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Halloween gets reluctant thumbs-up in Southbridge



A dinosaur family reunion on Main Street during last year's Horribles Parade (which won't happen this year due to Covid-19).

BY GUS STEEVES CORRESPONDENT

SOUTHBRIDGE Despite Covid-19, trick or treating will happen in Southbridge.

But the Board of Health recommends strongly people stick to their own neighborhoods and avoid large crowds.

"If they can go to school, they can go trick or treating," BOH member Nicole Duffy observed.

Chair Beth Stephens agreed, noting it "seems foolish" to cancel "because people are still going to do it," whether they stay here or go to other towns. To her, the key thing is to clearly define times and stick to them, noting she doesn't want the police to be send-

ing people home at 10 p.m. Her compatriots followed suit, also citing concerns that banning the tradition might encourage more risky private parties. Evidence to date shows that Covid spreads largely by aerosol, which tends indoors. Outdoors, the mist is more easily diluted. Under either condition, the easiest way to reduce risk is to wear a mask covering nose and mouth, and some towns (including Charlton) are requiring trick-or-treaters to put a Covid mask under their disguise mask.

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Town seeks input on new zoning rules

near future, the people will get a chance to participate in the process of lawmaking.

This doesn't refer to the upcoming election, but to a joint public hearing between the Planning Board anf Town Council on creating what are termed two "overlay districts" for the old American Optical (AO) complex and Globe Village, plus related changes to the town's Table of Uses. If approved, the changes are aimed at broadening how semi-vacant mill buildings in those areas can be redevel-

"This type of overlay is consistent with one I worked with in a previous community that addresses the 'live-workplay' model," Town Manager Michael McCall said at the most recent Counilc meeting online. Such changes, he added, "can breathe new life into buildings that otherwise wouldn't be attractive at this time. ... [It can] repurpose certain structures and be beneficial to the community in the long run."

Specifically, the plans are what are called "flexible overlay districts," which add certain kinds of uses - particular-

SOUTHBRIDGE - In the ly housing and some kinds of small business – to the existing zones in those areas. Both proposals have similar language in most places and aim to "foster a greater opportunity for creative development which encourage a mix of uses."

In the AO case, it's currently manufacturing, which does not now allow housing, although AO owner Charles "Chip" Norton is planning apartments for two of the old buildings (and already has local and state approval for a 40B "affordable" housing project in the 5-15 Case St. building). The proposed overlay includes all of the old AO plus Schott Fiberoptics and a couple of other parcels reaching up to Guelphwood Road. Much of it is currently forested open

That's quite different from the Globe area, which has long been developed and now has pockets of residential, manufacturing, general business and other zoning. Its most notable sites are the old Hamilton Woolen mill and the complex of smaller buildings between Main Street and the Quinebaug River (except the

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Bay Path reports third COVID case

BY JASON BLEAU CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON - Bay Path Regional Vocational High School has confirmed its third positive case of COVID-19.

Since Oct. 1, three individuals from within the school committee have been confirmed to have tested positive for the virus although school officials have indicated that appropriate measures have taken place to isolate the infected parties and that there is no concern for students and staff safety.

As with the announcement of the first two cases, a letter

was sent to parents and guardians on Oct. 6 announcing the third positive case. The letter was nearly word for word the same document sent out for the initial two cases a few days earlier. Authored and signed by Superintendent-Director Kyle Brenner, the letter once again did not provide the identity of the individual nor did it indicate whether or not it was a staff member or student who tested positive. Those with close ties to the individual were informed privately and recommended to be tested and

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Is there greatness in you?

SOUTHBRIDGE — On Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Quinebaug Masonic Lodge located at 339 Ashland Ave., Southbridge



will be hosting an open house. All lodges located throughout Massachusetts will also be hosting an open house.

Quinebaug Masonic Lodge was chartered in 1859, and has been around for an astounding 162 years. The Lodge is thriving due to the strong bond of Freemasonry and family-oriented men in this community.

If you like history and tra-

dition, come down and visit the lodge. During this open house period you will be able to see the mysterious lodge meeting room along with ancient symbols. Additionally, our walls of photos represent previous lodge Past Masters, dating back over 100 years. We will give you a tour and explain what Freemasonry is to men and their families in our community. In its 162

vears Quinebaug Masonic Lodge of Freemasons has continued to make good men better. One of our famous founding fathers, Benjamin Franklin, once said "Is there greatness in you?" Ask this question to yourself and if so, become a Master Mason. Go to AskaFreemason.org to see and listen to Benjamin Franklin speak and, to find a local Masonic Lodge near you.



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Potential treatment options after a breast cancer diagnosis

A breast cancer diagnosis is something no one wants to receive. But the burden of breast cancer is substantial. In fact, the World Health Organization notes that breast cancer is the most commonly occurring cancer in women worldwide. Thankfully, breast cancer survival rates are high in many parts of the world, particularly in developed countries such as the United States, Canada and Japan. While survival rates are lower in developing countries, it is encouraging to know that the average five-year survival rates are as high as 90 percent in some nations. That suggests that the strategies used to successfully fight breast cancer in developed nations may one day prove as effective in developing nations, potentially leading to a sharp decline in global

breast cancer deaths.

- Upon being diagnosed with breast cancer, patients will be educated about a host of potential treatment options. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention note that breast cancer is treated in several ways, and the course of treatment a doctor recommends will depend on the kind of breast cancer and how far it has spread. In addition, according to Breastcancer. org, breast cancer is made up of many different kinds of cancer cells, which often necessitates the use of various types of treatments to get rid of the cancer. The following are some treatment options doctors may discuss with breast cancer patients.
- Surgery: Breastcancer.org notes that surgery is typically the first line of attack against breast cancer. The CDC says the goal of surgery is to cut

- out cancer tissue. Some common breast cancer surgeries include lumpectomy, in which the tumor and a small amount of surrounding tissue is removed, and mastectomy, in which all of the breast tissue is removed.
- Chemotherapy: Chemotherapy is used to treat various types of cancer and involves the administration of special medicines to shrink or kill existing cancer cells. Breastcancer.org notes that chemotherapy is sometimes administered prior to surgery in an attempt to shrink the cancer.
- Radiation therapy:
 Radiation therapy aims
 to kill cancer cells using
 high-energy rays that are
 similar to X-rays. Sometimes
 referred to as "radiotherapy," radiation therapy is
 overseen by a radiation
 oncologist who specializes
 in this type of treatment.
- Hormonal therapy: Estrogen makes hormone-receptor-positive breast cancers grow, and hormonal therapy, which may be referred to as "anti-estrogen" therapy, aims to reduce the amount of estrogen in the body and block its action on breast cancer cells.
- Targeted therapies: These therapies, which Breastcancer.org notes are generally less likely than chemotherapy to harm normal, healthy cells, target specific characteristics of the cancer cells. Cancer cells can have many characteristics, so there are various types of targeted therapies. Breast cancer treatments can be highly effective in the fight against breast cancer, particularly when the disease is caught in its early stages.

Life after breast cancer

The moment a person receives a breast cancer diagnosis, his or her life changes immeasurably. The roller coaster of emotions begins, and suddenly this person is thrust into a schedule of doctor's appointments, treatments and visits from friends and family.

The World Cancer Research Fund International says breast cancer is the second most common cancer in women and men and is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among women in 140 of 184 countries worldwide. Despite that prevalence, the five-year relative survival rate for women diagnosed with localized breast cancer (cancer that has not spread to the lymph nodes or outside the breast) is 98.5 percent, says the American Cancer Society. Survival odds increase as more is learned about breast cancer and more people take preventative measures, including routine screenings. Today, there are nearly three million breast cancer survivors living in the United States.

Breast cancer treatments may last anywhere from six months to a year. Adjusting after treatment may not come so easily at first. But adjustments are easier with time, and many cancer survivors continue to live life to the fullest in much the same way they did prior to their diagnosis.

When treatment ends, patients often still have fears about the cancer, wondering if all of the cancerous cells have been destroyed and worrying about recurrence. But focusing on the present and all of the things you now can do with health on your side is a great way to put your fears behind you.

Many cancer survivors must still visit their doctors after treatments end. Doctors still want to monitor patients closely, so be sure to go to all follow-up appointments and discuss any symptoms or feelings you may be having. Side effects may continue long after radiation or chemotherapy has ended. Your doctor may have suggestions for coping with certain side effects or will be able to prescribe medications to offset these effects. Follow-up appointments should gradually decrease the longer you have been cancer-free.

