

Firefighter statue debuts in Dudley



BY JASON BLEAU
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DUDLEY – Those passing by the Dudley Fire Department on West Main Street may have noticed a new addition, a bronze statue commemorating the firefighters who have and will serve the town of Dudley.

Dubbed the Dudley Fire Department Memorial, the statue depicts a kneeling firefighter in full gear preparing to make entry into a building. The \$15,000 memorial was one of several B-list projects that was planned as part of the fire departments renovation and expansion that concluded in 2019. Dudley Fire Chief Dean Kochanowski said the statue was always part of the original plan but was only intended to be added to the property if the budget allowed.

“We were going to

New faces join Webster boards



Gus Steeves

Seated poll workers log out two voters as they cast their ballots.

BY GUS STEEVES
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WEBSTER — Super-low turnout of just 4.8 percent put two new faces on the School Committee and one on the Board of Selectmen last week.

In the highest-profile ballot race, incumbent School Committee member Kelly Seddiki retained her three-year seat, but actually received fewer votes than long-time teacher’s union president Linda Millet, who was also elected. Millet collected 314 to Seddiki’s

305, while Linda Perno got 210.

A third available seat on that board was taken by Nick Adamopoulos, with 82 write-in votes. The attorney and former Finance Committee chair will serve a one-year term opened by the fact appointed member Mike Makara declined to seek election.

Adamopoulos said he’d recently resigned from FinCom when he saw the available seat and thought it was “a great way to still volunteer for the town.” He termed the schools “one of the biggest driving forces to revitalize a community,” hopes to promote increased parent-teacher involvement, better MCAS scores, more school use of the town library, and more technology in the system.

Both of the other write-ins were also familiar faces to local government observers. Recreation Director Carole Marchand collected 70 votes to win a five-year seat on the Redevelopment Authority, and incumbent Board of Health chair Iwona Miller kept her seat despite not filing papers to run again, collecting 69 votes.

When asked by email why she sought her new seat, Marchand thanked her supporters and wrote, “Redevelopment Authority works with the Office of Community Development. I think I am a good fit for the position as some of those projects are directly related to Parks and Recreation. I am also a lifelong resident of Webster and a small business owner. Other

Dudley voters approve budget

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DUDLEY – More than 90 Dudley voters turned out for the town’s 2020 spring annual town meeting on Monday, June 22, where the proposed 2021 fiscal year budget received overwhelming support but a proposal to amend a zoning bylaw pertaining to the mill conversion overlay district proved to be more divisive topic.

Residents voted 72-18 to approve a \$21,081,882 town budget that includes \$8,863,480 in the general fund and \$9,895,971 in education spending. The budget also included a combined \$2,147,663 for the water and sewer enterprise funds. The budget was considered a conservative spending plan taking into account the current circumstances under the COVID-19 pandemic and received no vocal opposition from voters making it one of the easiest votes of the night.

A more controversial subject however came immediately after the budget vote as residents were asked whether or not to approve an amendment to the zoning bylaw for the mill conversion overlay district to allow for developers of the properties within the district to seek a waiver through a special permit exempting them from having to include non-residential

Oxford voters to decide on select board race, debt exclusion

BY GUS STEEVES
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OXFORD – On Tuesday, June 30, Oxford voters who haven’t yet voted by mail will get their chance to decide two key aspects of local democracy.

Atop the ballot, there’s a three-way race for two seats on the Board of Selectmen, with incumbents John Saad and Meaghan Troiano being challenged by newcomer Randy Moody. At the ballot’s bottom, a major question asks whether the town is willing to accept a debt exclusion for \$15 million in road repairs over the next 15 years.

Between them are four uncontested candidates: September Forbes for School Committee, Russell Rheault for Moderator, Ben LaMountain for Bay Path School Committee and Harry Williams III for Library Trustee.

Because of Covid-19, polling hours have changed, although the locations – the Middle School and Chaffee School – have not. They’re now 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and all voters must wear a mask of some type.

RANDY MOODY

“I’m new getting into politics,” Moody said of his run. “Nobody was running against them, and I thought it was time for a change.”

When Moody says he’s new, he means it. Although he’s lived in town 49 years, this is the first time he taken any interest in a town committee. His background is as a construction worker.

“You can’t make a difference if you don’t try,” he noted.

To Moody, the crucial issue is “keeping taxes down,” which means he’ll support “anything to help keep the taxes from going up, up, up.” While he said he supports bringing more small business to town, the only specific thing he’d like to see the town pursue is “at least one more” recreational marijuana shop, since it’s approved only one of the three the bylaws allow, he said.

Additionally, he’s concerned that the roads are in bad shape, but opposes the ballot questions on a tax basis. When asked how else he’d fund them, he said “I would have to see the numbers first.” He said the same thing when asked about where he might cut the budget if the economy and state aid don’t improve.

Overall, though, Moody promised to listen to people. “By myself, I can’t do that, but together we can,” he said. “I will listen to the people, bring

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During this time of quarantine, stay-at-home orders, and social distancing brought on by the pandemic, it has become even more apparent just how vital NEADS World Class Service Dogs are to the safety and well-being of their owners, many of whom are without the human assistance and support they might otherwise have. Covid-19 has altered many of the existing fundraising strategies organizations like NEADS depend on, such as road races, truck pulls, fairs, etc., which is one of the many reasons why Bay State Savings Bank decided to step in and help support the organization.



Courtesy

Benjie the Bay State Beagle, official mascot of Bay State Savings Bank, is celebrating his first birthday on Saturday, June 27. To celebrate, we are hosting a month-long fundraiser in support of NEADS World Class Service Dogs, based in Princeton, and matching all donations, up to \$3,000.

Donations are tax-deductible, and all funds raised will be used towards training and placing a dog with an individual in Massachusetts. Bay State Savings Bank will match every donation, dollar for dollar, up to \$3,000. Donations can be made by visiting support.neads.org/baystatesavingsbank.

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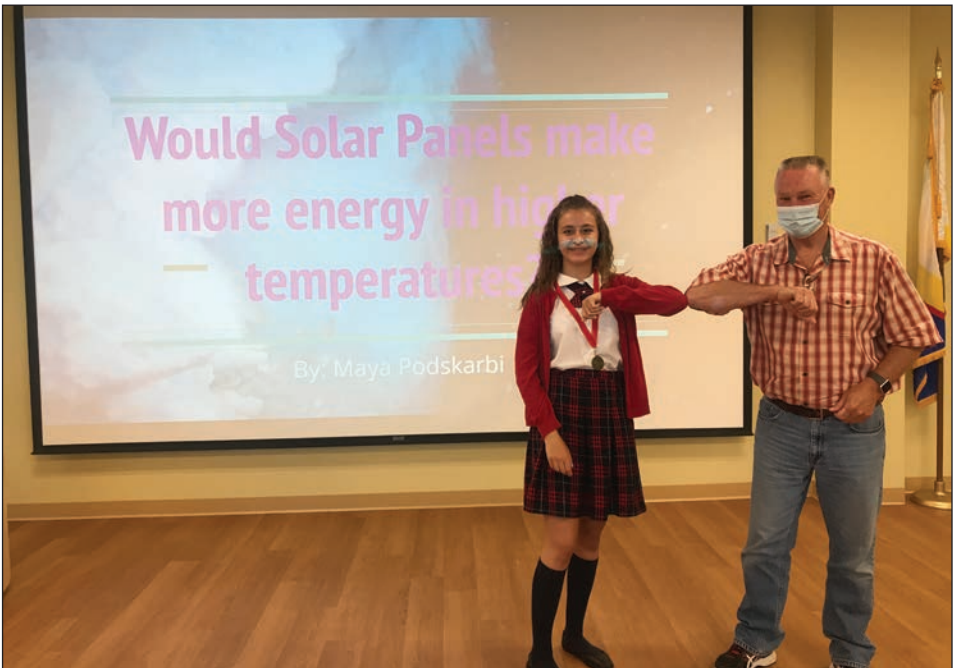
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WEBSTER — Although St. Joseph School students finished their school year remotely, students in grades 5 through 8 still participated in the 2020 Science Fair. All projects were completed at home, and were presented to classmates and instructors during Google Meetssessions.

The following students were awarded for their outstanding projects. Grade 5: First Place – Gabriela Pianka: Although There's Water Everywhere, is it Really as Clean as You Think; Second Place - Brett McCarthy: Paper Coffee Cup Strength Experiment; Third Place - Kaelyn Lechiara: The Paste Race. Grade 6: First Place – Paul Makarios: Does the Ratio of Sand to Cement Affect the Strength of Concrete? Second Place – Adam Podgorny: Solar Powered Car Project; Third Place – Isabella Mello: Do Shopping Carts Carry Bacteria? Grade 7: First Place – Maya Podskarbi: Would Solar Panels Make More Energy in Higher Temperatures? Second Place – Dale Boudreau: What Effects do Surface Materials and PSI have on the Distance a Soccer Ball Travels? Third Place – Samantha Keller: What is the Best Method to Keep Cut Flowers Fresh? Grade 8: First Place – Jack Dooner: How do Plants Affect Erosion? Second Place – Tessa McCabe and Viktoria Potem: Does Water from Different Towns Affect Lettuce Growth? Third Place – Noalani Perez: The Ripening Hormone. Great job. Congratulations, students!

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Lauren Milosh of Dudley graduates from Lasell University

NEWTON — Lauren Milosh, a resident of Dudley graduated Magna Cum Laude from Lasell University. Milosh received their BS in Criminal Justice after completing graduation requirements on 12/20/2019. Lasell University's Class of 2020 will be honored in person when restrictions are lifted and it is safe to do so. In the meantime, the University congratulates them on this incredible achievement! For more information contact: Samantha Mocle, assistant director of communications at smocle@lasell.edu or at 617-243-2386.

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URI students named to Dean’s List

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*Local teacher and writer reconnect
for class at St. John's Summer Academy*

REGION — Charlton native Elisabeth Gilbride, is excited to announce that she will be teaching virtual classes Creative Writing to Publish and Intro to Freelancing at St. John's Summer Academy, running from July 6-31 at 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m., respectively.

"Creative Writing to publish will focus on writing short stories, a novel, novella, play, or poetry," states Gilbride. "The course is not limited to working on your chosen literary work, but also discusses the process

of how to find an agent (and what you need to do to get there), as well as the steps of publishing once you've found an agent. I am also extremely excited to share that Jenn Bishop, a former classmate of mine, who is the author of several successful middle grade novels, will be a guest speaker in this class on July 10 at 1:30 p.m. I plan to have additional guest speakers who are equally as talented as Jenn added to the lineup by the time classes begin."

Sturbridge, and alumna of Notre Dame Academy in Worcester, where she attended high school with Gilbride, is the author of the middle grade novels "The Distance to Home" and "14 Hollow Road," published by Penguin Random House, and "Things You Can't Say," published this spring by Simon & Schuster.

Gilbride recently made the career change to teaching after spending 12 years in the publishing industry as the Executive Editor at the Equine Journal (former-

ly "Horsemen's Yankee Pedlar"), and has freelance written for notable publications including *Young Rider*, *Sidelines*, *Chronicle of the Horse*, and *Massachusetts Horse*. Gilbride also initially freelanced for the *Stonebridge Press* and *Villager Newspapers*, writing for the sports sections of the *Charlton Villager* and *Spencer New Leader*.

