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Slater descendants converge on museum



Gus Steeves

A couple of Slater descendants watch an actor on video depicting Samuel Slater talk about his journey to the US, while hearing and feeling the spray of a storm at sea.



Sally McInnis talks about organizing this gathering.

BY GUS STEEVES
CORRESPONDENT

WEBSTER — For Sally McInnis of Maynard, the trove of documents surrounding the Slater family has become a fascination and a road map deep into her own ancestry.

On Sunday, she got the chance to express some of what she's found. McInnis drew cousins



Slater descendants talk outside the museum's Hotel Maanexit, which had become a bar for this event.



The Slater descendants fill the museum's depiction of Webster's downtown in the 1920s.

of various degrees from all over New England and beyond to the Samuel Slater Experience here in Webster for a big family reunion. It was also, for most of them, their first visit to the museum highlighting their shared ancestor's accomplishments and the town his mills largely built. "Webster itself has

such a rich history," she said, noting it was a "boomtown" that drew people from New York and elsewhere to the lake for decades. "It all kind of came to an end when the mills closed. There's probably a similar story in mill cities all over New England."

Specifically, the museum highlights Samuel Slater's life starting

with the 1789 ship journey from Britain to the nascent US, one he did in violation of UK law since he knew enough about then-new textile technology to be charged with treason if caught, docent Paul Lambert, a history professor at Nichols College, said. At the time, US mills were still far behind those of the UK — something Slater quickly saw on arrival in New York, so he partnered with two other men to start his own mill in Pawtucket.

After 20 years on the Blackstone, he shifted his sights to Lake Chaubunagungamaug, which was then in Oxford, and built the Green Mill on what's now Route 16 (at today's Price Chopper). Lambert said Slater soon came to believe Oxford was taxing him too much, among other things, and got his workers to petition the Legislature to create a new town, naming it and the lake Webster.

Over the next century, Slater's milling enterprise sparked the development of much of the architecture we still see in Webster, although many of the heyday elements are gone. The Webster Times still exists (once a daily, now a weekly and not in a storefront). The Maanexit Hotel was demolished after the Great Depression turned it into a boarding house, as was Slater's mill itself. The Town Hall is still

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Dudley selectmen welcome Homes for Heroes program

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

DUDLEY — The Dudley Board of Selectmen hosted a special presentation concerning the Homes for Heroes Program during their meeting on Aug. 7. Organized by Homes for Heroes, Inc., the program is geared towards giving back to the heroes of local communities by offering commission on the sale or purchase of a home.

Local RE/MAX Agent Jo-Ann Szymczka and Homes for Heroes Liaison Diane Luong visited the Board of Selectmen to promote the program touting it as a way to give back to those who give selflessly to their communities.

"The Homes for Heroes Program has one mission, and one mission only: to recognize and thank every single hero in every single community. We do this through the buying, selling, and refinancing of homes," Luong said.

The program provides 25 percent commission to clients as a reward check when selling their home with 5 percent of the sale going to the Homes for Heroes Foundation, a nonprofit that delivers grant money serving heroes in need.

"This program is not tied to any kind of government affiliation. It doesn't matter what type of housing you're buying and it can be used by heroes over and over again. It's not a one and done. The only requirement to the program is that they work with either a realtor or a lender affiliated with the program and right now there are almost 5,000 affiliates nationwide," Luong added.

"The program allows for people of certain occupations such as firemen, policemen, veterans, and medical personnel become eligible that if they are buying or selling a house, they can get back a sizeable portion, like 25 percent, of a commission. It has nothing to do with the income you earn. The qualifications are that it's time we said thank you to those people who give community service," added Szymczka. "Making them aware of this program gives them an opportunity in a housing market today that has gone totally crazy to be able to get a reward back for having given community service."

Selectmen were vocally supportive of the initiative, especially in the wake of a difficult budget season which has seen cuts to emergency personnel.

Selectman Mark Landry summed up the overall sentiment of the board, stating "It's a great cause, especially seeing what's happening around us with our

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Auburn-based author publishes new book



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A local author's second book inspires readers as they navigate the ups and downs in their lives.

BY KEVIN FLANDERS
STAFF WRITER

AUBURN — With the publication of her second book, a local author who writes under the name Just Sue continues to inspire readers with the power of positive messages amid uncertain times.

Aptly named "Balancing My SeeSaw...Through Life's Ups and Downs," Sue's book shares many of her personal challenges and how she has overcome them. Readers can apply the book's strategies and uplifting, faith-based messages when grappling with their own struggles.

"We all go through ups and downs in life, especially for people like me who have had to deal with bipolar," said Sue, who has lived in Auburn for ten years. "It's my hope that people can learn how involved God is in their lives and that He is right there with us on our seesaw, helping us remain balanced."

Sue's first book, "This Is Why I Sing...and You Can Too", was published in 2021. The Christian inspirations of her debut book continue to resonate with readers, and she is eager for her latest work to do the same.

"Being a Christian does not mean we don't have challenges. I want the readers to know how awesome and caring our Father really is," Sue said. "He speaks to all

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Courtesy

GENERATIONS COME TOGETHER AT MULTI-FAMILY REUNION

Mark & Terry Laabs of Webster recently hosted a multi-family reunion at Valley Springs Sportsmen's Club in Connecticut. On a beautiful afternoon, 85 family and a few friends were in attendance to connect and share stories. There were four generations in each of the Laabs, Ryan and Gelineau families, descendants of Bernard & Dorothy Gelineau; however, five generations of the Antkowiaks, descendants of Stanley J. & Theresa Antkowiak. The meal was prepared by Mack's Catering and the family provided an array of favorite appetizers and desserts. "We are blessed with a large family and thought it was time to bring everyone together. All had a 'wonderful' time," quoted Terry. Donations were collected for the Webster/Dudley Food Share and the Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf.

STEMing Into Sports program shows gratitude to sponsors



DUDLEY — In the scorching heat of summer, as the days grew longer and warmer, young minds ignited with curiosity and excitement as they embarked on a remark-

able journey into the realm of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Our STEMing Into Sports Summer Program for children learning about STEM

education was made possible due to the generous support of our dedicated sponsors.

In this article, we extend our heartfelt appreciation and recognition to these benevolent organizations and individuals who played a pivotal role in nurturing the intellectual growth and passion for STEM among these young learners.

The purpose of our STEMing into Sports Program is to provide Robotics, 3D printing, and

Sports for youth ages seven years old to 15 years old in a safe, caring, and supportive environment at Nichols College campus in Dudley. Our Bright Future

is structured to develop and implement programs and activities that prepare youth for success. Members are encouraged to participate in all five core areas of programming: Character & Leadership Development, Education & Career Development, Health & Life Skills, The Arts, Sports & Fitness, and Recreation.

Children within Our Bright Future STEMing into Sports Program receive the benefits of a structured child-care program within a full-functioning safe environment. As the saying goes, "The future belongs to those who believe in the

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Local teens featured in Hanover Theatre’s “Fiddler on the Roof” this August



Mary McLaughlin



Emily Dupuis and Sarah Starczewski

WORCESTER — Session II of the Youth Summer Program (YSP) at The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts presents “Fiddler on the Roof” on Friday, Aug. 18 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 19 at 2 and 7 p.m. The cast includes Auburn teen Mary McLaughlin (as Avram), Emily Dupuis of Oxford as the Fiddler, and Sarah Starczewski as a Villager.

Featuring iconic and beloved songs such as “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were a Rich Man” and “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” “Fiddler on the Roof” is the perfect mix of audience-pleasing humor and heart. This

musical theatre staple won nine Tony Awards® when it debuted in 1964 and continues to wow audiences today, nearly sixty years later.

Set in the little village of Anatevka, “Fiddler on the Roof” centers on Tevye, a poor milkman, and his five daughters. With the help of a colorful and tight-knit Jewish community, Tevye tries to protect his daughters and instill them with traditional values in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, the show’s universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion,

leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness.

Tickets for “Fiddler on the Roof” are \$25. Seating is general admission. For more information, visit TheHanoverTheatre.org or contact the box office at 877-571-7469.

About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts

Since opening in 2008, The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than two million guests with Broadway musicals, comedy headliners, music, dance and more. POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the

top theatres in the world. The award-winning historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class center for the performing arts, a venue for local cultural and civic organizations and a catalyst for the revitalization of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre’s facilities at 551 Main St. house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

The Hanover Theatre Conservatory provides performance opportunities, classes, and individual instruction in theatre, dance and technical theatre and design to more than 500 young people and adults from across central Massachusetts each year. Established in 2016,

the conservatory cultivates individual attention, ignites creativity and inspires confidence through arts education led by outstanding teaching artists. The state-of-the-art facility includes classrooms, rehearsal and teaching studios, and tech and costume labs for advanced education in stage craft and design. Students receive access to master classes with national touring artists and gain professional experience from performance opportunities with THT Rep and on The Hanover Theatre’s world-class stage. THTC believes in access to arts education for all and provides financial aid for those in need. Many conservatory students have

continued their pursuit of the arts at institutions such as Emerson College, Boston University, NYU, Boston Conservatory at Berklee, Berklee College of Music, Hofstra, Hartt School at the University of Hartford, Marymount Manhattan College, Syracuse University and more.