It's not uncommon to feel differently after cancer treatment, as your body has been through quite a lot. Many women still experience fatigue, and sleep or normal rest doesn't seem to make it abate. Realize this is normal, and how long it will last differs from person to person. It can take months or years for you to experience your "new normal." Things do not happen overnight. While your hair may grow back quickly, it may take some time for you to feel like yourself again. Exercise routines or other lifestyle changes may help you overcome fatigue or make it more manageable.

Speaking with others who have survived breast cancer can help. Join a support group or reach out to others through social media. Getting a first-hand account of what can be expected the first year after treatment can assuage anxiety.

Food prep tips for breast cancer patients



Breast cancer treatment can be

exhausting, resulting in fatigue that can make it hard for patients to tackle all of the tasks that come with a typical day. That includes preparing meals, which is often the last thing a person fighting breast cancer wants to do after a day of treatment.

But nutrition plays a vital role in beating cancer. A nutritious diet can promote strength and increase energy levels, something breast cancer patients know is not always easy to come by. The following are a few tips to help men and women undergoing breast cancer treatment maintain a nutritious diet throughout their treatments.

 Plan ahead when you're feeling strong. Breast cancer patients often have good days and not-so-good days during the course of their treatments. When the latter comes around, everyday tasks like cooking meals can seem as exhausting as climbing Mount
Everest. So breast cancer patients can plan
ahead for such days by
going the extra mile
on those days when
their energy levels aren't compromised. Prepare meals in advance
and freeze them so
they require minimal
effort on those days
when energy levels are

- Avoid empty calories. Empty calories like those found in a bag of potato chips won't help fight fatigue on those days when your energy levels are low. When eating, opt for foods that are rich in vitamins and nutrients but not heavy in calories. A meal that is dense in nutrients but not calories will benefit your energy levels, while a calorie-dense meal will only foster feelings of fatigue.
- Opt for snacks that are high in protein. When snacking during the day, it's possible to counter any exhausting effects of breast cancer treatment by choosing high-protein snacks. Foods that are

high in protein, including low-fat cottage cheese, Greek yogurt and almonds, can improve your energy levels because the body does not break protein down as easily as it does carbohydrates. So protein can be a longer-lasting energy source than snacking alternatives that are low in protein. If you aren't much of a snacker, consider a protein shake.

Buy in bulk. When visiting the grocery store, buy items in bulk so you won't have to make as many trips there. This can help on those days when energy levels are waning. Further save energy by asking a store employee to carry your groceries to your car. On those days when the cupboard is bare and you don't feel up to a trip to the store, call your local grocer, explain your situation and ask if it's possible to have groceries delivered. Many grocers would be glad to help. Modify recipes. In

addition to boosting

you can modify recipes to include more protein and improve your energy levels. For example, add cheese to sandwiches, pasta dishes and casseroles, as dairy is a strong source of protein. When cooking, use milk instead of water when possible. Beans are another great source of protein, so add them to chili, pasta sauces or soups when cooking. There are many ways to modify recipes to

your energy levels,

rebuild tissues, and

protein helps heal and

that won't compromise taste. If you're unsure of how to do so, discuss this with a physician or dietician. Fatigue is a common side effect of cancer treatment, but there are many ways men and women undergoing breast cancer treatment can alter their diets to make their meals more nutritious,

improving their ener-

gy levels as a result.

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School district makes changes to fall calendar

BY JASON BLEAU

DUDLEY/CHARLTON-The Dudley-Charlton Regional School District has set a tentative schedule for the first half of the current school year as the superintendent and school committee continue to adapt and evolve their approach to managing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Superintendent Steven Lamarche presented a draft working calendar to the school committee earlier this month which, while subject to the change, lays out what can be expected at least through the rest of the 2020 calendar year and into the holiday break.

"Like anything, there's nothing that comes easy this school year. Trying to wrangle with the school calendar is one of those items as well. We are propos-

ing a draft – This is something that we can publish on our website so that people know where we are with our school calendar," Lamarche told the committee. "The updates truly are representative of changes up until Dec. 23 of this school year thus far. The only change obviously is at the end of the school year with a starting and ending point to the calendar. We will take this up again before Dec. 23 to plan out the remainder of the school year. What this calendar does represent is the first nine days of professional development and training and the first day of school being Sept. 16, and it also removes all of the early release days that were originally populated in the calendar with the exceptions of the day before Thanksgiving and the day before the holiday break. Those are still represented within this

Another change was shifting a Nov. 3 professional development day to a full remote learning day.

School Committee members did ask whether or not all students in both Charlton and Dudley would attend classes, either online or in person, for the same number of days. Superintendent Lamarche said it did work out that student schedules do add up to equal class time. Also, there were question about what the second half of the year would look like to which the superintendent said that January through June of 2021 is still a work in progress to be discussed before the end of the calendar vear. For now, they wanted to make sure something was made available so families could at least plan for the rest of 2020. There was also a question

about snow days and whether or not those could be transitioned into online learning. Superintendent Lamarche said he couldn't answer that question

"We're still working on it. There was no affirmation of what's allowed, but we'll still work on that. If we're a welloiled remote machine obviously we will do that. Today there were several districts that were out for power issues and they did not count attendance for school today in our state. So, I'm not sure how they're dealing with it. I'm paying attention – It's something we're still following," said Lamarche.

The most recent calendars for the 2020-2021 school year can be found on the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District Web site.

Selectmen terminate contracts with VGG

BY JASON BLEAU

CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON - The Charlton Board of Selectmen has voted to terminate the contracts with Valley Green Grow, a marijuana growing company that became the center of numerous public debates in 2018 and 2019.

Following an executive session during a brief meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 selectmen voted in a 3-1 decision to terminate the community host and development agreements between the town and Valley Green Grow. Selectman Bill Borowski was the only dissenting vote while Selectman David Signer recused himself from the discussion. Selectman Karen Spiewak and freshmen board members Patricia Rydlak and Stephen Koronis voted in favor of the motion. No board mem-

ber has publicly stated their reasoning for their votes and the details of the discussion leading up to the vote have been made confidential by the rules of executive session. The only reasoning given publicly for the motion was that it was due to "breach of contract."

The project was slated to be housed at Charlton Orchards, a 94-acre family farm at 44 Old Worcester Rd. in Charlton. The owners of the farm had entered into a sales agreement with VGG which would have seen the company erects a one-million-square-foot marijuana grown and processing facility on the land. Agreements between VGG and the town were signed in 2018 leading to public outcries against the project, including demonstrations from protestors and supporters at public meetings, and numerous Planning Board public hearings where that

board refused to support the company's site plan in January of 2019. At the time current selectman Patricia Rydlak was chairing the board and was an open opponent of the project. The Planning Board's decision was eventually addressed in Land Court in the fall of 2019 where VGG won an appeal overturning the Planning Board's vote leading the board to present an appeal of its own of the judge's decision. The debates made the VGG project one of the most talked about stories in the region for almost two years. After the court decision in the fall the discussion went quiet until selectmen made their motion earlier this month.

As of this report, there remains no public discussion or comment from selectmen concerning the decision or what this means for the future of the project in Charlton.

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Iob duties include but are not limited to: Plowing snow, cleaning sites and grounds, maintaining a pool, hot tub, general landscaping, escorting guests to site, general labor and general minor repairs. Previous maintenance experience is required, some on the job training will be provided. Must be flexible with hours of availability as holidays and weekends are required during the season.

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Requirements of 3-5 years progressively responsible professional experience in geriatrics and human services or equivalent combination of education and experience. Elderly resources and experience working with elderly preferred. A Massachusetts Driver's License and own vehicle is required. Salary range is \$14,856, hours and days TBD. Resumes will be reviewed by the Outreach Coordinator Search Committee as submitted and the position will remain open until filled.

Please submit a cover letter of interest and resume to Janine Drake, c/o: The Holland Select Board, 27 Sturbridge Road, Holland, MA 01521 or by email: townadmin@hollandma.org

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New student representatives named at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy

CHARLTON — New student representatives to the Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy PN Class of 2021 were elected recently and began their term this fall.

