for our students to enhance their skills and pursue their interests."

Innovation Career Pathways provide students with applied learning experience in high-demand industries such as Advanced Manufacturing, Information Technology, Environmental and Life Sciences, Health Care and Social Assistance, Business and Finance, and Clean Energy. Providing these pathways enables students to explore high-demand careers they may want to pursue at no cost while strengthening workforce pipelines to meet the needs of employers in those industries.

Thirty-six high schools statewide were awarded designations by the Healey-Driscoll Administration on April 3 at Carver Middle School. Each awarded school offers education in one or more Innovation Career Pathways. With these new designations, the Healey-Driscoll Administration reports that approximately 8,000 students will be enrolled in one or more of the 226 Innovation Career Pathways.

For the full list of designated schools and more information about Innovation Career Pathways, visit mass.gov.

High Honors
Matthew Bell, Skyler Criasia, Grace Fortier, Luke Lamontagne, Leilane Martinez Paulino, Kyla Nadeau, Riley Smith, Jacob Wasson

Honors
Jocelyn McCallum, Madison McDermott

GRADE 12
Highest Honors
Ashley Arnold, Amanda Audette, Linas Buivydas, Isabella Calkins, Olivia DeLuca, Matthew Doyle, Taylin Fragala, Noah Gaskill, Hadley Gavan, Isaac Gosselin, Owen Gray, Gavin Gualtieri, Emilee Hamelin, Andrew Hogan, William Hogan, Colton Howard, Jaxon Kaczor, Samantha Loy, Louis Makela, Chloe McDonald, Julia Oskirko, Erika Our, Haileigh Recore, Alanis Rosario-Rivera, Dominic Rossi, Colin Squier, Molly Stinchfield, Ethan Vassar, Alexander Wheeler, Evan Wheeler, Cecelia White

Honors
Rylee Bennett, Connor Brunetti, Gavin Delgado, Joshua Farrell, Logan Hooper, Colin Loehr, Nathan Smith, Lucas Zurowski

Honors
Liam Chabot, Aiden Conleyx

St. Peter Parish hosting chicken parm dinner, yard sale

NORTHBRIDGE — St. Peter Parish in Northbridge is having a Chicken Parm Dinner on Saturday, May 4 starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Bring you family and friends for a wonderful meal and meet some new friends. Tickets are \$17 per dinner and include salad and dessert. To go meals will be available for pick up at 5:00pm and all orders must be purchased in advance. Please call the parish office at 508-234-2156 or

new friends and practice important STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) skills. Registration is required. Contact Emily at 508-278-5110 or emurray@smoc.org

Fridays April 5 to June 14 from 9:30 – 11 a.m.: Outdoor Explorers at West Hill Dam – Come join us as we explore the outdoors together and engage in a story, craft and songs. Registration is still open, although there is limited availability. Contact Emily Murray at

Douglas police log

DOUGLAS — The Douglas Police Department reported the following arrests from March 17 to April 9.

Alexander R. Bouchard, age 33, of Charlton City was arrested on March 18 for Failure to Appear; Operating a Motor Vehicle after Revocation or Suspension of License, and operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle.

A 24-year-old female from Webster was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on March 20 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and a Motor Vehicle Lights Violation.

A 30-year-old male from Webster was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on March 20 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

A 21-year-old female from Cumberland, R.I. was issued a summons on March 21 for Use of an Electronic Device While Operating a Motor Vehicle, a Number Plate Violation to Conceal Identification, and Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle.

Caden Jonathan Roy, age 18, of Douglas was arrested on March 23 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol, Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and Furnishing Alcohol to a Person Under 21.

David PD Burrows, age 30, of Douglas was arrested on March 23 for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (second offense).

Christopher M. Taylor, age 37, of

508-278-5110 or emurray@smoc.org.

Monday, May 6: Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins, 9:30 to 10 a.m. at Upton Town Library, 9 Milford St., Upton. Register on the Upton Town Library Web site.

Wednesday, May 15: Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins, 10:30 to 11 a.m. at Whitinsville Social Library, 17 Church St., Whitinsville. Register online at the Whitinsville Social Library Web site.

Douglas was arrested on March 24 for Failure to Appear.

A 36-year-old male from West Boylston was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on March 27 for Littering.

A 20-year-old male from Webster was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on March 27 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and a Number Plate Violation.

Henry F. Hicks, Jr., age 60, of Douglas was arrested on March 28 for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

Zachary Taylor Plasse, age 30, of Webster was arrested on March 31 for Failure to Appear.

