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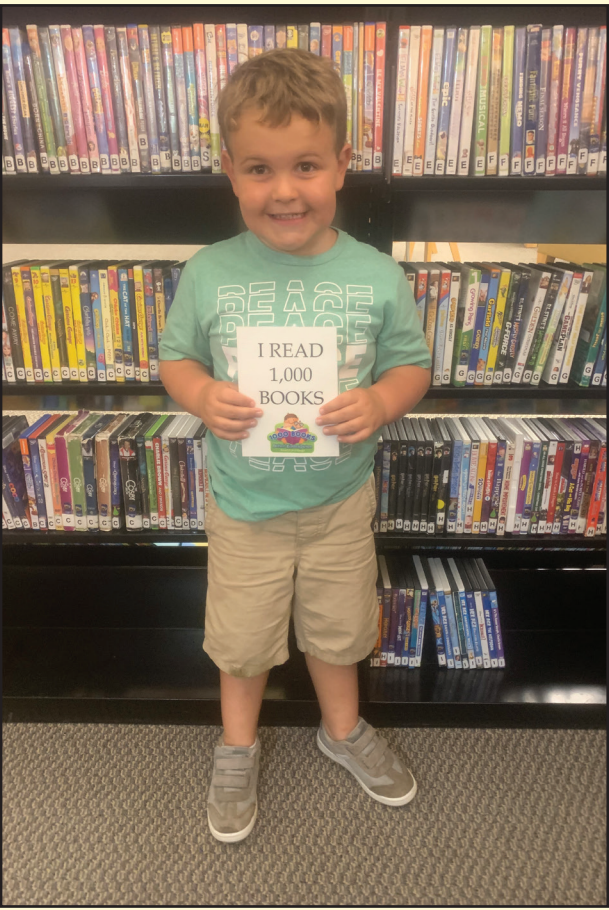
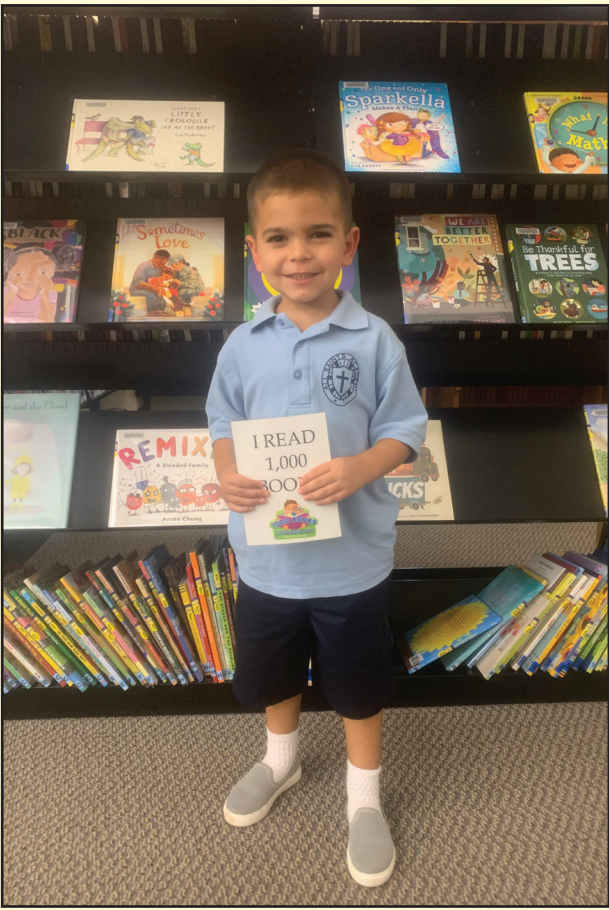
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ROCKSTAR READERS

Sam Messenger and Cash Seaman, both of Dudley, completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at the Pearle L Crawford Memorial Library on Sept. 6.

Webster posts Town Meeting warrant

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — On Sept. 12, selectmen approved the warrant for the annual fall Town Meeting, sending out the call for voters to gather at Bartlett on Oct. 17 to address 11 articles.

The first four are routine placeholders that may not even be needed. Number 5 seeks to approve the cable access budget, which was “an oversight at [the spring] Town Meeting.

After that, though, the dollar values get pretty large quickly. Article 6 seeks \$2 million to design the PFAS treatment system for the water supply wells at Municipal Beach and Bigelow Road. The related Article 7 asks for \$50,000 to take an inventory of the remaining lead water pipes around town.

“this is mandated by the state,” Earl Gabor noted. “We should be making this effort to accomplish this sooner rather than later.”

Article 8 seeks to authorize “an overall comprehensive review of our personnel system,” by having a consultant compare it to “40 best practices,” Town Administrator Rick LaFond said. Right now, the system is “somewhat bare-bones at the moment.”

Later, he noted he’d like to do some succession planning within the departments, with training to ensure

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Bates tank cleaning complete, Dresser Hill draining begins

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — The Bates Road tank in Dudley is back up and running after a long-awaited cleaning. However, the many water main breaks that accompanied its cleaning have water and sewer officials concerned about what the rest of the cleaning process might bring.

Water & Sewer Superintendent George Patrinos provided an update to the Water & Sewer Commission on Sept. 7 confirming that the Bates Road water tank is now fully operational after being emptied and cleaned as part of a larger cleaning process for the towns water tanks. During that cleaning process Dudley experienced numerous water main breaks complicated by the Bates tank being out of commission and the drought that plagued the region for much of the summer. Patrinos called it a challenging time but credited his crew for stepping up to help the town recover.

“Everybody has done a marvelous job through this crisis throughout the months, balancing pressures, balancing the main breaks. We’ve probably had 13 main breaks in the last two-and-a-half months. That’s a record for any town, I think. Right now, the Bates tank is back in operation. it’s been cleaned – I anticipate in another few weeks the Dresser Hill tank is going to start it’s drain down,” Patrinos said.

The concerning number of breaks piquing the interest of Water & Sewer Commissioners who asked if any of the breaks could have been avoided. Patrinos said it’s arguable nearly all of them could have been avoided but that the town has never undergone such an extensive cleaning process of its system and has few, if any, backups in place for such a large-scale shutdown of part of the system. He stressed that it was a unique situation, but also honestly indicated that more main breaks could be possible as the Dresser Hill tank goes offline this month. There is optimism that the Dresser Hill tank being at a higher elevation could prevent the same problems experienced during the Bates tank cleaning, but nothing is guaranteed, and Patrinos said all parties are doing what they can to be proactive and prevent as many issues as possible during the cleaning process.

“Everything is a guessing game. It’s constant with the engineers consulting with us, going back and forth trying to regulate pressures. We’ve never done this before. Our system isn’t able to handle it, so we’re trying a balancing act,” Patrinos said.

The Dresser Hill tank is expected to be drained and cleaning begun throughout the month of September.

Public forum planned on future of Oxford Community Center

OXFORD — The Town of Oxford invites residents to attend a public forum on Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Community Center Gymnasium, to discuss the future of the Oxford Community Center.

In 2020, Town Meeting approved a \$50,000 appropriation to conduct a Community Center Feasibility Study as part of the Town Manager’s 2020 Capital Program to implement a major objective of the Town’s Master Plan. The Town Manager contracted the firm

BerryDunn to conduct the feasibility study after issuing a Request for Proposals. On the 28th, BerryDunn will present its study progress and share potential future renovation goals for the building and grounds. Following a presentation, there will be a break-out session to answer questions. Consultants will also be gathering general public input along with Community Center program user feedback on desired services, programs and amenities.

Built as Oxford Memorial High School

in the 1940s, then used as the Middle School, the building became home to the Community Center in 2004. There has been some renovation in the recent past. In 2012, the top floor underwent substantial renovation to become the School Administrative Offices and in 2019, a new boiler was installed. Otherwise, it is very much its original 1940’s structure.

Within the building, the Community Center staff offers a fitness program, recreational and instructional athletic programs for children, craft

and activity programs for all ages, meeting spaces for local non-profit groups, and rental space for adult and youth leagues. The Community Center staff also runs the Summer Program at Caruncle Park, Movies on Main, Scarecrows on the Common, a Winter Festival, and Concerts on the Bandstand.

The long-range goal is to bring the Community Center building and programming into the modern era. Join us Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m. to share your voice and your vision.

Selectmen, LaFond collaborate on goals

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — Selectmen began conceiving the first round of goals for their new town administrator at their last meeting, with plans to consolidate them and “add some measurement and objectivity” to appropriate ones before approving them next time.

“It’s nice the board members had goals that were similar,” Administrator Rick LaFond observed. “That’s not always the case.”

He began the process by summarizing “things we’re doing already or that are in the planning stage.” One big point will be analyzing the town’s personnel system (which is also on the fall Town Meeting warrant) and doing succession planning for key department heads. Chair Randy Becker recommended having exit interviews with those who leave town employment voluntarily or transfer between departments.

Additionally, LaFond said his staff is working on regular financial forecasting, renewing the cable contract, finding a new conservation agent, and upgrading the permitting system and website to make the latter’s information “sim-

ple, to the point and easy to find.” He also cited ongoing capital planning issues, including cataloging the condition and needs of town buildings and the PFAS treatment project.

Lisa Kontoes brought up one that’s been in limbo a while, by noting the board had begun to discuss creating a business improvement district before Covid shut things down. LaFond said he’s willing to “investigate and see if it’s plausible.”

Tom Klebart suggested talking to existing businesses to gauge how satisfied they are with the business climate and their needs. He added a couple more planning concerns, namely revitalizing the tornado-damaged zone and reviewing the master plan to see if they’re following it. He noted he’d like to see it actually used, not just sit on a shelf, done as a requirement to get various state grants. One participant added it was time to update the plan anyway.

In a similar vein, LaFond noted the town has been talking with Nichols College about getting professional analysis on siting a hotel here, one that builds on existing studies by creating a “step-by-step imple-

mentation plan.” He also brought up continuing work on the town’s various leined and blighted properties. He said he often gets calls from residents “who are very pleased these things get taken care of.”

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Garrett Mann — Courtesy

ON THIS HARVEST MOON...

Astrophotographer Garrett Mann shared with the Times this stunning image of last week’s harvest moon from his backyard in Webster.

DAR promotes Constitution Week Sept. 17-23



DOUGLAS/DUDLEY — The Captain Job Knapp DAR Chapter and The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution urges Americans to reflect on the United States Constitution during this month’s annual observance in honor this foundational document of national governance.

The DAR initiated the observance in 1955, when the service organization petitioned the U.S. Congress to dedicate Sept. 17-23 of each year to the commemoration of Constitution Week. Congress adopted the resolution, and on Aug. 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into Public Law #915. The celebration’s goals are threefold: to encourage the study of the historical events that led to the framing of the Constitution

in September 1787; to remind the public that the Constitution is the basis of America’s great heritage and the foundation for its way of life; and to emphasize U.S. citizens’ responsibility to protect, defend and preserve the U.S. Constitution.

“We encourage all citizens to join us in celebrating this powerful document that is so important to American history and to reflect on the impact the Constitution has had on the lives of American citizens past and present.”

“We are so proud DAR led the way in making Constitution Week an official commemoration and our members enthusiastically promote the celebration annually in communities across the country by erecting community displays, sponsoring municipal proclamations, ringing bells and staging programs to raise awareness of the Constitution’s tenets and importance,” said DAR President General Pamela Rouse Wright.

DAR has been the foremost advocate for the awareness, promotion and celebration of Constitution Week. The annual observance provides innumerable opportunities for educational initiatives and community outreach, two mission areas of crucial importance to the National Society. By fostering knowledge of, and appreciation for, the Constitution and the inalienable rights it affords to all Americans, DAR helps to keep alive the memory of the men and women who secured our nation’s foundational liberties.

One of the largest patriotic women’s organizations in the world, DAR has 190,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters across the country and several foreign countries. DAR members promote historic preservation, education and patriotism via commemorative events, scholarships and educational initiatives, citizenship programs, service to veterans, meaningful community service and more. For additional information about DAR and its relevant mission, visit www.dar.org. You may also contact captain-jobknapp.yolasite.com.

Black Tavern Historical Society hosting annual craft fair Oct. 1

DUDLEY — The Black Tavern Historical Society will be holding their Ninth Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. in conjunction with the Dudley Grange Apple Festival.

More than 40 crafters will display their hand-made crafts in the Tavern, the barn, on the Tavern lawn, and the Dudley Town Common.

Also participating on the common will be artisans from Old Sturbridge Village who will be demonstrating their 19th century skills and members of the Dudley Agricultural Commission where you can meet some of Dudley’s farmers and have your garden soil tested.



Courtesy

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Bay Path’s Ndegwa awarded scholarship



Patrick Ndegwa

CHARLTON — The Charles, Christine, and Cecilia Paradise Scholarship announced the awarding of an undisclosed scholarship amount for Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy student Patrick Ndegwa of Dudley. Ndegwa is a member of the 2023 cohort.

Ndegwa is with the Hospital for Behavioral Medicine as a Mental Health Technician. He was previously with the Evergreen Center of Milford as a Caregiver. He studied English and Literature at the Methodist University in Kenya and automotive technology at Porter and Chester Institute. He is certified in Dementia care and Basic Life Support Health Care Provider CPR.