"Writing for these newspapers helped me develop the confidence that I needed with my writing, and greatly ben-

effited me not only by helping me add to my portfolio and expanding my resume. I was happy to continue writing for these publications, while also getting my leg in the door at other magazines and journals," Gilbride says. "I learned a lot about how to quickly write and develop a good sports article.

"I am excited to share my love for journalism with students in my Intro to Freelancing class, which is intended to help them obtain experience writing for a media outlet.

It will cover the basics of writing shorts, news articles, features, and profiles; how to request or find an editorial calendar from an editor or a publication's website; how to write a query letter to an editor; and how to write your article once you've been assigned one."

For more information on the classes at St. John's Summer Academy, and to learn how to sign up for Creative Writing to Publish and Intro to Freelancing, visit www.stjohnshigh.org/summer.

Dudley EDC keeping rail trail in mind

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY – Expanding and beautifying town trails remains an important topic of discussion for the Dudley Economic Development Committee as a way to add recreational opportunities to the community and help spur economic growth.

For more than 25 years, Dudley's Rail Trails have seen significant improvement thanks in no small part

to the work of one man, Ken Butkiewicz who sadly passed away in November of 2019. However, well before his passing Butkiewicz connected with Kerrie Salwa, the Principal Planner for the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Committee who recently checked in with the Dudley Economic Development Committee on June 16 where she provided updates on numerous initiatives she has been involved with in the

town. While it might not seem like the biggest project on the radar, Salwa has continued to work with the community to stress the importance the trails have for Dudley's future as an economic center.

Talking with EDC members in a livestreamed meeting, Salwa explained that she was saddened to learn of Butkiewicz's passing and she didn't want his work and the potential benefits of completing the rail trail to be forgotten.

"When I found out that he passed away, I felt terrible that we weren't able to make any headway. His ultimate goal - there was a portion of the trail that he was focused on that could connect three miles into the state of Connecticut that would connect to all of their statewide trails. It was a very

small portion to be built out to be able to interconnect the two states. That was something that he was very passionate about,” Salwa told members of the EDC.

Earlier in the year Salwa was examining possibilities to help Dudley further explore the trail and its potential, but the impact of COVID-19 forced the trail to the backburner while more immediate and essential projects were prioritized. However, Salwa said she still believes strongly that finishing the trail work could help bring a variety of economic benefits to the town.

“In other communities, I worked in it really has been an economic development trigger to have their trails in place and to have them all connect so I think it might be worth it

as a suggestion to the EDC to look into it in the future,” said Salwa.

The ECD seemed to take the recommendation seriously, requesting any resources such as photos or planning documents that could help them examine the potential of the trails. Salwa said she is more than willing to work with the EDC by providing aerial photos and other items available through her office. Although it might take some time, it appears the legacy left behind by Ken Butkiewicz will certainly be remembered and his passion for revitalizing the Dudley Rail Trails will live on as groups like the EDC continue to examine the benefits of continuing Butkiewicz’s passion project in the future.

School District examines reopening athletic facilities

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY/CHARLTON – As town parks and amenities begin to reopen in Dudley and Charlton, school complexes will remain closed to the public at least for the remainder of June.

Since closing schools in March to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 among the student population, the athletic fields and other amenities in the Dudley Charlton Regional School District have remained unused. Over the last month, both Dudley and Charlton have begun rolling out reopening plans allowing access to certain town properties, but Superintendent Steven Lamarche has stated that the school district won't reopen anything until next month.

"The school system is not in the position to permit that immediately," Lemarche said during a School Committee meeting on June 3. "We have a target of July 1. If we can try to figure out a way to have access on those fields earlier than July 1, we will do so. Right now, we do not have the protocol in place

While outdoor recreation facilities were included in Phase 2 of Gov. Charlie Baker's multi-phase reopening plan, indoor and outdoor amateur sports programs for all ages were included in Phase 3 which was estimated to begin before July 6. When the school are able to allow use of their facilities and field Superintendent Lamarche said they want to be prepared and have been working on a plan.

"It will require some protocols in place for use of our fields. Our hard target is July 1, but if we can approach it before then we will," Lamarche said.

The superintendent confirmed that they are not expected to

host summer camps at this time however they are not ruling out starting camp later in the year. The district has a Reopening Committee that is in charge of helping facilitate strategies and protocols for the eventual return to the new normal.

In other athletics news, the Dudley Charlton Regional School District has also announced that the limitations from COVID-19 will prevent the district from offering free summer sports physicals for the 2020-2021 school year. Students participating in sports will need to provide their own documentation of physical fitness from a healthcare provider should sports resume in the fall.

Iowa State University announces Dean's List

AMES, Iowa — More than 12,500 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester 2020 Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 9 credit hours of graded course work.

Among the students named to the Dean's List for the spring semester was Kristina Melissa Chester of Webster, a Veterinary Medicine major.

WEBSTER POLICE

LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of June 14-20.

Anthony G. Chenier, age 22, of Charlton was arrested on June 14 for Probable Cause from Another Agency.

Troy A. Sarkisian, age 35, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

Todd L. Cournoyer, age 52, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

Christen E. Robinson, age 34, of Webster was arrested on June 16 for Possession of a Class A Drug (subsequent offense) and in connection with a warrant.

Richard H. Lewis, age 47, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

Robert p. Macomber, age 42, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

John L. Reynolds, Jr., age 50, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

Angelieanes M. Valencia, age 21, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

Nathan Jay Confer, age 21, of Webster was arrested on June 16 in connection with a warrant.

John Alexander Kalinowski, age 38, of Webster was arrested on June 16 for Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, Disorderly Conduct, and Possession of a Class E Drug.

Kelly Labelle, age 39, of Worcester was arrested on June 17 for Open and Gross Lewdness and Indecent Exposure.

Demetria Rose Santiago, age 44, of Worcester was arrested on June 19 for Larceny from a Building and Larceny in an amount more than \$1,200.

DUDLEY POLICE

LOG

DUDLEY — The Dudley Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of June 12-19.

An adult male whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on June 12 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

Amber S. Folsom, age 46, of Dudley was arrested on June 13 for Assault & Battery on a Police Officer, Threatening to Commit a Crime, and Violation of an Abuse Prevention Order.

Luis Rafael Ramos, age 31, of Springfield was arrested on June 15 in connection with an out of agency warrant.

John Alexander Kalinowski, age 38, of Webster was arrested on June 16 for Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, Disorderly Conduct, and Possession of a Class E Drug.

William Douglas Parsons, age 44, of Dudley was arrested on June 17 in connection with a warrant.

Shane Vigeant graduates from Coastal Carolina University

CONWAY, S.C. — Shane Vigeant, a marketing major from Dudley, graduated from Coastal Carolina University in the Spring 2020.

Coastal Carolina University launched its first virtual commencement ceremony on Friday, May 8, at 6 p.m., featuring a recorded message from alumnus and Emmy-nominated actor Michael Kelly.

President David A. DeCenzo presided over the ceremony for the spring Class of 2020, which was launched on the Coastal Carolina University YouTube channel.

Nearly 1,300 students were eligible to participate in the virtual spring commencement ceremony, which was planned in consultation with Spring 2020 graduates. It incorporated many traditional customs associated with on-campus commencement exercises, including formal remarks from the president, provost, and deans in full academic regalia; a message from Kelly; the official conferring of the graduate and undergraduate academic degrees; and the playing of the alma mater.

The virtual ceremony also featured individual student recognition slides that were shown during the event.

Kelly is perhaps best known for his four-time Emmy-nominated role as Doug Stamper in the Netflix original series “House of Cards,” in which he starred all six seasons. Kelly can currently be seen in season two of Amazon Prime’s Original Series “Jack Ryan” alongside John Krasinski and Wendell Pierce. He graduated from Coastal Carolina in 1992 with a degree in performing arts.

Coastal Carolina University is a dynamic, public comprehensive liberal arts institution located in Conway, just minutes from the resort area of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Coastal Carolina University offers baccalaureate degrees in 85 major fields of study. Among CCU’s 30 graduate-level programs are 26 master’s degrees, two educational specialist degrees, and the doctorates in education and marine science: coastal

and marine systems science. The most popular undergraduate majors are marine science, management, exercise and sport science, communication and psychology. CCU boasts a growing array of internship, research and international opportunities for students, as well as numerous online programs through Coastal Online.

More than 10,000 students from across the country and around the world interact with a world-class faculty, and enjoy a nationally competitive NCAA I athletic program, an inspiring cultural calendar, and a tradition of community interaction that is fueled by more than 120 student clubs and organizations.

Coastal Carolina University was founded in 1954 as Coastal Carolina Junior College and became an independent state university in 1993.

Visit coastal.edu for more information.

Open Sky Community Services celebrates EVP of Organizational Development and Diversity

WORCESTER — Open Sky Community Services is celebrating the career and retirement of Michael Seibold, Executive Vice President of Organizational Development and Diversity. On May 29, Seibold received a key to the City of Worcester in recognition of his 40 years of dedicated service to organizations supporting individuals with disabilities. Seibold, who had held the position of Director of Community Services with Alternatives Unlimited, Inc., joined Open Sky in 2018 when Alternatives affiliated with The Bridge of Central Massachusetts as Open Sky Community Services.

During Seibold’s tenure, he oversaw years of extraordinary service growth. Of particular note is Michael’s work to develop an agency-wide mentoring program to assist staff members in their career development.

For more information about Open Sky Community Services, please contact Lorie Martiska, lorie.martiska@openskycs.org

About Open Sky Community Services
Open Sky Community Services is dba for Alternatives Unlimited, Inc and The Bridge of Central MA. Open Sky offers a wide range of services for adults, adolescents, and children with mental health challenges, developmental and intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, brain injury, homelessness and other challenges throughout Central Massachusetts. Open Sky Community Services has over 1,300 dedicated employees and an annual budget of \$83M with more than 100 programs throughout the region. For more information, please visit www.openskycs.org.

Local students graduate from Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates over 950 students who received their academic degrees in May 2020.

The following students earned their degrees:

Ashley Granger of Oxford graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science.

Brooklynn Downing of Oxford graduated with a BS Business Administration.

Noah Brody of Webster graduated with a BS Business Administration.

Rockland Puzo of Dudley graduated with a BS in Engineering.

A Salute to Undergraduate students of the class of 2020 featuring a driving parade of the Western New England community, conferral of degrees, memories of the journey, and a live chat can be viewed [here \(https://youtu.be/ruftr3pw-1o\)](https://youtu.be/ruftr3pw-1o).

A Salute to Doctoral, MMaster’s, Law, Pharmacy, and Occupational Therapy students of the class of 2020 can be viewed [here \(https://youtu.be/XqJt1bKKjCY\)](https://youtu.be/XqJt1bKKjCY).

All Class of 2020 students will be warmly welcomed back to campus for a traditional ceremony when it is safe to do so.

Having just celebrated its Centennial, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,825 students, including 2,580 full-time undergraduate students. Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

Local students named to Dean’s List at University of New Haven

WEST HAVEN, Conn. — Madison Boulay, Cory Goyette, and Ashlyn Mercier of Oxford were named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Haven for the spring, 2020.