Worcester Center for Performing Arts, a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns and operates The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Grade A friendship: From classmates to nurse colleagues

CHARLTON — Nursing school is the perfect friend-making environment, one that hits the three ingredients sociologists consider necessary for close friendships to develop: a setting that encourages people to confide in each other, repeated, unplanned interactions, and proximity.

“Nursing students are focused,” stated Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Academy Director. “They are inherently curious and caring. At Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, we do not generate an environment of competition, their grades

are not a representation of their worth.”

Grades reflect the work students undertake, the choices, the preparation, the circumstances, and the priorities. Grades are based on merit and not the student’s perceived effort.

Since it’s a safe learning environment, students feel a close and personal relationship with each other and some of their facilitators who are receptive to their concerns and mindset. There are students and eventually, graduates who rely on each other for personal affairs and become friends for life. More than just nurse

colleagues, they are also best buddies.

From PN Class of 2021, Meghan Reidy, LPN of Auburn, and Khamphan Houtchanthara, LPN of Southbridge, and from PN Class of 2023, Ana Hilner of Oxford, and Lauren Young of Connecticut, are examples of close friendships.

“I love the students, I love engagement with them, and I love seeing their friendships that develop,” shared Bolandrina. “I definitely have an interest in what’s going on, how they interact and relate to each other. Sooner or later, I learn through interaction or some stories



they share new things that bring more depth to them. Essentially, it’s the humanity and kindness that makes them wonderful nurses.”

Reidy ’21 said she has forged a close friendship with Houatchanthara’21 as a nursing student, especially because their 10-month education and training was difficult and happened during COVID. They had natural rapport and mutual understanding. This year, although COVID is still very much

in everyone’s awareness, Hilner’23 and Young’23 is definitely equally friendly, have built up mutual trust, and supportive of each other.

“I feel proud of the students and graduates who put in a lot of effort towards their friendships and show a lot of growth,” concluded Bolandrina. “I know how much work it takes to maintain and support a stronger friendship. I acknowledge their commitment to each other.”

About Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy

Bay Path Practical Nursing is 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 www.bay-path.net.

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Bay Path LPN inducted into National Technical Honor Society



Felisters Mburu, her daughter, and professional Virginia Dockstader.

CHARLTON — Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy graduate, Class of 2022, Felisters Mburu, LPN of Shrewsbury was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) as an honorary member at an in-person ceremony held last June at the Performance Arts Center of the Overlook.

Each year, practical nursing students eagerly look forward to the NTHS induction ceremony alumni included, according to the Academy Director, Gretheline

Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, and CRRN.

She stated, “Making it through nursing school is an achievement. Being inducted into the NTHS is something even our alumni certainly can be proud of! Nursing students juggle school, work, and family life, and it is quite a feat to be inducted to the NTHS. Our graduates who qualify on term 3 return for the honor of being inducted.”

Bolandrina has been organizing the induction ceremony since 2016. Eligibility for induction to the NTHS is based on a minimum 3.0 grade point average, faculty recommendation, character, leadership, involvement in extracurricular activities and clubs. These characteristics reflect the member attributes of the National Technical Honor Society which are skill, honesty, service, responsibility, scholarship, citizenship, and leadership.

According to Mburu, “it was my pleasure and honor to come back for the induction.”

Further, she adds, “nurses have a responsibility for positively impacting lives. I am glad my daughter was with me to share in the celebration.”

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About NTHS

The National Technical Honor Society is an educational non-profit that exists to honor, recognize, and empower students and teachers in Career & Technical Education. As the honor society for Career & Technical Education, NTHS serves over 100,000 active members annually in both secondary and postsecondary chapters across the country.

Since its founding in 1984, nearly one million students have become NTHS alumni. NTHS honors the achievements of top CTE students, provides close to \$300,000 in scholarships annually, and strives to help connect education and industry to build a highly skilled workforce. For more information, visit <https://nths.org/>.

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Samuel Slater Experience hosting talk on medicine in Blackstone Valley during early Industrial Revolution

WEBSTER — The American Industrial Revolution was evolving and growing at a frenetic pace along the Blackstone River in 1834, with dozens of textile mills fueling the new industrial economy.

Medical practices, however, had yet to advance into a scientific era. Medical knowledge remained basically unchanged during the first half of the 19th century.

In the Blackstone Valley, a small group of well-educated and respected doctors formed the Union Medical Association to share their knowledge and document their cases. The group met monthly in Mendon on the Monday following the full moon, and each member was compelled to prepare a report.

The medicine the doctors practiced was based on the Hippocratic humoral system, that the body fluids blood, phlegm, black bile, and yellow bile, when out balance, caused illnesses. Treatment generally involved bleeding and purging. Nothing was known yet about infections and contagion.

More than 400 of the Association's medical reports, dating from 1834 to

Women's Writing Retreat to be held in Putnam

PUTNAM, Conn. — A Women's Writing Retreat will be held at Sawdust Coffee House, 91 Main St., Putnam, on Sept. 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hosted by author/poet Karen Warinsky, women will share stories/poems, use prompts and discuss writing & publishing. Prizes. \$35 to attend. Limited to 8 women. Email karen.warinsky@gmail.com to register by Sept. 15.

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1845, were stored in a small wooden box and found in a corner of the Worcester District Medical Society.

Medical historian Sande Bishop compiled and analyzed the papers for her book, *Stalking the Doctors of the Full Moon*, a fascinating look at the practice of medicine before the scientific era.

Ms. Bishop and curator of the Worcester District Medical Society Dr. Dale Magee will discuss the book at a special presentation at the Samuel Slater Experience museum, 31 Ray St., Webster, on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 2 p.m. The event is free, but registration is requested. To register, go to the museum website www.samuel Slater Experience.org or Eventbrite.com.

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recipes, and cookbooks. Stop by the
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grow!

Adult Programming
YOGA WITH JULIE – Tuesday August
29th at 6:15 PM
Join Julie at the Gladys E. Kelly
Library for a vinyasa yoga class for
all levels. In Sanskrit, Vinyasa yoga
translates to the “uniting of movement
with breath”. A typical class involves
centering the mind with the breath,
aromatherapy, movement of the body to
release energetic blockages, and, finally,
rest and relaxation. Classes are free.
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ADULT BOARDGAME NIGHT--
Monday August 28th —6:00 PM
Come in and play games with other
board game enthusiasts. Learn a new
one, or play one you know and help
others learn!

CATNIP JUNKIES--- August 17th 6:00

PM
The Catnip Junkies are a New
Orleans style swing band whose motto
is to bring the streets of New Orleans to
the streets of New England! Their show
is a colorful three ring circus of sorts
as they share their version of some of
our favorite songs. The trombone, Sax,
Seusophone, Banjo, piano, dancing and
shenanigans will leave you smiling all
the way home!

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION
GROUP—August 21st at 6:30 PM
This month's book discussion
will be on Monday August 21st at 6:30
PM in the Library's Community Room.
The Group will be discussing The
Husband's Secret by Liane Moriarty.
Stop by the library, or reach out by
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TASTING CLASS FOR ADULTS :
SALSA--- August 22nd at 6:00 PM
This short tasting class will have
you chopping up tomatoes, onions, and
more! We will be using what we've
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plementing from local farms. Chips will
be provided. Bring your own container
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TASTING CLASS FOR ADULTS:
PESTO--- August 31st at 6:00 PM
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have you us working with the Charlie
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Children's and Young Adult
Programming
SUMMER EATS—August 17th at
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17th 24th, 31st at 3:30 PM
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dren to play with, along with a hose for
washing off outside afterwards! This
program is extremely messy, please
dress in something you don't mind get-
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ety of craft materials available to put
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WEBSTER POLICE LOG

WEBSTER — The Webster Police Department reported the following arrests during the week of Aug. 6-12.

Jeffrey Joseph Merrick, age 35, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 7 for Resisting Arrest and in connection with a warrant.

Roneld J. Arty, age 29, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 8 in connection with a warrant.

Christopher T. Mullins, age 27, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 9 in connection with a warrant of apprehension.

Christine Confer, age 67, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 9 in connection with multiple warrants.

Paul Stephen Jones, age 34, of Charlton was arrested on Aug. 9 for Disturbing the Peace, Disorderly Conduct, Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, Carrying a Dangerous Weapon, and Walking and/or Riding on a Railroad Track.

Carlos Gonzalez, Jr., age 41, of Dudley was arrested on Aug. 10 in connection with a warrant.

Maximo Menatorres, age 31, of East Hartford, Conn. was arrested on Aug. 11 for Possession and/or Use of a False or Stolen RMV Document, a Number Plate Violation to Conceal ID, operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle, operating an Unregistered Motor Vehicle, a Number Plate Violation, Possession of Ammunition with FID Card, and in connection with a warrant.