Practical nursing students Isabella Boateng of Manchester, Conn. Brianna Laforest of Webster were voted as student representatives for the PN class of 2021. The student representatives are an important part of the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy Faculty Organization (PNFO). Their main responsibility is to be a link between Practical Nursing faculty, staff, and the students, and to contribute to Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy activities and projects. Boateng and Laforest represent the students of PN Class of 2021 on the advisory board and steering committee.

Student representatives are responsible for attending the PNFO meetings, where they serve as non-voting members. The student representatives speak on behalf of the student body and reports on topics they want to bring to the PNFO's attention. The student representatives also attend the fall and spring Advisory Committee meet-

Boateng is a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) at All Ways There Home Care in Vernon, CT and a Hospice Aide for Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care in Bloomfield, CT. She holds a Diploma in Business Management from Kumasi Polytechnic and a Diploma in Accounting from Konongo Odumase, Konongo, Ghana. Laforest is a PCA 2 at the UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester. She holds an Associate degree in Science, major in criminal justice graduating with honors from Quinsigamond Community College. She also holds a Certificate in Enforcement. Both Boateng and Laforest have a valid Health Care Provider/ Basic Life Support Provider CPR and are Dementia Care Certified.

Boateng and Laforest will bring student issues up, participate in governance, and focus on not just current students but may include alumni and possibly incoming students in conversations and activities.

"One of the goals in this role is to continue to advocate for governance, to increase awareness of student's role in governance," said Gretheline Bolandrina MSN, Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director.

The student representatives will work together towards feedback on topics in



Practical nursing students Isabella Boateng of Manchester, Conn. and Brianna Laforest of Webster were voted as student representatives for the PN class of 2021 at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy.

the PNFO agenda. "The topics that go into the agenda are ones that resonate with the student body, these are very unifying topics, and are all in congruence with regulatory and accreditation requirements for BORN (Board of Registration in Nursing), COE (Council on Occupational Education), and ACEN (Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing)" Bolandrina said.

About Bay Path RVTHS **Practical Nursing Academy**

Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy offers a 40-week, (10-month), full-time, Monday through Friday, evening program. The program begins mid-August and is completed in late June. Graduates receive a Practical Nursing Certificate and are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN licensure exam. Visit us online at www. baypath.net.

It is the Mission of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School to facilitate current, integrated, and rigorous academic and technical vocational programs that prepare students for the ever-changing world of employment and post-secondary education; to provide a school culture that meets the diverse needs of our student body for safety and mental wellness; and to foster student confidence, professionalism, and life-long learning skills that will enable them to become contributing members of our communities.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Lunar crater 7. Upstate NY airport (abbr.)
- 10. Fruit
- 12. Seventh avatar of Vishnu 13. Organism that grows
- without air 14. Heals
- 15. A book has one
- 16. Open
- 17. Twitch
- 18. Plant of the mint family 19. Soon
- 21. Witch
- 22. Long, mournful complaint
- 27. Killer clown film
- 28. Keeps us occupied
- 33. Influential lawyer 34. Formation of concepts
- 36. Insecticide
- 37. Swiss river
- 38. Actress Lucy
- 39. Unit of g-force 40. Can repel attackers
- 41. Essential oil used as perfume
- 44. Cut into small pieces
- 45. Mexican agricultural worker
- 48. Best pitchers 49. Benign tumors
- 50. Danish krone
- 51. Looms above

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Make a map of 2. Cain and
- 3. Dried-up
- 4. Corporate exec (abbr.)
- 5. Trading floor hand gesture 6. Strongly alkaline solution
- 7. Yemen capital 8. Military leader (abbr.)
- 9. Maintains possession of 10. Afternoon show
- 11. Imaginary being
- 12. Rearrange 14. Holy person or sage
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- 20. Brooklyn hoopster 23. Intervened
- 24. Extremely angry

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- 36. Small fishes
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Open Sky Community Services elects two new members to **Board of Directors**

Sky Community Services has announced the election Charisse Murphy and Paul Schasel to its Board of Directors. The Worcesterbased nonprofit provides ser-Massachusetts to adults, adolescents and children with mental health challenges, developmental and intellectual disabilities, substance use disorders, brain injury, homelessness and other complex challenges.

"In joining the Open Sky Board of Directors, Charisse and Paul not only bring extensive knowledge and expertise, but also a deep commitment and interest in fulfilling the agency's mission and goals,' said Ken Bates, President and CEO of Open Sky Community Services. "We are looking forward to working together in shaping the impact of Open Sky's services in Central Massachusetts."

Murphy, a Boston native, has her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice from the University of New Haven and a Master's Degree in Human Service and Leadership from Northeastern

Open University. Murphy has over 18 years experience in the nonprofit sector and is currently the Director of Leadership Giving at Worcester State University. She is also the founder of EmPOWER ME!, a support prothroughout Central gram for girls in grades 5-12. Murphy's program allows girls to develop skills to enhance their leadership capabilities, and provides a curriculum that empowers future female leaders to access opportunities. Murphy has also held several roles in other local nonprofit organizations including You, Inc., where she was the Director of the DYS (Department of Youth Services) Community Support Program and its Director of Development.

Schasel received Bachelor's Degree in Finance Bonaventure from St. University and a Master's in Business Administration Degree from Bryant University. He is currently the Director of Fiscal Affairs for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Worcester, where he oversees all financial functions. Schasel also held a variety of positions during his 22 year career with Partners HealthCare, a Boston-based

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About Open Sky Community Services

Sky Community Open 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 homelessness injury, 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.

Small businesses can benefit from QCC's new fall workshops

WORCESTER Quinsigamond Community College is working to help small businesses pivot and thrive in today's COVID-19 pandemic, by offering vital business workshops to area companies. Under the Small Business Direct Access Grant program, the workshops are free to most businesses with less than 100 employees through the state's Workforce Training Fund. The Workforce Training Fund provides resources to Massachusetts employers to train current and newly hired employees.

QCC was awarded a \$143,000 Direct Access Grant from the Workforce Training Fund in 2019, enabling the College to become an approved training provider for these types of

workshops.

"We are witnessing many businesses that are trying to redefine their place in this changing landscape, and have tailored our workshops to these new modalities in business. Our global marketplace has shifted drastically since the pandemic and it is imperative our small businesses adapt to remain successful," said Dean of the Center for Workforce Development and Continuing Education, Kathleen Manning.

QCC's new fall workshops include sessions on how to manage in a virtual marketplace: successfully managing change; employee accountability; time management, in addition to business essentials and com-

munication workshops. "All our workshops will be

delivered remotely using Zoom video conferencing and the first sessions are beginning in mid-October," Ms. Manning

To see a complete list of fall workshops, visit www.QCC. edu/corporate-training

To learn more about eligibility requirements, and how to take advantage of these workshops, contact Business Development Specialists Christine McNally, cmcnally@qcc.mass.edu or Eileen Morgan, emorgan@qcc.mass.

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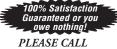
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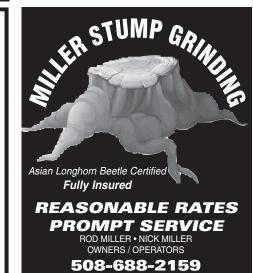
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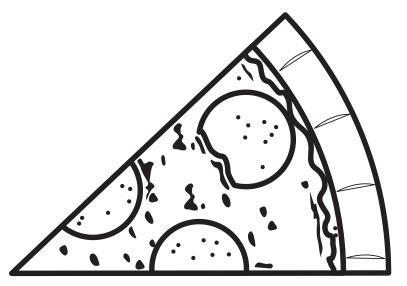


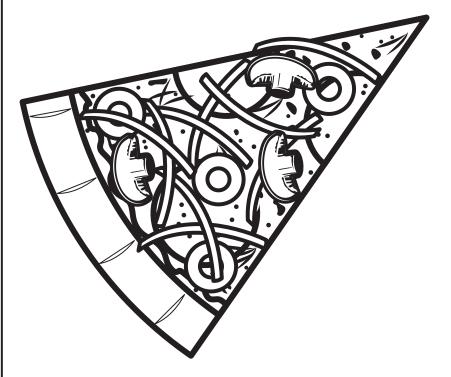
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YNOMEK: PIE

Creative Coloring

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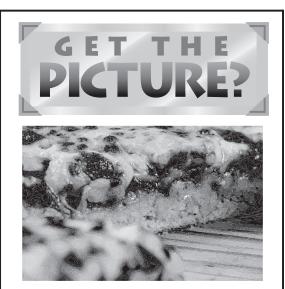
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Solve the code to discover words related to scary films. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 22 = A)

22 10 17 13 24 16 A.