About the University of New Haven
The University of New Haven, founded on the Yale campus in 1920, is a private, coeducational university situated on the coast of southern New England. It is a diverse and vibrant community of more than 7,000 students, with campuses around the country and around the world.

Within our colleges and schools, students immerse themselves in a transformative, career-focused education across the liberal arts and sciences, fine arts, business, engineering, healthcare, public safety, and public service. We offer more than 100 academic programs, all grounded in a long-standing commitment to collaborative, interdisciplinary, project-based learning.

Julia Dandridge named to College of Charleston President’s List

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Julia Dandridge of Dudley was named to the College of Charleston Spring 2020 President’s List. Dandridge is majoring in Communication.

To qualify for President’s List (Highly Distinguished), students must earn a GPA of 3.800 or higher and complete a minimum of 14 semester hours.

To qualify for Dean’s List (Distinguished), students must earn a GPA of 3.600 or higher and complete a minimum of 14 semester hours.

Located in the heart of historic Charleston, South Carolina, the College of Charleston is a nationally recognized public liberal arts and sciences university. Founded in 1770, the College is among the nation’s top universities for quality education, student life and affordability. Its beautiful and historic campus, combined with contemporary facilities, cutting-edge programs and accessible faculty attracts students from across the U.S. and around the world.

Andrew Lefferts named to Dean’s List at Ithaca College

ITHACA, N.Y. — Ithaca College student Andrew Lefferts was named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2020 semester.

Andrew Lefferts is a Performance major of Oxford.

About Ithaca College
Founded in 1892, Ithaca College is a residential college dedicated to building knowledge and confidence through a continuous cycle of theory, practice and performance. Home to some 6,200 students, the college offers more than 100 degree programs in its schools of Business, Communications, Humanities and Sciences, Health Sciences and Human Performance, and Music.

Students, faculty and staff at Ithaca College create an active, inclusive community anchored in a keen desire to make a difference in the local community and the broader world. The college is consistently ranked as one of the nation’s top producers of Fulbright scholars, one of the most LGBTQ+ friendly schools in the country, and one of the top 10 colleges in the Northeast.

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Age 11 and 13

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Jamellah and Kye are siblings of African-American and Caucasian descent who are looking for a family with room in their hearts for both of them. Jamellah is described as artistic, outdoorsy, helpful, and quiet. She has a great sense of humor and a quick wit. Those who know her best say that she can be very nurturing, gets along well with younger children, and loves animals. Jamellah enjoys school and was recently a student council member. She is currently in the 6th grade and is well-liked by her teachers.

Kye is a playful young boy who always wants to be running around outside. He is very active and loves to play different sports, as well as activities like fishing and camping. When he is inside, Kye likes building with Legos and playing video games. Kye has some behavioral concerns in school and will be assessed soon to see if he would benefit from extra supports in class.

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their concerns to government, and make sure they are heard.”

JOHN SAAD

At the other end of the experience spectrum is Saad, who was commended last year for being on the board for 40 years. “This was going to be my last term,” he admitted. “I thought I could finally enjoy my family and my grandchildren. But Covid-19 hit, and I’m sure I can help the town get through this.” Specifically, he said he remembers how the town navigated the Great Recession of 2009, although he expects this one to be harder. Many small businesses that were “just hanging on” have closed and probably won’t reopen, and overall, he predicted “the economic situation in the future is going to get nothing but worse” for some time. “That’s going to mean streamlining government,” he added, but specifically said he’s not willing to cut “emergency services – police, fire and EMS,” although

there might need to be “decreases in all departments.” The town has already furloughed 26 people, and Saad said he didn’t know how many of them will return. Other cuts will depend on state aid and tax revenues, but he pledged “reasonable cuts” in a “manner that everyone can feel the pain equally across government.” Pay freezes and anything else have to be “on the table,” he added. Handling it will mean involving everyone in the decision process, and he praised the town’s fairly new Finance Director and Finance Committee for their guidance so far. He agreed with Moody that roads are a critical issue, noting “we’ve let our infrastructure go to a certain extent because we needed funds elsewhere.” But that runs headlong into the current economy. While he supports the ballot question, he predicted it won’t pass, saying people will have to make it “a vote of conscience. This is going to cost us. Is this the right time to do this?” Either way, Saad said he’ll work to ensure “we have enough to give the people what they

deserve,” including “good schools and good department responses to their needs.” Despite the current situation, Saad said he feels Oxford is “on the right track” for creating “a bright future.” A couple years ago, the town approved a new Master Plan, which Town Manager Jen Callahan and others have started to implement with various grants. He cited the 300-plus-unit condo complex being planned for North Oxford as one example, saying that will bring in more taxes, some small businesses in a “mini-mall,” and more population. The latter, of course, will require more local services, making development “a balancing act, but we’re going to do the best we can so we don’t hurt the residents and it’s well planned out,” he said. “[Interstate] 395 is what 495 was 10 or 15 years ago,” he added, predicting it will be the next belt of industrial and residential growth. One thing he’d like to see more of is people participating in community politics, “even a couple hours on one committee matters.” He noted there are several vacancies on

boards, and would like to see the selectmen put more effort into recruiting people to fill them. Meaghan Troiano Troiano, who’s seeking her second term, basically agreed with Saad on that last point, saying she like to see more participation and have more people “care about each other and what’s best for the greater good.” She said she got involved largely for the same reason Moody did – “to be a voice in the community. I like to help others and to serve people.” “I feel like I just got my feet wet ... and I want to help with the forward path Oxford seems to be on,” Troiano said, noting she isn’t targeting specific issues, “just the overall well-being for the town.” When asked for something she wants to work on, she said she wants to finish the process of pulling Oxford Police from civil service. That’s nearly ready to be sent to Town Meeting for a decision, and she said she’d “like to see that to a resolution one way or the other.” Regarding the economic situation and Covid-19, she said she feel “we

can really come together. It poses some challenges across the board, but we’ve done fairly well.” She remains “cautiously optimistic” Oxford will get enough state aid, but noted cuts “will have to be a bridge we cross when we come to it.” Troiano shared Saad’s skepticism regarding the fate of the ballot question, noting “everybody’s hurting right now.” Voters need to really think about it, she added, and nobody should face criticism however they vote.

THE BALLOT QUESTION

Over the course of 15 years, taxpayers would be asked to fund three \$5 million installments to upgrade roads, with money being paid back over 25 years. As it is now, the town uses whatever it gets in state Chapter 90 funds (around \$500,000 per year), and has added \$500,000 to that sum for the last couple years. Back in March, DPW Director Sean Divoll said the current level of spending is only enough to keep the roads in their current condition, while using only Chapter 90 funds (as many towns

do), “we fall off the cliff” in terms of road condition. Right now, he said, the average road condition score is 61 on a 0-100 scale, which he described as “a tipping point.” Showing selectmen a chart, he said things slide to a score of 55 by 2031 and 48 by 2044 if Oxford only has Chapter 90 funds. By contrast, a debt exclusion would enable improvement to 72 in the first five years and 78 in the second five, after which it slips lightly but remains more or less stable. “It’s easier to keep a good road good that to reconstruct a roadway,” he said, comparing it to the difference between doing routine house painting and having to replace boards due to deterioration. “... If we go the \$15 million route, we’re basically touching every road in town” by 2032, either doing basic maintenance or full repaving. The question is also going to the Annual Town Meeting June 25. For the debt exclusion to take effect, it must pass both Town Meeting and the ballot vote. Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

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Despite some negative feedback on social media, Chief Kochanowski said the expense did not cost the town any money they didn’t already expend for the fire department project and that they still have a surplus that will be returned to the town once bills are paid. The chief added that most of the reactions have been positive and that the entire building committee, composed of numerous representatives from throughout the town, approved the statue in the planning process. “People need to keep in mind that this whole building process was approved in 2016. Nobody could have foreseen what was going to happen with COVID-19. This was already a done deal and one had nothing to do with the other. I just see the statue as a positive. It will be there for the next hundred years honoring the men and women that serve in the fire department,” said Chief Kochanowski. “You’re recognizing people who served their community. We had had two members, one of them a chief, who had cancer but served their community and the department for 30 or 40 years and didn’t work anywhere else. I think they deserve to be honored and it will honor more people as time goes on.”

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projects include road development and Economic Development. I think I can bring a good perspective to the Committee.” For a while during election day, two of Miller’s signs, without people, were the only indications near Town Hall from any candidate that an election was even happening. Later that afternoon, representatives of Millet’s campaign showed up to stand across the street. The only other actual race was for a one-year Library Trustee seat. There, Evelyn Pappas trounced Martina Koziak, 314-170. But Koziak ended up getting written-in for a three-year seat anyway, collecting nine votes. The other two three-year seats went to the two candidates on the ballot – incumbent Nancy LaFramboise (416 votes) and Susan Buehler (343 votes). Regarding the selectmen, there were two candidates and two seats, so both incumbent Andrew Jolda (427 votes) and Thomas Kelbart (364 votes) won. Additionally, Sarah Sansom retained her Finance Committee seat unopposed. The total turnout was somewhat lower than the “five to six percent” Town Clerk Bob Craver predicted halfway through Election Day. The total of 539 includes about 100 mail-in ballots, he said. “This kind of race is more tiring [than a busy day],” he said. “When you have a big race, it goes fast. We open at 7 AM, and before you know it, it’s 8 p.m. Where’d the day go?” He said he’d love to see more effort to increase voter turnout at local elections, describing it as “incumbent on everyone to turn out because it’s the democratic process.” Gus Steeves can be reached at gus.steeves2@gmail.com.

St. Andrew Bobola Parish hosting Drive Thru Polish Dinner Sale

DUDLEY — On Saturday, July 11, St. Andrew Bobola Church, 54 Main St., Dudley, will be holding a drive thru sale of Polish Dinners, taking place in the church parking lot from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Food will be packaged for take out, and several tables will be set up outside for people to eat on site, appropriately social distanced, should they choose. Cost is \$15 per “Plate,” which will include Kielbasa, Kapusta, a gol bek (stuffed cabbage), and 2 homemade pierogi (one cheese, one cabbage). Please swing by to pick up some fresh Polish food!

William Cournoyer graduates from Ithaca College

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Kildeer Island Club hosting community yard sale

WEBSTER — Killdeer Island Club, located in Webster, will be hosting its annual community wide yard sale Saturday, June 27 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year, we have 15 households participating. Customers receive a map as they turn onto Kildeer Island and they can walk or drive this beautiful area with stunning views of Webster Lake from all sides, and stop at tables all along the way.



Fire trucks pull out of the Thompson Road station to start the parade.



A couple ambulances and cruisers wait their turn to depart.



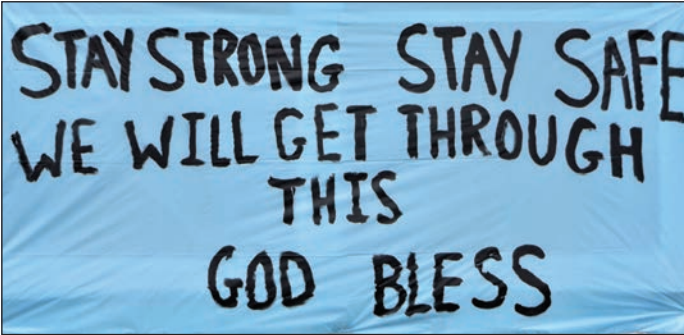
Fire vehicles lead the charge along Main Street.