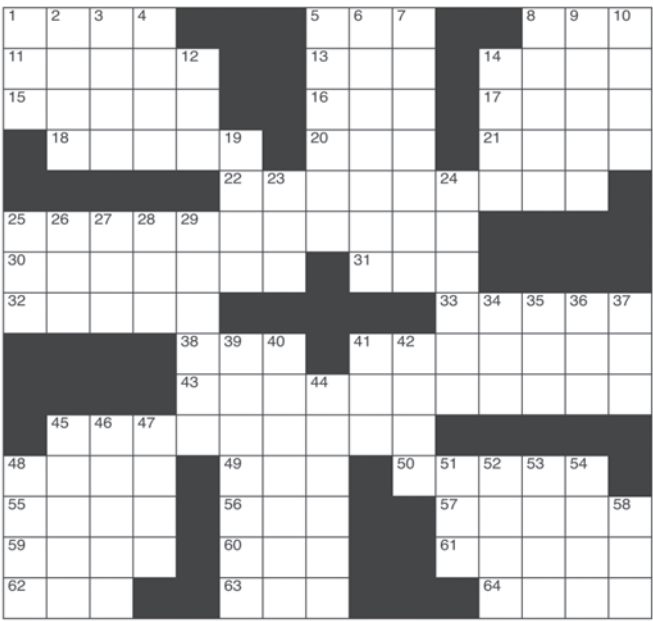
Brian Keith Coburn, age 52, of Webster was arrested on Aug. 11 in connection with a warrant.

Carlos A. Brito, age 40, of Dudley was arrested on Aug. 11 in connection with an out of agency warrant.

A 39-year-old female from Webster whose name has been withheld from publica-
tion was arrested on Aug. 11 for Violating an Abuse Prevention Order.

A 27-year-old female from Webster was issued a summons in lieu of arrest on Aug. 11 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member. A 26-year-old male whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested during the same inci-
dent, also for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member.

A 29-year-old male from Webster whose name has been withheld from publication was arrested on Aug. 12 for Assault & Battery on a Family or Household Member and Attempting to Commit a Crime.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Civil rights organization

5. Calendar month (abbr.)

8. Monetary unit of Burma

11. Twyla __, US dancer

13. Everything included

14. "Antman" actor Rudd

15. Italian city

16. Nowhere to be found

17. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls

18. Turkish officer

20. Perform on stage

21. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid

22. Canadian coastal provinces

25. Furnishes anew

30. Edible mollusk

31. No seats available

32. Garden figurine
33. Two-legged support

38. Rest here please (abbr.)

41. In a silly way

43. One from the Golden State

45. Photographers

48. Native religionn in parts of China

49. Dickens character

50. Broadway actress Daisy

55. Ancient Greek sophist

56. Undivided

57. Daniel __, French composer

59. Nocturnal S. American rodent

60. Rusty

61. Jewish spiritual leader

62. Patti Hearst's captors

63. Popular global holiday (abbr.)

64. Tall, slender plant

CLUES DOWN

1. Defunct US energy company

2. Fellow

3. It's issued from volcanoes

4. Type of acid

5. Winged nut

6. Arouses

7. Things are served on it

8. San Diego ballplayer

9. Currency and a Chinese dynasty

10. __ mater, one's school

12. Exclamation that denotes disgust

14. Hairstyle

19. Supreme ancient Egyptian god

23. They __

24. Connecting line on a map

25. Mock

26. One point north of due east

27. Chinese philosophical principle
28. Type of tree

29. Persuade to do something

34. A place for travelers to rest

35. National Gallery of Art designer

36. Panamanian province

37. Field force unit (abbr.)

39. Whalers' tool

40. Simply

41. Nigerian City

42. Not one

44. Obstruct

45. Political plot

46. Manila hemp plant

47. Dough made from corn flour

48. Fishes by letting the bob fly

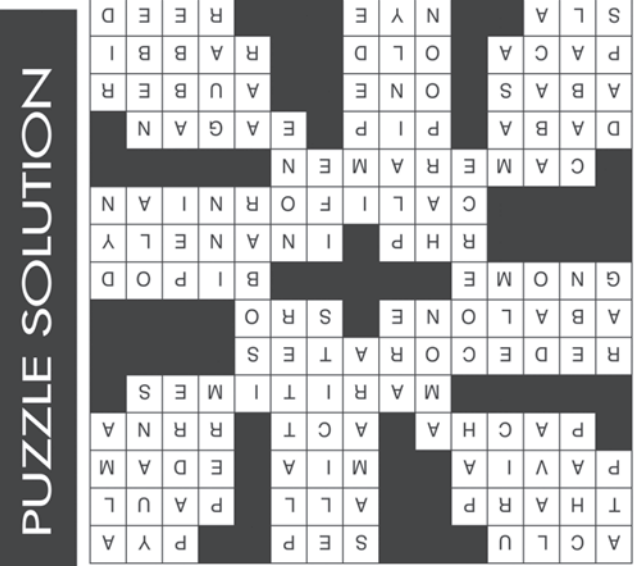
51. Swiss river

52. Plant that makes gum

53. A French abbot

54. One point east of northeast

58. Get free of



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Tomato troubles

Extreme heat, drought, torrential rains, and hungry critters may be wreaking havoc on your garden. After weeding, watering, and waiting you may be finding less, diseased, or misshapen tomatoes. Don't give up. Make a few adjustments in garden maintenance to boost the current and future tomato harvests.

Blossom end rot is a common problem on the first set of fruit. It's due to a calcium deficiency often caused by fluctuations in soil moisture frequently seen on the first set of fruit and those grown in containers.

Always water thoroughly to encourage a deep robust root system. Adjust your watering as needed and mulch the soil to help keep it consistently moist. Have your soil tested before adding any calcium fertilizer. Further reduce the risk of blossom end rot by avoiding root damage when staking and cultivating your garden. Eliminating some of the roots limits the plant's ability to absorb water and nutrients. Avoid over-fertilization and don't use ammonium-based nitrogen fertilizers on tomatoes.

Fortunately, it is safe to eat the firm red portion of the affected tomato. Since this is a physiological disorder, not a disease or insect problem you can cut off the



GARDEN MOMENTS

MELINDA MYERS

black portion and toss it into the compost pile.

Cracked fruit is also common in the garden. Fluctuating temperatures, moisture stress, and improper fertilization result in irregular development of the fruit that results in cracking. You can't change the weather, but you can reduce the risk of this problem with thorough, less frequent watering to encourage deep roots. And just like blossom end rot, mulch the soil to keep it evenly moist and be sure to avoid root damage.

Several fungal diseases, such as early and late blight, septoria leaf spot, and anthracnose, can cause spots on the leaves and fruit of tomatoes. Minimize the problem by rotating your plantings whenever possible. Move your tomatoes to an area of the garden where unrelated crops, such as beans, lettuce, or onions, had been growing the previous season.

Mulching the soil also helps keep soil-borne fungal spores off the plant. Water early in the day and if possible, apply the water directly to the soil with a soaker hose, drip

irrigation, or a watering wand to reduce the risk of disease.

Properly space and stake or tower your tomato plants to promote healthier growth and reduce the risk of disease. Remove any volunteer tomatoes that sprout and crowd out the current season's planting.

Remove weeds as they appear. Many serve as hosts for insect pests and diseases and compete with tomato plants for water and nutrients. Removing them before they flower and set seed eliminates hundreds of weeds you would need to pull next year.

Always clean up and dispose of disease-infected plant material in the fall. Cultural practices and growing the most disease-resistant varieties available are often enough to keep these diseases under control.

If you choose to use a fungicide, select one labeled for food crops and apply it at the first sign of the disease. Repeat applications are usually needed. Be sure to read and follow all label directions carefully whether using organic, natural, or synthetic fungicides.

Enjoy this year's harvest and continue to make any needed changes now and in the future to boost your gardening success. And as a gardener you know there is always next

year.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook*,

2nd Edition, and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses* "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden*

Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.



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Curry College announces Dean's List

MILTON — Curry College congratulates roughly 900 students who were named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List.
Michaela Sampson of Auburn
Julia Zona of Auburn
Bobby Fanning of Webster
Trevor Swanbeck of Dudley
Alyssa Wilson of Webster

Curry College, founded in Boston in 1879, is a private, co-educational, liberal arts-based institution located on 131 acres in Milton, Massachusetts. The College extends its educational programs to a continuing education branch campus in Plymouth. The College offers 25 undergraduate majors in specialized and liberal arts programs, as well as graduate degrees in accounting, business, education, criminal justice, and nursing to a combined enrollment of nearly 2,050 students. The student body consists of 1,830 traditional students and nearly 220 continuing education and graduate students. The College offers a wide array of co-curricular activities ranging from 16 NCAA Division III athletic teams to an outstanding theatre and visual arts program. Visit us on the web at www.curry.edu.