“We are grateful for the continued support of the Charles, Christine, and Cecilia Paradise Scholarship since 2020,” said Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy Director, Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN. “The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy alumnus anonymously helping many of our practical nursing students consistently through the Charles, Christine, and Cecilia Paradise Scholarship is a tremendous blessing.”

Ndegwa believes that nursing as a career is uplifting.

He said, “my passion and love to become a nurse started back in Africa. I was nine years old when I started noticing the effort and dedication that is put in place to

care for and change lives each day. I feel that helping patients overcome the burden of different health conditions as well as supporting their families through such difficult times is a satisfactory feeling.”

About Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy

Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy offers a 40-week, (10-month), full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a Practical Nursing Certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is fully approved by the: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive

Office of Human Services of Public Health Board of Registration in Nursing 239 Causeway Street Boston, MA 02114 617-973-0800 www.mass.gov/dph/boards/rn The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is accredited by the: Council on Occupational Education, 840 Roswell Rd., Building 300, Suite 325, Atlanta, GA 30350 Telephone: 800-917-2081 www.council.org Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School is fully accredited by the: New England Association of Schools and Colleges, 209 Burlington Rd., Suite 201, Bedford, MA, 01730-1433 781-271-0022 www.neasc.org

Bay Path LPN named to dean’s list at Laboure College



Ashley Rivera

DUDLEY — Ashley Rivera, LPN of Dudley and 2019 graduate of Bay Path Practical Nursing

Academy was named to the dean’s list at Laboure College during the recently completed summer semester of the Academic Year 2021-22 having achieved an outstanding grade point average (GPA).

In a letter to Rivera by Karen Manning, MSN, RN, Dean, Division of Nursing, Laboure College extended their heartfelt congratulations and salutes Rivera and is wished for continued academic success as she progresses through her nursing studies. The letter further reads, “Academic Excellence is indicative of a habit

of mind that will serve you well throughout your life. Pursuing a college credential is a demanding experience. Honor students are role models for our entire community because they have excelled in their academic endeavors while remaining committed to their personal and professional responsibilities.”

To qualify for inclusion on the dean’s list, a student must have been enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

Laboure College is a private, independent college specializing in

nursing and healthcare education and located in Milton, Massachusetts. Founded in 1892, by the Daughters of Charity, it is the longest-running nursing education program in the Boston area.

While a student at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Rivera was an Officer for the UNICEF Club. Her certifications include Mental Health First Aid, Dementia Care, and Infusion Therapy/Central Line Care Program. She was a member of the Medical Reserve Corps and volunteered at the Paxton Health Fair. She was a “SafeTALK” attendee and an attendee for the “Innovation

Summit” at Northeastern University. Rivera was a district champion for SkillsUSA Health Knowledge Bowl team earning a Silver Medal and competed in state SkillsUSA Health Knowledge Bowl earning a Gold Medal.

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Caleb Scopetski completes intensive research project

WORCESTER — Caleb Scopetski, from Auburn, a member of the class of 2024 majoring in Computer Science & Data Science at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense research project titled Creating Features for Personalized Tutoring in ASSISTments.

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

“The WPI project-based curriculum’s focus on global studies brings students out of the classroom and their comfort zones and into the global community to apply their knowledge and to solve problems,” said Professor Kent Rissmiller, professor of Integrative & Global Studies and associate dean of The Global School. “Students are immersed in all aspects of a different culture, from the way people live and work to the values they hold to the foods they eat - all valuable perspectives for surviving and thriving in today’s global marketplace. They also learn the meaning and magic of teamwork; make a real and meaningful difference in their host community; and gain a competitive edge for any resume, or graduate or professional school application.”

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn

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

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Mini-golf fundraiser to support Gladys E. Kelly Library

WEBSTER — Guests are invited to take part in a unique two-day fundraiser to support Gladys E. Kelly Public Library.

Hosted by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library, the first annual Mini-Golf in the Stacks event will take place on Nov. 4 & 5 at the library.

The Friday, Nov. 4, event will take place from 6-9 p.m. (adults only). The Saturday, Nov. 5, family program is set for 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The library is located at 2 Lake St. Guests are encouraged to come out and support the library with a fun program.

The Friday adult session requires a minimum donation of \$10 on the day of the event. Beer and wine will be served for \$5 per drink; water and soda will be served for \$1 per drink. Chips and pretzels will be offered with the drinks.

For the Saturday

Family Day session, adults will pay a minimum donation of \$5 on the day of the event. Children 17 and under will receive free admission. No refreshments will be served at this program.

For the mini-golf event, ten themed holes will be located throughout the library. Players will be given a real mini-golf ball, golf club, and scorecard to use in the game.

Sponsors will be recognized

before and during the event

“The mission of the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library, Inc., is to support the library so it can thrive in this new technological environment and provide high quality, lifelong service to all,” read a statement promoting the event.

“The goal of the fundraiser is to provide financial assistance for special library projects and programming.”

The Boys & Girls Club of Webster Dudley is urgently hiring for these positions:

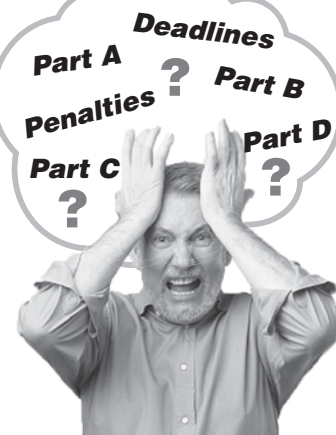


Full-Time Facilities Manager to oversee the overall maintenance, cleaning and facilities needs of the site including supporting the needs of building rentals during non-traditional club hours and coordinating any volunteer activities as they relate to facility improvements/cleanup

Part-Time School Age Childcare Lead Staff responsible for the planning, implementation, and evaluation of a broad range of programs for youth between K and age 13. Additional responsibilities include complying with EEC regulations. The School Age Childcare Staff must also be available to work year-round and have reliable transportation.

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September 13
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Time! We will be exploring a new letter
each week starting with A and ending
in the spring with Z.

TODDLER TIME
Wednesdays @ 11:00AM beginning
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Come join us for Toddler Time! We
will have a different theme each week
with stories and songs! This program is
geared for ages 18 months to 3.

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Thursday 5:30PM – 7:30PM and Friday
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The adult book group meets for an
informal discussion of the month's title,
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desk a month prior to the meeting. For
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PALETTE PALS ART EXHIBIT
September 1-September 30
Local artists and members of the
group “The Palette Pals” will dis-
play their work in a variety of media
throughout the month of September.

Open to the public during regular
library hours

PEARLE JAM: THE NOSMO KINGS
Thursday, September 22
6:00PM-7:45PM

The annual Pearle Jam concert series
continues with The Nosmo Kings play-
ing old school rock and roll from Elvis
to the Eagles and everything in between.
Free; open to all ages. Children under
12 must be accompanied by an adult.
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KIDS MOVIE: “The Bad Guys”
Friday, September 23 2:00PM-4:00PM
Enjoy a free showing of the movie
“The Bad Guys,” plus free popcorn.

Children under 12 must be accompa-
nied by an adult.

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BOOK SALE
September 29-October 1

The Friends of the
Library fall book
sale will include
books, DVDs, and
other items for all
ages. All proceeds
support library pro-

gramming.

LOUISA KLAVERN ART EXHIBIT
October 1-October 30
Local artist Louisa Klaven will dis-
play her works during the month of
October

Open to the public during regular
library hours

PEARLE JAM: RHONDA LARSON
Thursday, October 6 6:00PM-7:30PM
The annual Pearle Jam concert
series continues with Grammy-award-
winning flutist Rhonda Larson.
Free; open to all ages. Children under
12 must be accompanied by an adult.
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DROP IN SLIME MAKING
Friday, October 7 3:30PM-4:30PM
Make your own Slime!!! All materials
provided!
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nied by an adult.
Sponsored by the Hugh W and Harriet
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BAD MOVIE OF THE MONTH:
SHARKNADO
Thursday, October 13 6:00PM-7:30PM
There are thousands of wonderful
movies in the world. Movies that will
make you cry, lift your spirits, and
inspire you.

These are not those movies.
Join us for a showing of “Sharknado”
(2013). It's got sharks. And a tornado.
What more do you need to know?
Free. Popcorn and bottled water
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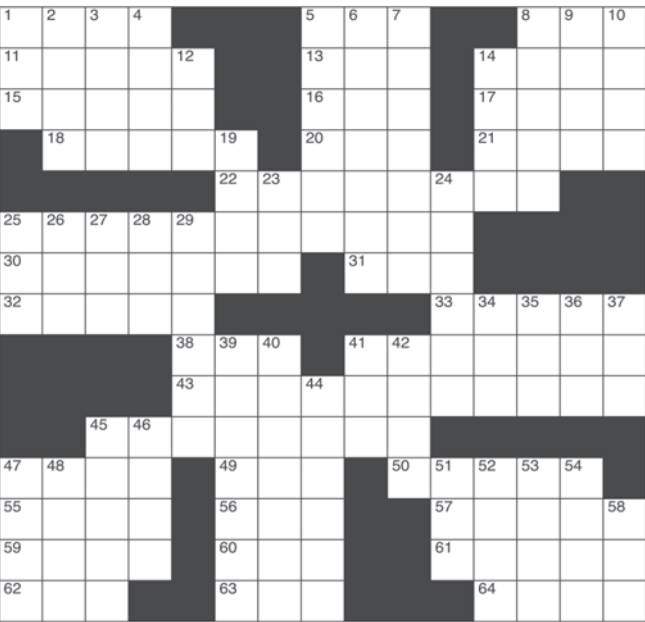
FAMILY GAME NIGHT
Monday, October 17 6:00PM-7:30PM
Come by the Pearle and play a vari-
ety of board games suitable for all
ages. Many of the games are available
to check out and take home to continue
playing!

Free; children under 12 must be
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Pumpkins, get your
pumpkins here!

AUBURN — The Pumpkin Patch at the First Congregational
Church, 128 Central St., Auburn, will be open daily 10 a.m. (11
a.m. on Sundays) ‘til dusk Sept. 24 through Oct. 31. There will
be gourds and pumpkins of all sizes and prices – one for every
need; be it for your fall decor, carving, baking – you name it!
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grams and a percentage of the sales helps our church as well.
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Fall down

5. Gas usage measurement

8. Golf score

11. A superior grade of black tea

13. Wrath

14. Eating house

15. Delay leaving a place

16. People now inhabiting Myanmar

17. Canadian flyers

18. Walks back and forth

20. Frequently

21. Humans have two

22. Surrounds with armed forces

25. Made proper

30. Medical buildings

31. Patty Hearst's captors

32. Hits with a drop shot

33. Italy's PM 1919-20
38. Promotions

41. En _; incidentally

43. Queens baseball team

45. Commoner

47. Expenses in insurance world (abbr.)

49. Payroll firm

50. Broadway actress Daisy

55. Skipper butterflies

56. Hint

57. Daniel __, French composer

59. English children's author Blyton

60. Midway between east and southeast

61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation

62. Patriotic women's group

63. The woman

64. Tall, slender-leaved plant

CLUES DOWN

1. Parts per thousand (abbr.)

2. Jump

3. Eaten as a vegetable

4. Residual paresis after anesthesia

5. Brunchtime staple

6. Makes money off of

7. Refined

8. Nocturnal S. American rodents

9. From a distance

10. Officials

12. It helps you see

14. Central Canadian indigenous person

19. Invests in little enterprises

23. They help in tough situations

24. Industrial port in Poland

25. Type of screen

26. Peyton's little brother

27. Alcoholic beverage

28. Newspapers need it
29. Herbal tea

34. Distinctive practice

35. Exercise system __-bo

36. Explosive

37. Belonging to a thing

39. Presidential candidates engage in them

40. Of the Swedes

41. Meadow-grass

42. "Rule, Britannia" composer

44. Hooray!

45. Greek city

46. One way to do it by example

47. Imitated

48. "Game of Thrones" actress

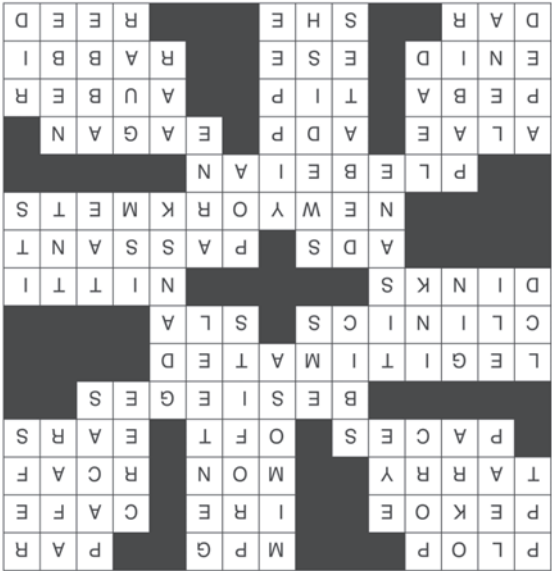
51. Swiss river

52. Drought-resistant plant

53. A French abbot

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NEW ENGLAND LEGENDS WITH JEFF BELANGER – September 29th 6:30PM
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operates out of Central Massachusetts. A recent college graduate, his eclectic work is rigorous and self-reflective, focusing on quantifying his journey and finding a place in life. His intricate playing and mellow singing combined with a dry sense of humor and witty exposition between songs contribute to his captivating presence.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP – October 17th at 6:30PM
The Gladys E. Kelly Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group will be meeting in person this month! The group meets at 6:30 pm and the meeting will take place in the Library’s Community Room. New members are always welcome! Next month’s book discussion will be on Monday, October 17th. The group will be discussing Hamnet by Maggie O’Farrell. Stop by the library, or reach out by phone to 508-949-3880, or by email to ehale@cwmares.org for inquiries.