And off they go!

Gus Steeves

WEBSTER – Any day’s good for a parade. But it’s not often you see one roll through downtown with nobody on the sidewalk to see it. Last week, one was actually aimed at giving a thumbs-up to people at Harrington’s Hubbard campus, Lanessa, Webster Manor, Christopher Heights and Brookside nursing homes. It proved to be a fast tour of town, with most of the fire vehicles, several ambulances, several police cruisers, and a couple vehicles from Dudley thrown in for good measure making a big loop through town in about half an hour. Town Administrator Doug Willardson described it to selectmen as “our way of showing our appreciation to the health care workers in those facilities.” The event was organized by Police Chief Mike Shaw and State Rep Joe McKenna.



A house in Dudley sports this Covid-related sign that’s not really connected to the parade.

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EDITORIAL

Strength through survival

While our current economy hasn't quite dipped to the level it did during the Great Depression, the inevitable comparisons have been a dominant topic of discussion since COVID-19 put a halting stop to our economy.

To date, the Great Depression was the worst economic decline in modern times. A hard jump from the 'Roaring Twenties,' when Americans were enjoying a robust economy with more time to spend and recreate.

After the stock market crash in 1929, those who were still employed saw a decrease in pay of roughly 40 percent. This included doctors and other affluent career paths. One quarter of the population remained without a living wage. With that said, the typical American had to adapt to a new way of life that included a level of scrimping and saving never seen before.

Homemakers, which were primarily women back then, were shown how to make due with what they had in the kitchen. Meals were stretched as far as possible. To do so people learned to enjoy more casseroles including macaroni and cheese, chili, Mulligan stew (a mix of anything available), bologna casserole, and a 'poorman's meal' (fried potato with diced hot dogs). Another go to was 'hot water pie' which was made up from simple ingredients such as butter, vanilla, sugar and flour. Potluck gatherings were also a cheap way for people to come together and socialize. Thrift gardens popped up in vacant lots across the country where community members could grow food, feeding thousands.

Movie theaters were a major source of entertainment during the years leading up to the Depression. After the economy bottomed out, people had to find other, cheaper forms of leisure. One third of the cinemas in the country were shuttered. Miniature golf courses charged people no more than 50 cents per round, making the low-key game another popular thing to do. With that said, board games such as Scrabble and Monopoly became all the rage. People were also tuning into the radio for comedy shows and other dramas.

More women became employed to supplement lost income, despite the fact that they were paid significantly less than men. Government help was also more socially acceptable after President Franklin D. Roosevelt introduced his New Deal initiative aimed at putting Americans back to work building infrastructure, such as the interstate highway system, that provided increased mobility not only for civilian traffic, but for the military and law enforcement as well. Before the Depression, those receiving welfare had their names listed in local newspapers, which was a deterrent for many to accept government assistance.

Men grew insecure after not being able to provide for their families, which caused an uptick in suicide. Divorce rates were low because couples could not afford to separate, and though many couples did decide to split, others were inspired to work through their issues and emerge on the other side stronger than before.

Traveling hobos became very common for teenagers who sought work to help their families on the road. Violent crimes did increase, however fell after a few years.

While things have not reached a point nearly that low in our contemporary society (and hopefully won't), this situation has forced Americans to adjust their way of life, just as our forebears in the '30s did. And just as it did for them, that course correction may make us stronger.

VIEWPOINT

Have you noticed?

As I age and travel through my life, I find that time and experience are changing me.

I've always been on the go. As a CEO for a quarter of a century, I worked long hours and spent countless time on the road. As an author on book tour for my three books, I've traveled to 31 cities in 35 days, did 92 media interviews and spoke to 32 groups. I've spent my life always on the move mentally and ahead of where I was physically.

I'm not retired. I appear in 50-plus different publications weekly and have one new book out for publishing and two more in the works. I'm also cofounder and Interim COO of CubeStream, Inc., a free-market streaming platform that will launch this fall. So, I'm busy ... but I've changed.

I've become a "noticer."

I see things I've never noticed before. I'm certain my eyes have seen it all, but I never took the time to engage my brain and heart to notice. My eyes were focused on what was ahead and I was never in the moment. I'm sure my eyes glanced at the beauty around, but my brain and heart didn't engage to see what my eyes were beholding. But things have changed. Through time and a medical diagnosis, my heart and mind have engaged in everything and for the first time, I'm really noticing the wonderment of creation.

Arlene is a gardener. She loves putting her hands in the dirt and planting flowers. I've always known gardening was a passion but before, I looked at it as busy work. It was something she did. I thought if it as a chore. Wow ... was I wrong.



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No different than Beethoven or Bach ... or Monet or Van Gogh ... each year, Arlene gets on her knees, lovingly plants, weeds, and tills, while composing a symphony of colors. The soil is her pallet and she paints a work of art in our back yard that changes and evolves with each day. She's been doing it for years. She's honed and improved her craft and created a magnificent living work of art for us to enjoy, and in doing so, she's living in the moment. It's been there for years. My eyes saw it, but my mind and heart never engaged. That's a loss ... a tragedy of missed opportunity to see beauty and experience joy. But not now. I spend time every day taking in the beauty.

I have two focuses to my life's work. I write to uplift and encourage optimism in my readers and to help others enjoy and live life in the moment. As a business leader I always said things like "keep your eyes on the future," but time has taught me that if you keep only looking ahead, you miss your life in the moment. It's not just a loss for you but also your friends and family. They want you with them in the here and now. In the future, you can look forward to life's rewards, but you never arrive in the future. It's a moving target that is always ahead. So, open your eyes and heart to the right now and enjoy your life in this moment.

How do you begin?

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](mailto:news@stonebridgepress.news) — news@stonebridgepress.news

Secure that furniture if you're moving



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Spring and summer are the times many people move furniture or other large objects over the roads. One person mentioned they were moving to a new apartment. Family and friends were helping, so they planned to use cars and a possibly a small pickup truck as the primary means of transportation.

Other than securing the items in place, is there anything else that should be taken under consideration?

All loads that are transported in open pickup trucks need to be secured in a proper manner. This should include tie downs (ropes, straps, etc.) and proper coverage. This can include tarps or other similar coverings. Loose items can fly from the vehicle, and could potentially cause an accident or simply litter the roadway. Be sure whatever you are transporting is stable and can withstand a sudden shift, in the event you need to take some evasive action while driving. Objects can fall from the vehicle or, if heavy enough, could cause your vehicle to overturn. These are certainly situations to avoid. When transporting objects in cars, it is important to leave enough space for clear, unimpeded, operation of the vehicle. Do not pile boxes, etc. in places which hamper the drivers view. Nothing should be placed in, or on, the vehicle that could otherwise impact the driver. This can include objects that are on or near arms and legs, could possibly roll under the pedals, or are unsecured on the dashboard. This would qualify as impeded operation under MGL Chapter 90 Section 13.

When it comes to large articles that may extend beyond the back of a vehicle, the law is specific on what drivers need to do. Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 Section 7 states in part, "Every motor vehicle or trailer so operated which carries a load or object extending four feet or more beyond the cab or body of such vehicle shall display at the extreme rear end of such load or object a red light plainly visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the sides and rear, and shall display in place thereof a red flag or cloth not less than twelve inches square during the period when motor vehicles are not required to display lights." The open tailgate of a pickup truck is counted in the total distance. This may be used to stabilize an object during travel. It is still counted in the total distance under the four-foot rule for a red flag during the day and red-light during headlight use hours.

It is always a good practice to exercise extra caution when it comes to transporting items over the roads. Additional ropes or even more trips may be warranted in some cases. You must consider your safety, the safety of other travelers, and the protection of the items you are transporting. A few extra precautions can be important in preventing accidents or injuries.

In addition to the Coronavirus Pandemic, there is a great deal of turmoil taking place in our state and around the country. We continue to serve the people of Dudley and work with the community to improve the quality of life for everyone. I continue to thank the men and women from my department for their continued dedicated service to the Town of Dudley during these trying times. Thanks also go out to the many Police Officers, Fire and Emergency Services members, public works, government and all other "essential" personnel for their continued hard work and service. We 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

New Hope supports Shaw's show of solidarity

To the Editor:
New Hope is writing regarding Chief Shaw and his support of the recent Racial Justice protest in the Town of Webster.

New Hope has worked with the Chief since his appointment to the position in 2018. His actions showed solidarity for those who have suffered police brutality and systemic racism. It is unfortunate that as a result of his brave actions, there has been negative press. His actions showed that it takes courage to take a stand against structural racism. New Hope applauds the chief and stands with him and we look forward to working with him to continue to take actions that promote racial justice and health equity in communities of color.

New Hope is in 41 communities throughout South-Central and Southeastern Massachusetts, serving those affected by domestic and sexual

violence. Since domestic and sexual violence are often intertwined, our clients benefit from the full spectrum of programs we offer, allowing them to receive domestic and sexual violence services in one place. We offer a wide range of services which combine crisis intervention, violence prevention, life transition, and self-sufficiency opportunities, while promoting behavioral and systemic changes to reduce violence at the individual and community levels.

New Hope has been providing services in our community for 40 years, and in the last year supported over 7,000 survivors and provided Prevention Education and Outreach to over 32,000 individuals. To reach our 24/7 HOTLINE, call 800-323-4673 (HOPE) or visit www.new-hope.org.

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Oxford Democrats urges support for School Committee write-in

To the Editor:

During the upcoming town elections on June 30, there are two openings for School Committee with only one candidate, September Forbes. The Oxford Democratic Town Committee is recommending you also write in Rebecca Harvey. She is interested in becoming a school committee member in Oxford because the town's educational system not only affects the students and their families but also impacts the economics of a town. It is extraordinarily important to have high standards for students, staff, and administrators and well designed plans in a school system.

Ms. Harvey has dedicated her adult life to education and children. She has been an educator in different schools systems throughout Massachusetts for the last 12 years and actively involved in both the MTA (Massachusetts Teacher's Association) and the NEA (National Education Association).

Her volunteer activities also demon-

strate an interest in children and the town of Oxford. She served on the task force to create the Oxford Community Center and served as its chairperson for a year. She was the President of the Chafee Elementary PTO, and was a Sunday School Teacher at Oxford Congregational Church, as well as a Parent Liaison on the Massachusetts Lead Poisoning Awareness Committee and Parent Liaison for Oxford Full Day Kindergarten Readiness committee.

Ms. Harvey would balance her ideas between what is best for children and families and what is best for the people of Oxford, both in the long and short term.

Please WRITE IN Rebecca Harvey for Oxford School Committee on June 30 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and remember to bring your pen.

Sincerely,
THE OXFORD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE



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Know risk tolerance at different stages of life

As an investor, you'll always need to deal with risk of some kind. But how can you manage the risk that's been made clear by the recent volatility in the financial markets? The answer to this question may depend on where you are in life.

Let's look at some different life stages and how you might deal with risk at each of them:

When you're first starting out ... If you're early in your career, with perhaps four or even five decades to go until you retire, you can likely afford to invest primarily for growth, which also means you'll be taking on a higher level of risk, as risk and reward are positively correlated. But, given your age, you have time to overcome the market downturns that are both inevitable and a normal part of investing. Consequently, your risk tolerance may be relatively high. Still, even at this stage, being over-aggressive can be costly.