Join Auburn's Town Wide Yard Sale

AUBURN — Please join in a Town Wide Community Yard Sale at the Dr. Arthur and Dr. Martha Pappas Recreation Complex on Sept. 9 from 7 a.m.-noon.
There are two ways to join us: Go to town hall and get a Yard Sale permit for your house from Ginger and Melinda at 508-832-7701, or join us at Dr. Arthur and Dr. Martha Pappas Recreation Complex; \$20 check only made payable to town of Auburn (4 Goddard Dr.) per 10 X 10 spot bring your own tent and table for questions either call 508-832-7736 or email kpappas@town.auburn.ma.us.

Friday's Child



Blaire
Age 6

Hi! My name is Blaire and I have a great imagination!

Blaire who goes by Mateo is an imaginative boy. He enjoys going to the park, playing with Bakugans, and imagining the capabilities and superpowers that they have in the world, calling himself goofy names like "cheese hamster" when playing with other adults, and listening to track records of High School Musical and Frozen. Mateo's loves watching Hamster Stories; Rainbow Ringer; Bluey; True and the Rainbow Kingdom; Paw Patrol; Gabby's Dollhouse on television. He also enjoys playing with his Lego's and toy cars.

Mateo is enrolled in school where he is working on developing listening skills, sharing attention, and developing peer relationships. He does well in the classrooms setting where there are two staff present.

Mateo's social worker is looking for a dedicated two-parent family of any constellation experienced in trauma with or without older children in the home. He would thrive as the youngest or only child in the home and he is able to develop strong, loving relationships when he feels he has sufficient attention from his caregivers. Mateo can be placed outside of the state but must remain in the New England Area in order maintain monthly contact with his two sisters and biological family.

<https://adopt.mareinc.org/waiting-child-profiles#gallery/child/8479>

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

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



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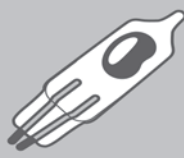
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Tri-Valley Lunches are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 11:30 am. Please call (508) 949-3845 at least 48-hours in advance to reserve or cancel your meal. A \$3.00 donation is appreciated. All meals include milk, bread and fruit or dessert. This week's menu: Tuesday 8/22 Roast Pork, gravy, cranberry stuffing, roasted

vegies. Wednesday 8/23 Chicken Fajitas, Spanish rice, black beans & corn. Thursday 8/24 Beef with onions & peppers, herbed potatoes, glazed carrots. Friday 8/25 Chicken Cranberry Salad, pasta salad, three bean salad.
A SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) counselor is available at the Senior Center to assist you with any health insurance questions you may have. Please call (508) 949-3845 for more information or to schedule an appointment.
Senior Crafters Wanted! The Friends of the Webster Senior Center are holding a Craft Fair on Monday, October 16th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Table space is only \$10.00! Applications to be a vendor are available at the Webster Senior Center. No payment for table space will be accepted until your application is approved. Space is limited to 22 crafters. Tables limited to first 17

approved crafters.
REC Farmer's Market every Thursday from 1:00 – 2:30 pm on the Town Hall front lawn.
Come on down to the Bomba Beauty Salon at the Webster Senior Center and enter a raffle to win a free haircut! No purchase necessary. Bomba Beauty Salon is open for walk in appointments on Wednesdays from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays by appointment only from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Call (508) 341-8724 to schedule an appointment.
DID YOU KNOW??? The Webster Senior Center has a table shuffleboard with pucks available to play. If you know how to play and how to score, come check it out!!!
The Webster Senior Center will be closed on Monday, August 21st.
Join us for our monthly movie matinee on Monday, August 28th at 1:00pm. We will be showing "The Book Club

2, the Next Chapter". Refreshments will be served. Please sign up at the Senior Center front desk.
Mondays and Wednesdays: Exercise Classes with Forty Arroyo – Chair Dancing – the perfect workout for any fitness ability! 9:30-10:30 am. Cost: \$3.00 per class.
Progressive Beginner Line Dancing with Forty Arroyo on Fridays, 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Cost: \$3.00 per class. We dance to all genres of music, come join us!
Mondays: Knitting/Crochet Social 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Bingo: Every Tuesday, starts promptly at 1:00 pm. Please plan to arrive by 12:30 pm to allow time to buy your bingo sheets. Bingo sheets are not sold after 12:45 pm. Why not sign up for lunch, come early and spend the day!
Do you like to play cribbage? Our weekly cribbage group now meets every Thursday at 1:00

pm – feel free to join us!
Calling card players or interested persons to the Webster Senior Center – come join us for 6-card or 13-card pitch! Six card pitch meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Thirteen-card pitch meets on Thursdays at 1:00 pm.
Mahjongg group meets every Friday at 1:00 pm – beginners welcome!
Trip 1: The McCartney Years, Live in Concert at the Danversport Yacht Club in Danvers, MA on Thursday, Sept. 21st. Trip price of \$119.00 includes transportation, luncheon, meal tax, meal gratuity, and show ticket.
Trip 2: Splish Splash, the Music of Bobby Darin at Lake Pearl in Wrentham, MA on Wednesday, October 18th. Trip Price of \$109.00 includes transportation, luncheon, meal tax, meal gratuity, & show ticket. Our trips sell out quickly so don't wait to reserve your seat! Trip prices do not include bus driver gratuity. Please

call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 for more information.
The Worcester County Sheriff's Office House Numbering Program will create a custom wooden sign with your house number free of charge. One sign per senior household. Please contact the Webster Senior Center if you are interested in having a house number sign made for you. (508) 949-3845.
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Please call the Senior Center at (508) 949-3845 or stop in to pick up our monthly newsletter for a complete list of additional activities and upcoming events.

Turn a backyard (or indoor) grill into a pizza oven

People naturally think burgers and hot dogs when they envision grilled foods. But there is so much more that can be cooked over an open fire, including desserts and even pizza. Grilling lends a distinctive smoky taste to both the crust and the toppings.
Grilled pizzas start with a basic dough that cooks up quickly, and then can be customized with many different flavor profiles, as is the case with "The Jamaican." This pizza, courtesy of "Grilled Pizzas & Piadinas" (DK) by Craig W. Priebe with Dianne Jacob, offers jerk-smoked pork with a sweet and savory chutney.
BASIC GRILLED PIZZA DOUGH
Makes two 12-inch crusts

34	cup warm water
1	package active dry yeast (about 2 1/4 teaspoons)
1/2	teaspoon sugar
1 1/2	cups unbleached flour
1/4	cup whole wheat flour
1	teaspoon kosher salt
2	tablespoons cornmeal, preferably white, plus additional for the pan
2	tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, plus 1/4 teaspoon for the bowl

1. Pour the warm water into a small bowl or measuring cup. Add the yeast and sugar and stir until the yeast dissolves into a smooth beige color. Let it stand on your counter for about 5 minutes to prove that the yeasted water is active. A thin layer of foam will appear on the top, indicating that the batch is good.
2. Add the flours, salt, and cornmeal to a 4- or 5-quart standing mixing bowl. Use the dough hook attachment on the lowest speed to mix the dry ingredients. Add the yeasted water and the 2 tablespoons of olive oil. Mix on the slowest speed to allow the ingredients to come together. You may need to scrape down the sides with a spatula. Then move to medium-high speed and knead for 2 minutes. The batter should form a ball, unless it's too wet or sticky. If so, add only enough flour to prevent it from sticking. The dough should come off the sides cleanly and form a ball.
3. Put the remaining 1/4 teaspoon of olive oil in a medium bowl. The dough will be sticky, so flour your hands before picking it up, and place it in the bowl. Turn it over several times until it is coated in oil. This prevents a crust from forming on its surface as it rises.
4. Cover with plastic wrap, and place

- in a draft-free, warm place, 70 to 80 F, for two hours, until it rises to almost double in appearance.
5. Chill the dough in the refrigerator overnight, or for 1 hour to firm it up. Since the dough is slightly sticky, chilling the dough makes it easier to roll out. Chilling it overnight gives the dough more flavor and texture. Dough will keep in the refrigerator for three days.
 6. Punch down the dough gently to remove gas.
 7. Lightly flour about a foot of space on a clean, dry countertop. Flatten the dough with your hands to about a 1-inch thickness. Cut in half with a knife.
 8. Put one piece of dough in the center of the floured space and sprinkle a little flour over the top. Using a rolling pin, make smooth strokes to roll out the dough starting from the center out to the edges. Roll the dough out to about a 12-inch diameter. Sprinkle the crust with a fine layer of flour. It will make the dough easier to handle, and prevent stickiness.
 9. Position two cookie sheets with no sides, or two pizza screens, next to your dough. Sprinkle them generously with flour or cornmeal, so the dough will not stick. Pick up the dough with two hands and fold gently in half.



10. Transfer the dough to a cookie sheet. Unfold dough onto the pan to make it flat and stretch out the dough to an approximate 12-inch diameter. Repeat with the second piece of dough.
11. The grill should be medium hot to grill the crust. Hold the cookie sheet close to it and slide the dough onto the grill. If the dough folds in on itself, try to move the edges quickly to form a flat crust.
12. The dough should take about 3 minutes to cook. Watch for bubbles. Lift the underside. It should be an even light brown with grill marks.
13. Pick up the crust from the middle, using tongs, and place it on your cookie sheet. Flip it over so the grilled side is face up. This browned side becomes the top of your pizza.