Children’s and Young Adult Programming

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

to see what we’re making this month!

BUILD NIGHT – Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30PM
Put your creative caps on and come build with LEGOs, magnatiles, or other neat building materials! Materials will change monthly, so don’t miss it! For children of all ages and their caregivers.

YOGA PJ STORYTIME – Saturdays in September starting September 10th 9:30-10:30AM
We will read some stories, move our bodies, stretch, breath and reset. You will need a mat, towel or blanket. Stuffed animals and comfy clothes welcome.

ORIGAMI WITH MOTOKO – September 30th 3:30-4:30PM
Motoko enchants families (ages 5 and up) with fun folktales from Asia, combined with songs, mime, and origami. Every child receives Motoko’s original paper sumo game! This program is funded by a grant from the Webster Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

BABY KNEADS MASSAGE (REGISTRATION REQUIRED) – Wednesdays in October starting October 5th 10-11AM

Baby Massage can help with gas, constipation, bonding, soothing, and sleep. Sheryl will model the strokes on a doll as the parents practice the techniques on their babies. Email Andrew at atai@cwmares.org, or call the library at 508-949-3880 to register!

TEEN/TWEEN LASER TAG (REGISTRATION REQUIRED) – October 6th 6:00-8:00PM
Another laser tag event!! This event will be for ages 10-16. Registration is required, contact Randa at rcox@cwmares.org to register.

TALEWISE STEM KICKOFF EVENT – October 7th 3:30-4:30PM
Our innovative science show uses exciting experiments to bring a story to life — teaching kids the most important science lesson of all: that science is fun and accessible!

ROCKIN’ ROBOTS STEM PROGRAM (REGISTRATION REQUIRED) – October 14th 3:30-4:30PM
Navigate robots in this introduction to coding class. Ages 4-6. Registration open September 14th. Please call us at 508-949-3880, or email Andrew at atai@cwmares.org.

Dudley hires Public Information & Social Media Coordinator

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — In an effort to keep the community better informed, Dudley has hired a familiar face to serve as the town’s new Public Information and Social Media Coordinator. Town Administrator Jonathan Ruda formally introduced Joy Hosford to selectmen on Sept. 12. Hosford is no stranger to the town of Dudley. A former writer for the Webster Times, Hosford, who wrote under the name Joy Richard until she left the region in 2014, has returned to her roots to utilize her journalistic skills to help bring Dudley into the modern age of social media. One of Hosford’s first duties was helping inform the public of the details of the recent Mace Adhesives fire in August through an official press release, but she has also helped revamp and increase Dudley’s presence on social media. Town Administrator Ruda said Hosford hit the ground running and has already become an asset to multiple departments. “Joy has been very helpful with the Town Clerk and get-

ting out information on walk-in voting, mail-in voting, and more recently she advertised the Nichols College (Town Appreciation) event for us. She’s been right on top of it and I’m sure people have noticed. Anyone who follows us on social media, which is the way everyone communicates today, has noticed the enhanced quality of the type of posts,” said Ruda. Selectman John Marsi welcomed Hosford back to Dudley and said he felt it was about time Dudley hired someone to handle the social media aspect of the town. “I think this is an important position. I think we’re ready to have this. We’ve been told repeatedly over the years, especially the last couple, that this is how people like to get their information. A lot of the things we talk to the Town Administrator about is making sure we get it out quickly and respond quickly particularly to some misinformation that gets put out there pretty quickly,” said Marsi. Hosford’s duties are not limited to the Board of Selectmen or Town Administrator. She will be working with departments throughout the community to draft press releases and public information posts to help keep residents better informed.



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Pearle Crawford Library looks forward to eventful fall

**BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT**

DUDLEY — The Pearle L. Crawford Library has had a busy 2022 as the first year where the library was truly able to embrace the new norm without many of the restrictions brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. Participation in programs is up, and the library is bringing back some old favorites as well as some new experiences for what promises to be an even busier fall.

Library Director Drucilla Carter appeared before the Board of Selectmen on Sept. 12 to raise awareness for National Library Card Sign Up Month and also provide an update on the success the library has seen this past year and future programs they hope will

further increase participation for the remainder of the year.

Looking back on the summer, Carter said the library saw 499 kids participate in summer reading. Three children even completed the “thousand books before kindergarten” out of over 40 that signed up. With fall fast approaching, Carter took some time to provide insight into what the rest of the year will bring.

“Our Pearle Jam concert series is continuing,” said Carter. “Haunted New England will be coming to the library on Oct. 20, and if you are not going to the Spooktacular, you can come to ghost stories for grownups on Oct. 22, and Nov. 3, we have sportscaster Howie Newman, who used to be a sportscaster for the Red Sox, is doing a program on

baseball music for us and then we have our regular programs.”

The library will also be hosting a holiday season workshop with Bemis Farm guiding participants in creating centerpieces. The Friends of the Library is also preparing for its annual book sale at the end of September and the Pearle has returned to its Saturday opening schedule with numerous activities and special guests scheduled to fill those days as well. Carter said there’s lots more to look forward to and be excited about in the Pearle’s future.

“We have art exhibits scheduled through the end of the year. We have photography, painting, and in December we will showcase the work of our knit and crochet groups. We also now have more than just book. We have bak-

ing pans, games, puzzles, STEM kits with ‘Build Your Own Robots,’ mobile hotspots for wireless internet, and within the next month or so we will debut memory kits which are designed to help those who are caring for loved ones with dementia,” said Carter.

A full schedule of the Pearle’s fall events and programs is available on the library’s official website. The library has also made an attempt to be more present on social media. Not only does the library have an active Facebook presence, but Carter also revealed the Pearle has also joined TikTok as well giving it a virtual venue to connect with its younger patrons in the coming years.

Andrew Ferrecchia completes intensive research project

WORCESTER — Andrew Ferrecchia, from Oxford, a member of the class of 2025 majoring in Mechanical Engineering (BS) at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), was a member of a student team that recently completed an intense research project titled IQP Fretology (E Term 2022).

At WPI, all undergraduates are required to complete a research-driven, professional-level project that applies science and technology to address an important societal need or issue. About two-thirds of students complete a project at one of the university’s 50-plus

off-campus project centers, which are located around the world. A signature element of the innovative undergraduate experience at WPI, the project-based curriculum offers students the opportunity to apply their scientific and technical knowledge to develop thoughtful solutions to real problems that affect the quality of people’s lives and make a difference before they graduate.

“The WPI project-based curriculum’s focus on global studies brings students out of the classroom and their comfort zones and into the global community to apply their knowledge and to solve problems,”

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

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Tri-Valley Lunches are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 11:30 am. Please call (508) 949-3845 at least 48-hours in advance to reserve or cancel your meal. A \$3.00 donation is appreciated. All meals include milk, bread, fruit or dessert. This week’s menu: Tues. 9/27 Swedish Meatballs, mashed potatoes, beets. Wed. 9/28 Sloppy Joe, potatoes, corn. Thurs. 9/29 Chicken Cacciatore, pasta, broccoli. Fri. 9/30 Fish w/crumb topping, rice pilaf, mixed vegies. Please note, menu’s are subject to change.
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The Bomba Beauty Salon at the Webster Senior Center is closed on Mondays. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Walk-ins Are Welcome on Wednesdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Sept. 20th – Sept. 30th Special \$5.00 off any service! Please call (508) 341-8724 to schedule your appointment!
SAVE THE DATE!

Friends of the Webster Senior Center are hosting a craft fair on Monday, October 17th from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Free admission! Come see what our local artisans have to offer; local honey, hand-crafted soaps, personalized items and much more! Come do a little early holiday shopping, we’ve got some great gift ideas!
Need to have your blood pressure checked? Summit Healthcare will be at the Webster Senior Center to do just that on Friday, September 30th at 10:30 am. Sign in when you arrive at the Senior Center.
Mondays and Wednesdays: Exercise Classes with Forty Arroyo – Chair Dancing – the perfect workout for any fitness ability! 9:30-10:30 am. Cost: \$3.00 per class
Mondays: Knitting/Crochet Social 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts promptly at 1:00 pm. Please plan to arrive by 12:30 pm to allow time to buy your bingo sheets.

Do you like to play cribbage? Our weekly cribbage group now meets every Thursday at 1:00 pm – feel free to join us!
Calling card players or interested persons to the Webster Senior Center – come join us for 6-card or 13-card pitch! Six card pitch meets on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Thirteen-card pitch meets on Thursdays at 1:00 pm.
Mahjongg group meets every Friday at 1:00 pm – beginners welcome!
Come create an Evergreen Door Swag with Bemis Nursery! Sign up for Bemis Evergreen Door Swag Workshop to be held December 2nd at 9:30am. Cost: \$25.00. Please sign up at Senior Center front desk. Payment due at time of sign up.
A SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) counselor is available at the Senior Center by appointment only. Please call (508) 949-3845 to schedule an appointment.
SAVE THE DATE! FREE line dancing

class will be offered by our exercise instructor Forty Arroyo on Friday, September 30th from 1:00 – 2:30 pm.
CRAFTERS WANTED! The Friends of the Webster Senior Center are sponsoring a Craft Fair on Monday, October 17, 2022. Come join us for the craft fair and rent a table for only \$10.00! Applications available at the Senior Center. Space is limited so be sure to fill out an application early.
Trip 1: The Beat Goes On Cher Tribute Show, Thursday, Nov. 17th at the Danversport Yacht Club, Danvers MA. Trip price of \$99.00 includes transportation, luncheon, meal tax & gratuity and show ticket. Trip 2: Christmas with Paul Anka Holiday Tribute, Wednesday, December 7th. Trip price of \$99.00 includes transportation, luncheon, meal tax & gratuity, and show ticket. Our trips are quickly selling out so don’t wait to reserve your seat! Trip prices do not include bus driver gratuity. Please call the Senior Center at

(508) 949-3845 for more information.
The Worcester County Sheriff’s Office House Numbering Program will create a custom wooden sign with your house number free of charge. One sign per senior household. Please contact the Webster Senior Center if you are interested in having a house number sign made for you. (508) 949-3845.
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EDITORIAL

Winter may be coming, but don't despair

So often, people strive to become happier by doing this, or obtaining that; however, sometimes it's what we give up that makes us more content. With the fast drop in temperatures, down into the 30's we know winter is coming. (For those of you out there who are fans of the "Game of Thrones" books or television franchise, you're welcome for the reference.)

For longtime New England residents, winter is a dreaded season. It's not so much the snow, as it is the frigid temperatures and high cost of fuel. We happen to enjoy the fall and winter seasons but for those who are having glum feelings about the colder weather, or even for those who love all weather, we have some tips on some things you can toss, to create more happiness in your world.

One thing you can say 'be gone' to is the idea that you have to always have a positive outlook on any given situation. If you try to avoid negative feelings all of the time, you're not creating a healthy space for when you are truly happy. If you need to vent, do it. If you're upset and need to cry into a bowl of ice cream, have at it. It is your overall life satisfaction that matters.

Minimize your time on social media. Remember the days when you didn't know what your friends, family or even celebrities were doing every second of the day? Those were blissful times. The only way we knew what someone was up to was to pick up the phone, wait for the dial tone, and make that call. We're not sure we ever inquired about what our friends were eating. All of that unnecessary knowledge is overwhelming at times, and simply put, unnecessary. One study showed that the more time people spend on social media, the more depressed they are. When we spend too much time online we know that we are wasting time. The idea of wasting time can inflict a feeling of depression on anyone who is typically highly motivated and energetic. Documenting every aspect of your life can be exhausting and takes away from the actual experience. If you order a rack of lamb, just enjoy every bit of it without feeling the need to share it with the world. Your experiences will be more fulfilling overall.

Don't compare yourself to others. We are fans of the phrase 'No one is you, and that is your power.' People have been comparing themselves to others since the dawn of time. The idea of keeping up with the Joneses is outdated. Don't do that. Love the idea that the person sitting next to you or walking down the street is nothing like you.

Keep likeminded company. If you have friends who are Eeyore like or always seem to be complaining, less is more. We don't have time in our precious lives to listen to chronic complaining. At the end of your life, do you want to think to yourself, 'Wow I spent so much time listening to people complain?' We're guessing you don't.