When you're in the middle stages ... At this time of your life, you're well along in your career, and you're probably working on at least a couple of financial goals, such as saving for retirement and possibly for your children's college education. So, you still need to be investing for growth, which means you'll likely need to maintain a relatively high risk tolerance. Nonetheless, it's a good idea to have some balance in your portfolio,



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so you'll want to consider a mix of investments that align with each of your goals.

When you're a few years from retirement ... Now, you might have already achieved some key goals – perhaps your kids have finished college and you've paid off your mortgage. This may mean you have more money available to put away for retirement, but you'll still have to think carefully about how much risk you're willing to take. Since you're going to retire soon, you might consider rebalancing your portfolio to include some more conservative investments, whose value is less susceptible to financial market fluctuations. The reason? In just a few years, when you're retired, you will need to start taking withdrawals from your investment portfolio – essentially, you'll be selling investments, so, as much as possible, you'll want to avoid selling them when their price is down. Nonetheless, having a balanced and diversified portfolio doesn't fully protect against a loss. However, you can further reduce the future risk of being overly dependent on selling variable investments by devoting a certain

percentage of your portfolio to cash and cash equivalents and designating this portion to be used for your daily expenses during the years immediately preceding, and possibly spilling into, your retirement.

When you're retired ... Once you're retired, you might think you should take no risks at all. But you could spend two or three decades in retirement, so you may need some growth potential in your portfolio to stay ahead of inflation.

Establishing a withdrawal rate – the amount you take out each year from your investments – that's appropriate for your lifestyle and projected longevity can reduce the risk of outliving your money. Of course, if there's an extended market downturn during any time of your retirement, you may want to lower your withdrawal rate temporarily.

As you can see, your tolerance for risk, and your methods of dealing with it, can change over time. By being aware of this progression, you can make better-informed investment decisions.

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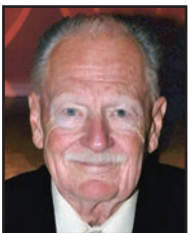
Shirley L. Lamarre, 94



DUDLEY – Shirley L. (Quigg) Lamarre, 94, died Monday, June 15, 2020 in Saint Vincent Hospital, Worcester, after a period of declining health. Her husband of 49 years, Roland B. Lamarre, died in 1998. She leaves 3 children, Sharon A. Tokarz and her husband Dennis, John D. Lamarre and his wife Debbie, and James B. Lamarre and his wife Karen, all of Dudley; 3 grandchildren, Johnna Tokarz of Dudley, Lisa Poblocki and her husband Chris of Charlton, and Sean Lamarre of Dudley; and 3 great-grandchildren, Jada, Luke and Alexa. She was born on December 23, 1925 in Dudley, the youngest of the 8 children

of John and Lillian (Dwyer) Quigg and lived in Webster and Dudley all her life. She was a graduate of the former Saint Louis High School in Webster. Mrs. Lamarre was a homemaker and a faithful member of Saint Anthony of Padua Church. Everyone recognized her for her daily energized walks on West Main Street. She was a major influence in her children's and grandchildren's lives. Her funeral was held on Friday, June 19, from Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street, Webster, with a Mass at 10:00 AM in Saint Anthony of Padua Church, 24 Dudley Hill Road. Burial was in Saint Anthony's Cemetery, Webster. A time of visitation was held from 8:30 to 9:30 AM Friday morning in the funeral home before the Mass. www.scanlonfs.com

John Peter Popiak, 73



CHARLTON – John Peter Popiak, 73, of Willis Drive, died peacefully on Saturday, June 20, 2020, surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife of 10 years, Diane G. (McGowan) Popiak of Charlton; three children, Col. John F. Popiak and his wife Elizabeth of Evans, GA, Heather M. (Popiak) Brothers of Woodstock, CT, and Daryl A. (Popiak) Hamilton and her husband Justin of North Grosvenordale, CT; two stepsons, Eric W. Dieffenbach and his wife Elizabeth of North Providence, RI, and Adam W. Dieffenbach of Coventry, RI; a brother, Thomas Popiak and his wife Joyce of North Grosvenordale, CT; eight grandchildren and two nieces. He was born in Webster, son of the late Peter P. and Esther C. (Rodman) Popiak, and lived in Charlton since 1986. He graduated from Bartlett High School in Webster in 1964 and received his associate's degree from Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester. Mr. Popiak was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War, earning the

Air Medal among his other awards and decorations for his service in Vietnam. He later enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, retiring as a Master Sergeant after 20 years receiving the Meritorious Service Medal. Mr. Popiak worked as a lineman at New England Telephone, retiring as a supervisor from Verizon in 2004 after 30 years with the company. He was a member of the Auburn Elks and served on the board of directors of the South Charlton Reservoir Association. He enjoyed traveling, boating, and fishing, and was an avid NASCAR and Disney fan. A private graveside service will be held at St. Joseph's Garden of Peace in Webster. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., SW120, Boston, MA 02215. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. paradisfuneralhome.com

Joseph P. Drobot, 77



THOMPSON, CT – Joseph P. “Joey D.” Drobot, 77, died Saturday, June 20, 2020 in Webster Manor after a long illness. He leaves his wife of 53 years, Geraldine M. (Lee) Drobot; a son, Jason P. Drobot of Boynton Beach, FL; a daughter, Jill A. Drobot-Whitley and her husband Stephen of Woodstock, CT; 3 grandchildren, Charlotte Drobot, and Alexander and Arden Whitley; nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his brothers Francis and John. He was born in Webster, MA on February 4, 1943, the son of Frank J. and Mae (Stapor) Drobot and graduated from Bartlett High School in 1961 and was later awarded an Associate Degree from Worcester State College. He moved to Thompson in 1973. He served in the Army National Guard for 6 years.

Mr. Drobot first worked as a purchasing agent at CPC Company in Southbridge and also at R.H. White Construction Company in Auburn. He then was an auto salesman at Bayer Motors in Dudley and at Herb Chambers in Auburn. In his retirement he drove for King Courier in Webster for several years. Mr. Drobot was a dedicated fan of the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots. According to his wishes, no services are planned. Donations in his name may be made to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 202 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski, Malboeuf & Hickey Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster, MA. www.websterfunerals.com

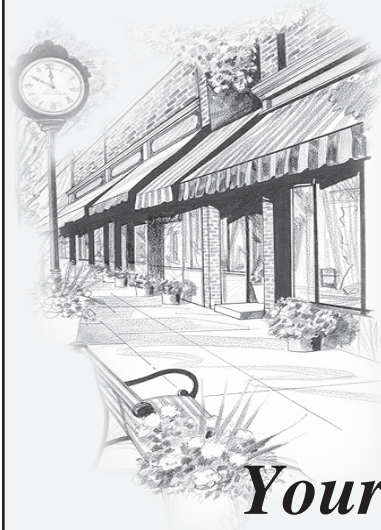
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rental units, or that it would actually create more costs and restrictions for developers. Resident Patrick Flynn questioned the article noting that several other mills have had businesses successfully invest in them without the need for the waiver and that he felt the amendment would do more harm than good. “Why I do not support this is because it becomes more restrictive for other businesses – For a commercial, institutional, recreational or other uses you now need a special permit. That increases your fees, your costs, your time. It is not business friendly. We're making it unfriendly (to benefit one company),” Flynn said. Selectman Steve Sullivan asked voters to support the article noting how difficult it has been to find a suiter for the Stevens Linen Mill and how dilapidated the building has become. While he would not guarantee Camden Partner would actually get a waiver,

he felt offering the opportunity to them was a beneficial move for the town. “All the bylaw does is give us a mechanism to negotiate with any developer. Camden is the seventh or eight company to show interest in this property since I've been involved,” Sullivan said. “My fear is if this does not pass and this project does not proceed forward you might as well surround the mill with red tape, and we'll tear it down someday.” The vote required a two-third majority for approval however it received a close 52-40 decision resulting in a majority of voters supporting the amendment but not enough to approve the article. Other items discussed during the spring annual town meeting included the codification of the general bylaws, the borrowing of \$260,000 to purchase a new ambulance which passed with a 58-30 vote, and several financial items relating to sewer and water infrastructure projects in town. Voting results for the later projects were not available as of our press deadline for this week's edition.



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OBITUARIES

Bernard E. Mahan, 82



SOUTHBRIDGE—Bernard E. Mahan, 82, passed away at the Harrington Memorial Hospital on Sunday June 14, 2020.

Bernard is survived by his wife of fifty years Theresa (Kozlowski) Mahan; his sons Roy Mahan and his wife Nicole of Olathe, KS, and Michael Mahan and his wife Victoria of Holland, MA; his two daughters: Deborah Ianacherri and her husband Andrew of Brookfield, and Patricia Ianaccheri and her husband Peter of Charlton; his very special grandson Craig Mahan of Dudley; his brother Freddy Bucharelli of CA; grandchildren, great-grandchildren; he also leaves his cat Kenya and his dog Chalupa; he was predeceased by his brother Ralph Mahan of CA.

Bernard was born in Southbridge, MA on August 17, 1937, son of the late Edward and Theresa Mahan. Bernard was a hardworking family man; he worked as a roofer, and ultimately founded his own business, Mahan Roofing. Bernard was a fond lover of animals; he greatly enjoyed spending time camping and fishing, especially with his beautiful family; he will be deeply missed by all who were blessed to know and love him.

Private funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA.

Please consider making a memorial contribution to the Community Cat Connection, 289 Thompson Road Webster, MA 01570 in honor of Bernard.

A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light a candle in remembrance of Bernard.

Albert G. Pinard, 95



OXFORD – AAlbert G. Pinard, 95, of Old Worcester Road, died Tuesday, June 16, 2020, in his home. He was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Kathleen B. (Briggs) Pinard of Oxford who died in 2015. He is survived by his son, Edwin W. Laprade and his wife Carol of Fort Myers, FL; a brother, Raymond Pinard; a sister, Margaret LaRose; five grandchildren, Michelle Ouellette and her husband Michael, Joshua Marcotte, Johanna DeCaro and her husband Peter, Edward Laprade, and Jessica Mykytyn and her husband Steven; twelve great-grandchildren, Devyn and her husband Joshua, Justin, Joshua, Taylor, Samantha, Kassie, Ryan, Madison, Emma, Joshua, Pierce, and Alexandra; two great-great grandchildren, Atticus and Sophie; nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his daughter, Sharon Laprade Marcotte; and four sisters, Irene O'Brien, Alma Margurite Woods, Blanche Bacon, and Loretta Millette. He was born in Westbrook, ME, son of the late Wilfred O. and Margaret (McLaughlin) Pinard.

Al came to the Worcester area at an early age. He graduated from Worcester Boys Trade High School in Worcester in 1942, and attended Fitchburg State College, Worcester State College, and Clark University. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the South

Pacific as a gunner.

Al taught air conditioning and refrigeration at Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School in Charlton for 18 years, retiring in 1993. He was a member of the V.F.W. Post 5663 in Oxford, the Disabled American Veterans, and the Knights of Columbus Council 4241 in Oxford. He was a member of the Oxford Memorial Honor Guard.

Al was a past chairman of the Appalachian Mountain Club – Worcester Chapter. He served as chairman of hiking and canoeing, and was a member of the AMC 4000-Footer Club during summer and winter.