THE JAMAICAN

Makes one pizza

- Dark plum chutney
- | | |
|-------|------------------------------|
| 12 | cup prune juice |
| 2 | tablespoons brown sugar |
| 1 1/2 | teaspoon dried ground ginger |
| 1/4 | cup dark raisins |
| 1 | teaspoon cornstarch |
| 1/4 | teaspoon chili flakes |
- Smoked pork
- | | |
|---|--|
| 1 | 8-ounce boneless pork steak, from shoulder blade or butt; or boneless ribs |
| 1 | teaspoon liquid smoke |
| 1 | tablespoon jerk-spice dry rub |
- 1 grilled pizza crust
- | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | tablespoon extra virgin olive oil |
| 1 | tablespoon grated Parmesan |
| 1 | cup shredded mozzarella |
| 1/2 | cup tomato sauce |
| 1/2 | ripe mango, cut into 1/4-inch slices |
| 2 | tablespoons cilantro, garnish |

1. To make the Dark Plum Chutney, mix all the ingredients together in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil and simmer over low heat for about 10 minutes. The sauce should be slightly thick, spicy and sweet.
2. Rub the pork with liquid smoke, followed by the dry rub. Grill over medium hot coals, or sauté in a skillet over medium heat, until cooked through, about 20 minutes. When the pork is ready, it will be tender and easily torn apart. Let the meat cool slightly, and tear into chunks, discarding any bits of cartilage, fat or gristle.
3. Brush the grilled side of the pizza crust with olive oil. Dust with the Parmesan and then with the mozzarella. Drop spoonfuls of the tomato sauce onto the pizza.
4. Add the pork pieces, followed by the mango, in an alternating pattern. Drizzle the chutney over all.
5. Slide the pizza onto the warm grill. Grill for 5 to 8 minutes, or until the bottom crust is crispy. You also can broil the pizza for a few minutes to brown the toppings.



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The fishing report from Rhode Island

We sure are getting a lot of rain this year, which is making plenty of areas for waterfowl to feed and raise their young. If the rain continues, the high water will make the upcoming duck season a bit more challenging. The dates for the Massachusetts 2023 fall duck hunting season are as follows: Central district Oct. 14 – Nov. 25. Geese open up on the same dates; however, the early goose season will commence on Sept. 1-Sept. 22 statewide. The active & veteran waterfowl hunt will be held on Sept. 23 & Jan. 29. The youth hunt will be held on Sept. 27 & 23 for waterfowl in Mass.!

Mass. Fish & Wildlife has the complete dates and bag limits on their Web site. Check them out. Be sure to take a youth hunting on these special dates mentioned.

Tautog fishing remains very good in Narragansett, R.I., but fishing for fluke needs a lot of patience, as most fish are shorts and need to be released. Catching a legal size fish is rare, but when you locate a spot that has a couple of legal size fluke, you need to mark the spot on your GPS and keep drifting over the same spot until you have it fished out. If you are lucky, you will go home with a few legal size fish. Some nice seabass are also being caught on fluke rigs, adding to some great eating fish. A lot of patience is required to bring home a few fish for the dinner table , but that is why they call it fishing, not catching!

Bonito and False Albacore are starting to show in many areas of Mass. & Rhode island. Last week, I was surprised to catch a bonito while drifting a fluke bait in 20 feet of water, in front of the lighthouse at Point Judith, R.I. Unfortunately, it fell off as I attempted



This week's picture shows a few tautog that were caught in Rhode Island.

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to lift it into the boat, as the captain was a bit slow in getting the net!

Bluefish and stripers are keeping the charter boats busy for their clients, as the action is almost nonstop. Newport fishing is also hot, according to reports of charter boats and private vessels. It is only going to get better in the coming weeks, if that is possible. Fly fishing anglers are having a ball, and the bonito and false albacore schools are due any day.

Fresh water bass fishing remains very good for local anglers using shiners and surface poppers, and trout fishing anglers are waiting for the first fall stocking of trout, but they may need to wait for the waters to cool, before the stocking trucks start to roll!

Take A Kid Fishing & Keep Them Rods Bending!



This week's second photo shows how tall some of this writer's sunflowers grew this year. As soon as the seeds in the flowers are ready to eat, birds of many species will dine on them for only a week or two and all of the seeds are gone.

Time and Moneysaving Tips

Making life a little easier is what this column is all about, and this week, it will focus on saving time and money - two things many people wished they had more of! From recycling free samples to cutting down on cleaning, these simple and effective tips give you one less thing to worry about!

Struggling to save money?: Have you heard of the 30 day savings rule? It requires some patience, but the rule is simple: the next time you find yourself considering an impulse buy, stop yourself and think about it for 30 days. If you still want the make that purchase, chances are it's a worthwhile purchase.

Scented Samples: Do you still subscribe to print magazines? If so, you might find yourself with too many perfume sample papers from magazines and store sale catalogs, gather them up and stow them in the glove compartment of your car. When your car needs refreshing, (or if you want to try out a new scent without commitment) stick an end of the fragrant paper into the air vent slot and enjoy the aroma!

Got it Covered: Futon covers are pricey, but did you know a full or queen fitted sheet will do the trick just as well and save you a bundle? The sheet

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fits nice and snug and best of all, it can be easily washed. Plus you can afford to change colors or patterns with the seasons. Another futon cover alternative is to shop for sales on duvet covers. They are usually much cheaper than futon covers, but essentially do the same job.

Crystal Clear: Washing large windows, like sliders to a deck can be grueling chore. If you'd like to play hooky from the job for a week (or two), treat the glass with Rain X, a water repellent sold in auto supply stores. Dirt, as well as water, won't be attracted to the glass!

Shower Power: Daily shower cleaner sprays have all but alleviated hard scouring, but the popular commercial products are expensive to use. No worries. You can whip up your own just-as-effective version for a lot less money. Here's how: Combine together in an empty spray bottle: one cup of white vinegar; one half teaspoon liquid dishwashing soap, and one quarter cup of dishwasher rinse agent (such as Jet Dry). To use, just spray down shower and tub walls after each use.

Slick Trick: Keep a bottle of cooking oil spray in the garage to spritz on the shovel this winter. It will keep snow from sticking. This trick also works with snow blowers and lawn

mowers, just spray it on the blades to keep them clean and clog free.

Fire & Water: The fall holidays will soon be here and nothing warms up a room better than a candle's glow. You can cut down on cleaning your votive holders with this old fashioned tip: Add little water to the bottom of the glass before lighting the candle. This way, wax won't stick and cleanup is a snap!

Rub a Dub: Rubbing alcohol does double duty as both a time and money saver. It's an inexpensive cleaner and disinfectant you can use all around the house. Did you know you can pour straight alcohol in a spray bottle to quickly clean windows, streak free? It's also an effective disinfectant for counter tops, telephones and other surfaces you want to be germ-free. Alcohol also shines up chrome sink fixtures with just a quick rub. A spray of alcohol works well in winter to clean car windows, as it does not freeze. If you buy the pine scented rubbing alcohol it will leave a pleasant, clean smell behind.

Smart or Not?: Did you ever wonder what your IQ is ? Just log onto www.iqtest.com for a fun, free evaluation of your brainpower. The test takes 13 minutes or less, and results will be sent immediately to your email address. The results of the test are free, and at the end of the test the sponsor offers an optional complete intelligence profile for a fee.

Car Wash Clone: Run out of car wash? Don't run to the store. A great car washing solution that rivals the name brand one can be made by adding one quarter cup of vegetable oil based liquid soap, such as Murphy's oil soap to a pail of warm water.

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.

Don't be pressured to say yes

I'm a people pleaser. I have a tough time saying no. If I tell someone no, I often feel I'm letting them down. I've learned the hard way that saying yes when I should've said no has consequences that weigh heavy on the heart and soul.

Saying yes to something unimportant can lead to a minor inconvenience with minimal regret—no big deal.

Like agreeing to attend a social gathering you're not interested in, only to find yourself trapped in small talk for hours. Or volunteering to help a colleague with a project when you already have a full plate.

These are the times when a simple no could have saved time and energy.

But what happens when the stakes are higher? The consequences can be life-altering when you say yes when you should have said no.

A passionate young artist facing pressure from family to pursue a more "stable" career in finance finds herself trapped in a job she hates, haunted by the art she never created.

A young couple, not quite ready for

marriage. Find themselves pressured by family and friends to push toward a premature commitment. They say yes to an engagement even though their gut tells them to wait.

After working for years in the shadows, the founder of an exciting new business finally captures the attention of prominent investors.

A successful firm extends an offer filled with promises and potential. Yet this deal comes with strings attached, a bargain that would mean surrendering the very soul of his dream.