Clue: Frequented by ghosts

26 22 23 24 19 24 17 В.

Clue: Room below the house

5 1 22 4 17 23 22 25 C.

Clue: Cuts wood

5 1 22 23 24 D.

Clue: Follow quickly

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	3	7		1				
		4			5			2
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1			8	9	7			

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

9	7	3	Z	6	8	G	2	L
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6	Z	G	2	Þ	ŀ	ε	8	9
2	6	Z	9	9	ε	Þ	ŀ	8
G	8	9	6	1	Þ	Z	3	2
7	3	L	8	Z	2	9	G	6
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3	G	8	Þ	2	6	ŀ	9	Z

HANSMER:

Cornerstone Bank promotes Heather E. Dumais to VP, Commercial Lender

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank is pleased to announce the recent promotion of Heather E. Dumais from AVP, Commercial Lender to VP, Commercial Lender. Heather has been in the banking industry for over 30 years. She has spent 12 years as a commercial loan officer, five of which have been at Cornerstone Bank.

Heather specializes in working with small business customers and providing guidance through the SBA loan process. She is passionate about finding the right solutions to fit her clients' financial needs and cares about the success of their businesses.

Heather graduated from Boston

As Vice Chair Roland LaRochelle

put it at their Thursday meeting, "fol-

low the precautions," particularly

masking and avoiding large clusters

added. "... Spread your wings, spread

out a little" if in high-traffic areas.

"Make sure you do this wisely," he

To Forest Avenue resident Corey

Alarie, the last point will be challeng-

ing in his area. The upper Marcy Street

neighborhoods have been a Halloween

hotspot for several years, in part due

to the annual book distribution at

Amelia Peloquin's house. Hundreds of

young people and their parents pour

into that area, some from out of town

due to social media postings. That

routinely requires a police presence,

with cruisers closing Marcy to vehicle

traffic at Dresser and Hartwell for a

Alarie said he didn't think many

"All developments shall be reviewed

for compatibility with the Southbridge

Master Plan and be supprotive of the

public health, general welfare and

safety of the community, inclduing

adequate provision of public facilities and a minimum number of access points on existing roads," both pro-

posals state as one of their "general

Among the notable differences are

a requirement in the AO for a 25-foot

planted buffer between any new resi-

dential development and existing res-

idences. Furthermore, the prohibited

uses list mentions several items not in

the Globe list, sometimes because they

already exist there. It states the AO

zone will not allow "bulk storage or

manufacture of materials or products

that could decompose by detonation"

(Globe already houses a Peterson Oil

site); "a facility that contains or con-

ducts research involving Biological

Safety Level-3 ... classification or high-

er;" and rendering, service stations

or car washes (the last two are in the

Development Subcommittee meet-

ing about potentially adding nucle-

ar power, waste disposal, and vari-

ous weapons manufacturing or other

items to the AO prohibited list, Town

Planner Eric Rumsey noted he didn't

see much likelihood of them coming,

but "If an industry wants to come to

town, we should promote any and all

When asked at the Planning and

people would "follow the rules," and

noted many teenagers would go with-

HALLOWEEN

couple hours.

ZONING

houses).

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requirements."

Globe now).

industry."

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University with a BA in Economics. She is an active member of our local community, serving on the Board of Directors for RCAP Solutions in Worcester. In her spare time, Heather enjoys golfing and traveling.

'Heather is a valued member of the Commercial Lending team," said Cornerstone Bank President & Treasurer Todd M. Tallman. "She provides unparalleled service to her small business clients, and we look forward to her growth and success as VP, Commercial Lender.'

About Cornerstone Bank

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Heather Dumais

out supervision. In past years, he routinely saw clusters of 15 or more people waiting to go to various doors for Board members urged homeowners

not to pass out treats directly, but to have bowls of them outside and rely on the "honor system" instead.

Two other Halloween activities will not be happening, however. The annual Horribles Parade was canceled some time ago, with Health Director Andy Pelletier telling the last Council meeting that social distancing would require the parade to be extremely

Likewise, the BOH opted against doing a "Trunk or Treat" event, which Harrington Hospital has hosted for the last couple years, drawing large and rather dense crowds. "Having done things on the common and being mobbed by 300 people in 30 seconds,' Stephens said she didn't think such an event was a good idea now.

A key part of the concern is that Southbridge's number of new cases has started climbing again after being almost none for some time. As of Friday

generally, Economic Development Director Rosemary Scrivens said, "Unless specifically addressed, the underlying zoning would come into play." Thus, whatever is allowed "by right" or prohibited would still be, and other uses would still need special permits.

In both new districts, Rumsey noted the proposal calls for developers to submit "concept plans" for using the undeveloped land, which he described as "a more formal pre-application discussion" than what now happens. He said the Planning Board "spent a lot of time going over this and what properties they included and don't include." Among the properties they opted to exclude were the triple-deckers across Rte 131 and some other smaller parcels, many of them residential.

That resulted in a map that has some "bites taken out" and other odd-looking shapes, which drew some questions from councilors at the P&D meeting. Even if existing house lots were added, he noted, they'd still be limited by the residential zoning and "not benefit from the live-work-play" concept.

Regarding the Table of Uses, the most notable changes involve adding requirements for developers to get site plans reviewed for many kinds of uses in various zones. In most of those cases, the previous table simply listed those uses as "by right," so this adds some level of oversight. Additionally, it adds whole new uses in some districts, including "commercial battery storage" by a special permit in all zones; "short-term rental (Air B&B/VRBO)" and "boarding houses" by morning, the town had 13 active cases, three of them students (two Bay Path, one Southbridge), but Pelletier said all of them have been attending remotely and there's no evidence of cases within the schools themselves yet. Since the pandemic began in March, Southbridge has had 229 total cases, of which 199 have recovered, 10 have died and seven were determined not to actually be Southbridge citizens.

Based on the way the state calculates things, such numbers make Southbridge a "red" town, defined as having a case rate above 8.0 per 100,000. Pelletier said if that continues for more than three weeks, the BOH may recommend various controls, including having the schools revert to being entirely remote, rather than

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THIRD CASE

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self-quarantine for ten days regardless of test results.

"Our student body and staff have been closely adhering to the safety protocols including mask wearing, hand washing, and physical distancing. We are grateful to our families for their continued efforts to keep students' home at the first sign of symptoms. These measures, taken in

special permits in some zones; and "mixed use buildings" by special permit in R2 and R3 zones.

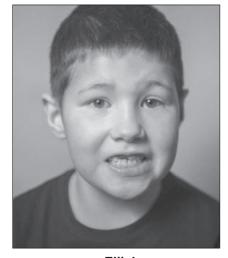
All of these proposals are on the town's main webpage. As of last weekend, the date for the public hearing was not yet on the town's website, but combination, greatly reduce the risk of additional transmission," Brenner wrote in the letter.

The letter also reiterated the previous release's details about cleaning procedures and other safety measures being taken at the school to prevent the spread or risk of infection from the COVID-19 virus including sanitization and cleaning practices. As always, any parents or community members with concerns are invited to contact Brenner directly at KBrenner@baypath.net.

Council Chair Jack Jovan indicated on Oct. 5 he'd like it to be about three weeks from that date to give the public enough time to see the changes and ask questions.

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EDITORIAL

Body language never lies

Mark Twain once wrote, "If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.'

There has been a great deal of chatter in town about transparency in national politics. While we like to focus on the facts, it's been clear that as of late, facts are hard to decipher in the current climate. Misinformation runs rampant and several individuals stated that they just don't know what to believe anymore. This led us to discussions regarding the FBI and how law enforcement personnel can spot tells, if someone is being untruthful.

According to body language experts, there are tells to let you know if a person is being dishonest. There are exceptions to the rule of course, but this tidbit of knowledge may come in handy or may serve as a bit of fun the next time you're in a group setting.

Facial expressions, verbal cues and body language are said to give away a person who is fibbing. Experts say that these cues are due to chemical and physical reactions or nervousness.