Have realistic goals. If you start with lower expectations and grow from there your success rate in reaching your higher goals will be greater and less stressful to obtain.

Forgive others. This one is extremely hard. However, forgiving those who have hurt you is key to feeling relaxed and happy.

Eating too much sugar can lead to depression. Balance in your meals has been scientifically proven to make people happier. More vegetables, more fiber and less processed food.

Opt to spend your money on experiences rather than things. Experts say the satisfaction of an experience will last much longer.

Lastly, choose good posture. While sitting up you automatically feel more energetic and positive. Slouching can lead to feel nervous, sleepy, sluggish and fearful.

A quote by Jim Rohn sums it up: "Happiness is not something you postpone for the future; it is something you design for the present."

VIEWPOINT

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

God came to love, not condemn us

God doesn't want to condemn, He wants to love! Think about this statement. God is not looking to punish us. He's not sick and tired of us. He doesn't want to turn us away. No! We need to understand God for who He is and what He really wants from us. And that is, He wants to love us!

Deep down, so many people feel unloved, not cherished. Something deep within many of us tells us we are not worth much. Society tells us we aren't pretty enough, rich enough, sexy enough, cool enough. Society is always trying to point out our shortcomings, even if they are fabricated shortcomings.

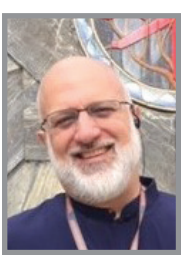
Many of us feel unloved even within our own families or among our friends. We're not good enough. We don't feel great about ourselves. Others have criticized us too much. And yet, the one thing every person longs for is to feel loved, to feel appreciated, to feel cherished.

The good news of our Christian faith is that the central message of Jesus Christ is that He loves us. God adores each one of us and wants us to live as His beloved children. We hear this in one of the most famous verses in the Bible:

For God so loves the world so much that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not sent the Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through Him. (John 3:16-17)

Think about what this means. God loves the world, He loves each one of us so much, and His only desire is to save the world. He does not desire to condemn anyone. He is love and wants each of us to abide in His love. He wants us to be assured that we are loved and cherished.

This may seem hard to believe. All around us is such darkness - violence,



BEYOND THE PEWS
BY FR. LUKE A. VERONIS
SAINTS
CONSTANTINE AND HELEN
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hatred, jealousy, meanness, greed, and ugliness. It's hard to imagine a God who deeply loves this fallen and sinful world. It's hard to believe that He doesn't want to condemn the world but wants everyone to experience His unconditional, abiding, and divine love.

Remember, in every generation darkness and evil have existed. Let's not fool ourselves and think that our generation is so much better than past generations or so much worse. Darkness and evil have always existed. Because of all this evil, however, some people feel that God must come to judge the world, to condemn all the evil and wrong people in the world. They say God really needs to straighten out the world!

Well, you are right that God needs to straighten out this world, but He chooses to do this by showing His divine love! He highlights this by coming, not to condemn the world but to save the world. He shows His love by offering His Son as the link to His love. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son... not to condemn the world but to save it!

I want each of us to remember our true identity as a child of God, a beloved, cherished, special child of God. If we live each day remembering who we are, and find meaning and purpose in our true identity, it will change our entire perspective on life. We will live with hope and joy.

When we think about how God's love is not only for us but His passionate love is for every other person in the world, it will change how we think of others. We will see the beauty and goodness in others and treat them with such kindness.

Let's remember that we are loved. Let's strive to live each day in God's love. Then let's try to reflect His love to all those we encounter. By doing this, we will make the world a more beautiful place.

Are restraining orders enforceable across state lines?



CHIEF'S CORNER

STEVE WOJNAR

Abuse prevention orders, or "restraining orders," are common dealings for police officers. These are issued under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 209A and are designed to protect family or household members from abuse.

With our proximity to Connecticut, I was asked if police can enforce similar orders from another state. The answer to this is yes. Section 5A of Chapter 209A provides, in part, "Any protection order issued by another jurisdiction, as defined in section one, shall be given full faith and credit throughout the commonwealth and enforced as if it were issued in the commonwealth for as long as the order is in effect in the issuing jurisdiction." This law is designed to protect victims of domestic violence from further abuse. A victim should be afforded the proper protection, not denied simply because they have moved to another state. Prior to the mid-1990s, these victims were required to seek assistance from the local courts or police agencies after established hours, to obtain orders of protection. This law allows them the opportunity to maintain protection while they establish residence in a new state. Upon expiration of an order or at the end of any term or condition, the person seeking protection is required to obtain further orders from the state in which they reside. Violations of restraining orders are an arrestable criminal offense, punishable by a fine and or a term of imprisonment in a jail or house of correction.

This law is important to assist those fleeing from abuse. It eliminates an additional step in the abuse prevention process. This law protects victims and their children during a move to another state. This makes what is usually a stressful and often frightening experience somewhat easier.

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

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Climate change has got to go

To the Editor:

Like being in a car headed to over a cliff, before stepping on the brakes, we have to take our foot off the accelerator.

Already we are seeing the effects of climate change, but in order to avoid the worst it has to offer, we need stop now from building any new fossil fuel infrastructures. We need to not only stop the building of new gas power plants, such as the one planned

for Peabody, but also the pipelines (ie: the Springfield Fracking pipeline) and instead invest that money in cheaper and renewable forms of electricity. We also need to end our own denial that this is an emergency, get out of our deep slumber and wake up about what we can do in our personal lives. Electrify our homes, and stop using fossil fuels for heating, cooking and transportation. These steps are coming, but the longer

we wait, the harder and more costly it will be, or maybe with the extinction of so many species that are already happening, it will come to that for our grandchildren. So let's pull together on this serious threat to our planet, ask our government to take action, make changes in our personal lives, and stop the flow of money to the arsonists whom are burning down the planet.

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To the Editor:

I am writing to offer thanks to the United Way, South Central Mass. The United Way serves the Towns of Charlton, Dudley, Southbridge, Sturbridge and Webster. Their support is integral to the well-being of these communities.

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towns. The support we receive from the United Way is critical to those individuals and families struggling with the impact of sexual and domestic violence. Additionally, funds from the United Way provides resources for violence prevention work with local youth.

In the fall, many companies will be holding campaigns to support the work of the United Way. If your employer


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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.

Good news from the Salmon River

This week’s report from the famous Salmon River was what everyone was waiting to hear. The river was loading up with King and Coho salmon last week, and the fishing is considered epic! If you are planning a trip to the river, this would be a good time to go, even though salmon fishing will pretty much remain excellent for the next six weeks or so, as more and more salmon head upriver on their final destination to spawn. The lake is also providing some great fishing for salmon, brown trout and steelhead. Go online and click on” Fat Nancy’s” Tackle shop in Pulaski, for all of the latest information on salmon fishing and proper tackle to use.

Bear hunters are doing pretty well in harvesting some bear meat for the freezer, and keeping the pelts for rugs or other worthwhile parts of their bear. A report of a hunter harvesting a 900-pound bear in the Western part of Mass. was an incredible size animal, but not surprising, with all of the food that is available to them at this time of year. This week’s picture shows Ralph True, Jr. with his 220—pound black bear he harvested in Newry, Maine this past week. He was using his 50 caliber Thompson black powder gun, to harvest his first ever black bear.

A two-and-a-half-pound white perch was weighed in at Jerry’s Bait & Tackle shop this past week from Wachusett Reservoir! Numerous largemouth bass were also reported last week from other



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
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RALPH TRUE

bodies of water in the state. Stocking of trout by Mass. Fish & Wildlife is expected to start around Columbus Day, Oct. 10. The extremally warm water temperatures this year could delay stocking dates at some of the local lakes & ponds.

This past week, this writer and my fishing partner Matt fished Rhode Island waters for a change up from the Massachusetts waters. We were surprised to see the ocean water temperatures at 74 degrees. We had hoped to catch a few tautog, but only a couple of shorts were caught and released in five hours of fishing! We were kept busy catching seabass all morning, with our limit of fish caught early. It is unlikely a tautog had a chance to hit our crabs, with all of the seabass taking the crabs, as soon as the bait hit bottom.

The parking lot was full of cars and boat trailers by 7 a.m. at the Galilee boat ramp. Anglers were chasing false albacore all day, as schools of fish were constantly moving. One frustrated angler we spoke with at the parking lot failed to catch a single false albacore. They are not great eating, but they are sure fun to catch.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



This week’s picture shows Ralph True, Jr. with his 220—pound black bear he harvested in Newry, Maine this past week.

Courtesy

Readers’ Tips and Tricks

It’s time once again to share some helpful hints and strategies from readers. As we gear up for the cooler season the following readers took time from their busy schedule to pass along a tip or trick they’ve picked up along the way.

Remember readers, you can win a three course dinner for two at Publick House! Just send in your favorite hint! Good luck!

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This creative reader hit the target with this unconventional repurposing tip:

Here’s a recycling tip for these Nerf darts that parents tell me they are so tired of picking up all over the house. Put your kids to work and help them cut off the hard rubber-dart tip. Then just slide in your favorite pencils or pens for the 2022 school year! All your friends will want a designer Dart pencil grip.

Viola Bramel
Northbridge, MA

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Prepping fresh corn for freezing has long been a messy job! But wait - this reader discovered a mess-free way to strip the cobs!

A handy way of putting up kernel corn for the winter is to first blanch the corn in a pot, and I suggest putting a teaspoon of sugar in the pot because it makes it a little bit sweeter. Boil it for about three minutes. To avoid the mess when cutting kernels, I use a bundt pan. I put the pointed end of the cob in the hole in the middle of the pan and cut the kernels off with a knife. They fall right around that

circle inside of the pan and no mess!

Howard Whitcomb
Brookfield, MA

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Keeping many shoes together as pairs in the closet can be a hassle – but not with this tip to match up mates:

I am back from Florida and trying to do some closet cleaning. I have several pairs of strap shoes and also found a set of shower curtain hooks.

I decided to try the hooks on the pairs with straps. It worked great and is so easy to locate mates in my shoebox.

Claire Horvath
Sturbridge, MA

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Waste not, want not, is this reader’s mantra!

Recently when no more toothpaste could be squeezed out of the tube I cut the bottom and discovered there was still quite a bit of toothpaste left and I could access it from the cut opening. Then, much to my surprise when I cut off the bottom of a tube of sunscreen that appeared to be empty when no amount of squeezing was releasing it, I found there was still one quarter of the tube filled with sunscreen. I hate waste!

Joan Zumpfe
Dudley, MA

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Repurposing a common utensil puts safety first for this reader:

Here is a safety tip: I have a small food



TAKE THE HINT
.....
KAREN TRAINOR

processor with very sharp blades. When I am ready to clean it, I hold the blades in my left hand with using spaghetti tongs and scrub the blade with a brush held in my right hand. I also use the tongs when I re-assemble the processor. That way my hands never touch the blades!

Another tip: To make your fresh small vegetables like carrots or peppers last longer is to put small pieces of paper towels in between the vegetables in the plastic bags as soon as you get them home. The paper towels absorb water from the veggies and they will keep longer.

Sharon Conlon,
Whittinsville, MA

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Divide and Conquer!

I have a suggestion to easily accomplish a chore that has been put off because I don’t know where to start – such as a stack of papers or a room that has many items out of place.

I gather all of these things into one place, maybe a box or a pile. Having everything in one spot and taking one item at a time and sorting papers and putting items in their proper places and before you know it the pile is gone. It seems so much easier and less overwhelming tackling one item at a time.

June Choiniere
Oxford, MA

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Prize Winner

Congratulations to Howard Whitcomb of Brookfield, MA, who submitted the kitchen tip above. Her name was drawn for Dinner for Two at the Publick House.

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Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House

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

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

Auction, antiques, and collectibles news



In my last column, I shared that a 1952 Mickey Mantle card set a sports card record when it sold for \$12.6 million at auction last month. I noted that the Mantle card also set a record for any type of sports memorabilia by topping the \$9.3 million paid for a Diego Maradona 1986 World Cup jersey. Well, CBS Sports reports that a new record was set this month for another non-card sports memorabilia item.

A jersey that Michael Jordan wore in Game 1 of the 1998 NBA Finals recently went on the auction block. The Bulls lost that game to the Utah Jazz, but went on to win the series, giving Jordan his sixth championship in his “Last Dance” season. Jordan also received his sixth career Finals MVP award. His jersey price soared well above the \$3 to \$5 million estimate, selling for \$10.1 million.

In non-sports news, the New York Times reports that the art collection of Paul Allen (who formed Microsoft

with Bill Gates in 1975) is expected to be the biggest auction of a private art collection in history. The inventor, sports team owner and philanthropist died in 2018. Over 150 of his pieces spanning 500 years will be sold. Highlights include “Jasper Johns’ encaustic, acrylic and paper collage ‘Small False Start’ from 1960, estimated to bring more than \$50 million, and Paul Cézanne’s ‘La Montagne Sainte-Victoire’ (1888-90), estimated at over \$100 million.” Allen bought many of the paintings as an investment. He anonymously purchased an 1891 Monet painting of a haystack for \$81.4 million in 2016. He also loaned pieces from his collections to several museums. He told Bloomberg in 2015, “I feel that you should share some of the works to give the public a chance to see them.” The sale, which also includes masterpieces by Renoir and Roy Lichtenstein, is expected to top \$1 billion.