His partners, who haven't taken the same risks, sense the allure of success and urge him to take the gamble. His choice will either affirm his vision or transform it into something unrecognizable. It's not merely a business decision; it's a war for the integrity of his dream.

Whenever I say yes to someone because I'm being negatively pressured rather than following my gut, I always regret it. That regret is a stinging reminder that our instinct is a guide we should not ignore.

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Be cautious if someone tries to manipulate you into a decision that serves their interests, whether by applying pressure and fear or condescendingly telling you that you're incapable of accomplishing your dream. Their tactics may be part of a larger scheme to make you feel that you must do what they want or lose everything.

As a people pleaser, disappointing others is very uncomfortable, but don't let their disappointment divert you from your destiny.

The act of saying no is more than a refusal; it's a powerful assertion of control that affects our brain and decision-making processes. By saying no, we rewire our brain's response to choices, enhancing our ability to think and act in alignment with our values. This simple action reinforces self-respect and helps us prioritize our needs, leading to a healthier mental state.

When you say no, you're setting boundaries. Setting boundaries is an essential part of a healthy emotional state. Learning to say no is more than a personal stance; it's a skill that lays the groundwork for better mental health and more authentic life.

If you continually say yes, even to your detriment, you risk being perceived as a pushover. Although I've never cared all that much for what others think of me following my dreams, failing to stand up for yourself may lead you down a path that doesn't align with your desires or values but instead follows the expectations of others.

It's a life shaped by external influences rather than personal choice.

The truth is saying no doesn't necessarily mean letting someone down. It means standing up for what's right for you. It means recognizing the value of your path, dreams, and well-being. It means not sacrificing yourself at the altar of others' expectations.

The next time you're faced with a decision, big or small, listen to that inner voice. If something doesn't feel right, it probably isn't.

The right yes can open doors, but the wrong yes can close them. Choose wisely, for the choices we make, in the end, shape the life we live.

LEGALS

**MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Talissa Barbalho and Hairo R. Bino to Jeanne D'Arc Credit Union dated July 14, 2017 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 57420, Page 141 of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM. on the 29th day of August, 2023 at 51 Old Common Road, Auburn, Massachusetts 01501, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The following described property located in the County of Worcester, Town of Auburn:

BEGINNING at a concrete bound on the northeasterly sideline of Old Common Road at the most westerly corner of the parcel to be described; said bound also being the most southeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Post;

THENCE: North 37 deg. of 59' 00" East along land now or formerly of Post, a distance of Four Hundred Seventy-Eight and 48/100 (478.48) feet to a point;

THENCE: South 38 deg. 37' 25" East along land now or formerly of Post, a distance of One Hundred Ninety-Three and 53/100 (193.53) feet to a point;

THENCE: South 36 deg. 43' 36" West along land now or formerly of Murray, a distance of Four Hundred Seventy-four and 25/100 (474.25) feet to a point on the northeasterly sideline of Old Common Road;

THENCE: North 40 deg. 30' 00" West along said sideline, a distance of Two Hundred Two and 75/100 (202.75) feet to the point of beginning; and

CONTAINING 2.11 acres, more or less.

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BEING Parcel A on a plan by Cullinan Engineering Co., Inc. titled "Plan of Property – Auburn, Massachusetts" dated April 20, 1979 owned by Joseph E. Murray and Olive D. Murray and filed in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 463, Page 28. For Mortgagor's title see said Registry Book 57420, Page 138.

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

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) shall be required to be paid to the mortgagee in cash, by certified or bank's cashier check at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, by certified check or by bank cashier's check in or within 30 days from the date of the sale. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

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

Jeanne D'Arc Credit Union
Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By Its Attorneys,
Edward P. McCarthy
McCarthy Law Office, LLC
303 Wyman Street, Suite 300
Waltham, MA 02451
(781) 577-6686
August 04, 2023
August 11, 2023
August 18, 2023

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE**

Premises: 32 Pinehurst Avenue, Auburn, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Arthur Marcotte to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Embrace Home Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns, said mortgage dated September 8, 2015, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 54294 at Page 375 and now held by Embrace Home Loans, Inc. by virtue of an assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Embrace Home Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns to Embrace Home Loans, Inc. dated November 15, 2018 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 59746, Page 347, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at **Public Auction on September 13, 2023 at 2:30 PM Local Time** upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The Land with the buildings thereon in Auburn, Massachusetts shown as Lot #13 on plan entitle "Plan of Pinehurst, North West Section

dated March 25, 1939 by A.N. Pone, Surveyor and is more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point in the westerly line of Pinehurst Avenue, 900 feet southerly from the southeast corner of land now or formerly of Fritz and Agnes Carlson, which point is the southeast corner of lot 12 on said plan;

THENCE S. 4⁰ 38' E. by line of Pinehurst Avenue, 75 feet to a point at Lot 14 on said plan;

THENCE running westerly by Lot 14 a distance of 288 feet, more or less, to the high water mark of Stoneville Lower Reservoir;

THENCE running northerly by said Reservoir 84 feet, more or less, to the point on said high water mark marking the southwest corner of Lot 12;

THENCE running easterly by said Lot 12 a distance of 305 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

32 Pinehurest Ave., Auburn, MA, 004-219

Title to the above described property conveyed to Arthur Marcotte from Sevim Bastug and Gabriel Bastug by Quit Claim Deed dated and recorded September 28, 2001 in Book 24928 Page 88 or Instrument No. 151930.

The description of the property that appears in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated September 28, 2001, and recorded in Book 24928 at Page 88 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

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

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

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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Present Holder of the Mortgage
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Webster Legal Posting
Articles 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 from the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting each received a positive vote at the May 8h Annual Town Meeting and an approval from the Attorney General's Office.

Article 9 – To amend the Noncriminal Disposition Fines Bylaw.

Article 10 – To amend the Personnel Advisory Board Bylaw.

Article 11 -To amend the Flood Plain Plan for the Town of Webster.

Article 12 – To amend the Zoning Bylaw Article IV Section 650-14 – District 1.

Article 13 – To amend the Zoning Bylaw Article IV Section 650-15 – District 2.

Article 14 – To amend the Zoning Bylaw Article IV Section 650-16 – District 3.

Article 15 – To amend the Zoning Bylaw Article IV Section 650-18 – District 5.

Article 16– To amend the Zoning Bylaw Article IV Section 650-21 – District 7.

Complete copies of the articles are available in the Town Clerk' Office.

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August 25, 2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Docket No. W023P2679EA
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Estate of:
Barbara M. Stanley
Date of Death: 9/18/2022**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Kelly Maguire of Rutland 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:

Kelly Maguire of Rutland MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before:

10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/12/2023.

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: August 10, 2023
Stephanie K. Fatman,
Register of Probate
August 18, 2023

**MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by April M. Lowe to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Encore Credit Corp., its successors and assigns, dated July 27, 2005 and recorded with the Worcester County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 36926, Page 155 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on August 25, 2023 at 11 Negus Street, Webster, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

That certain lot or parcel of land with the buildings thereon located in Webster, Worcester County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as referenced below:

BEGINNING at the southwest corner thereof at land now or formerly of Amasa Davis;

THENCE easterly seventy and one-half (70 1/2) feet by said Negus Street to land now or formerly of B. A. Corbin & Son Company;

THENCE northerly by said Corbin land, ninety-five (95) feet to the aforesaid Davis land;

THENCE westerly by said Corbin land, seventy-two (72) feet to the aforesaid Davis land;

THENCE southerly about ninety-six (96) feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to and with the benefits of any and all rights, restrictions, covenants and easements of record, insofar as the same may be in force and applicable.

For Mortgagor title see Book 36926 Page 154

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

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

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

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, solely as Trustee for MASTR Specialized loan Trust 2006-1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-1
Present Holder of said Mortgage,

By Its Attorneys,
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INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Webster Department of Public Works is requesting sealed bids for a new 2023 Ford F450 4x4-cab chassis or equal. Bids will be received up to and read at 10:00 am on Monday, August 28, 2023

Specifications are available at the Town of Webster/Highway Department, 23 Cudworth Rd, Webster, MA 01570.

All envelopes must be marked "BID TRUCK"

Office hours are Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 3:00 pm, office number 508-949-3862.

The Town of Webster through its Board of Selectmen reserves the right to reject any all bids if deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

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**NOTICE OF CABLE TELEVISION
PUBLIC HEARING**

Please take notice that the Town Administrator of the Town of Webster, Massachusetts, as Issuing Authority for a cable television license under M.G.L. c.166A, will hold a public hearing on August, Twenty-eighth (28th), 2023 at 5:30 p.m. The public hearing will be held in The Selectmen Meeting Room at the Town Hall. The purpose of the public hearing will be to determine whether to issue a cable television license to Spectrum. All applications, reports, statements and license drafts to be considered at the hearing that constitute public records under state law are available for public inspection during regular business hours and for reproduction at a reasonable fee. Members of the public are invited to attend and be heard on the topic: (a) whether the current cable operator is in full compliance with its currently-existing cable license; and (b) what are the Town's future community cable-related needs.

