

Helping solve America's nursing shortage



CHARLTON — Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy celebrated the annual Nurses' Week on May 6- 12. On Friday, May 6, the opening of the celebration was MARILN (Massachusetts Rhode Island League for Nursing) Spring Conference, "Creating a Culture of Success: Strategies to Unlock Untapped Potentials in Nursing Students," attended by faculty and staff led by Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director.

On Sunday, May 8, the PN Class of 2022 gathered at the Douglas Farm and Orchard for Homecoming and the National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony. The PN Class of 2022 was joined by their family, friends, and alumni. May 11, Wednesday's activities included Mock Code Day and Stop the Bleed training.

The week capped off Thursday evening, May 12, with the Academic progression in nursing LPN to BSN bridge program presented by Fitchburg State University, represented by Nicole Lajoie, BSN, RN-BC, Nursing Coordinator, a presentation and onboarding for Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) by Lois Luniewicz, and a round

table/panel discussion on academic progression with PN faculty and alumni. First to speak was Danielle Southall-Scotto, ASN, RN who obtained her associate's degree in 2021 from Excelsior College. Danielle was a member of the PN Class of 2017. She was a recipient of the 2017 Academic Excellence Award and was a bronze medalist for Medical Math in SkillsUSA National competition having placed gold in state and district competitions. Danielle was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society and was a member of the Mock Code Team. Timothy Nikopoulos, BSN, RN completed his accelerated bachelor's degree in Nursing (2021) at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He was a member of the PN Class of 2019. He is currently with UMass Worcester Cardiac Intensive Care Unit and Surgical Intensive Care Unit. He was a SkillsUSA State Champion for First Aid/CPR. Professors Sarah Watson, MSN Ed, RN, Rianna Romano, BSN, RN, CEN, and Jennifer DeFilippo, MSN Ed, RN moderated the round table/panel discussion on

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Auburn Chamber awards \$16,000 in scholarships



AUBURN — The Auburn Chamber of Commerce will award a total of \$16,000 to ten graduating seniors this May. Since 1995, the Auburn Chamber has awarded a total of \$345,500 in both student scholarships and teacher mini-grants with proceeds from its Annual School/Business Partnership Golf Tournament held every September.

The Chamber hosted their May Scholarship Breakfast event on May 24 at J. Anthony's from 7:30-9 a.m. Guest speaker of the event was Mike Savage, serial entrepreneur, inspirational keynote speaker, and business growth specialist. Savage is the CEO of The Savage Secrets, a rapidly growing high-performance organization obsessed with helping entrepreneurs build their dream business and simultaneously live their dream life. He is also a graduate of Auburn High School.

"We wish our scholarship award recipients the all the best and good health as they

continue their post-secondary education come the fall," said Carrie Cross-Tiraboschi, chair of the Auburn Chamber School and Business Partnership Committee.

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the following students as the scholarship recipients for 2022:

Academic	Scholarship Recipients:
Chloe Norwood	- \$3,000
Stephen Lukas Memorial	Scholarship
Rebecca Dawson	- \$1,500
Reese Lavansavich	- \$1,500
Sydney Lyons	- \$1,500
Claudia Symonick	- \$1,500

Trade / Career	Scholarship Recipients:
Izabella Coughlin	- \$500
Kevin Cunningham	- \$500

Chamber	Member Scholarship Recipients:
Cecelia LaBonte	- \$3,000
Major David L. Brodeur	Scholarship
Jillian LaBonte	- \$1,500
Luke LaBonte	- \$1,500

Town of Charlton announces Memorial Day activities



CHARLTON — The American Legion, Post 391 of Charlton has two public ceremonies scheduled to commemorate Memorial Day 2022.

On Sunday, May 29, Post 391 will attend church services at the Charlton Methodist Church on Stafford Street, Charlton assembling at 9:45 AM. Following the church service, Post 391 will place wreaths and conduct rifle honor salutes at each cemetery and at the Vietnam Memorial Bridge on Stafford Street.

On Monday, May 30, the annual Memorial Day parade will be held, rain or shine. Participants are to assemble at 1:30 p.m. within the main entrance of the Masonic Home complex at 88 Masonic Home Road. Step off time is scheduled for 2 p.m. Marchers will parade to the Town Library. Memorial wreaths will be placed on the Town Honor Roll. Memorial rifle salutes will be given. Honored speakers will be introduced and music performed by the Shepherd Hill Regional High School Marching Band. Charlton Middle School students will read their selections honoring Veterans of all conflicts.

Following the ceremony, all participants are cordially invited by American Legion Post 391 to enjoy a light lunch prepared by the Legion Auxiliary in the lower level of the Charlton Grange building.

All citizens and veterans are urged to attend and, if possible, participate in one of the most solemn and meaningful days of the year, Memorial Day. We must never forget those who made the supreme sacrifice ensuring our freedom, at the same time remembering those men and women who are now serving in our armed forces around the world.

FHFA Inspector General espouses power of a degree at QCC's Commencement ceremony



Brian Tomney

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College's keynote speaker, Brian M. Tomney, addressed the College's 1,358 graduates at its 2022 Commencement ceremony, held at the DCU Center in Worcester on May 20. Mr. Tomney was nominated by President Joe Biden and confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve as Inspector General for the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) earlier this year.

Mr. Tomney told the crowd that when he was younger, he wasn't concerned with getting a college degree, instead becoming an EMT while in high school and a firefighter shortly thereafter. However, when his local community college began offering a paramedicine degree, he decided to make the commitment to higher education and enroll in the associate degree program.