An antique advertising sign also recently fetched eye-popping auction record prices, according to Greenville, South Carolina TV station WYFF. The double sided Musgo Gasoline sign was discovered in a Michigan attic and is the best-known example of the 1920s version of the Musgo Gasoline sign. WYFF writes that “Musgo, originally located in Muskegon, Michigan, was believed to be open for less than six months during the mid-1920s.” The previous auction record for a gasoline-related advertising sign was \$400,000 until the Musgo sign shattered it, selling for \$1.5 million in August, especially remarkable considering gasoline sold for slightly over 20 cents a gallon when

Musgo was in business.

We are accepting consignments of gold, coins and sterling through Sept. 26 for our fall auction. We are also accepting consignments for our sports card and memorabilia auction as well as our art, historical memorabilia, antiques and collectibles fall auctions through September 30th. I’ll be appraising items for the public at the

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Katherine T. Nicoletti, 69



Dudley – Katherine T. (Marini) Nicoletti, 69, of Sawmill Rd., passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Sept 16th, in UMass Memorial Hospital, Webster Campus. She leaves her beloved husband of 50 years, Leonard S. Nicoletti; her son, Patrick D. Nicoletti and his wife Kimberly of Wethersfield, CT; her daughter, Maggi M. Nicoletti of Swansea; her brother, Charles Marini of Florida and her two nephews, Greg and Scott Marini. Katherine was born in Boston the daughter of Viglantino “Frank” and Mary (Drummey) Marini. She graduated Saint Columbkille High School and went on to become an RN. Her career of saving lives and comforting her patients spanned over five decades. She was an Emergency Room Nurse at both Saint Vincent’s and Hubbard Memorial Hospital. She was the first nurse in Central Mass to fly in the Life Flight helicopter with her

patient. She ended her incredible career as the Director of Health Services at Nichols College in Dudley. In addition to nursing, She was very active and enjoyed beach trips, wineries, bowling, and playing golf. Katherine was an active member of the Dudley Woman’s Club. Her family was her true joy. She cherished her many BBQ’s, outings, and Summer days by the pool with family and friends. She will be deeply missed and we will treasure all of our memories of her. Her funeral will be held on Friday, Sept. 23nd, from the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, with a Mass at 11:00am in St. Mary’s Church of St. John Paul II Parish, Southbridge. Burial will follow in St. Mary’s Cemetery, Southbridge. Calling hours in the funeral home will be held on Thursday, Sept. 22st, from 4:00 to 7:00pm. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241. www.morrillfuneralhome.com

Lucille Elizabeth Deary, 73



Lucille Elizabeth (Barrette) Deary, 73, passed away on Friday, September 9th at Hartford Hospital, surrounded by her family. Born and raised in Webster, MA, she was the eldest of ten children of Raymond A. Barrette and Cecile M. (Lemay) Barrette. She graduated from Bartlett High School in 1967. She moved to North Grosvenordale, CT in 1982. She worked at Midstates Packaging in Auburn, MA for 17 years in the Billing & Accounting Dept. until she retired in 2020. Growing up, Lucille enjoyed muscle cars, going to the races and competing in the powder puff derby, playing the organ, dancing to polka, trips to Florida, going to Boston Celtics games, and spending time with her large family. She enjoyed spending quality time with her grandchildren & great granddaughter. She especially enjoyed watching her children and grandchildren’s sporting events. She was a second Mother to many of our friends, that she loved as her own. And a proud Godmother to many, that she loved so much. She crocheted many blankets for friends and family, that will be cherished forever.

Her special recipes will be made for generations to come. She especially enjoyed her yearly trips to Atlantic City and frequent trips to the Casino with her best friends, Sally Marcustry and Barbara Pickett. She leaves her daughter, Kimberly Joy Deary and her boyfriend Jason Ranslow of Webster, MA. Her son Corey John Deary and his fiancé Elizabeth Perry of North Grosvenordale, CT.; three grandchildren, Amanda Lee Safford and her husband Gerry of Putnam, CT., Talon John Deary and Raegan Cecile Deary of North Grosvenordale, CT.; one great granddaughter, Grace Lee Safford.; six siblings, Roger Barrette and his wife Linda of Woodstock, CT., Dennis Barrette and his wife Donna of No. Grosvenordale, CT., Daniel Barrette and his girlfriend Debbie of Webster, MA., Jeannine Dunn and her husband Stephen of Thompson, CT., Patricia Tyck and her husband James of Dudley, MA., and Debra Montpelier and her boyfriend Lee Auger of Putnam, CT.; a sister in law, Rita Barrette of Upton, MA. Many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and her grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents, and her brothers, Donald Barrette in 2011, Raymond P. Barrette in 2020. And her sister Jacqueline Hancock in 2021. She will forever be in our hearts and missed dearly, each and every day. At her request, in her final wishes, there will be no services or funeral.

Amy M. Canty , 42



Thompson, CT- Amy M. Canty , 42 of Thompson, CT. passed away on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 after a brave three year battle with breast cancer. She leaves her parents Kevin and Kristina (Lempicki) Canty of Thompson, her grandfather Victor A. Lempicki of Webster, her uncle and aunt Victor G. and Yvonne Lempicki of Webster, uncles Dennis Canty of Quinebaug and Bob Monfils of Dudley And a cousin Matthew Lempicki of Webster. She was predeceased by her grandparents Cy and Helen Canty and her grandmother Virginia Lempicki and her special aunt and good friend Beth Canty.

An avid traveler and adventurer, Amy enjoyed her visits to all parts of the country. Whether it was a spur of the moment trip to Maine or New Hampshire or meticulously planned trips to the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, New Orleans, Florida, New York, or her beloved Jersey Shore, she was definitely in her element. She relaxed by working in her garden, curled up with a good book and most of all watching her favorite TV show The Golden Girls with her cat Sami buy her side. Amy was a kind, caring person and a loyal friend. Despite her struggles, she never gave up, never complained and lived her life to the very fullest. She will be forever missed by her loving parents. Calling Hour for Amy were Monday September 19, 2022 from 9-10 Am at the ROBERT J.MILLER FUNERAL HOME and LAKE CHAPEL, 366 School St., Webster followed by a procession and Funeral Service at 10:30 at Zion Lutheran Church, 70 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Webster. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to : Relay for Life of Northern Connecticut (Of which Amy participated)

Amy was a 1997 graduate of Bartlett High School in Webster and attended Worcester State College. She was always a hard worker beginning with a part time job at Price Chopper at the age of sixteen. Her first full time job was at Commerce Insurance in Webster where she worked for nine years. She went on to hold various positions at U.Mass. Hospital and St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester, MA. Day Kimball Hospital in Putnam, CT. and most recently at Harrington Healthcare in Webster.

Paul D. O'Reilly



OXFORD – Paul D. O'Reilly died on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at the Rose Monahan Hospice Residence in Worcester. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Jean M. (McKenney) O'Reilly of Oxford; two sisters-in-law, Barbara O'Reilly of Oxford, and Judy O'Reilly of South Carolina; four nieces, Patricia O'Reilly and her husband Jon Harper of Georgia, Jean E. O'Reilly and her husband Ian Jentle of London, England, Susan Lawrence of South Carolina, Maureen Wattson and her husband Matthew of South Carolina, and Christine Cox and her husband Jason of South Carolina; five grand nieces and nephews, Crystal Dubert, Nicole Lawrence, Reilly Cox, and Brady Cox, all of South Carolina, and Robert Weston of Massachusetts; and several cousins, including Roy Ziegengeist of Virginia. He was predeceased by three brothers, Shane O'Reilly, Brian O'Reilly, and Michael O'Reilly; a sister, Patricia O'Reilly; and two nieces, Dawn Marie Weston and Kathleen O'Reilly. He was born in Franklin in 1926, son of the late Bernard and Erna (Ziegengeist) O'Reilly. He moved to Dracut, Newport, NH, and North Adams as his father advanced in the woolen industry, finally settling in Oxford many years ago. He attended Towle High School in Newport, NH, and graduated from Drury High School in North Adams. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II and served on airfields in Kansas and Texas. Once he moved to Oxford, Mr. O'Reilly learned to weld from Frank Robbins, and they went into business together as Robbins and O'Reilly Inc. Later, he worked for Hanes Welding and in the Quincy Naval Shipyard, before founding O'Reilly Welding in Oxford, which he owned and operated throughout his life. He also worked for the Henley Lundgren Company, fabricated large molds for the L&L Concrete Company, and worked for several other

contractors throughout his career. He was a master welder and felt that the more challenging a project was to him, the more he enjoyed the task. Mr. O'Reilly was a faithful member of St. Roch's Catholic Church in Oxford for many years, and enjoyed sitting at the men's table for coffee and donuts after Mass each week. He was a former member of the American Legion Post 58 in Oxford and a longtime member of the Operating Engineers Local 4 Union. He held several patents, including a patent on a woodburning furnace named the “Shane,” and a silt fence support system. Later in life, he went back to night school at Bay Path to learn woodworking. Mr. O'Reilly enjoyed motorhome trips around the country and Canada, especially along the coast of Maine and throughout South Carolina to visit relatives each year. He hosted an annual cookout for 30 years for Henley Lundgren employees. He made long-lasting friendships wherever he lived and was happiest when his family was gathered together in his home. He had many loyal, long-lasting friendships, including the Alfred Cermanero and George Bushika families of North Adams. Paul's family would like to thank Care Central V.N.A. and Hospice, and the Rose Monahan Hospice Residence, for the exceptional care given to him. A funeral Mass was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Those attending are respectfully requested to meet directly at the church. Burial will be held privately at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Paul D. O'Reilly Welding Award, c/o Webster Five Cent Savings Bank, 343 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

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people can replace key town officials when they leave. He noted that’s fairly easy in the “paramilitary-type departments” (police and fire), but more challenging in departments like finance. Article 9 seeks \$150,000 to replace the security systems at the police and fire stations and on the two main Town Hall entrances. LaFond said the idea came from Gregg Linsky, who expressed concern that some doors within the police station do not respond to the electronic fobs they use instead of keys. This has apparently been a problem since the station was built, with Town Accountant Tim Bell saying he believes it was “more of a prototype and never got into production.” LaFond said he’s been told the system was installed prior to the use of the owners’ project manager here and in two other towns who have seen similar problems by an architect that may not still be in business. Item 10 seeks to accept easements over and acquire by trade land to create a right-of-way for extending the Riverwalk. Stepping down from his chairmanship temporarily because he’s on the board for Mapfre, an owner of some of those parcels, Randy Becker

said the issue is there are many tiny parcels and “all kinds of intersecting [property] lines” in the middle of the street behind Mapfre. The plan does not spend any money for land, but is necessary so the trail extension can get state grant funding, he added. The last item is a zoning change affecting 516 Main and a neighboring parcel. According to Planner Ann Morgan, both are owned by Webster Ventures and are vacant. The owner “has had a number of people kick the tires ... to develop it,” but can’t because it’s split between the Business-4 and multifamily zones, with the former section being too small to fit “all the things required for a site plan,” she said. The change would put both parcels into the B4 district, and the Planning Board’s holding its public hearing on the proposal Sept. 26. She said several lots along that stretch of Main Street are similarly split-zoned, and it may be worth looking at rezoning the whole area. Most of them were originally much smaller lots when zoning began around 1950. The board will formally vote whether or not to endorse the various articles at their next meeting, probably Sept. 26, but it hasn’t been posted on the website yet. Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

Friday's Child



Jehnya Thomas
Age: 9

a family who will use positive reinforcement and provide Jehnya will love and nurturance. The ideal family for Jehnya would be a two-parent home with at least one female caretaker. It would also be best for Jehnya to be an only child, but her social worker is open to considering older siblings on an individualized basis. Jehnya has expressed that she would like to be placed with an African American family.

https://www.mareinc.org/waiting-child-profiles#gallery/child/7274

Can I Adopt?

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, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at (617) 964-6273 or visit www.mareinc.org. Start the process today and give a waiting child a permanent place to call home.



What does it mean to be open-minded?

Are you open-minded? I like to say I am, but am I?

What does it mean to be open-minded? Is it even possible to be genuinely open-minded? Does that mean you aren't open-minded if you have strong convictions?

This column is about positivity; although I'm not perfect, I try to close my mind to negativity. Does that mean I'm close-minded?

Is being open-minded a virtue or a vice? I guess it depends.

Someone told me that having an open mind means listening to different thoughts, opinions, and beliefs, examining how they conflict with your convictions and ideas, and then allowing your view to change should the idea be worthy of your acceptance.

I've also learned that being open-minded can mean being open-minded to the possibilities for the future.

I've met many people who are close-minded to the idea that good things can happen. They are stuck in a mindset that success isn't attainable, giants are undefeatable, and the bad

guys will always win.

Being closed-minded is when we close our minds to new possibilities, opinions, or ways of thinking. We build a box around what we know or want to be true, but then we never think outside the box.