A 34-year-old male from Blackstone was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on April 1 for Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License.

Michael Scott Jarosz, age 36, of Thompson, Conn. was arrested on April 3 for Violation of an Abuse Prevention Order; Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol, Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and driving at a rate of speed greater than was reasonable and proper.

Corey P. Bouchard, age 33, of Douglas was arrested on April 5 for Failure to Appear.

A 21-year-old female from Providence, R.I. was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on April 6 for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and driving at a rate of speed exceeding the posted limit.

BVT's Moonlight Program in Practical Nursing will host Child Safety Fair May 4

UPTON — If you have young children who are in preschool or early school age, then you might want to mark your calendar and save the date. The Moonlight Program in Practical Nursing is presenting a Child Safety Fair that promises to be fun and educational for your children. It's a free event that will be held on Saturday, May 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School located at 65 Pleasant Street in Upton.

The Child Safety Fair will feature an interactive vehicle display which includes an Upton police cruiser to explore if the weather cooperates. The Practical Nursing students will be in the cafe annex sharing information with parents through engaging presentations on bicycle, car/booster seat, fire, backyard/playground, and water safety. The event also includes fun activities that will engage children and help them learn about safety.

The PN students are excited to meet

you and give back to the community by providing helpful information about keeping children safe. If you or someone you know is interested in pursuing a new and exciting career, one of the Moonlight Programs at Blackstone Valley Tech might be a great fit. To learn more about these programs, visit www.valleytech.k12.ma.us/moonlight-programs.

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.

Grafton Class of '74 celebrates 50-year milestone

GRAFTON — The Grafton High School Class of 1974 will celebrate their 50 year reunion at the Apple Tree Arts Great Room in the Warren Block, 1 Grafton Common, on Saturday June 8 from 6-10 p.m. Attendees will enjoy a catered dinner, Grafton trivia questions, and are encouraged to bring photos or memorabilia to share remembrances of times in elementary, junior and senior high school.

For more information, and to purchase tickets for the Saturday reunion event (\$50 per person, coffee provided) contact Jean Bolton Adams via Facebook, email: JEBSA2@aol.com or call/text, 508-831-8676. Ticket purchase by May 17 is requested.

"This event will be a place where classmates and spouses can share stories of the past and present in a relaxing, comfortable setting," says Jean Bolton Adams, Committee Chair. "Grafton was,

and still is, full of special memories."

Additional activities such as tours of the middle and high schools, the Willard Homestead and Clock Museum, the Grafton Historical Society in the former South Grafton Library and the Grafton Library's new addition will be held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

The Apple Tree Arts Great Room holds memories of 5th grade dancing lessons and elementary school holiday performances. The hot lunch cafeteria for the former Norcross and Norcross Annex elementary schools was located on the lower level of the building, now occupied by a local tavern.

The Warren Block was built circa 1863 after fire destroyed the original 1853 structure and was first leased, then purchased by the Town in 1885 for multiple community and retail uses, including the Town offices.

Advertise Here

BUMA
FUNERAL HOMES
Uxbridge • Whitinsville • Milford
www.bumafuneralhome.com

Jackman Funeral Home
7 Mechanic St. Douglas, MA
12 Spring St., Whitinsville, MA

Tancrell-Jackman Funeral Home
35 Snowling Rd., Uxbridge, MA
(508) 278-2200 - Reaches All Locations

JackmanFuneralHome@yahoo.com ~ JackmanFuneralHomes.com



REAL ESTATE



43 East Main Street Webster, MA 01570
Finest Realtor Associates to Serve You!

hope2own.com
508.943.4333

Sharon Pelletier - Owner Broker
Licensed in MA, CT & RI

We Want Your Listings!



Featured Listing !!

WEBSTER

38 RAY STREET UNIT#3

Condominium Don't Miss this one!! Beautiful & Large! 2 bedroom - 2nd & 3rd floor! Corner Lot. Land area 19,000 Sq. Ft. +/- **ONLY \$249,900.**

* June Cazeault * Laurie Sullivan * Matthew Ross * Lori Johnson-Chause * William Gilmore II * Bryan Pelletier

WEBSTER - 18 EASTERN AVE.



TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT THIS ONE!
This property offers a whole lot more than meets the eye! 2 Family that served the same family for over 65 Years. 2 BRs & 1 Bath, 1st flr. 1 -2 Brs & 1 Bath 2nd flr. Offers a shared front entry porch & a separate finished side entry porch for the 1st floor apt only. A rear open porch provides a private space & scenic views for the 2nd floor. It's situated on an acre plus++ (1.37 Acre) of land on the corner of Eastern Ave. and Pine St. 480' on Pine St. which has DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL.