The family would like to thank Salmon Hospice, especially Megan and Sam, and Al's caregiver Sarah, for their exceptional care.

A private funeral Mass will be held at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial with military honors will follow at St. Roch's Cemetery in Oxford with the Oxford Memorial Honor Guard participating. Calling hours will also be held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301, or to Salmon Hospice, 37 Birch St., Milford, MA 01757.

Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. paradisfuneralhome.com



Anna P. Routhier, 96



Anna P. (Petrin) Routhier, age 96 passed away Sunday, June 14, 2020 in Worcester, MA and returned to her Loving Lord and Savior. We honor, remember and celebrate Anna's long and good life. Anna was born in West Burke, VT in 1924. She was pre-deceased by her parents Albert and Flora (Joyal) Petrin and her step mother Leona (Bergeron) Petrin.

She was pre-deceased by her husband Felicien (Phil) after 48 years of marriage. She also leaves two sons: Paul and his wife Anne-Marie of Millbury; David and his wife Laura of Dudley, MA. She also leaves 3 grandchildren (Simonne Brais, Jacqueline Jerome and Aaron Routhier) and 6 great grandchildren (Austin George, Dylan George, Taegan Jerome, Neila Jerome, Addison Jerome and Ian Brais).

Anna leaves a brother Henry Petrin of Claremont, NH.

She was pre-deceased by 6 brothers: Vital, Leon, George, Origene, Victor Petrin, Normand Bergeron and 3 sisters: Gertrude Provencher, Rosalind Breault and Clemente Derosier. Also surviving are sisters-in-law Hazel Petrin, Ruth Petrin, Theresa Bergeron numerous nieces, nephews and dear friends. She was also pre-deceased by a longtime friend and gentleman, Donald Barry.

As a young child, she spent 10 years in the convent (in Canada – Gray Nuns) and went to school in Claremont, NH upon her return to the family home. Anna is formerly of Millbury, MA

where she lived for more than 34 years before moving to Webster, MA. She lived in Webster for over 30 years until recently being relocated to Lutheran Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center in Worcester, MA.

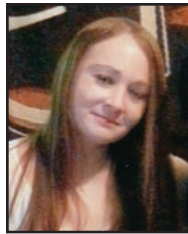
She was well cared for at the Christopher Heights Assisted Living Facility in Webster for nearly 5 years and the Lutheran Rehabilitation and Skilled Care Center in Worcester since the beginning of 2020. The Lutheran Rehab Center was a Godsend. The Alzheimer's care and support she received there was extraordinary.

She worked at Telechron in Worcester, Hilltop Supermarket and Jeffco Fibres in Millbury, retiring several years ago. Anna was a very social person, with a great sense of humor. She loved to have a good time and enjoyed spending time with her family and many friends. She enjoyed card playing, shopping (and returning) clothes, dancing (for a time, with the Sliver Dippers at the Webster Senior Center) and she loved Anne-Marie's homemade cookies.

Calling hours will be an hour before the funeral, at the church. A Mass of Christian burial wasl be held at 11 AM June 22 at Assumption Church, 12 Waters Street Millbury. Service will follow in Notre Dame Mausoleum, Worcester. As an expression of sympathy, in lieu of flowers, donations in Anna's memory may be made to The Friends of the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street, Millbury, MA 01527. Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel 33 Schofield Avenue Dudley is directing arrangements. www.bartelfuneralhome.com

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Amanda L. Stasko, 39



WEBSTER – Amanda L. "Mandi" Stasko, 39, died Saturday, June 13, 2020 at Harrington Healthcare in Webster after a brief illness.

She leaves her parents, Gerald F. Stasko and Sharon M. (Martin) Stasko; her brother, Adam Przystas and his wife Heather Przystas of Worcester; a niece, Laurana Przystas; uncles, aunts and cousins; she also leaves her "children" Timber and Jethro, Molly and Bubba.

She was born on April 21, 1981 in Southbridge the daughter of Karan M. (Morgan)Stasko. She graduated from Bay Path Regional Technical Vocational High School in Charlton in 1999 and earned her Associates Degree

in Culinary Arts from Johnson and Wales, Providence, Rhode Island.

Mandi worked as a chef in several restaurants in Pennsylvania before returning home to Webster. She recently worked as a clerk at Honey Farms in Webster. She retired in 2015 due to illness.

She was an avid Philadelphia Flyers Hockey fan and cherished the time she spent with her family.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, June 27, at 11:00 AM in the Sitkowski, Malboeuf & Hickey Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family. Donations in her name may be made to the Second Chance Animal Services, 111 Young Road, East Brookfield, MA 01515. www.websterfunerals.com

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Date of Death: 04/25/2020**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Tamra Retallic of Auburn, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Tamra Retallic of Auburn, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/28/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection

followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 11, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
June 26, 2020

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 8 Oak Drive, North Oxford (Oxford), MA 01537

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Raymond P. Wentworth to Fleet National Bank, and now held by **U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the CertificateHolders of the Banc of America Funding Corporation, 2008-FT1 Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through**

Certificates, Series 2008-FT1, said mortgage dated February 24, 2003 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 30655, Page 344, said mortgage was assigned from Bank of America, National Association, successor by merger to Fleet National Bank to U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the CertificateHolders of the BANC of America Funding Corporation 2008-FT1 Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2008-FT1 by assignment dated April 21, 2014 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 52260, Page 354; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction on July 24, 2020 at 11:00AM** Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF PARCEL OF LAND, AND THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, KNOWN AS 8 OAK DRIVE IN THE TOWN OF N OXFORD COUNTY OF WORCESTER AND STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 5106 PAGE 148

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated March 4, 1971 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5106, Page 148.

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 in cash, 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 thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC
1080 Main Street, Suite 200
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Attorney for U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for the CertificateHolders of the Banc of America Funding Corporation, 2008-FT1 Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2008-FT1
Present Holder of the Mortgage401-217-8701

June 26, 2020
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July 9, 2020

OBITUARIES

Jason Nicholas King, 37



Jason Nicholas King of Ashford, CT, 37, went to be with his Lord on April 27th, 2020. Jason was born April 7th, 1983 in New Haven, CT to Peter and Melinda Basto King. A 2001 graduate of Woodstock Academy, he worked as a skilled carpenter and became versed in plumbing and electrical. He made his home in Maine, Rhode Island, East Killingly, Eastford and Ashford. Jason was a gentle soul, always eager to say a kind word and lend a helping hand. Nature was his soul mate. In the woods with Ox, his loving golden lab, was where he felt most comfortable.

Jason is survived by his parents, Peter (Springfield, Ma) and Melinda King (Ashford, CT.) His brothers, Peter (Woodstock CT) and Brandon King (Eastford, CT) and his Grandparents, Dana Basto (Woodstock, CT) and Marieann MacGinnis (Auburn, MA). In lieu of flowers, donations in Jason's memory may be made to: The Evangelical Christian Ctr., 574 Ashford Center Road, Ashford, CT 06278. Memorial Service to be held Saturday June 27th, 2020 at 11:00am, Eastford Baptist Church, 133 Union Road, Eastford, CT, 06242 *In accordance with COVID-19 regulations, masks will be required for attendees and social distancing will be practiced.

George R. Brew, 83



MOOSUP, CT – George R. Brew, 83, passed away on Sunday June 21, 2020 while at the Westview Health Care Center in Dayville. George is survived by his loving wife Sandra Collins; three sons: Lawrence Brew of RI, George Brew of KY, and Ian Brew of RI; two daughters: Linda Lemieux of KY, and Valerie Jackson of RI; his step daughter Sonya Childs of FL; his brother William Brew of Canada; three sisters: Barbara Rossman of Niagara Falls, Beverly Staranko of PA, and Bonnie Bathurst of Niagara Falls; he also leaves many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives, and friends. George was born in Niagara Falls, NY on June 2, 1937, son of the late Lawrence and Margaret (McConnell) Brew; he served honorably in the U.S. Navy during the Korean and Vietnam

wars. For many years, George was a teacher at the William M. Davies Career & Technical High School in Lincoln, RI. George was an avid fisherman and photographer; he was a longtime member of the Packerville Baptist Church; he was also a member of the Plainfield Senior Chorus. Please consider making a memorial contribution to the Packerville Baptist Church, 228 Packerville Rd. Plainfield, CT 06374. Private funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light a candle in remembrance of George.

Jean Bayliss, 74



EAST BROOKFIELD- Jean (Neeser) Bayliss, of East Brookfield passed suddenly on June 16, 2020, she was 74. Jean was born in Elmira, NY to Helen and Henry Neeser. She is survived by her loving husband of ten years Eric Bayliss; three daughters Rhonda Duhamel and her husband Richard of Dudley, Donna Behrens and her husband Peter of Oxford, and Charlotte Fisk of N Grosvenordale, CT.; grandchildren Megan, Matthew, Mason, Richard III, Ryan; three great grand-

children Krystopher, Joshua and Isabella; four brothers Robert Neeser, Richard Neeser and his wife Elaine, Charles Kozlowski and his wife Cheryl, and Timothy Kozlowski and his wife Maria. Jean was predeceased by her granddaughter Brenna Ann Larson, daughter of Charlotte. She will be remembered for her love of family and friends. A private memorial service for family will be held at a later date. Donations may be made in her name to Alzheimer's Association at ALZ.ORG . Arrangements are under the care of Pillsbury Funeral Home Pillsbury Funeral Home 3 West Brookfield Rd. Brookfield.

Carol A. Galiano, 60

QUINCY- Carol A. Galiano age 60 passed away Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at Worcester Rehabilitation Healthcare center. She leaves a daughter Jessica Galiano of Weymouth, a brother Robert B. Williams of Foxborough, two sisters Patricia Williams of Rockland and Diane Williams of Hull, a nephew Brady and a niece Alysha. She was born in Weymouth, MA daughter of the late Robert M. Williams and Delores M. (Rowe) Williams and lived in Quincy most of her life. She was formerly employed by Cummins

Retail where she was a sales representative. Carol enjoyed shopping and caring for family and friends. There are no calling hours. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Please omit flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Salvation Army. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or a light a candle.

Cesar DeAnda, 85

DUDLEY- Cesar DeAnda age 85 passed away June 16, 2020 at St. Vincent Hospital Worcester. He leaves his wife of twenty four years, Margaret P. (Boardway) DeAnda, four step-children Robert Giroux Jr. of Shrewsbury, James and Natalie Giroux of Dudley and Julie Morris of Worcester. He was predeceased by three brothers and two sisters. He was born in Quito, Ecuador son of the late Luis DeAnda and Aurelia (Viteri) DeAnda and lived in Dudley for the past 8 years, prior to that living in Costa Rica and Miami, FL. He also

served in the Argentinian military. He lived in several countries growing up due to his father being Ambassador from Ecuador to Argentina and Costa Rica. Cesar in his younger years did photography for poor people. He was a member of St. Andrew Bobola Church. There are no calling hours, services are private. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Gerald G. “Jerry” Lapierre Jr., 50

WEBSTER – Gerald G. “Jerry” Lapierre Jr., 50, passed away on Thursday June 18, 2020 at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester; He is survived by his wife Candice (Ozaniak) Lapierre, to whom he has been married for twenty-one years; his son Christopher Lapierre; his daughter Brittany Ozaniak; he also leaves many relatives and dear friends. Gerald was born in Woonsocket, RI on February 21, 1970, son of Gerald G. Lapierre Sr. and Corinne May (Vadnais) Lapierre; he served honorably in the U.S. Army from 1988-1996. Gerald was happiest when surrounded by his treasured family and friends; he was an avid hockey fan, his favor-

ite team being the Boston Bruins. Please consider making a memorial contribution to the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council, 71 West Main Street Dudley, MA 01571. Private funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light a candle in remembrance of Jerry.