When we become close-minded in the wrong way, if we're not careful, it's possible that we also lose the ability to imagine what it's like to walk in someone else's shoes or to see the world from a different perspective.

Once we get into a thinking pattern, we develop a routine and stay in that pattern. I'm not against routines, but sometimes getting stuck in a routine can lead you to a particular way of thinking. Sometimes changing the routine can help open your mind to new thinking patterns.

If we're stuck in a particular pattern of thinking, and a problem arises that is caused by the way we think, is it possible to truly solve the problem by continuing to think in the same way?

In some ways, we can become prisoners of our beliefs and assumptions.

I am guilty of learning to do things in a certain way and then believing everyone should do it that same way, only to learn that most people don't want to do it the same way, and if I tried to get them to do it that way, they don't listen!

Confirmation bias is when we accept evidence that supports our beliefs and mindsets and reject evidence that doesn't.

If you challenge someone to think differently, it can quickly become a fight, some people don't want their beliefs and ideas to be challenged, and maybe we should respect that and learn to live with them in peace.

In today's world, it seems that when we encounter someone of a radically different belief system, even amongst people born and raised in our own country, rather than trying to understand why they think the way they think, we hate them and call them names. It's easy not to listen to their ideas and write them off because we believe they are immoral people.

Am I saying we shouldn't defend and debate what we believe to be true? No.

Having a closed mind may cause us to oversimplify the other person's point of view because we don't want to think too deeply about the issue.

A closed mind results in our rational thinking and imagination becoming stunted. We lose the ability to relate.

Some of the best leaders, innovators, and businesspeople were open to the possibilities of a new way of doing things. They helped people to see their vision, dramatically changing our way of life.

What would happen if we had a more open mind in our approach to family? Could it change the whole dynamic and lead to better relationships?

Is it possible that having an open mind to how we deal with people we disagree with could radically change the country's direction? I hope so.

I'm open to the possibilities.

Colorful mums for fall gardens and containers

Add a burst of fresh color to the fall landscape with mums. This traditional fall flower is still a favorite of many. These fall beauties come in a wide range of colors and provide weeks of floral beauty. Mums are great in containers, the garden, and cut flower bouquets. Fall just wouldn't be the same without them.

When shopping for mums you may see them labeled as garden, perennial, gift, or florist mums. All these different names for plants that basically look alike can be confusing. The answer lies in their response to day length, hardiness, and use.

Mums set flowers based on day length. Growers can force them into bloom by covering them to create the shorter days that initiate flowering. Those grown as gift and holiday plants are often called florist mums. These usually require the longest periods of uninterrupted darkness or shorter days. When these mums are grown under natural daylight they usually don't flower until late fall or early winter. These late bloomers are usually killed by cold temperature before or soon after the flowers appear in colder parts of the country.

Nurseries selling mums in full bloom

in the fall often refer to them as garden mums. These may be perennial or "florist" mums forced to flower for fall displays. The intent is to use them as annuals. Set a pot on the steps, pop a plant in a vacant spot in the garden or combine them with other fall favorites.

Even if these garden mums are hardy and suited to your growing conditions, they may not survive the winter. Since all the energy of flowering fall-planted mums is directed to the flowers, little is left to establish a hardy robust root system. If you have success overwintering your garden mum, feel free to brag. If your plants don't survive or you don't try, don't worry. You are using them as a fall annual as they were intended. This provides space for new plants in the spring and an opportunity to try a different color mum next fall.

Those mums sold as perennials are hardy enough to survive the winter and flower in late summer or early fall, providing weeks of color in the garden.

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They are often sold alongside other perennials, labeled as perennials, or promoted as hardy for the area. Increase your success by planting them in spring. This allows the plant time to develop a robust root system before it begins flowering in the fall. This increases the plant's ability to survive cold winter weather.

Increase overwintering success of fall planted perennial mums with proper care. Make sure the plants receive sufficient moisture throughout the remainder of the growing season and leave the plants intact in the garden for winter. Those in colder climates may want to add winter mulch. Wait for the ground to freeze. Then cover with weed-free straw or evergreen boughs. Remove the mulch in spring as temperatures hover near freezing or the plants begin to grow. Cut back the dead stems and wait for new growth to appear.

Whatever you call them, add a few mums to your fall display. You are sure to enjoy that last blast of color before winter arrives.

Melinda Myers has written more



Melinda Myers

Mums mixed with ornamental grass in a fall garden.

than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Greater Worcester Community Foundation awards \$745,000 in scholarships

WORCESTER — It took 80 volunteers to comb through more than 700 scholarship applications. By the end of the 2022 school year, 401 students received news they had been approved for a scholarship award. The Foundation gave out

439 awards in total this year, a small piece of the \$14.04 million given to over 9,000 students since their inception in 1978.

The GWCF scholarship program is about paying it forward. Most scholarship recipients never meet the donors who start the funds, but their college aspirations are being met by those who believe in the future of Worcester County. Take William J. Short, for instance, who led the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce for 25 years, never met Jacob E. Vazquez. But the William J. Short Scholarship for Future Business and Civic Leaders helped Jacob, the first college graduate in his family, to attend Assumption University.

“The Scholarship program isn’t just about giving money towards a college diploma, it’s about investing in the future of our city,” said Vazquez. “The hope is that many of these students stay in Central Massachusetts and improve their families lives, their communities, their hometowns, and the entire region.”

Talia Smith, a Charles Hugo Community Service Awardee from Massachusetts Academy of Math & Science, understands the value of paying it forward.

“I can see how what one person does greatly affects those around them, and I will do everything that I can to make my contributions generous and positive,” she said.

Smith plans to attend the University of Pennsylvania and major in biophysics.

Worcester State University was in the top five colleges that GWCF scholarship awardees are attending this year. WSU reports an overall graduation rate of 60 percent, but for students with scholarships, the graduation rate is nearly 100 percent.

Barry Maloney, President of Worcester State University, acknowledges that scholarships act as an investment to our community, noting “Many of our graduates return to live and

work in our community. We need these educated problem-solvers to lead us in building on the gains we’ve experienced in Worcester County.”

New awardees hail from all Greater Worcester County; this year’s top towns and cities with awardees were Worcester, Douglas, Auburn, Webster, and Holden with 68 percent of awardees attending college across Massachusetts.

Recipients throughout Worcester County were selected through a highly competitive process on the basis of merit, financial need, and special criteria established by the individual funds. College-bound high school seniors can be considered for multiple scholarship opportunities through the Foundation’s single online application. The next application cycle will open in January of 2023.

For more information, please contact GWCF’s Scholarship Philanthropy Officer Jacob E. Vázquez at jvazquez@greaterworcester.org.

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Citing various lake-related issues, LaFond remarked, “if I never hear the word ‘dock’ again, I’ll be fine.” That idea sails into Becker’s cove, since he lives there. He noted one key issue is the fact some lake dwellers have buoys or docks 100-150 feet out into the water when the legal limit is 75 feet, creating dangers for boaters. Similarly, he said there have been speeding issues, and recommended “get[ting] the departments who are involved coordinated” with an advisory committee. But Becker added he’s not sure about forming an official commission akin to what Lake Quinsigamond has.

LaFond agreed, noting the town needs to clarify “what we can do” and reach out to people.

Outreach to a different part of the community – Hispanic residents – was another issue for several members, with LaFond saying he’d like to see what the board actually wants there. Becker suggested tasking someone in the administration specifically to coordinate meeting with local Latinos, translating the website and documents, and so forth.

“We don’t really do a lot to reach out to the Spanish-speaking,” Becker said. “We have a duty as a town to make that overture to them.”

Kontoes agreed, saying such an effort could attract more people to participate in town committees.

Becker noted the discussion needed consolidation into short- and long-term goals. The board gave that task to Kontoes and Klebart, with LaFond’s help.

“There’s a lot of great ideas here, but there’s too much to have Rick be responsible for,” Klebart said.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 76 Boyce Street, Auburn, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Nicholas P. Gosselin a/k/a Nicholas Gosselin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Network, Inc., said mortgage dated February 21, 2020, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 61926 at Page 31 and now held by PennyMac Loan Services, LLC by virtue of an assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Network, Inc., its successors to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC dated November 17, 2020 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 63771 at Page 277, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at **Public Auction on October 27, 2022 at 2:00 PM Local Time** upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

THE LAND IN AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BOYCE STREET, SO-CALLED, IN SAID AUBURN, CONTAINING 14,591 SQUARE FEET MORE OR LESS, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST-ERLY CORNER THEREOF, BEING AT THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF JONAS G. FORSBERG;

THENCE SOUTHERLY BY SAID BOYCE STREET, ONE HUNDRED THREE AND THREE TENTHS (103.3) FEET TO LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF SVEN J. JOHANSON;

THENCE WESTERLY AT A RIGHT ANGLE FROM THE LINE OF SAID BOYCE STREET BY LAND OF SAID JOHANSON, ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE AND FIVE TENTHS (131.5) FEET TO LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF OTIS S. POND;

THENCE NORTHERLY BY SAID POND'S LAND, ONE HUNDRED FOUR AND SIX TENTHS (104.6) FEET TO THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF FORSBERG LAND;

THENCE EASTERLY BY SAID FORSBERG LAND AT A RIGHT ANGLE WITH THE LINE OF SAID BOYCE STREET, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (151) FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AT THE LINE OF SAID STREET.

EXCEPTING THAT PORTION OF THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE DEED FROM GUSTAF H. OLUND ET. UX TO MONA C. SJOGREN ET AL DATED MAY 26, 1958 AND RECORDED IN THE WORCESTER REGISTRY OF DEEDS IN BOOK 3943, PAGE 570. BEING THE SAME PREMISES CONVEYED IN DEED DATED 06/22/2016 AND RECORDED 07/05/2016 AT BOOK 55593, PAGE 320. For title see deed recorded herewith.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 76 BOYCE STREET, AUBURN, MA 01501.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated February 18, 2020, and recorded in Book 61926 at Page 27 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

BENDETT & MCHUGH, PC
270 Farmington Avenue
Farmington, CT 06032
Attorney for PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Present Holder of the Mortgage (860) 677-2868

September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022
October 7, 2022

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Mary T. Moylan and Richard Fryover, Chelsie Doran and Nicholas Laflamme to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee

for Quicken Loans Inc., dated August 27, 2018 and recorded in Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 59315, Page 316 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. to Rocket Mortgage, LLC, FKA Quicken Loans, LLC dated June 20, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 67794, Page 209, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 10 Lynn Lane, Dudley, MA 01571 will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 AM on October 11, 2022, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Lynn Lane and being one hundred eighty (180) feet from an iron pin at the intersection of the easterly line of said Lynn Lane and the southerly line of Lynn Lane and being Lot No. 24 on a plan entitled "Rolling Hills", Sub-division of property of Mrs. Laura Bibeault off Mason Road, Dudley, Massachusetts, R.B. Cullinan, R.L.S., which plan is duly recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds; Plan Book 325, Plan 35;

THENCE from said point along the southerly line of said Lynn Lane eighty (80) feet to an iron pin at Lot No. 26;

THENCE southerly by Lot No. 26 and Lot No 16 as on said Plan one hundred (100) feet to an iron pin;

THENCE westerly by Lot No. 14 to an iron pin at Lot No. 22 as on said Plan;

THENCE northerly by said Lot No. 22 one hundred (100) feet to the southerly line of said Lynn Lane.

The above described premises are conveyed subject to all restrictions of record and subject to all water and sewer liens, whether or not of record.

Also a right of passageway, over Lot #26 to Lot #24 of Rolling Hill on Plan Book 325, Plan 35 on Lynn Lane in said Dudley, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pipe on the southerly side of Lynn Lane at the northeast corner of Lot #24;

THENCE N. 79 degrees 48' E. along the southerly side of Lynn Lane for a distance of 10.0 feet to an iron pipe;

THENCE S. 10 degrees 12' E. on Lot #26 for a distance of 90 feet;

THENCE S. 79 degrees 48' W. for a distance of 10.0 feet;

THENCE N. 10 degrees 12' W. along the easterly side of Lot #24 for a distance of 90 feet to the point of beginning.

Meaning and intending to grant a right of way for ingress and egress by motor vehicle or any other mode of conveyance.

Barry Avenue:

The land on the northerly side of Barry Avenue in the Town of Dudley, Worcester County, Massachusetts, and being Lot No. 14 on a plan entitled "Rolling Hills", Subdivision by Mrs. Laura Bibeault, off Mason Road., Barry Avenue & Lynn Lane, Dudley., Massachusetts, Scale 1"=40 Feet, December 1953, R.B. Cullinan, Registered Land Surveyor to be recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 325, Plan 35, and further bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of Barry Avenue and being 216.65 feet from the intersection of said Barry Avenue and Lynn Lane;

THENCE northerly 115.8 feet by Lots 12 and 22 as shown on said plan;

THENCE N. 79 degrees 48' E. 80 feet by Lot 24 as on said plan;

THENCE South 100.03 feet by Lot 16 to an iron pin in the northerly side of Barry Avenue;

THENCE Westerly 81.54 feet to an iron pin in the southwesterly corner of Lot 14 and being the point of beginning.