If you are trying to decipher whether or not a person is fibbing, it helps to know how they act under normal circumstances. This way, you can determine if any responses are simply idiosyncrasies or tells.

The eyes say everything. Look for incessant blinking. Normally a person will blink up to six times every 60 seconds. If an individual is lying, they might blink five or six times very quickly. Further, pay close attention to how long a person closes their eyes mid conversation. If someone has closed their eyes for up to two seconds, they could be lying to you.

At some point, we've heard the notion that a person is lying if they look up and to the right, however this depends on whether or not the person is right or left handed. If a right handed person looks up and to the left, they are searching their memories and likely are being truthful. If they look up and to the right, they are searching their imagination, and preparing to create an answer. Keep in mind that some people could look straight ahead when trying to recall a memory.

FBI experts say that if you ask a person about something they have heard, their eyes will move towards the left ear. If eves shift to the right, a lie could be coming. Eyes will move down and to the left if the memory is about one of the five senses. Again, eyes will move down and to the right if a person is about to lie. You can also tell if a smile is genuine if wrinkles form by

Lying could cause a person's face to itch. Watch to see whether or not a person is scratching their face while in conversation. Mouths tend to become dry when a person is lying as well. Lips that are pinched and colorless could also give away a person's mistruths.

A person may begin to sweat as well or blush. Blushing is the result of the release of adrenaline.

If someone is being truthful with you, they will typically shake their head in unison and in agreement with what they are telling you. However, the opposite is also true. If a person is shaking their head in disagreement with what they are saying, likely you are being lied to.



Viewpoints and commentary from the Tri-Community and beyond

The death of civility

I always marveled when watching film clips of British Parliament as they would shout, boo, and speak over any person at the podium they disagreed with. I always thought it was rude and was certain we'd never act that way in the USA. Boy ... was I wrong!

The level of civility we enjoyed in our past has been shattered, and I'm afraid may never return.

How'd we get here? One side will always blame the other, but don't jump too quick. The left squarely blames

President Trump, but it began developing long before him. Think back to President Bill Clinton and the Monica Lewinsky scandal. The GOP House decided to impeach President Clinton, knowing they could not get the Senate to agree. They proceeded anyway (much like the Trump impeachment) to score political points and to embarrass the President.

When George W Bush was elected, the left didn't forget and took revenge. Through surrogates, President Bush was labeled stupid, uneducated, incompetent, and worse. The vitriol was shocking. Fast forward to the election of President Obama. The anger among politicians and the nation turns up a few notches, and the temperature of the debate rises. Contrary to some who claim otherwise, I don't believe it was racially motivated, but instead a widening separation of ideology. The politicians were slowly moving away from the use of surrogates, and the name calling became personal and direct.

Next, we elected a businessman who promised to "drain the swamp" (it is a swamp), and it has now not only become fashionable to call each other names on Capital Hill and the media ... it's become acceptable ... it's encouraged. It's a disgusting mess.

Adults on both sides acting like spoiled children.

Of course it's wrong, and both sides know it. They can't stop pointing their finger at the other side long enough to acknowledge the problem and join to fix it.

We reap what we sow.

What are we teaching our children through this example of name-calling hyperbole? We are already seeing the fruits of our lack of civility play out in the streets and on the news. Brickthrowing, neighborhood-burning, looting extreme violence and murder are a few of the products of the exam- critically acclaimed, "Playing with the ple set on both sides of the aisle. It's Enemy." Follow Gary on Twitter @ becoming acceptable to do anything to anyone you may disagree with.

For partisan reasons, a few will disagree, but I point to President Ronald Reagan as the "gold standard" of civility and eloquence. Forget your political ideology and focus only on the civility of his rhetoric. Where is our next Politician of civility? Will there ever be another?

Positively SPEAKING

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A few weeks ago, I said optimistic people do not act this way, and it's true. When you believe something better is possible, your mind and body conspire together to make the optimistic vision vou see, a reality. Want to positively impact the future

of our nation and world? Raise a generation of optimistic children. Want to bring back civility to our nation? Nurture a positive and optimistic attitude in the classroom. Last year, I spent time substitute

teaching to help a local school district. I encountered a sense of helplessness and pessimism in most students. I experienced firsthand the vulgar language and name-calling that will follow them into adulthood if something doesn't change within our educational system and in our homes.

I don't think civility is dying in our country, it's being killed.

What should we do? We need to launch "The American Institute for Positivity and Optimism in Education." In this center there would be an effort to educate parents on the long-lasting and positive impact of optimism in their lives and lives of their children. This center would also educate teachers on how to instill optimism into their students' lives.

We also must move our higher education institutions back the center where students can hear competing voices and make choices for themselves. As of now, most of our colleges and universities have become centers of indoctrination where only one side is heard. Differing thought is not tolerated. There can't be civility without inclusion and acceptance of others and their differing pints of view.

I'm out of space for today's column, but you certainly get the picture.

I choose to continue to fight for and preach the benefits of living an optimistic life.

Will you join me?

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Tips to Scent Your Home this Season

Scents are powerful just a small whiff of certain smells can fuel emotions. From altering moods and sparking memories to creating calm and promoting focus, fragrance can be profoundly influential in our everyday lives.

Autumn in New England offers an abundance of native sights and scents that can be captured as everlasting fragrance for the home. This week's column will spotlight a few simple recipes to bring the spectacular fragrance of the season indoors for months to come.

New England Potpourri Mix

This all natural autumn potpourri mix will bring you back to a walk along winding New England roads. A few drops of essential oil may be added to boost the scent as the mixture ages.

Ingredients: Dried slices of two Red or Golden Delicious apples (or other hardy New England variety); dried slices of one orange; eight cinnamon sticks; one tablespoon nutmegs; three tablespoons whole cloves; 2 Whole nutmegs; Filler: acorns, dried leaves, bark pieces, pinecones, etc.

Directions: Break up (or smash) the cinnamon sticks and some of the whole cloves to release fragrance. Mix together all ingredients, gently folding in apple and orange slices last. Place in an open bowl or pack in a clear glass jar for gift giving or later use.

Pie Spice Sachets

The sweet scent of freshly baked apple and pumpkin pies can be resurrected every time you reconstitute these essence filled sachets. Best of all, these



can be used to scent the air and to spice up cider!

Ingredients: 2 tablespoons pumpkin pie 4 teaspoons spice; ground cinnamon; 2 teaspoons nutmeg; 2 tablespoons applesauce

Mix the applesauce and spices together in a bowl. Dough will be very stiff. Pinch off small pieces of dough and roll into balls. Press down to form discs, about an inch or so. Bake in a 275 degree oven

and firm. Allow to cool and harden. To use for simmering potpourri: Drop one disc into a couple of inches of simmering water.

for about two hours or until fully dry

To use as spice sachet: Drop into container of simmering cider.

Autumn Wax Tarts (Recycled can-

Making fragrance tarts is easy (and free) if you've collected all your autumn fragranced candle ends throughout the

Ingredients: Leftover candle wax; foil cupcake wrappers.

Directions: Carefully melt leftover candle bits in a double boiler or use the warming tray of a drip coffee maker. Remove wicks and black bits from melted wax. Line a cupcake pan with aluminum foil cupcake wrappers. Pour about an inch of wax into each aluminum wrapper. Allow to cool, then remove wrapper from tin and peel

Prize Winner:

off tart.

Congratulations to Claire Horvath of Sturbridge, whose name was drawn for

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Avoid financial mistakes during retirement

When you retire, you've learned a lot about all sorts of things, helping you avoid some of the mistakes you made earlier in life. However, you may still be susceptible to financial missteps specifically related to your retirement years. How can you dodge these errors?

Consider these suggestions:

Manage your with-

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drawal rate carefully. You will likely need to tap into your retirement accounts - your IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan. But you should establish an annual withdrawal rate that's appropriate for your situation. By withdrawing

too much each year, especially in the early years of your retirement, you risk outliving your resources. You may want to consult with a financial professional to determine the withdrawal amount that's right for you. (Keep in mind, though, that once you turn 72, you will be required to take out at least a certain amount each year - based on your age and account balance - from your traditional IRA and 401(k) or similar plan.)

Don't underestimate health care costs. Once you turn 65, you will be eligible for Medicare, but you may still need a Medicare supplement plan and will probably also incur other expenses. In fact, a healthy 65-year-old couple who retired in 2019 will need nearly \$390,000 over their remaining years just to pay for health care, according to HealthView Services, which produces health-care cost projection software. Other estimates show different amounts, but they all amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars. So, when calculating your expenses during your retirement years, reserve a big space for health care.