Jibreel Umar Arrastia, 23



CHARLTON – Jibreel Umar Arrastia, 23, of Kings Grant Circle in Suffolk, VA, died March 11, 2020, while serving in the United States Navy. He is survived by his mother, Nicole L. Martocci and her husband Jason of Charlton; his father, Umar A. Arrastia and his wife Nina of Auburn; five sisters, Reyhanna R. Arrastia of Austin, TX, twin sister Maya L. Arrastia and her fiancé Michael Schroeder of Pensacola, FL, Sofia E. Martocci of Charlton, Lilura Arrastia of Auburn, and Vivian Nguyen of Auburn; grandparents, Deacon Peter and Linda Faford of Charlton, Aldolfo and Rosa Arrastia of Tampa, FL, Thomas and Edith Martocci of Charlton, Be Van Tran and Trang Ngo of Worcester; many aunts and uncles including Paul and Dawn Davey of Charlton, and Steve and Dianna Bruzios of Oxford; two nephews, Kaïden and Khalil Schroeder of Pensacola, FL; and many cousins. He was born in Worcester and lived in Charlton before joining the U.S. Navy in 2015. He attended Shepherd

Hill Regional High School, and graduated from Auburn High School in 2015. Jibreel was a Machinist's Mate Nuclear Power (MMN2-SS) serving in the U.S. Navy in Norfolk, VA. He served aboard the U.S.S. Boise (SSN-764) and was currently serving aboard the U.S.S. Washington (SSN-787). He recently completed a 6-month tour aboard the U.S.S. Washington. Jibreel enjoyed playing football during his time at Shepherd Hill. He loved video games and enjoyed baking. A funeral will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2020, from Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, followed by a Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 10 H. Putnam Rd. Ext., Charlton. Burial will be private at a later date. Calling hours are Friday, June 26, 2020, from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the National MPS Society, 1007 Slater Rd., Suite 220, Durham, NC 27703. paradisfuneralhome.com

Bounleane Ketnouvong, 82

WEBSTER – Bounleane Ketnouvong, 82, entered everlasting rest on Thursday June 11, 2020 while in the company of his loving and devoted family at the Charlton Manor Rest Home. Bounleane is survived by his wife Thong Ketnouvong, with whom he has shared over sixty-three years of love and devotion; he also leaves behind his son Khamlay “Toun” Ketnouvong of Webster; two daughters: Saysamone Ketnouvong of Webster, and Chandavune Som Phranasith of Dudley; ten grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; he also leaves many dear relatives and cherished friends. Bounleane was born in Vientiane,

Laos on August 13, 1937; he worked for the U.S. Embassy in Laos from 1969-1974, moving to Webster in 1978. Bounleane was an avid fisherman; he also enjoyed dancing and playing the Lao khaen instrument. All were welcome to attend calling hours on Monday June 15, 2020 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA. We kindly request that all those attending observe social distancing guidelines and wear a face mask. Committal services will be private. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light a candle in remembrance of Bounleane.

Carol A. Sepuka, 79

OXFORD/SUGARLAND, TX – Carol A. (Kaczynski) Sepuka, 79, formerly of Hudson Road and currently of Sugarland, TX, died Saturday, March 14, 2020, at Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston. A funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 26, 2020, at St. Roch's Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Social distancing and masks are required

at the church as well as a reduced attendance capacity. The Mass will be live-streamed with her obituary on the funeral home website. The family would like to let everyone know that they understand if you decide not to attend due to COVID-19 concerns. Burial will follow at Notre Dame Cemetery in Worcester.

James Norton Scheibeler, 85

PLAINFIELD, CT – James Norton Scheibeler, 85, passed away peacefully at home with his loving wife at his side on Tuesday June 16, 2020. James is survived by his wife Arline (Doyle) Scheibeler; his son Eric Scheibeler; he also leaves many relatives and friends; he was predeceased by his sister Beth Kirkpatrick. James was born on December 14, 1934, son of the late John Jacob and Margaret (Winchester) Scheibeler; he served honorably in the U.S. Army, afterwards he went on to earn his law degree and served as an attorney for

many years prior to his retirement. Private funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light a candle in remembrance of James.

Joanne L. St. Onge, 56



DANIELSON- Joanne L. (Meagher) St. Onge age 56 passed away at home with her loving family at her side on Wednesday June 10, 2020. She leaves her husband of thirty years, Kirk L. St. Onge, two sons: Justin and Walter St. Onge of Danielson, two step-daughters: Jill St. Onge of Dudley, MA and Dawn St. Onge of Putnam, CT., five grandchildren: Alex St. Onge, Kameron and Riley Carpenter, Brooklyn and London Bonczek. Joanne also leaves her parents, Gerald Meagher of Southbridge and Sandra (Norman) Meagher of Worcester; her sisters: Elen Neiduski of Danielson,

and Patricia Manzi of Thompson; her brother John Meagher of Worcester. Joanne was born in Webster, MA on April 14, 1964; she enjoyed gardening and spending time with her Mom. Please omit flowers. Donations may be made in her memory to Dana Farber Cancer Research or Hospice Care of Northeastern CT., 320 Pomfret St., Putnam, CT. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Friday June 26, 2020 at 11:00 am in St. James Church, Danielson, CT with burial in the Holy Cross Cemetery. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle

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Wildlife in many areas of Massachusetts are thriving, as this week's picture shows a doe with her three young deer. Numerous gardeners are also feeling the negative part of high deer populations. Gardeners have told me about losing a lot of their crops to deer this year. Woodchucks are also to blame for lost crops to the first-time gardeners, as well as longtime gardeners. One local gardener told me about a fellow gardener that planted seed for his corn crop. It did not take the crows long to find the recently planted seeds and pretty much cleaned out his corn patch.

This year, with all of the Covid-19 problems, many people are working from home, or are not working at all. They have a lot of time on their hands and decided to grow a garden for the first time. Seeds and gardening equipment were sold out of most stores early in the area, and they had to reorder. That to was pretty much sold out quickly.

Rabbit populations are also on the increase in the valley, which is good news for the few remaining hunters that own beagles, and enjoy listening to their hounds baying, as they track the rabbit's scent. There were many rabbit hunters in the area 30 or more years ago, but the rabbit population dropped dramatically because of destroyed habitat due to construction. The return of birds of prey and the surge in coyotes, and fisher cat populations also took their toll on the rabbit population. Rabbits can cause some destruction to small gardens, feeding on recently sprouting plants.

Freshwater bass fishing is nothing but great, as this week's picture shows young Randy Curley with his 6.4 ounce largemouth, he recently caught in a local body of water. Plastics are number



one with many bass fishing anglers, but shiners are also catching some impressive freshwater bass. Top water plugs are great for catching lunger bass when fishing at night. The biggest thrill for catching big bass are fishing with a fly rod.

A number 8 or 9 fly rod when fished with small poppers, or the great assortment of weedless plastic frogs that are available today, provide the angler with some of the most successful fishing trips ever when used properly. Fishing top water frogs in the heat of the day will surprise you with some great action, even if you catch a number of two-or-three-pound bass. The big one is not far away, and you will enjoy the bass fishing a lot more. Your local Bait & Tackle shop should be able to set you up with the proper equipment for fly fishing, and you may never go back to the conventual rod & reel and braided lines for bass fishing.

Last week's picture of a large calico bass taken from Webster Lake, was indeed an impressive fish. Back in my younger days I fished at Meadow Pond in Whitinsville as a youngster and used



a fly rod to catch them. The fly called the Mickey Fin was a killer when it came to catching Calico bass, also known as crappie. Fishing from the old bridge on Main Street. and at the Arcade Pond were two favorite places of mine for catching calico bass.

Back in the '50s, aerial spraying of DDT helped keep the mosquito population down, but it also killed the Mayflies. The fly's fell into the water and the calico bass and other species of warm water fish ate the dead fly's killing them off also. The fish populations have since rebounded, but not in the numbers that we once had. Because of aerial spraying

of DDT many birds were also killed, and the use of DDT was stopped. It was a hard lesson learned.

Fluke fishing around Block Island and the shores off of Matunuc beach are finally giving up some keeper fish. Numerous doormats up to 22 inches have been reported. Sea Bass finally opened up this past Wednesday, June 24 in Rhode Island waters. The daily limit is three fish at 15 inches or more. Buzzards Bay area continues to give up some big seabass along with monster Scaup.

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending.

Protect your landscape from hungry critters



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While you're busy filling your landscape with beautiful flowers and scrumptious vegetables, the deer, rabbits and other wildlife are watching and waiting to move in to dine. Don't lose your beautiful investment to hungry animals. Be proactive in keeping wildlife at bay, so you can grow a beautiful landscape this season.

Protect plants as soon as they are set in the ground. It's easier to prevent damage rather than break a habit. Once critters find delicious plants, they will be back for more and they're likely to bring along a few additional family members.

A fence is an excellent defense against animals. A four-foot-high fence anchored tightly to the ground will keep out rabbits. Five-foot-high fences around small garden areas will usually keep out deer that tend to avoid smaller spaces.

Woodchucks are more difficult. They will dig under or climb over the fence. You must place the fence at least 12 inches below the soil surface with four

to five feet above ground. Make sure gates are secured so animals can't squeeze through or under these. The last thing you want is an animal happily living and dining inside your fenced in garden.

For gardeners who do not want to spend the money on fencing or view their flowers and other ornamental plantings through a fence, there are other options.

Scarecrows, rattling pans and other scare tactics have been widely used for decades. Unfortunately, urban animals are used to noise and human scent and not discouraged by these tactics. You must move and alternate the various scare tactics to increase your chance of success.

Repellents may be your best and most practical option. Always check the label for details on use, application rates and timing. Research has proven that odor-based repellents are more effective than other types of repellents. Wildlife will avoid plants rather than taking a bite before they discover they don't like the taste.

Look for organic repellents labeled for use on food plants when treating edibles. [Plantskydd \(plantskydd.com\)](#) is the only OMRI certified organic repellent and is effective against rabbits, deer, voles, elk, moose, chipmunks and squirrels. It is rain resistant and



Photo Melinda Myers

Deer can wreak havoc on landscapes and research has proven that odor-based repellents are more effective than other repellents at keeping deer and other critters from eating your plants.

each application lasts three to four months during the growing season.

Maximize results by treating new growth according to label directions. Most liquid repellents need time to dry while granule repellents may need to be watered to activate the smell. Always check the label for the product you are applying.

Protect new tree whips by dipping them in a long-lasting liquid repellent. Mature trees will benefit as well. Treat them prior to bud break or two to three weeks after leaves have developed.

Continue to monitor plantings throughout your landscape all season long. Watch for animal tracks, droppings and other signs wildlife have moved into your area. Protect new plantings and those favored by wildlife before they start dining on your plants. Always be as persistent as the hungry animals.