For title, see deed of Kristen L. Robinson et al recorded herewith.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 59315, Page 313.

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

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale

at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500

Doran, Chelsie & Mary T. Moylan & Richard Fryover & Nicholas Laflamme, 22-040477

September 16, 2022
September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Edward M. O'Toole to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, dated June 22, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 36670, Page 345, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for, Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc. Asset- Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7, under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated August 1, 2005 by Citi Residential Lending Inc., as Attorney in-Fact for Ameriquet Mortgage Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 43808, Page 151, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for, Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc. Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7 by Ameriquet Mortgage Company by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 63006, Page 259, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for, Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc. Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7, under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated August 1, 2005 by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 54905, Page 301 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on October 7, 2022 at 22 Hudson Road, Oxford, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land situated on the Easterly side of Hudson Road, Town of Oxford, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of said parcel at a point in the Easterly line of Hudson Road Thence N 6 Deg 28' 25" E, by the Easterly line of Hudson Road 206.95 feet to an angle in said line; Thence N 17 Deg 6' 16" E by the Easterly line of Hudson Road, 25.00 feet to a point at land now or formerly of Oxford-Sutton Development Associates; Thence by land now or formerly of Oxford-Sutton Development by the following courses: Thence S 81 Deg 54' 58" E, a distance of 209.72 feet to a point; Thence S 11 Deg 24' 16" W a distance of 100 feet to a stake; Thence S 35 Deg 20' 55" W a distance of 121.00 feet to an iron pin in stones; Thence S 88 Deg 43' 15" W, a distance of 148.54 feet to point of beginning. Parcel 25 Map 3 For title see deed at book 19120 page 203. For informational purposes only said property is shown as Lot 1 on Plan Book 432 Plan 38.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or

during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquet Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-R7 Present Holder of said Mortgage, 19-010824/189/NOTOP_DR
By Its Attorneys,
ORLANS PC
PO Box 540540
Waltham, MA 02454
Phone: (781) 790-7800
19-010824
September 16, 2022
September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO22P3197EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Derek Brown
Date of Death: 10/27/2013**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by **Paula Brouillette** of **Westerly RI** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Paula Brouillette** of **Westerly RI** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/18/2022**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 15, 2022
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
September 23, 2022

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 27 George Street, Dudley, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Carl W. Phillips and Karen K. Phillips to Fleet Mortgage Corp., A South Carolina Corporation, said mortgage dated October 30, 1998, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 20601 at Page 144 and now held by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust I by virtue of an assignment from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust I dated January 27, 2021 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 64332 at Page 260; previously assigned by Washington Mutual Bank F/K/A Washington Mutual Bank, FA successor by merger to Washington Mutual Home Loans, Inc. successor by merger to Fleet Mortgage Corp to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., by virtue of an assignment, dated February 7, 2007 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 40673 at Page 372, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on October 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Dudley with the buildings thereon, being lots #5, #6, #7, and #9 on Plan on Brandon Heights, Dudley, Massachusetts dated April 22, 1905, drawn by B.A. Wakefield, C.E., and being part of the premises described in a deed from William H. Tracy to Athanas Vasil Natsis et ux dated March 6, 1936 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 2663, Page 259 and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the junction of the easterly line of Sixth Avenue and the southerly line of Tracy Court;

THENCE southerly by the easterly line of Sixth Avenue a distance of approximately 200 feet;

THENCE easterly by lot #11 a distance of approximately 100 feet, more or less, to lot #10;

THENCE northerly by lot #10 and lot #8 a distance of 82 feet;

THENCE westerly by lot #3 and #4 a distance of approximately 60 feet to the southeasterly corner of lot #5;

THENCE northerly by lot #4 a distance of 100 feet to the southerly line of Tracy Street;

THENCE westerly by the southerly line of Tracy Street a distance of 90 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

APN: 188//092/000 000/

Property Address: 27 George Street, Dudley, MA 01571

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated October 30, 1998, and recorded in Book 20601 at Page 142 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of

the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within sixty (60) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

BENDETT & MCHUGH, PC
270 Farmington Avenue
Farmington, CT 06032
Attorney for
Wilmington Savings Fund Society,
FSB, as Trustee of
Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust I
Present Holder of the Mortgage
(860) 677-2868

September 16, 2022
September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022

TOWN OF DUDLEY PUBLIC HEARING PETITION FOR POLE AND WIRE LOCATIONS MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY D/B/A NATIONAL GRID AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166, of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are hereby notified that a Public Hearing will be held at the Dudley Municipal Complex, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA on Monday, October 3, 2022 @ 6:35pm in the Veterans' Memorial Hall, Room 321A. The purpose of this Hearing: To Act on a Petition from National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc. to install 1 JO Pole on Oxford Ave. Remove Pole #89 and install a bigger pole 25' north of its current location. The closest address is 197 Oxford Ave.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the date and time specified or submits their concerns in writing.

Jason Johnson
Chairman, Dudley Board of Selectmen
September 23, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO22P3145EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of: Gary W Watson Date of Death: 07/18/2022

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Scott Reed** of **Easthampton MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Scott Reed** of **Easthampton MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/11/2022**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

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

Date: September 12, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate

September 23, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO22C0439CA CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME In the matter of: Louise Mila Chrisovechotis

A **Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **Louise Mila Chrisovechotis** of **Webster MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Louise Mila Prediger

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Worcester Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/11/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: September 07, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman
September 23, 2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Worcester Probate and Family Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO22P3041GD CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L.c. 190B, §5-304 In the matter of: Jamie Lilla Of: Dudley, MA RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **UMass Memorial Health - Harrington of Webster, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jamie Lilla** is in need of a Guardian requesting that **Stephen M Fournier** of **Leominster, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and

may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **10/11/2022**.

This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

Date: August 31, 2022

Stephanie K. Fattman
Register of Probate
September 23, 2022

Notice of Public Hearing Dudley Planning Board Proposed Zoning Amendments

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 5, the Dudley Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Dudley Municipal Complex, Room 321-A, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571, on five proposed zoning amendments:

- 1.To amend the Dudley Zoning By-law, Section 3.15.05.4.c to extend the hours of operation that a retail Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center may be open from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.
- 2.To amend the Dudley Zoning Bylaw, Section 3.10.05.A, Permitted Uses, in the Mill Conversion Overlay District, by adding Self-Service Storage Facilities as a permitted use, and to amend Section VI, Definitions, by adding a new definition for Self-Service Storage Facilities.
- 3.To amend the Official Dudley Zoning Map, by changing the zoning district from Industrial 130 (IND 130) to Residential 43 (RES 43) for eight properties identified as Assessors' Map 220 Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, and 12 as shown on a map entitled "Proposed Re-Zoning on Fish Road from IND 130 to RES 43".
- 4.To amend the Dudley Zoning Bylaw, Section 4.01, Parking Standards, by adding a new section 4.01.09, Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, to establish a requirement for electric vehicle charging stations in parking lots of 20 or more spaces.
- 5.To amend the Dudley Zoning By-law, Section 7.01, Driveway / Curb Cut Permit, Subsection IV.F by adding design standards for the construction of shared driveways.

The proposed amendments are on the Town web site and in the offices of the Planning Board and Town Clerk, 71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA during the hours of 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday and 8:00 am to noon on Fridays. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on the zoning amendments should appear at the time and place designated.

Guy Horne, Chairman
Dudley Planning Board
September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022

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**SOLD**

WEBSTER – 127 Douglas Road! 8 Room Split! 3 Bdrms! 2 Bath! Set on 1.31 Acres! 2 Car Garage Under plus 2 Car Detached Garage w/Lot! Perfect for the Hobbyist or Car Collector! This Home Features Open Concept Living! Frplcd Living Room w/ Cathedral Ceiling & Recent Skylights! Remodeled Eat-in Kitchen w/Granite Counters, Breakfast Bar & Slider to the Deck! Oversized Full Bath w/Jacuzzi & Large Walk-in Shower! Hrdwd Flrs throughout the Kit, Liv Rm & Hallway! 3 Bdrms w/Wall to Wall! Finished Lower Level w/Tiled Mudroom! New Luxury Vinyl Flooring throughout Lower Level Fam Rm, Exercise Rm & Bath! Above-ground Pool! Custom Fire Pit! Perfect for Entertaining! Recent Well Pump! 2013 Electrical Service! 2011 Septic! The Updates are Done! Great Commuting Location! Only Minutes to 395 or 146! **\$434,900.00**

**ON DEPOSIT**

DUDLEY – 5 Elizabeth St! 6+ Rm Ranch! Featuring Frplce Liv Rm w/Recessed Lighting & Guest Closet! Eat-in Kit w/Tile Flr! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Flrs, 2 w/Ceiling Fans & Dble Closets! Hall Bath w/Tile Floor! Finished Lower Level! 20x25' Frplcd Fam Rm w/Recessed Lighting & 2nd Bthrm w/Shower! Possible Kitchenette or Office! Laundry & Utility Rm! Wired for a Generator! Economical Gas Heat & Hot Water! 3 Season Porch! Garage! **\$364,900.00**

**SOLD**

WOODSTOCK – 12 Grey Fox Landing! Spacious 7 Rm, 3 Bdrms, 3.5 Bath Ranch! 2,100 sqft on 1st Floor & 1,400' Finished Lower Level! Open Concept! Beautiful Island Kit w/White Cabs, SS Appliances! Vaulted Ceiling Liv Rm w/LP Frplce w/3 Sliders to Deck! Master Suite w/Walk-in Closet, Vaulted Ceiling & Spacious Bath! Lower Level w/ Wet Bar, Full Kit, Office & Bath! 1st Flr Laundry & OA! Attached 2 Car Garage! Home's Perfect for Entertaining! Shed! Front Porch w/Composite Decking! Desired Location! **\$535,000.00**

**SOLD**

SUTTON – 90 Armsbury Rd! 8 Rm Meticulously Maintained 4 Bdrms/2.5 Bath Colonial, Pleasant Valley Country Club Near, is Ready for You! Formal Living Rm w/French Doors, Spacious Family Rm w/Gas Fireplace, Recessed Lighting & Slider Out to Private Deck! Formal Dining Rm! Fantastic Kitchen Featuring Stylish Ivory Cabinets, Stainless Appliances, Tile Backsplash, Wine Bar & Adjoining Dining Area! All w/Gleaming Hrdwd Floors! Spindle Staircase to the 2nd Flr Featuring a Huge Master w/Cathedral Ceiling w/Dble Walk-in Closet, Master Bath w/Dble Vanity, Tiled Shower & Soaking Tub! 3 Additional Comfortable Bdrms w/Ample Closets & Additional Full Bath! Expandable Walk-Out Lower Level w/Roughed-in Bathrm Ready to Complete! 2 Car Attached Garage & Recent Generator! Listed by Another, SOLD by Lake Realty! **\$829,900.00**

**ON DEPOSIT**

CHARLTON – 42 Harrington Rd! Beautiful 6 Rm Colonial w/3 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths Colonial set on .35 Acre Lot! 1st Floor w/9' Ceilings! Living Rm w/Bump-out, WW Carpeting & Crown Mouldings! Tile Foyer! Dining Rm w/Frplce (never used), WW Carpet, Crown Mouldings & Wainscoting! Open Kitchen & Dining Area out to Wood Deck! Kit w/SS Appliances, Granite Island! 1/2 Bath off Kit w/Laundry! 2nd Floor w/3 Comfortable Bdrms! Master w/Vaulted Ceilings, Ceiling Fan, Walk in Closet, Master Bath w/Jetted Tub & Separate Shower, Skylight, & Double Vanity! 2nd Floor Hall Bath w/Skylight! Full Basement has Walk-out to Second Deck, Third Full Bath, Utility Rm! 2 Car Garage! Horseshoe Driveway w/Plenty of Parking! Deep Wooded Lot! **\$419,000.00**

**NEW LISTING**

SUTTON – 11 Apple Ridge Rd! Super 9 Rm 3,046' Contemporary! Nicely Landscaped 30,596' Lot w/Circular Drive! White Marble Entry Foyer w/Soaring Skylight Ceiling! French Doors to the Custom Center Isl, Black Granite, Fully Applianced Kit w/Recessed Lighting! Open Flr Plan! Gorgeous Formal Din Rm w/Tons of Natural Light! Huge Liv Rm w/ Sliders Front & Rear, Skylight & Ceiling Fan! Frplcd Sitting Area w/Cathedral Ceiling, Skylight & Ceiling Fan! French Door Office leads to the Future 1st Flr Master presently the Gym w/Cathedral, Skylights, Ceiling Fan, Sliders & Bathrm Access! 2nd Flr Features 2 Bdrms & 2 Baths! Master Suite w/Cathedral, Skylight, Ceiling Fan, 2 Dble Closets, Dble Vanity, Separate Shower, Whirlpool Tub & Marble Flr! C/Air! Deck Overlooking Private Yard! 3 Car Garage Under & 46' Detached! Town Services! **\$774,900.00**