Don't take Social Security too early. You can start receiving monthly Social Security checks when you reach age 62, but your payments will generally be significantly larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will probably be between 66 and 67. (The size of your payments will "max out" at age 70.) Of course, if you need the money at 62, you may have to take it, but if you believe you have longevity working in your favor, and you can afford to wait, you may be better off by delaying Social Security as long as possible.)

Don't invest too conservatively. Once you're retired, you might think that you should take as few chances as possible with your investments – after all, you simply have less time for them to bounce back from a downturn than you did during your working years. Nonetheless, it's important to own a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments to help keep you ahead of inflation. Even at a low rate, which we've experience recently, inflation can erode your purchasing power over time.

Don't be more generous than you can afford. If you have grown children who need financial help, or grandchildren heading to college someday, you'd no doubt like to do whatever you can to provide assistance. However, the hard truth is they simply have more time than you do to find workable financial solutions, whereas if you deplete your funds through your generosity, you could put yourself in a precarious position. So, be as giving as you can afford – but don't go beyond that. By preserving your financial independence, you'll end up benefiting your

family, as well. Retirement can be a wonderful time of your life - and you may enjoy it more by doing what you can to avoid costly financial mistakes.

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It's time for tautog

It is the season for catching tautog. This week's photo of my nephew with a 16 pound tautog caught last week in Massachusetts waters was indeed a whopper! This writer, along with a few local boys, fished Rhode Island waters again last week, and

caught some more seabass and a few tautog. The largest tautog was in the six pound bracket, but my buddy and I both lost a monster fish. They broke 50 pound test line! Unfortunately, tautog need to be brought off of the bottom as quickly as possible, or they will run your line through the rocks fraying and ultimately breaking the line. Tautog fishing will only get better in the coming days and weeks, and will last well past Thanksgiving, if you can handle the cold weather.

Pheasant season opened in Massachusetts this past Thursday, with a good amount of birds being stocked in open covers throughout the state. This year, local clubs that raise chicks for the state were able to raise them again even through the pandemic. Mant bird hunters were afraid there would be less birds this year, but the state came through with a good amount of birds to stock. The Worcester County Jail inmates also raised a good amount of birds this year for Mass.

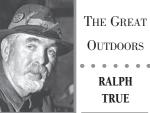


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the Publick House Dinner for Two! She sent in the following timely rec-

ipe that uses leftover Halloween candy: With Halloween soon coming, chop up a few peeled and cored apples and place in a baking dish. Chop up a few leftover Snicker candy bars and cover apples. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes. Serve with real whipped cream.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick



Larkin Memorial site THE GREAT in Northbridge was dropped by the state this year due to poor cover. Numerous other sites were dropped from the stocking list because of inadequate cover and encroachment of houses along property lines.

Archery deer season opens on Oct. 5 through Nov. 28 in zones 10-14. Archery season opens in Massachusetts in Zones 1-9 on Oct. 19-Nov. 28. The Valley has a high population of deer this year. and the bountiful acorn drop is sure to help in keeping a healthy well-fed deer herd.

Local anglers are catching some impressive largemouth bass in local waters. Live bait like shiners are the number one choice of local fishermen. Trout fishing is also picking up at recently stocked waters. There is sure plenty to do if you enjoy the Great Outdoors.

This year, deer hunters do not need to bring their harvested deer to a check station during all three seasons, because of the Covid outbreak. You still need to register them online!

There is a lot of talk about opening up the Westhill Dam area that is frequented by a few thousand people annually. The access road to Harrington's Pool is limited because

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!



This week's picture shows Capt. Mel True of FishNet Charters with a monster 13 pound

of the closing of the main road after a surveyed property line revealed that the town does not own a small section of the road. Recent talks with the Town manager and some available monies could lead to a section of road around the closed property being built soon. Contacting your local and state

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them rods Bending!

get the job done!

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.



politicians could help in getting the

monies approved. It is an election year,

and it would be nice if they worked to

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BITUARIES

Harry J. Lazo, 74

SOUTHBRIDGE Harry J. Lazo, 74, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 7th, surrounded by his family at home.





He leaves his children, Jason Lazo of Long Beach, CA, Adam Lazo his wife Sarah of Henderson, NV and Victoria Lazo of Dudley; his granddaughter, Sophie Lazo; his longcompanion time of 35 years, Laurie J. Dunleavy; his stepchildren, Sean Dunleavy of Bennington, VT and

his two brothers, Kristi Lazo of Fairfax, VA and James Lazo of Southbridge; his former wife, Janice (Slota) Phillips of Maine; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his two brothers, Sammi Lazo and Michael Lazo. He was born in Southbridge the son of Dhosi and Elizabeth (Kota) Lazo. Harry graduated from Southbridge High School and attended Kilgore He proudly served his country in the US Army during the Vietnam War era.

Harry was a longtime restaurant owner in Southbridge of Papa Lazo's, Tin Lizzy's Disco and Copper Penny restaurants for over 25 years. Harry operated the Dudley Golfing Range with his daughter for 16 years.

He truly enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He took great pride in his community, coaching and sponsoring many athletic teams throughout the years. He will be greatly missed by his longtime Shih Tzu companions. Harry's passion as a chef, and his uncanny ability to offer his help made him uniquely special and loved.

Calling hours for Harry were held on Monday, Oct. 12th, from 4:00 to 7:00pm in the Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge. His funeral service in the St. Nicholas Albanian Church, Southbridge, will be private due to Covid 19 capacity restrictions. Burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Southbridge, will be held at the convenience of the

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Nicholas Albanian Church, P.O Box 650, Southbridge, MA 01550 or to Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 136, East Brookfield, MA 01515.

www.morrillfuneralhome.com

Alice Ann Elkins DiGregorio, 90

SOUTHBRIDGE- Alice (Wonoski) Elkins DiGregorio, 90, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 4, in the Overlook Masonic Healthcare Center, Charlton, after a long illness.



husband, Her Frank DiGregorio, away passed 2006. She is survived by her sons, Donald Elkins and his wife Catherine, and Douglas Elkins; stepchildren, her David DiGregorio

and his wife Judy, Linda DiGregorio and her husband Bruce Gumbert, Terry Paquin, and Elizabeth Paquette and her husband Edward; her brother Robert Wojnowski and his wife Patricia, her sister Carole Wonoski; sixteen grandchildren and many, many great-grandchildren. was born in Webster the daughter of William and Winifred (Kokernak)

She enjoyed painting, listening to music and spending time with her friends and family. Memorial services will be private. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241.

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

Doris G Tkacik, 91

STURBRIDGE/ **PORT** CHARLOTTE, FL-Doris G (Cournoyer) Tkacik, 91, of Port Charlotte, FL, and formerly of Southbridge and



Sturbridge, died October 8, 2020, at Tidewell Hospice, after a brief illness. Her husband of 62 years, Edward P. Tkacik, died April 3, She leaves her

daughter Louise M. and her husband James Amaral of Sturbridge, and her granddaughter Lindsay (Vrabel) and her husband Brian Rounds of Portland, Maine, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased

by her sisters Gloriette Pappas and Pauline Renaud.

Doris was born in Southbridge, daughter Zepherin and Cecile (Girouard) Cournoyer, and lived most of her life in Southbridge before moving to Sturbridge and Florida. She graduated from the former Mary E. Wells High School, Class of 1947. She worked for many years at Curtain Concepts in Southbridge, both at Main Street and Hamilton Street locations. She was also a longtime member of Notre Dame Church.

Due to Covid restrictions, burial services will be private. Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 is assisting the family with arrangements. www. sansoucyfuneral.com

Mary E. "Millie" Buckner, 77

GLENDALE, AZ/ SOUTHBRIDGE-Mary E. "Millie" (Marand) Buckner, 77. of Glendale, AZ formerly of Southbridge, MA passed away on Friday, October 2, 2020.



Mary was the daughter of the late Arthur and Lillian (Bachand) Marand.

She leaves behind her brothers Gerald Marand (Rae) Woodstock, and Russell (Shirley) Marand of

Woodstock, CT.