If you're ever feeling discouraged, remember that gardeners have been battling animals in the garden long before us and there are lots of options to help protect your flowers and harvest.

vest.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Tree World Plant Care Products for her expertise to write this article. Her Web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](#).

Summer Drinks

Bright sunny days, shade tree breezes and a comfortable backyard chaise are the perfect elements for warm weather "easy living." And what could be more delightful than sharing a chat and a refreshing, cool drink on the porch with a friend or neighbor? There's no doubt about it, nothing quite "hits the spot" on a hot New England summer day more than a tall glass of ice tea or lemonade. The sweet taste and drinking ice cubes of the thirst-quenching drinks have prompted recipe contests, starred at country fair refreshment booths, and spawned generations of young roadside entrepreneurs. With summer officially here, read on for some great old-fashioned lemonade and iced tea recipes guaranteed to refresh both body and spirit.

Citrus Tea Cooler
The carbonation and orange juice add sparkle and zest to this alternative to traditional iced tea. Perfect for a punchbowl at an outside get-together.
Ingredients: Three bags or one tbps



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or loose tea in bowl. Pour boiling water over tea. Let stand five minutes. Remove bags or strain to remove leaves. Add sugar and stir until all is dissolved. Place ice cubes in two-quart serving pitcher. Pour hot tea, lemon and orange juice over tea. Stir briskly several seconds until mixture is cold. Stir in chilled lemon-lime carbonated beverage. Pour into glasses and serve at once. Makes two qts.

Lemon Sparkler
Now here's a quick and easy version. (For those of us whose "leisurely" outside activities more likely find us hanging out clothes, chasing after a stray child or dog and running for the ringing phone!)
Ingredients: Two cups tea, brewed; one half cup Real Lemon juice; one half cup sugar; juice cubes(ice cubes made with lemon juice and a little water); two quarts of ginger ale, chilled.
Directions: In a pitcher, combine the tea, lemon juice, and sugar stirring until sugar is dissolved. Just before serving, add the

ginger ale and pour over juice cubes.

Lemonade
Lemonade and sunny days have gone together forever. Many a summertime memory is sparked by sipping a chilled tumbler of syrupy sweet lemonade.
Old Fashioned Lemonade
Most lemonade aficionados agree the secret to a great lemonade is to make a heated syrup as a base. This recipe from Hamilton Beach, is touted as a "sure-fire hit."
Ingredients: Two cups granulated sugar; two and one half cups water; juice of six lemons; juice of two oranges; grated peel of one orange; one cup fresh mint leaves
Directions: In a medium saucepan, combine sugar and water. Bring to a boil; cook over medium high heat five minutes. Let cool. Add lemon juice, orange juice and orange peel to syrup. Add in mint leaves. Cover and let stand one hour. Strain lemon syrup into a jar or pitcher. Store in refrigerator until ready to use. For each serving: Put one third cup lemon syrup into an eight ounce glass filled with crushed ice and cold water. Mix or shake well. Serves two (eight ounce servings)

Quick Old Fashioned Lemonade
Now, here's an "easy" version.
Ingredients: Two or three ice cubes; two tablespoons lemon juice; one and one half tablespoons lime juice; two tablespoons superfine sugar; six to

eight ice cubes; two cups cold water.
Directions: Pour lemon and lime juice into a pitcher, add sugar and stir until dissolved. Add ice cubes and water and stir. Serve in tumblers.

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

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

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WEBSTER - 36 PARK AVENUE



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Well cared for Colonial on Park Avenue! Hardwoods throughout! Large formal dining room, eat in kitchen, 3 generous size bedrooms! Hollywood Bath, 1-1/2 baths total. Large deck! Garage! Corner lot! Freshly Painted & Thoroughly Cleaned! **\$264,900**

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Dudley - Marshall Terrace 12,000 +/- Sq. Ft. Potential for a 2 family to be built! Town Water, Sewer, **SORRY SOLD \$70,000**

Webster - 85 Upper Gore w/View of the Lake. 1+ acre! Much work done! Artesian well, Septic Design, & Conservation **\$130,000**

Webster - Potential 6 Buildable on Lots! Water/ Sewer Access, Zoned Lake Residential **\$129,400**

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\$375,000

OBITUARIES

John I. MacGinnis, 83



AUBURN – John I. MacGinnis, 83, of Coachman Lane, died Sunday, June 14, 2020, at Webster Manor Healthcare in Webster after a long illness. He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Marieanne L. (Kennette) MacGinnis of Auburn; two sisters, Christine P. Turner of Oxford and Alice M. Gilman of Webster; four stepchildren, Melinda A. King of Ashford, CT, Laurie M. Snelling of Woodstock, CT, Kevin D. Basto of Eastford, CT, and Julie M. Comtois of Ocala, FL; many nephews and nieces; nine step grandchildren and ten step great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a sister, Eileen Hopkins of Charlotte, NC. He was born in Worcester, son of the late Cecil H. and Irene M. (Hewitt) MacGinnis, and lived in Oxford and Barre before moving to

Auburn 33 years ago. He was a U.S. Army veteran and served in Korea. Mr. MacGinnis retired from R.S. Whipple in Worcester as a job foreman and supervisor. He was a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, and a member of the N.R.A. He loved woodworking and was incredibly skilled as a finish carpenter. A private graveside service will be held at Hillside Cemetery in Auburn. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, 309 Waverly Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements. paradisfuneralhome.com



John Pizzetti, 80



ARIZONA / WEBSTER, MA John Pizzetti, 80, passed away on Friday, June 12, 2020 in San Tan Valley, AZ. He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Barbara (Bukowski) Pizzetti in 1996. He was born and raised in Webster, MA to the late Joseph and Anna (Kubic) Pizzetti. He is survived one daughter Lisa Johnson Falconieri and her husband Anthony in which he lived. His two beloved grand-children, Gina Johnson of San Tan Valley and Michael Johnson and his wife Heather of Idaho a daughter-in-law, Amy of AZ, a sister Susan Mason and her husband Dean of Webster, MA. Two nephews Jaie Pizzetti and his wife Brooke and Drew Mason and his wife Jessica. Brother-in-laws Richard Bukowski and his wife Maureen and Joseph Bukowski and his wife Michelle and a niece ,Amber. A very close cousin/friend Albert Pizzetti of Webster, MA and several other relative and friends to numerous to mention.

Besides his wife Barbara, he was predeceased by his son Jeffery Pizzetti, a brother Joseph (Dick) Pizzetti and his wife Therese (Langevin). John and Barbara married and moved to Vernon, CT and later to East Hartford, CT. He was a Supervisor at Pratt & Whitney for 30 years before retiring and moving to Arizona. John loved to travel, visit his son in San Diego, golf and watch UConn basketball and NY Yankees (ever since wearing a NY Yankee uniform in Little League), eating his traditional home-made Italian dinners at the holidays. Mostly important to him was spending time with family. John had a big spirit, a welcoming personality and a generous heart with a knack of making you feel good being around him. He will be greatly missed by all. A memorial mass will take place at a future date in MA when Family and Friends can celebrate his life safely. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, ATTEN: Tribute Processing, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105

Mary Lynds, 75



WEBSTER – Mary (Borden) Lynds 75, left this earth peacefully at the Webster Manor on Saturday June 6, 2020. Mary is survived by her current husband Richard Lynds, and her first husband Bill Boucher; two daughters Kimberly Banaczuk and her husband Michael, and Lori Fisher; her son David Boucher; her grandchildren: Michael, Victoria, Rebecca, Theresa, Felicia, Justin, and Candace; her sister Rita L. Leanna and her husband Robert of Florida; her brother Jude L. Borden and his wife Bonnie; many nieces, nephews, relatives, and dear friends, especially her friends Lisa “Weeshee” and Shawn. Mary is predeceased by her son Joseph Boucher and her sister Gloria M. Osborn, and by her husband of thirty-four years Ronald Somers. Mary was born in Worcester, Ma on April 6, 1945, daughter of the late Louis

and Mary Marguerite (LaMarche) Borden; she was an active and faithful member of the Calvary Assembly of God in Dudley. Mary will be fondly remembered for being the most amazing, fun-loving, and spirited woman. For years Mary would bake and deliver cookies to the local police and fire Departments at Christmas time. Mary’s memory will certainly be cherished by all who were blessed to know her. Mary’s family wishes to extend their utmost appreciation to the wonderful and compassionate care team at the Webster Manor, most especially to Katie, Lori, Emily, and to nurses Wendy and Amy for their thoughtfulness and care. A private memorial service will be arranged and conducted by the family. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street Webster, MA is assisting Mary’s family with arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may offer condolences or light

Linda R. Mikolajczak, 75



WEBSTER - Linda R. (Beatty) Mikolajczak, 75, passed away Saturday, June 20, 2020 in her home. She leaves two daughters, Lynn F. Mikolajczak of North Hampton and Ericka L. wife of Derek J. Martin of Webster, two brothers, Leonard J. Beatty and Harrison L. Beatty both of Webster, a sister, LuAnn wife of Rodney Budrow, 2 grandchildren, Bina Sweet and Natnael Walton, several nieces and nephews and was very close to her grand nieces and nephews. Linda was born in Webster, October 29, 1944 a daughter of the late Leonard M. and Ruth E. (Bates) Beatty and lived

here all her life. She was predeceased by a brother, Guy M. Beatty and sister, Sue Ellen Levesque. She graduated from Bartlett High School. Liked to make people laugh . loved Bette Davis, Abraham Lincoln and going to Ronnie’s in Charlton. There are no calling hours. A Graveside Service will be at a later date at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Webster. Memorial contributions may be made in Linda’s name to a charity of one’s choice. The ROBERT J. MILLER FUNERAL HOME and LAKE CHAPEL, 366 School St. is assisting the family with arrangements. To leave a message of condolence, or to share a memory of Line, please visit: RJMillerfunerals.net

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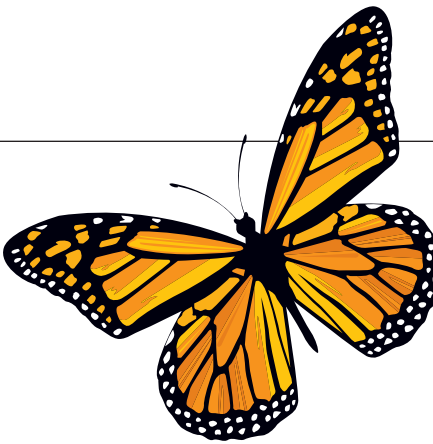
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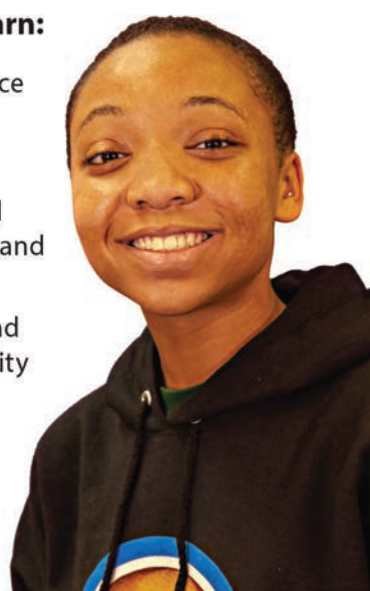
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