**SOLD**

WEBSTER – 3 Birchwood Dr! Great Commuter Location! Convenient to All Major Routes! 7 Rm, 3 Bdrms, Ranch Ready for Your Taste & Upgrades! 2 Front Entries, Enter through the Huge Attached Fam Rm w/Cathedral Ceiling, Ceiling Fan, Wall A/C & Dble Closet or through the Fireplaced Liv Rm w/Hrdwd Floor! Galley Kit w/ Raised Panel Wood Cabinets! Dining Area w/Hrdwd Floor & Slider out to the Deck! 3 Bdrms w/Hrdwd Floors & Ample Closet Space! Full Bathrm w/Linen Closet! The Lower Level once Finished, Ready to Finish Again! Many Possibilities! 1 Car Garage w/Opener! The Home is Accessed by 2 Driveways, 1 to the Left of the House & 1 to the Right, Plenty of Parking! Built w/Electric Heat but has been converted to Oil, Hot Water Baseboard! Town Water! Passed Title V! Don't Delay...**\$299,900.00**

**SOLD**

WEBSTER LAKE – 139 South Shore Rd - Middle Pond – Killdeer Island! Panoramic Views Across a Wide Expanse of The Lake! Level 11,534' Lot with a 91' Waterfront! Southern Exposure – Tons of Sun! 9 Room Ranch w/4 Bedrooms – 2 Lake Facing! 2 Complete Living Levels! Upper and Lower Kitchens! 3 Bathrooms! Hardwoods! 2 Car Garage! Additional 3,840' Lot Across the Street! Listed by Another – “SOLD” by Lake Realty! **\$1,110,000.00**



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Comfy & Cozy 2 bedroom Ranch, 1 Bath, 1+/- acres! Updates, roof shingles, windows, Mini Split Heat/Air Conditioning, Garage! **\$239,900**

**NEW LISTING**

WEBSTER - 18 THIRD STREET
2 Family - Needs work! 1st Flr has 4 Rooms - 2 Bedrooms. 2nd & 3rd Flr - 6 Rooms, 2 Bedrooms 2nd Flr & 2 Bedrooms on 3rd Flr! 32,560+/- sf .75 Acre - Large Level Lot! Room to Expand, Great Location w/Convenient Access. Natural Gas - Town Water & Sewer. **\$259,000.**
Property being sold "As-is".

**SORRY, SOLD!**

WEBSTER - 6 GREYSTONE AVE
New Listing: Complete Remodeling taking place. Beautiful Ranch! A Must See! 5 rooms, 2+ bedrooms, 1-1/2 Baths, Garage, Level Lot. **\$329,900.**

**ON DEPOSIT**

WEBSTER LAKE - 27 SOUTH POINT ROAD
OOH! WHAT A VIEW!!! Middle & South Ponds! Unique opportunity to Own Water-front Property with an 80' +/- ft sandy beach! Fireworks from the comfort of your deck or lawn! .22 Acre & 100' rd frontage - allows for expansion possibilities! 2 Bedrm, 2 1/2 Bath, Garage, open floor plan. 3 Season Porch for added enjoyment! Walk-out L/Level is heated with Full Bath! **New Price \$799,000.**

**SORRY, SOLD!**

WEBSTER - 17 BRODEUR AVENUE
Land only 21757 +/- sf. w/foundation, Town Water & Sewer, City Gas in street **\$140,000.**
Option 1 - Custom Build your HOME!
Option 2 - Build a 3 Family!
Option 3 - Build a 2 Family!

**LAND - TERRIFIC opportunity 14,798 Sq. Ft. of LAND. CONSERVATION APPROVAL for proposed Building. MASS DEP# 313-1167. 248+/- Road Frontage. 279+/- Water Frontage. Town Water & Sewer accessible. **\$250,000.****

**SORRY, SOLD!**

WEBSTER LAKE - BLACK POINT RD
WATERFRONT LOT! Hard to find 6500 +/-sf corner Lot. Beautiful view & setting. Sandy Beach! Few tall pine trees for shade. Town Water & Sewer Available! Will custom build if preferred! **\$333,000.**


**SORRY, SOLD!**

WOODSTOCK • 540 NORWICH WORCESTER TURNPIKE RTE 169
ELEGANT, AUTHENTIC COLONIAL on HISTORIC WOODSTOCK HILL! **\$689,500.**




LAND: WEBSTER/OXFORD/PUTNAM
OXFORD - LAND - General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! LAND with 4,095 SF Metal Building! 124 SOUTHBRIDGE RD (RTE 20). Town Sewer Project Plans are Approved. 22,884 sq. ft. Level Lot. 140 ft of road frontage. **EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES! \$795,000.**
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SPORTS

Southbridge edges Indians in three tightly contested sets



Bartlett's Aarilyn Artye lofts up a serve.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

WEBSTER — With Southbridge High's varsity volleyball team ahead in sets 2-0 over Bartlett High back on Monday, Sept. 12, the Pioneers relied on their serving in Set No. 3 to put the match away. Southbridge's Adrian Rodriguez, Jey Oquendo, Yirmeli Polanco and Gabriela Hernandez combined for 19 service points as they held off any potential rally from the Indians. Set scores in the Pioneers' 3-0 victory were 25-20, 25-23, 25-22.

"What we emphasize a lot is serving," said Southbridge head coach James Proulx. "You can't score if you can't get the ball over the net is what I say."

Rodriguez opened the third set with six straight service points as the Pioneers jumped ahead, 6-0. Southbridge then led by a 12-2 count after three aces from Oquendo. Following five more service points from Polanco, the Pioneers held an 18-4 lead.

Bartlett was finally able to break the serve, cutting the deficit down to 18-5, and from there the Indians — and particularly Catherine McIntyre — went to work.

McIntyre employed an underhanded serving technique, and it worked wonders. Combining perfectly placed aces with tricky serves at the Pioneers' back line, McIntyre produced 13 straight points to tie the score at 18-18.

"Last year Catherine was just under-hand and she got pretty good at it. This year she's developed both, so she still likes to pull out the under-hand once in a while," explained Bartlett head coach Peter Twiraga. "She has the ability to put it wherever she wants and let it die when it gets over the net. It's hard to read where it's going to go — it's kind of a knuckleball."

During Bartlett's intense comeback, Proulx didn't call a single timeout. Instead, he let his experienced players work through the difficulty.

"That was a lesson, especially with the three girls who were back there at the time," Proulx said of Polanco, Oquendo and Jazelyn Ortiz. "That's something that they should know better — we told them to stop creeping up — it's easier to play back and come forward."

Proulx never intended on calling timeout, even if the Indians were to win the set and make a match of it at 2-1.

"I would have let it fly all the way through," he said.

Southbridge was able to finally break McIntyre's serve to grab a 19-18 lead, and from there Hernandez rattled off five consecutive aces to make the score 24-18.

A Pioneers' mishit gave Bartlett life at 24-19 and the Indians scored the next three points to make it 24-22, and at that point Proulx called timeout.

"I thought they were out of rotation," Proulx said of the opposition. "[The officials] figured it out and they had an illegal sub earlier in the set."



Nyia Gonzalez of Bartlett uses her forearms to dig the ball on a service return.



Bartlett's Janessa Marcario focuses on the ball while returning a Southbridge serve.

That awarded Southbridge a point and it was game, set, match from there.

The Pioneers are now 2-0 after opening the season with a 3-1 victory over perennially tough Tantasqua Regional.

"We beat Tantasqua, first time we've beaten them," said Proulx of the Pioneers, a program that was incorporated for the 2014 season and has thus far had a best record of 12-8 (14-9 including two playoff wins). "I think we have a really good shot at having a very good record this year. I'm very excited about this team."

Bartlett, meanwhile, dropped to 0-3.

"In all three sets I think we made too big of a hole in the beginning for us to make a comeback. We came back a little bit, but not enough to finish it off," said Twiraga in the deciding factor against the Pioneers.

Twiraga is excited about what this season has to offer for Bartlett, though.

"We have solid players — we have a lot of seniors and some new kids. We have a lot of athletic ability," he concluded.



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SPORTS

Shepherd Hill battles on First Responder Night, but Marlborough prevails



With two linemen blocking a Marlborough defender, Shepherd Hill quarterback Luke Hill airs out a deep pass down the field.

DUDLEY — The Shepherd Hill varsity football team held its home opener on Friday, Sept. 16, but it wasn't just

any ordinary Opening Night. Instead, the Rams held First Responder Night where Shepherd Hill Athletic Director Jim Scanlon explained to Stonebridge Press that "the Dudley and Charlton Police, Fire, and EMS chiefs and available staff will receive free admission, and will be recognized on field during pre-game for their contributions to the communities they serve. "Our football student-athletes will take the field and shake the hands of the first responders, and we will invite them to stay on the field for the playing of the national anthem," Scanlon continued. All in attendance also walked under a massive American flag that was being held up by ladder trucks from the Dudley and Charlton Fire Departments upon entering Carmignani Field. On the football field, the Rams unfortunately dropped to 0-2 after losing to Marlborough High, 27-14. The Panthers jumped out to a 13-0 lead,



Ladder trucks from the Dudley and Charlton Fire Departments hold up the American flag for all in attendance to see during the Shepherd Hill football team's First Responder Night.

only for Shepherd Hill to score with 46 seconds remaining until halftime when Lucas Welton found paydirt from 8 yards out. On the play, Welton tried running to

his left, but when there was no daylight he shifted toward the center of the field before barreling into the end zone. Luke Miller tacked on the extra point, and it was a

13-7 game at the half. But Marlborough outscored Shepherd Hill in the second half, 14-7, improving to 2-0 in the process.

Improved Rams fall just short against Leominster

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR
DUDLEY — Last season the Shepherd Hill girls' varsity soccer team endured plenty of growing pains while trudging through a winless season (0-15-1). But head coach

Amanda Brotherton still noticed the Rams improving week-by-week, game-by-game. "Even with the record we had and the losses we progressed throughout the season and [the players] see the potential,"

said Brotherton. Early in the 2021 season Shepherd Hill had tough outcomes against Groton-Dunstable Regional (6-0), Marlborough High (7-2) and Leominster High (4-0) for a minus-15 goal differential. Later in the

fall the Rams produced more respectable outcomes against those teams, with the differential trimmed down to -14 in four games, as they played Marlborough twice. Fast forward to this season and The Hill is still improving. They lost to Groton-Dunstable 2-0 and tied Marlborough 2-2 before hosting Leominster at Carmignani Field on Thursday, Sept. 15. "From the start of the season, even pre-season, I could tell that we have more potential this year. I only lost one senior last year and gained four freshmen this year," Brotherton said before her squad battled the Blue Devils. "Playing against Groton-Dunstable, it could have gone either way and against Marlborough tying 2-2, it could have gone either way, so we're matching up with the league, which is good. "We are growing still,



Arianna Watson of Shepherd Hill makes a move to her right to get the ball past her Leominster opponent.

but the potential is definitely there. They definitely have that [sick of losing] mentality, they're not down," continued Brotherton. And the Rams battled tough against Leominster. The game remained scoreless at halftime before the Blue Devils pocketed a pair of second-half goals to

take home a 2-0 decision. Keeper Meri Wilde kept Shepherd Hill in the game in the first half, making 13 saves. Defenders Colleen Cumming, Arianna Watson, Fiona Duke and Shaylan Cashman also played strong soccer, limiting Leominster's shots to predominantly outside the 18-yard box.



Shepherd Hill's Shaylan Cashman goes left to kick the ball out of her team's defensive zone.

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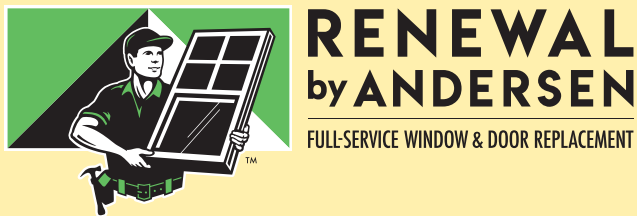
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BY BRO. JIMMY FALZONE
PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER
QUINEBAUG MASONIC LODGE

SOUTHBRIDGE — On Saturday Sept 17, 2022, the Quinebaug Masonic Lodge in Southbridge started its community outreach program and set up a food drive table to help collect food for the Southbridge food share. Southbridge food share is located at 79 Elm St., and has been around for many years. Its services Southbridge, Sturbridge, Holland, Wales, Brimfield, and Charlton. What a beautiful fall day.

Big Bunny Market was buzzing with shoppers that morning and people were very generous and supportive of the food drive. One of the community outreaches programs this year was to collect and raise food for in need. Quinebaug Lodge was able to collect and donate 40 bags of groceries and \$72 in donations. Bill Bouvier a volunteer at the Southbridge food share, food drive was excited to see the truck load of bags of donated food. He mentioned to us that the food share program provides food to about 80 families a month.



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Left to right: Brother Clay Tully, Bro. Terrance Mount, Bro. Will Proper, and Bro. Chip Hubert members of Quinebaug Lodge proudly standing behind all the bags of food collected for the food drive in front of Big Bunny Market. All these food donation and cash collected will go to the Southbridge food share located on 79 Elm St.

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