\$399,000.

**WEBSTER-22 HALL RD
OPEN HOUSE !! SUNDAY 11 - 2PM**



1st Time Offered!! Better than new! Young 2200 Sq ft Cape. This one can be your's! Young 2200+ Sq ft Cape/Split 7+ Room, 4 bdrs. 3 full baths! Master bed/Bath! Bonus - finished stairway to the massive unfinished 2nd floor. 3/4 Acre of land mostly Landscaped, beach, boat ramp, Sailing Assoc. very close by. Kitchen w/Island & dining room. Hardwood, ceramic, & carpet flrs. Heated 2 car garage. So much more!

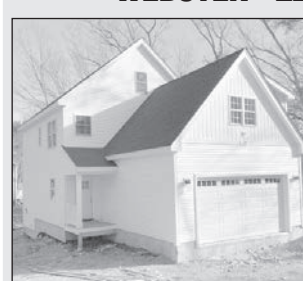
\$599,900

WEBSTER - 17 BRODEUR AVENUE



BEING BUILT!!
SPRAWLING 2000 SF ONE LEVEL RANCH HOME! Situated on a level 1/2 acre Lot! OPEN FLOOR PLAN. Living room, dining room, upscaled kitchen with 7" island, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, Beautiful Hardwood Floors! central air. 2 car garage, & shed. **\$614,500**

WEBSTER - 22 COOPER ROAD



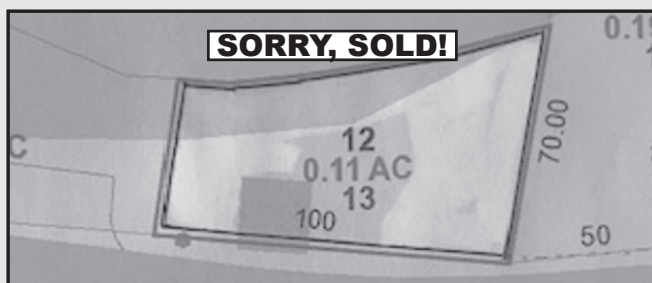
New Construction Gorgeous 2500 SQ FT Colonial. 4 brms, 2-1/2 Bath. Open Concept 1st flr, Crown Moldings, High End Cabinetry W/Island, Granite Counters. Hardwood Flooring throughout, MASTER SUITE - WALK IN Closet, High MASTER BATH! 2 car Garage, Close to Lake-side Beach & Boat Ramp! 2nd one of 4 To Be Built!

\$549,000

On the shores of Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg

*Webster Lake
13 South Point Rd.*

100' of frontage on the water & road. An old cement block garage is located on the property.. Land area surveyed, DEP approval to build. Property suitable for small craft dockage/off season storage. Town Water & Sewer available **\$195,000**



Your Lake Home Here!

**PUT YOUR TRUST IN US
TEAMWORK AND EXPERIENCE**
Jo-Ann Szymczak 774-230-5044
Diane Luong 774-239-2937
Maria Reed 508-873-9254
Vicki Bennett, Client Coordinator
Jenna Gouin, Client Coordinator
ReMax Vision • 25 Union St., Worcester MA 01608
CALL FOR A MARKET ANALYSIS Licensed in MA & CT

ACT NOW!!! DISCOVER DUDLEY
As the Leaves fill in so does your Privacy-
Great Country Location
But Convenient to Shopping, School, Walking trails
SELLER MOTIVATED
New Carpeted • New Spetic System
• Town Water
DUDLEY-Low Taxes, convenient to community, Rte. 146, MA Pike, 396

SOUTHBRIDGE- Seller Relocating! Deceiving Cape
Great Yard
Great Room
Fireplace
1.5 Baths
Fantastic Sunset & Views
3 Bedrooms
Family room w/ Pool Table
24" Kitchen/Dining Room

**MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
AT PUBLIC AUCTION**
Thursday, April 25, 2024

3:00 PM-FISKDALE (Sturbridge)
140 Paradise Lane
sgl fam, 2,454 sf liv area, 2.76 ac lot, 9 rm, 5 bdrm, 2.5 bth, Worcester(N): Bk 38585, Pg 379

2:00 PM-BRIMFIELD
51 Brookfield Road
sgl fam, 2,140 sf liv area, 2.05 ac lot, 6 rm, 3 bdrm, 3.5 bth, Hampden: Bk 15035, Pg 238

12:00 PM-DOUGLAS
5 C Street
sgl fam, 867 sf liv area, 0.07 ac lot, 5 rm, 2 bdrm, 1 bth, Worcester(Wor): Bk 40899, Pg 324

TERMS: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder. No CASH. No personal checks will be accepted. Cashier/certified checks should be made out to whomever is going to bid at the auction. The balance to be paid within thirty (30) days at the law offices of Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851. Attorney for the Mortgagee.