August 18, 2023

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL
COURT 23 SM 003077 ORDER OF
NOTICE TO: Jordan Donais and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq) Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee of CSMC 2018-RPL9 Trust claiming to have an interest in a mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 41 Dudley Road, given by Jordan Donais to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Nominee for EverBank, dated September 7, 2007, and recorded at Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 41792, Page 32, as affected by Loan Modification Agreement dated April 07, 2016 and recorded in Book 55791 Page 52., and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before September 25, 2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on August 9, 2023 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder
August 18, 2023**

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OBITUARIES

Alma C. Robert



OXFORD – On August 11, 2023, Alma C. (Jourdenais) Robert, loving wife of 68 years to Arthur J. Robert, mom to five daughters, one son, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, passed away after a very long battle with Alzheimer’s Disease.

Alma was born April 14, 1933, in North Adams, MA to Laurence and Claire (Babeu) Jourdenais. She graduated from Notre Dame School in North Adams, and went on to become a telephone operator with the New England

Telephone Company. She married Arthur J. Robert on June 4, 1955, in North Adams and together they built a life full of love and companionship, hand in hand – always on the go, landing in Oxford, MA, to raise their family of six children. Alma was a loving, compassionate, thoughtful and detailed spirit with a very creative mind. She was ALWAYS knitting, crocheting, creating patterns, and enjoyed playing games.

Alma was a devout communicant of St. Roch’s Church and shared her family time with the church and community through Campfire Girls, Lassic League, and her love of teaching knitting and crocheting at Bay Path Adult

Evening School. She was a devoted wife and mom who was very proud to be Mémère, Gram and Nana continuously making afghans for all!

Alma is predeceased by her mother Claire, father Laurence, brothers Vinal and Ernest, and granddaughter Clara Pearl Robert. She is survived by her loving husband and partner, Arthur - “Dad” and six children Charlyn Robert, Cindy Robert, Colleen Mahota and partner Mike Calocci, Laurie Cyr and husband Charles, Leanne Dionne and husband Gary, and Stephen Robert and wife Nicole; eight grandchildren, Jessica, Rebecca, Jarred, Stephanie, Matthew, Brandon, Alex and Bodhi;

four great-grandchildren Audri, Arie, Nicholas and David.

A funeral was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, from Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford, followed by a Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Roch’s Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial followed at St. Roch’s Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours were Tuesday, August 15, 2023, from 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Flowers may be sent or memorial contributions may be made to St. Roch’s Church, 332 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540, or to the Alzheimer’s Association, 309 Waverly Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 167 Dudley Road, Oxford, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Edward R Gendron to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (“MERS”), as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans, its successors and assigns and now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, said mortgage dated December 22, 2017, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58236, Page 33, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated September 28, 2018, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 59543, Page 48, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on September 8, 2023 at 02:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land in the Town of Oxford, County of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, on the easterly side of Dudley Road, bounded and described as follows: See Plan Book 444, Plan 25

PARCEL I BEGINNING at a point at the most westerly corner of the premises described herein at the end of a stone wall on the easterly line of said Dudley Road, said point being the southwesterly corner of Lot #114 as shown on a plan of land in Oxford owned by Nelson and Jeannette Cournoyer, dated June 22, 1970, Walter Brown surveyor, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 337, Plan 8; THENCE along a stone wall by land now or formerly of Lacki, S. 88 deg. 29’ E., a distance of thirty nine and twenty hundredths (39.20) feet; THENCE N. 89 deg. 20’ E., a distance of ninety (90) feet; THENCE N. 81 deg. E., a distance of twenty six and five tenths (26.5) feet; THENCE S. 88 deg. 38’ E., a distance of three hundred seventy four (374) feet to a corner of stone walls and all being along said land of Lacki; THENCE in a southerly direction along a stone wall and continuing by said land of Lacki, a distance of three hundred fifty and sixty two hundredth (350.62) feet to a corner of stone walls; THENCE in an easterly direction along a stone wall along said land of Lacki, a distance of seven hundred fifty nine (759) feet to a corner of stone walls; THENCE Northerly along a stone wall by said land of Lacki, a distance of one hundred eighty five and sixty two hundredths (185.62) feet to a corner of stone walls; THENCE in an easterly direction along stone wall by land of Lacki, a distance of ninety nine (99) feet more or less to the westerly line of Larned Road; THENCE N. 0 deg. 15’ E., along the westerly line of said Larned Road, a distance of ten (10) feet to a point in a stone wall on the westerly line of said Larned Road; THENCE S. 85 deg. 15’ W., three hundred and thirty hundredths (300.30) feet along Lot #16 as shown on a plan of land entitled Subdivision of Land on Larned Road for Nelson Cournoyer, Paul Pytko, C.E. as revised July 15, 1967 and recorded in Plan Book 310, Plan 113 to a point; THENCE N. 4 deg. 5’ E., a distance of eight hundred forty six (846) feet to a point; THENCE S. 85 deg. 15’ W., a distance of fifty (50) feet; THENCE N. 4 deg. 5’ E., three hundred three (303) feet all being along said land now or formerly of Alberts to a point at land now or formerly of LeFrancois; THENCE S. 85 deg. 15’ W., one hundred fifty (150) feet; THENCE N. 4 deg. 45’ W., four hundred (400) feet along said land of LeFrancois to a point, being the southeast corner of Lot No. 102 as shown on the aforementioned plan in Plan Book 310, Plan 113.

THENCE S. 31 deg. 10’ W., one hundred twenty nine (129) feet to an iron pipe; THENCE S. 27 deg. 05’ W., one hundred thirty five (135) feet to an iron pipe; THENCE S. 22 deg. 30’ W., seven hundred fifty six and forty hundredths (756.40) feet to an iron pipe; THENCE S. 23 deg. 30’ W., one hundred forty and seventy hundredths (140.70) feet to an iron pipe; THENCE S. 25 deg. 43’ W., one hundred twenty seven and ninety hundredths (127.90) feet to an iron pipe; THENCE S. 30 deg. 28’ W., one hundred twenty five (125) feet to an iron pipe and Lots 103-113, inclusive and all being shown on the aforementioned plan recorded in Plan Book 337, Plan 8; THENCE N. 63 deg. 35’ W., three hundred (300) feet along said Lot 113 to an iron pipe on the easterly line of said Dudley Road; THENCE Southerly along the easterly line of said Dudley Road in a curve to the right with a radius of one thousand nine hundred seventy (1,970) feet a distance of two hundred eighty three (283) feet to the point of beginning; As affected by an Affidavit for true and accurate measures of various bounds recorded September 13, 1982 in Book 7553, Page 269. EXCEPTING therefrom the land located easterly of Lot 100 as shown on a plan recorded in said Deeds in Plan Book 337, Plan 8, in which the excluded piece does not about the herein conveyed premises. EXCEPTING therefrom those parcels of land conveyed to the following deeds: 1. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Richard D. Zack et al dated September 13, 1982 and recorded in Book 7553, Page 270; 2. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Robert J. Fiels et ux dated November 30, 1984 and recorded in Book 8508, Page 245; 3. Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Mark A. Heroux et ux dated April 11, 1985 and recorded in Book 8650, Page 61. PARCEL II Also conveying another tract of land in said Oxford on the easterly side of Dudley Road adjoining Parcel I and bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe at the northwest corner of the tract herein described on the easterly side of the 1958 Worcester County Highway layout of Dudley Road; THENCE S. 88 deg. 29’ E., mostly along a stone wall by said Parcel I herein, 39.20 feet to an iron pipe; THENCE N. 89 deg. 20’ E., along a stone wall by said Parcel I, 90 feet to an iron pipe; THENCE N. 81 deg. 00’ E., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 26.50 feet to an iron pipe; THENCE N. 89 deg. 29’ 56” E., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 342.11 feet to a drill hole in intersection with another stone wall; THENCE S. 11 deg. 24’ 34” W., along said stone wall by Parcel I, 351.53 feet to an iron pipe at the intersection with another stone wall; THENCE N. 54 deg. 53’ 28” W., by said stone wall by land now or formerly of Richard D. Zack, 545.86 feet to an iron pipe on the easterly side of Dudley Road; THENCE running northerly along the easterly side of said Dudley Road on a curve to the left, having a radius of 2,030 feet and a length of 30 feet to the point of beginning. CONTAINING an area of 2.153 acres shown as Parcel A on a plan recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 499, Plan 85. EXCEPTING therefrom that portion of land conveyed by Robert L. Choiniere and Barbara O. Choiniere to Mark A. Heroux et ux dated April 11, 1985 and recorded in Book 8650, Page 61. For title see deed recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 32294, Page 20.

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 December 11, 2017, and recorded in Book 58236, Page 26 with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

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

SUBJECT TO a Classified Forest-Agricultural or Horticultural-Recreation Land Tax Lien dated February 18, 2014, and recorded in Book 52050 at Page 14.

TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer’s or cashier’s check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer’s or cashier’s check within forty-five (45) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Marinosci Law Group, P.C.
275 West Natick Road, Suite 500
Warwick, RI 02886
Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC

Present Holder of the Mortgage
Telephone: (401) 234-9200
MLG File No.: 19-01734

August 18, 2023
August 25, 2023
September 01, 2023

NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

UNDER G.L.C. 255, SECTION 39A

Notice is hereby given by: School Street Towing 17-31 School Street, Webster MA 01570 pursuant to the provisions of G.L.C. c. 255, Section 39A, that on: 26 August 2023 at 9:00 AM at 17-31 School Street, Webster MA by private sale the following Motor Vehicle will be sold to satisfy the garagekeeper’s lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicle. Vehicle description: Year 2011 Make: BMW Model: 328i Registarion#/State: 3YKE31 VIN: WBAPK5C5OBA655752 Name and address of vehicle owner Richard Watts, 28 Summer St., Southbridge, MA 01550 By Frank A Czechowski 4 Aug 2023 This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L.c. 255, Section 39A. August 11, 2023 August 18, 2023 August 25, 2023

Notice is hereby given by: Precision Auto Rebuilders, Inc., 243 W Main St, Dudley, MA 01571 pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.255, Section 39 A that on September 8, 2023 @ 5 PM at: Precision Auto Rebuilders, Inc., 243 W Main St, Dudley, MA 01571, the following motor vehicle will be sold at a private sale to satisfy the garage keeper’s lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicles:

Description of vehicles: Vehicle: VIN # 1C4PJMAK-4CW107458, 2012 Jeep Liberty Owner: Jessica Gauthier 94 Wales Rd Brimfield MA 01010 This notice has been given under the provisions of G.L. c.225, Section 39 A August 11, 2023 August 18, 2023 Augst 25, 2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street
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(508) 831-2200
Docket No. WO13P3606EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Estate of:
Silvestris P. Latino

Also known as: Silvio P. Latino, Silvester Latino, Silvestrio P. Latino
Date of Death: 9/23/2013

To all interested persons: A Petition for S/A- Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by David P. Latino of Oxford 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: David P. Latino of Oxford MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in unsupervised administration

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before:

10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/12/2023.

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: August 09, 2023
Stephanie K. Fattman,
Register of Probate
August 11, 2023

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
DOCKET NO. 23 SM 003000
ORDER OF NOTICE
TO: Stephen R. Nelson, Jennifer H. Nelson and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq): Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Oxford, numbered 16 Old Millbury Road, given by Stephen R. Nelson and Jennifer H. Nelson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans, LLC, its successors and assigns, dated April 13, 2021, and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 66457, Page 1, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s/ Defendants’ Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 09/18/2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 8/2/2023. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder August 18, 2023

SPORTS

Auburn Recreation and Culture Boys' Summer Basketball League title goes to Grafton



Nick Ethier photos

The Auburn Recreation and Culture Summer Basketball League's Final Four and Championship took

place, and Grafton defeated Uxbridge in overtime to win the title. Grafton beat Millbury in the semifinals, while Uxbridge topped David Prouty in the other semi.

AUBURN — After winning their respective Final Four games in the Auburn Recreation and Culture Boys' Summer Basketball League, two 20-minute halves weren't enough to decide a champion in the Grafton versus Uxbridge final. Instead, the game, which was played at Auburn High on Wednesday, Aug. 9, went to a three-minute overtime session. There, the Gators barely got by the Spartans, 53-51. Grafton, the tournament's fifth seed, led after the first half, 31-26, only for No. 2 Uxbridge to storm back in the second half.

In semifinal round play, Grafton defeated No. 1 Millbury, 43-37. Uxbridge beat No. 3 David Prouty, 63-57.



Woolies reign supreme in Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League



Nick Ethier photos

After Millbury defeated Tantasqua in overtime and Sutton edged Uxbridge, the Woolies and Suzies met in the championship game of the Auburn Recreation and Culture Summer Basketball League. Millbury squeaked past Sutton, 33-32.



AUBURN — Two Final Fours and a Championship game were played at the high school in the Auburn Recreation and Culture Girls' Summer Basketball League on Tuesday, Aug. 8. And all three contests came down to the wire. In the semifinals, No. 1 Sutton held on to defeat No. 5 Uxbridge, 32-30. Simultaneously, No. 2 Millbury needed overtime to outlast No. 3 Tantasqua, 40-34. Then, in the championship game, the Woolies got past the Suzies, 33-32.





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SLATER

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here, as are many of that era's brick buildings along Main Street.

"Samuel Slater [left] a lasting legacy that transform[ed] this region into an industrial region and a tourist mecca," Lambert said while leading one of several tours for Slater descendants Sunday.

Those tours ended in the museum's "downtown" area, featuring an original trolley, facades of several local buildings, a speakeasy and other aspects of Webster in the 1920s. There, several people associated with the museum spoke briefly about how it came into being and its technological approach to presenting history. Also, filmmaker Christian de Rezendez described his PBS series "Slatersville," which explores Slater's efforts including here in Webster (and he was filming the event for that series). He said he's working with various groups to tie the Slater material into the history curriculum.

Historical Commissioner Elaine Davies noted Slater and his family are "part of our history" in many ways, and she's seeing a growing interest in local history as the town's 200th anniversary approaches.

"We could easily forget our past with all the issues we deal with daily," Davies said, noting the Commission's recently renewed effort and grant to save some of it. She urged the family to share is stories and documents with local historians.

Slater descendant Tom Richards of Connecticut said it wasn't really Slater's interest in science that passed down through the years, but his

focus on education. Richards, however, was himself a scientist, working on batteries; he noted his fascination started by seeing a relative toss old-style mercury batteries into the fire and watching them explode.

"There was some frowning on me becoming a scientist because it wasn't a 'people occupation,'" he said. "But that didn't stop me."

Richards noted several Slaters have homes on Cape Cod, many of them now protected as part of the National Seashore.

For Jamie Collier, the notable memory was coming to the family cottage on Webster Lake every summer and being part of "the gang." He said they "all romped around together trying to stay out of trouble. Some of them did. Some of them didn't."

"Some of the happiest moments of my life were spent here back in the 1930s," he added.

McInnis said her fascination with the family history started by reading Collier's unpublished manuscript about several Slater heiresses growing up here in the late 1800s. She'd already had the experience of knowing several cousins and hearing their stories and reading great Aunt Hope's 1921 newsletter, but his book was "very engaging. He really brought [the heiresses] to life." That sent her down a road that has included several visits to Harvard's Radcliffe Institute, which has an archive of Slater family papers she's "only scratched the surface of."

She noted she's not a writer, but is considering writing a book about her research when she retires.

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HOMES

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SUE

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of us, in many different ways. I have shown some of the ways we can learn to hear Him. Examples can be found in my short stories and poetry. It's my hope that others will learn they're not alone after reading this book."

Sue's writings have helped her cope with many of the adversities in her life, including an abusive marriage and a divorce. She also struggled with homelessness, loss, and loneliness, but a strong foundation of faith has helped her overcome each obstacle.

Now, with the publication of her second book, Sue is hoping readers going through hard times in their own lives can lean on the

messages and themes conveyed by her faith-based creativity.

"Often, some healing can begin once we discover that we really aren't the only one who has gone through a certain trial," Sue said.

After spending over a decade seeking to turn her inspirations into stories, Sue found plenty of extra time for writing during the pandemic. As the darkness of an unprecedented crisis kept people isolated for over a year, Sue took advantage of the opportunity to delve deeper into her creative motivations.

"For about 13 years, I kept feeling the desire to write, but never got around to it until Covid," Sue said. "I decided that I was going to make something good come out of the pandemic and began writing my first book. In both books, I chronicle many instances

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where God has made something good come out of something that appears to be bad."

Added Sue, "I decided, after much prayer; to open myself up, become honest about my Christian life, and pour it all out into the book."

If you would like to meet the author and learn more about her books, Sue will attend the Auburn Historical Parking Lot Fair on Saturday, Aug. 26, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Books are also available at Amazon.com or Barnes and Noble, as well as in paperback, hardcover, and e-book forms.

Looking ahead, Sue is focused on completing a writing project that has inspired her for a long time. It will be titled, "Has God Got Your Attention Yet?"

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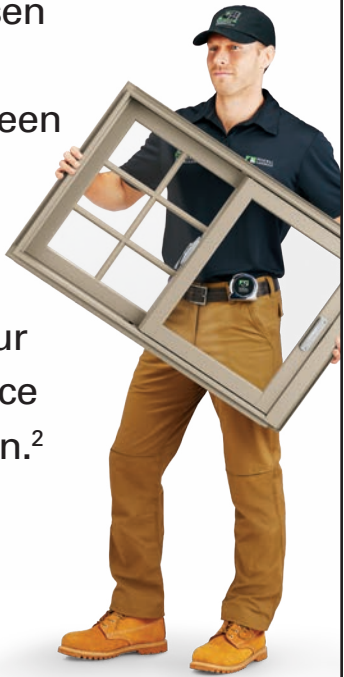
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