Her children Wendy ((John) Tretheway of Southbridge, Debra Sibley of Southbridge, Joseph (Patty) Sibley of Southbridge and Mary (Benjamin) Esteban of Peoria, AZ. She was predeceased by her husband Carl and her brother Donald Marand. She leaves behind many nieces and nephews, and extended family.

She also leaves 5 grandchildren, Jeremy, Rosalie, Brenna, Savannah, Isabella, and 5 great-grandchildren, Cavan, Caleb, Connor, Catherine and

She leaves behind many longtime friends whom she loved dearly.

Mary had various jobs when she lived in MA, the American Optical Co., Southbridge Livery, Southbridge Public Schools and Big Bunny Market.

She moved to Arizona in 1993, where she worked at Banner Thunderbird Cafeteria, and Peoria Unified School System in the cafeteria.

She enjoyed bowling, going to yard sales, collecting odds and ends, her cats, decorating for Christmas every years, casinos, bingo, hanging out with her friends at Open Mic Night at different establishments.

Due to Mary's wishes burial will be for family only. The family asks you to remember Mary by wearing her favorite color purple and or making a donation to a charity of your choice. If you knew Millie, then you knew her favorite word.

Patricia Jean Bastien

Passing on the luminesce energy of a White Birch Moon



The family of Patricia Jean (Pilski) Bastien woefully announce her passing to Heaven. Ma passed peacefully in her sleep on Thursday, October 1st in her home. Ma passed after

spending a splendid weekend with her daughter Nicole & companion Michael.

Ma lovingly leaves behind her two daughters, Tanya Christian & her partner Kevin Buxton of Southbridge, Nicole Bastien & her companion Michael Peterson of Holland, her four cherished grand daughters Megan Patricia Ruzycki Sheridan (of her grandmother's namesake) & her husband Kyle Alfred Patrick Sheridan, Amanda Nicole Cooper, Natasha Day Christian & her partner Jason Yelinek, Brittany Night Christian, & her two treasured Great Grand Daughters Alexus Pamela Rose Cooper & Charlotte Day Yelinek, her dear friend Michael Derry Buddy Bob, Ma's many beloved extended family & friends & all her fur babies.

Ma was born February 10th 1948 in Worcester, Massachusetts, the daughter of late, but beloved Edward Pilski & Lucielle M. (Korson) Pilski Gregory.

I now ask that you take a moment to fondly reminisce of Ma's time with you. Indulge in a cup of tea. If you have a candle available, please take the time to light it meow. Remember, enjoy, relish, cry, laugh, love, delight, dance & experience all the pleasures of Ma's poetry. May your soul be comforted knowing you will always go through life with Ma. She will always be with you in your Heart & Mind. I now present to you a few cosmic connections, messages from my precious poet Matriach. OUR Collective Grand

Ma Ma!!! **Friends**

Love things cannot be realized until the specialness of another makes it so.

Missing You Weakened at times.

Almost slipping into thin air. Needing to share, reaching out, Hoping to find you there!

Loving You

Loving you the way I do . . . just because I do.

Knowing you the way I do . . . seems to set me free.

Loving you the way I do . . . just because you're you.

Your Love is Strong Medicine - A tribute to Ma. Love your Buttercup Fairy Angel, Meg. If you feel so inclined, please Let Her KNOW you Love HER by reading the next excerpt

You read & understood me like no other. You were fluent in the language of my soul. You anticipated what I needed before my heart knew what was missing. Your tender heart wishes opened me up to love parts of myself that ached for love & I knew not of their existence. Giving me endless gardens to cherish myself in, to dance & sing with you, to rally a universal love for all!!! You warm my groovy soul & spark my tender heart. I will miss you forever & I'll learn from you always. Love, Peace, & Ma

Thank you for reading my heart lyrics for Ma aloud. I would like to hope you are meow feeling plenty inspired I meow leave you with Ma's personal introduction. It is an untitled peace from God's hand to Ma's pen. Ma's way of saying "Hello, I love you, & Peace."

Today I no longer question my sorrow but rejoice in it's purpose to help me grow into a woman of God's

My desire is to help reveal our purpose to be one - to help replace fear with Love, Acceptance, & a deep knowing that only in the shapeless essence of reality are we able to touch the limitless thrills of life!

I thank God for the Bittersweet & will weave it's Wisdom into the tapestry of my life which I will lay at Heaven's Gate someday. My words are limited but my Love is not.

Ma's ceremonial transformation into Star Dust was a private gathering with close family & friends. Once travel restrictions due to the pandemic have been lifted invitations will be sent for Ma's Celebration of Life Party. In lieu of flowers please feel free to send a day brightener to one of Ma's many family members or

Marie C. Ryan, 84

SOUTHBRIDGE/WEBSTER-Marie C. (Cicero) Ryan, 84, of Christopher Heights, and formerly of Southbridge, died Friday, October 9, at Harrington Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. Her husband of 58 years was the late William F. Ryan, Sr., who died March 12, 2016.



She is survived by her 5 sons: William F. Ryan and his wife Brenda of Sturbridge; Daniel Ryan and his wife Lori of Sturbridge; Michael Ryan and his wife Maryann of Stratford, CT;

Christopher Ryan and his wife Linda of Meriden, CT; Kevin Ryan and his wife Nancy of Pennfield, NY. She leaves 9 grandchildren: Melanie, Carly, Kyle, James, Leah, Tori, Maddie, Connor, Luke; and 4 great-grandchildren: Eliza, Julian, Alfie, and Charlotte. She also leaves a brother, Daniel Cicero and his wife Dorothy of Bridgeport, CT, and 3 sisters: Lucia Arsenault of Bridgeport, CT; Rose Truncone and her husband

Sam of Crawfordsville, IN; and Diane Raschke and her husband Edward of Monroe, CT; as well as many nieces and nephews. Marie was predeceased her brother Joseph Cicero.

Marie was born in Dunmore, PA, daughter of Daniel J. and Alberta (Janis) Cicero. She lived with her husband and sons in Hebron, CT. She worked for many years with handicapped children for the Easterseals Society of CT, and was also a beloved nanny. In 1991 she relocated to the Southbridge area where she worked at the Publick House Bake Shop until retirement. Marie was a devout Catholic and she enjoyed reading, puzzles and birdwatching, but most of all she loved spending time with her loud and loving family.

The funeral will be Thursday, Oct. 15, 2020 with a Mass at 10AM at St. Anne's Church, 16 Church Street, Fiskdale, MA 01518. A calling hour will be held prior to the mass at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550 from 8:30-9:30AM. Burial services will be private. Please consider a donation to Easterseals in her honor.



News, really close to home

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CDBG-CV grants available to microenterprise businesses

REGION — The Town of Southbridge is leading a regional Microenterprise Assistance Grant Program, awarding up to \$10,000 to eligible businesses in Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton that have experienced financial loss due to Covid-19 and the associated shutdowns. Eligible businesses must have five employees or fewer (including the owner), must have been in business since Jan. 1, 2019 and must be able to demonstrate revenue loss caused by the pandemic. The business owner's family income must fall within certain limits. Other eligibility requirements apply.

The Town of Southbridge was awarded \$250,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds (funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Federal CARES Act and administered by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development) for this regional program. The Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation (QVCDC), located in Ware, is administering the program locally.

"We are grateful that the federal government and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have given us this opportunity to assist our region's small businesses during this very difficult time." says Rosemary Scrivens, Director of Economic Development and Planning for the Town of Southbridge. "We encourage all eligible small businesses in Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton to apply for a Microenterprise Assistance Grant."

Applications for the program will be available on Oct. 9. Grant awards will be made on a first-come, first-served

basis until the funds are exhausted. To learn more about the Microenterprise Assistance Grant Program, contact Dakota Desrochers at dakota@qvcdc. org or 413-967-3001. Applications are available on the QVCDC Web site at www.QVCDC.org. Paper copies of the application are also available at the Southbridge, Sturbridge and Charlton Town Halls and at the QVCDC office.