Auctioneer makes no representation as to the accuracy of the information contained herein.

BAY STATE AUCTION CO, INC.
NORTH CHELMSFORD (978) 251-1150 www.baystateauction.com
MAAUR: 1029, 2624, 2959, 3039, 2573, 116, 2484, 3246, 2919, 3092, 3107, 0100030, 3099



Feeling a little Crowded?
Look for that new home in our real estate section.



MEET YOUR LOCAL REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS
Perfect for Realtors, Mortgage Companies, Banks, Real Estate Attorneys, Home Inspectors, Chimney Inspectors, Lead Removal businesses, Insurance Companies, etc... any business involved in the buying or selling of real estate.
To join this section, please contact your local sales rep, 774-200-7308 or email mikaela@stonebridgepress.news

"I SOLVE REAL ESTATE PROBLEMS"
ReMax Professional Associates
Licensed in MA & CT
We need properties to sell - any type!
Conrad Allen
508.400.0438
callen1995@aol.com

RE/MAX
RE/MAX Professional Associates

REAL ESTATE REDEFINED
RE/MAX PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES
49 MAIN STREET, STURBRIDGE, MA

Patrick Sweeney
Realtor
License #9529769
(774) 452-3578

Carrie Abyssall
Realtor
License #904677
(508) 641-0150

Licensed in MA and CT

Maureen Cimoch
Real Estate Consultant
Call 508-769-9211

Lake Realty

111 East Main St., Webster, MA
Professional-Personable-Knowledgeable
Specializing in waterfront property
Servicing all Central MA • GO WITH MOE!
maureencimoch@gmail.com

Time for a change?

Mary Vigilatura Stolarczyk
ABR, GRI, CRS, C2EX RE/MAX Hall of Fame
508.612.1382
MESRealty.com
Mary@WillSellIt.com

ERA Key Realty SERVICES
"Put 39 years of combined real estate experience to work for you!"

Donna Flannery Realtor®
508-612-6771
Donnaflanneryrealtor.com
Donnaflannery@erakey.net

Kayleen Flannery Sauvageau
Realtor®
508-612-9843
Kayleen00@aol.com

YOUR LOCAL REAL ESTATE EXPERT SINCE 1991
NATIONAL ERA FINALIST TWICE FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE
TOP AGENT YEAR AFTER YEAR FOR # OF UNITS SOLD & SOLD DOLLAR VOLUME
ERA HALL OF FAME

415B Main Street Spencer, MA 01562

Mary Hicks Realtor®
Over 20 years experience!
CENTURY 21 NORTH EAST

Direct: 508.612.4794
Home Office: 508.867.2222
www.maryhicks.com

For great customer service call today!

160 B Main Street, Spencer, MA 01562
maryangela87@yahoo.com
Each office is independently owned and operated.

Sandi Grzyb LAER Realty Partners
I look forward to serving you in all of your real estate ventures!
• Buying
• Selling
• Investing

50 Years in the Real Estate Business!

Contact Info:
774.230.3500/508.943.6960
sandigrzyb@aol.com

255 Park Avenue, Suite 704, Worcester, MA 01609

Jo-Ann Szymczak
CRS, GRI, SRES
508-943-7669
774-230-5044

Maria Reed 508-873-9254

CALL JO-ANN FOR A MARKET ANALYSIS

INVENTORY DOWN!!

Webster
17 Granite St
On Deposit

Oxford
27 Walnut St
On Deposit

Call for a FREE Market Analysis and Consulation
ReMax Vision
25 Union St., Worcester MA 01608
Licensed in MA & CT

Home Spring Auto

A/C & HEATING

MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC DUCTLESS SPLIT HEAT-PUMPS

HEATING
AIR CONDITIONING

Michael J. Williams

SHEET METAL FABRICATION

MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC

COOLING & HEATING

M.J. Williams Heating & AC, INC.
Serving the community since 1988
High Quality work at an affordable price

508-949-0035
www.mjwhvac.com

AUTO BODY / REPAIRS

KEARNS COLLISION REPAIR

Since 1969
Always Going The Extra Mile For Our Customers

Free Written Estimates • Damage Appraisal
Color Matching Specialists • Rental Car Services
Warrantied Work & Repairs
Diagnostics • A/C Repair
Tune Ups & Engine Repair
Brakes • Alternators • Starters • ABS
Alignments • Tires...and more

Major Insurance Referral Shop
Honoring All Insurance Estimates

1734 Providence Road (Rt 122)
Northbridge, MA 01534
Ph: 508-234-5211 • Fax: 508-234-2231
www.kearnscollision.com
Fully Certified • RS# 2678

BEST WINDOW COMPANY

KUBALA HOME IMPROVEMENT
The Door and Window Experts

MACSL100114 | MAHic150118 | CTHic0619712

Award Winning
High Performance
Windows & Doors

100% FINANCING AVAILABLE | Lifetime Warranty

508-784-1550

BUILDER

Todd A. Ethier TAE

B·U·I·L·D·E·R
INCORPORATED

Remodeling Expert

- ◆ FINISHED BASEMENTS
- ◆ ADDITIONS ◆ GARAGES
- ◆ SIDING ◆ ROOFING ◆ DECKS
- ◆ WINDOWS ◆ DOORS
- ◆ KITCHEN ◆ BATHS

Quality Building Since 1985
Licensed & Insured

508-764-2293 ◆ 774-230-3967

Cleaning Services

HOUSE CLEANING AVAILABLE

Reasonable rates.
Weekly, bi-weekly
or monthly times available.
~ Bonded ~
Fully Vaccinated
Call Wendy for a FREE estimate at:
774-262-9166

Granite & Marble

SHREWSBURY MARBLE & GRANITE, INC.

Buy Factory Direct & Save

Biggest Selection of Marble, Granite & Quartz of ANY Fabrication Shop
300 Colors in Full Slabs to Choose From!

508-842-9800 • shrewsburymarbleandgranite.com
620 Boston Turnpike (Rte 9 E), Shrewsbury, MA
(1/4 mi. east of Home Depot - Big Blue Bldg)
Mon-Thurs 8-5, Fri & Sat & 9-4

Installations

BEST YET INSTALLATIONS

PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL & CARPENTRY

FULLY LICENSED AND INSURED
#4153C • 8376A1 • 191806

508-885-BEST

Exclusive Discounts for Seniors & Veterans

LAWNMOWERS

WORCESTER COUNTY LAWNMOWER
ALWAYS THE BEST SERVICE

Snowblower & Generator Repair
Tractor Service
Tune-Ups & Repairs
Pickup & Delivery

508-987-2775
492 Main St Oxford
WORCESTER COUNTY LAWNMOWER.COM

PEST CONTROL

ACCURATE PEST CONTROL

Full Pest Control Services
Over 30 years experience
Reasonable Rates
Owner Operated

508-757-8078

Ask for David or Jason Hight
Auburn MA

Stump Grinding

MILLER STUMP GRINDING

Asian Longhorn Beetle Certified
Fully Insured • Free Quotes

REASONABLE RATES PROMPT SERVICE

ROD MILLER • NICK MILLER
OWNERS / OPERATORS
508-688-2159

GUTTERS

GUTTER CLEANINGS

30+ years exp
Licensed & Insured

508-523-0414
A. Eagle Gutters
aeaglegutters.com

Home Improvement

BONETTI'S Home Improvement

Roofing
Siding
Decks
Remodeling
Windows
Doors
Basement Finishing
Gutters Cleaning
Pressure Washing
Painting Landscaping

Over 25 Years Experience
Residential Specialist
Licensed and Insured
128231
508-347-4906
Cell 508-688-0072

MASONRY

C J MASONRY HARDSCAPE
RETAINING WALLS
OUTDOOR LIVING CONSTRUCTION

Chimney Repair
Foundation Repair
Steps, Patios
Pool Surrounds
Pressure Washing
Property Maintenance
Water Proofing
Delivery of Aggregate
Cord Wood

Brian French
(413)222-5542
frenchyn45@gmail.com

GJ LEDUC PAINTING

Interior and Exterior

- Power Washing
- Wallpapering
- General Repair
- Fully Insured
- Over 40+ Years Experience

508-764-8548
774-230-8373

For Advertising Information, Call 774-200-7308
email: mikaela@stonebridgepress.news