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Homegrown garnishes add flavor, nutrition and eye appeal to meals

Make your meals just a bit more special with homegrown garnishes. You invest time and money growing, purchasing, and preparing quality ingredients. But do not stop there. Add a nutritional and decorative flair as

you plate your meal by adding a garnish of homegrown herbs. Parsley is a traditional garnish that is usually left behind on the plate. But the dark green leaves should not be ignored. This herb is high in Vitamin C and A, has cancer and inflammatory disease fighting qualities, and promotes heart health. A perfect fit for your healthful eating goals. Although the curly varieties add texture to your plantings and plate, you and your guests may find the milder flavor of the flat leafed variety more palatable. All this and it helps freshen your

breath too. A sprig of mint looks good next to or on top of most desserts. Its cool flavor will help settle your stomach – an asset when we overindulge. Like parsley, it is high in Vitamin C and A and helps in the fight against cancer and inflammatory diseases. In addition, it relieves breathing problems.

And the best part; both are easy to grow right in your kitchen window. Start by purchasing healthy plants

GARDEN Moments

> MELINDA **MYERS**

from your local garden center or the produce section of your grocery store.

Plant them in separate containers or together with other herbs in a larger pot. Either way, make sure the container has drainage holes and a

saucer to protect the windowsill or furniture it sits upon. Gently loosen any tangled or girdling roots before planting your herbs in a well-drained quality potting mix. Plant them at the same depth they were growing in their original pots.

Grow these and other herbs in a sunny window. Add a grow light to boost productivity or grow your garden in lower light locations. New LED plant lights are now more affordable and use less energy. Water the soil thoroughly after planting and whenever it is slightly dry. Be sure to pour off any excess water that collects in the saucer to avoid root rot. Another option is to add pebbles to the saucer, elevating the container above any excess water that remains.

Use kitchen shears or pruners to harvest the herbs. Cut mint just above a set of leaves and parsley at the base of the stem. Trim the sprigs as needed to dress up your holiday meals.

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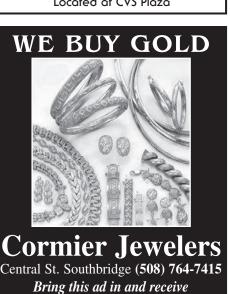
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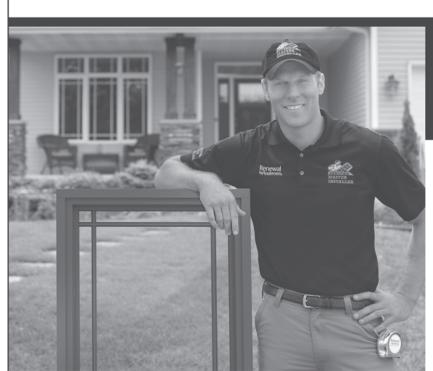
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A Public Hearing will be held remotely via Zoom Conferencing by calling 1-646 558 8656 and using meeting ID # 839 6406 5761 and password 633 333 at 7:15 PM on 10/21/2020 to con-

Request for Determination of Applicability for Ryan DesRoches for the

Located at: 3 Sunset Drive, Charlton, <u>MA</u>

For the removal of two dying maple

This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Town of Charlton website - Conservation Commission

October 15, 2020

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Notice of Intent for Carl Kaliszewski for the property

Located at: 53 South Charlton Shore Rd, Charlton, MA

For the installation of various landscaper planters, block walls, pavers patios & walkways and a detached lake structure within the 100ft BZ.

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Request for Determination of Applicability for Melissa Smith for the prop-

erty Located at: 59 Lincoln Pond Rd, Charl-

ton, MA For the removal of two trees

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Notice of Intent for Jeremy Foskett for the property

Located at: Lot 2 McIntyre Road, Charl-

For the construction of a new home with the driveway in a riverfront area This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Town of Charlton website - Conservation Commission

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Notice of Intent for Joan Crowell for the property

Located at: 64 Sturbridge Road, Charlton, MA

For the construction of an approximately 650 sf. two-story garage addition with a 100+/- enclosed breezeway connection to the existing house.

This is a Public Hearing under the requirements of G.L. CH. 131 §40, as amended. Plans are available at the Town of Charlton website - Conservation Commission October 15, 2020

Public Meeting Notice

In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40, the Brimfield Conservation Commission will hold a virtual public meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 7:00 pm to review a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) permit application submitted by Walt Isaac of 99 Little Alum Road in Brimfield, MA to determine if the proposed work to repair an existing stone wall on the Bank of Little Alum Pond at 99 Little Alum Road in Brimfield (Assessor's Map 5C-A-12) is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act (as amended). The work is proposed within the Bank of Little Alum Pond.

Project location: 99 Little Alum Road, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Assessor's Map 5C-A-12)

Public Participation will be via Virtual Means Only - Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Brimfield Conservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation. The public may participate in this meeting via Remote Participation: A website for the meeting will be provided on the Conservation Agenda posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Copies of the Request for Determination of Applicability may be examined electronically by contacting the Conservation Commission at conservation@brimfieldma.org.

Roger deBruyn & Michele Restino, Co-Chairs

October 15, 2020

Public Notice

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This hearing pertains to Jay Pancham, Inc. d/b/a Jim's Liquors located at 916 Main Street, Southbridge, MA. Anyone wishing to speak will be given the opportunity to be heard.

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This hearing pertains to Nilkanth Liquor d/b/a Plaza Liquors located at 200 Mechanic Street, Southbridge, MA. Anyone wishing to speak will be given the opportunity to be heard.

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Notification of Trade Certification

The U.S. Department of Labor has determined that Simonds Saw International, in Fitchburg, MA has been adversely impacted by increased imports. The subject firm has been certified for (TAA) Trade Adjustment Assistance benefits as of 09/16/2020.

As a result, affected workers totally or partially separated from employment on or after 11/05/2018 and before 09/16/2022 may be eligible to receive weekly cash benefits; financial assistance for remedial or vocational training programs; travel allowances to and from training; job search expenses; relocation allowances; Reemployment Trade Adjustment Assistance (RTAA), Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) and other reemployment services such as resume preparation, employment counseling and job referrals.

For information about these benefits, all workers should inquire and apply at MassHire North Central Career Center, 100 Erdman Way, Leominster, MA 01453 or their nearest MassHire Career Center. Information about MassHire Career Center services is available at www.mass.gov/lwd/employment-services or by calling (617) 626-6007.

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This hearing pertains to Balaji Inc, d/b/a Thomas Variety and Convenience located at 58 East Main Street, Southbridge, MA. Anyone wishing to speak will be given the opportunity to be heard.

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Liquor Licensing Board October 15, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Worcester Probate and Family** Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 831-2200 Docket No. WO20P2731EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Estate of:

Tonino Caiani Date of Death: 08/04/2020 To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will has been filed by Mafalda B. Caiani of Southbridge 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:

Mafalda B. Caiani of Southbridge MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Personal Surety on the bond in an unsu-

pervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this

proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/10/2020. 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: October 06, 2020

Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate

October 15, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Worcester Division Worcester Probate and Family

Court 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 Docket No. WO20P2702GD CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO** G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 In the matter of:

Zachary D Wolfe Of: Southbridge, MA RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

Jeffrey Wolfe of Southbridge, MA Carla Digregorio-Wolfe of Southbridge, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Zachary D Wolfe is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Jeffrey Wolfe of Southbridge, MA

Carla Digregorio-Wolfe of Southbridge, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve with**out Surety** on the bond. The petition asks the court to deter-

mine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 10/27/2020. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding

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

WITNESS, Hon. Leilah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court. October 02, 2020

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Wreaths Across America started as a simple gesture of thanks that has grown into a national movement of dedicated volunteers and communities coming together to not only remember the nation's fallen and honor their service, but to teach the next generation about the sacrifices made for Americans to live freely. This year, there will be nearly 2,000 participating locations placing wreaths on National Wreaths Across America Day – Saturday, Dec. 19 – with more than two million volunteers coming together.

The goal for Holland Cemetery is to place 190 veterans' wreaths on the headstones of all the local heroes laid to rest there, to ensure that the

individuals who served to protect the freedoms of our country never be forgotten and to bring the community together in patriotic commemoration.

'We are forever grateful for the thousands of supporters who dedicate their time and effort to fulfilling the mission on a local level," said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America. "These individuals and their communities know the value of remembering the fallen, honoring those who currently serve and teaching the next generation about the sacrifices made for our freedom every day, and without their continued support, Wreaths Across America would not exist."

Those interested in volunteering for Wreaths Across America, or sponsoring a wreath for Holland Cemetery are invited to visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/MAHHDC to learn more. National Wreaths Across America Day is a free, non-political, community event open to all people.

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