Advertise on
this page for one low price!
Get 7 papers.
774-200-7308

- Spencer New Leader
- Webster Times
- Sturbridge Villager
- Auburn News
- Charlton Villager
- Blackstone Valley Tribune
- Southbridge News

For Advertising Information
Call 774-200-7308
email: mikaela@stonebridgepress.news

PAINTING

Scott Bernard's PRECISION PAINTERS

Finest Craftsmanship Since 1979

Interior-Exterior
Paints, Stains,
Wallpaper and
Fine Faux Finishes

Satisfaction Guaranteed
Free Estimates
774.452.0321

Plastering

Glenn LeBlanc PLASTERING

Plastering small jobs; additions, ceilings, bathrooms, remodels, patches.

Over 40 Years Experience.
Quality Workmanship
Insured
CALL
508-612-9573

Plumbing

MIKE LAMBERT'S PLUMBING & HEATING INC.

Commercial, Residential, New Construction

369 Main St,
Ste 4
Spencer, MA
1-833-969-4330
Fully Insured

MIKELAMBERTSPANDH@GMAIL.COM

ROOFING

David Barbale ROOFING

Roofing/Gutters
Repair Work

Fully Licensed and Insured

MA LIC #CS069127
MA HIC. LIC #1079721
INS. # CAC032585

C: 508-397-6709
O: 508-248-6709
davidbarbale.com

ROOFING

GUARANTEED BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Roofing, siding, gutter cleaning, gutter repairs, Certainteed Shingle Master Certified!

Contact Daniel Truax
508-450-7472
call or text
gbmaintco.com

Senior Citizen Discount
Credit Cards Accepted
Over 30 years of satisfied customers
Fully Insured - Free Estimates

Financing Available
A+ Rating BBB
Mass CSL #099487
Mass HIC number 124019
Connecticut, HIC number 0665243

Roofing

SAUNDERS & SONS ROOFING

Read our reviews at the Better Business Bureau. A+ rating and accredited member since 2009.

Call Bill Toll-Free
1-866-961-Roof
508-765-0100

Lifetime material warranty & 25 yr. labor warranty available

MA Reg #153955
CSL #095459
CT-HIC #0638641
Fully Insured,
Free Estimates
Family Owned and Operated
Now Accepting All Major Credit Cards
Financing Available

SEND US YOUR NEWS!!!

Home Town Service,
Town-to-Town BIG TIME RESULTS

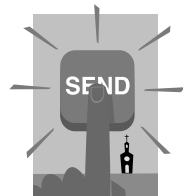
CLASSIFIEDS

774-200-7308

Place your ad today!



news@stonebridgepress.news



WAR RELICS & WAR SOUVENIRS WANTED:

WWII & EARLIER CASH WAITING!
Helmets, Swords, Daggers, Bayonets, Medals, Badges, Rags, Uniforms, etc.
Over 40 years' experience.
Call David (508) 688-0847.
I'LL COME TO YOU!

FOSTER PARENTS WANTED:

Seeking Quality Homes Throughout Central MA To Provide Foster Care To Children In Need.

24/7 Support
Generous Reimbursement,
\$1000 Sign-On Bonus. Call For Details.

Devereux Therapeutic Foster Care.
(508)829-6769

Devereux ADVANCED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

HILLCREST Country Club

Casual Dining - Serving food Thursday, Friday & Saturday Nights
Banquet Facilities for Holiday Parties, Surprise Parties, Showers, Etc.

PART TIME COOK
20 HOURS PER WEEK
THURSDAY-SATURDAY EVENINGS
APPLY IN PERSON , AT THE BAR

325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA 01524-1495
(508) 892-9822

Friday, April 19, 2024

We Are The Valley, We Live Here Too.



Christopher Foley,
*President of UniBank.
Decades of residency
in The Valley.*



Sandy Lemire,
*37 years at UniBank
in various roles.*



Michael Welch,
*CEO of UniBank.
Resides in Uxbridge.*



Wendy Brown,
*VP, Retail at UniBank.
Board Member of Blackstone
Valley Chamber of Commerce.*



Michael Sulham,
*Uxbridge Branch Manager.
President of the Uxbridge
Lions Club.*



Karen Beane,
*Mortgage Originator at UniBank.
Board Member of The Friends of
the Uxbridge Elderly.*

Uxbridge Branch
25 North Main Street
Uxbridge, MA 01569
508.278.2434

Bank **Different.** Bank **Unique.**
UNIBANK



Member FDIC
NMLS #583135

unibank.com