"Many decades later, it is this two-year degree that has been the stepping stone for every non-traditional step that my career has taken. From going into burning buildings and delivering babies, to meeting presidents and sitting in the White House situation room. From this two-year degree, a life of incredible opportunities was born. And to each of you sitting here today, those same opportunities await you," he said.

There are many emotions that can arise while graduating from a higher education institution and Mr. Tomney touched on many of these during his speech. While joy and happiness are the first emotions to come to mind, he recalled how during his law school graduation he was struck with fear.

"I had been hired by the Department of Justice and was moving to Washington, D.C. with my young son; and for the first time in 36 years moving more than 10 miles from my now aging parents. What if I had made a mistake? But I refuse to let fear and anxiety paralyze me. I try to harness them. So channel all your emotions. Channel the ones that don't feel so good into meaning-

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academic progression and shared their own nursing journey. Even prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, America's nursing shortage is well established. The leadership at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy understands how higher education and academic progression can help to stem the nursing shortage. It is estimated that

America is projected to require 1.2 million nurses by 2030. The scope of the problem calls for innovative solutions such as the LPN to RN and LPN to BSN bridge programs. Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is making academic progression more accessible through affiliation agreements with Fitchburg State University and Worcester State University's PN-BSN bridge program. According to Gretheline

Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Academy Director, "we are taking critical steps to strengthen America's core of nurses. Our student population of adult learners represents greater diversity than the current nursing population. Our graduates represent a talent pool adept at meeting the needs of our nation's healthcare system." She adds, "Our faculty adapts new tactics, teaching and learning strategies that build more

flexibility for our adult learners. We are serving a population of working individuals and adult learners with a genuine desire to enter the nursing profession most of whom are already employed by healthcare organizations as CNAs (Certified Nursing Assistants). The US needs more nurses. We have a diverse faculty and a strong PN student workforce to serve our communities. We are up for the challenge."



Celebrate Memorial Day 2022 safely with family and friends, and always remember to honor the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice. We also remember our beloved deceased on this day. May they all rest in peace.



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Yasmine Museme, of Auburn, graduates from Assumption University

WORCESTER — Yasmine Museme, of Auburn, was one of nearly 400 graduates to receive a bachelor's degree during Assumption University's 105th Commencement exercises on Sunday, May 8, at the DCU Center in downtown Worcester. Larry Lucchino, Boston Red Sox Hall of Famer and chairman and principal owner of the Worcester Red Sox, delivered the commencement address, thanking the University for its partnership with the Worcester Red Sox and imparting upon the Class of 2022 advice gleaned over five decades in baseball and in law.

"I am well aware that my presence here is a reflection of the close bond that has been quickly established between the Woo Sox and Assumption," Lucchino said. "We share a commitment to serve this community and its people. We share a new ballpark where Assumption's name is featured prominently. In fact, [Assumption's] vision, your loyalty, and your early commitment helped pave the way for that ballpark and its extraordinary reception."

Lucchino imparted that since his college graduation 55 years ago, he's "learned a few things about what to do in life, and

what not to do." He admitted that as a baseball executive, he doesn't have all the answers, but hoped his personal top ten list of life lessons amassed from over "four unexpected decades as a baseball executive, and several decades of errors, missteps, and regrets," might help someone along the way. The lessons included having fun; being bold; smiling; being strong enough to say, "I don't know"; remembering that life is too hard to be lived alone; working at friendship; seeking balance; remembering Jackie Robinson and the "catalytic effect one person can have on a community, on a nation, on a compelling cause, or on a nagging injustice"; embracing and celebrating "the pluralism and diversity that are the essence of American life"; and being a positive force in one's community.

"Life is not about warming yourself by the fire, it's about building the fire," said Lucchino, a three-time cancer survivor who has invested himself in cancer research and care. "The match that lights that fire is generosity. To consider yourself and to be considered capable is good. To consider yourself and be considered loving is even better.

But best of all is to know yourself as generous. Generosity is its own reward. There is a Chinese proverb that applies and roughly it says if you want happiness for an hour, take a nap. If you want happiness for a lifetime, help your brothers and sisters in the community."

In his last commencement address, President Emeritus Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D., who retired on June 30, congratulated the graduates for earning their degrees "in the midst of extraordinary circumstances." He added that the pandemic provided them with "an education beyond what you could have learned in your coursework," because the framework of the Catholic liberal education allowed students to use the pandemic as a learning experience.

"You learned that you have the ability to overcome adversity, to navigate the unexpected and to look for the positive in the midst of challenges," he said. "You have shown yourself to be resilient despite the obstacles. You have learned the value of sacrificing one's wants for the benefit of others, striving always for the common good. While you may not immediately perceive it, your characters are stronger, and

you have become a better person because of what you have learned through the pandemic."

In his valedictorian speech, Leominster native Nicholas Macchione '22 compared an Assumption education to a Swiss army knife. "If you only could have one tool to serve you for the rest of your life, wouldn't you want it to be applicable to whatever you might encounter? The same sentiment rings true in education," he shared. "An Assumption liberal arts education is similarly suited to a wide variety of careers and vocations."

Macchione encouraged his classmates that "in the world of specialization that requires elaborate job titles, obtuse degrees, and the labeling of so-called experts, let us take time to unfold our Swiss army knives, recall the things that have brought us to where we are today, and trust that they will continue to take us wherever we need to go."

During the ceremony, honorary degrees were presented to Lucchino; Francesca "Paqui" Kelly, co-founder and board president of the Kelly Cares Foundation; and Wendy M. Wright, Ph.D., professor emerita of theology at Creighton

University. The Board of Trustees also bestowed honorary degrees upon President Emeritus Cesareo and his wife, Filomena Cesareo, Esq., J.D., for their 15 years of service to Assumption.

Assumption University, founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption, is New England's premier university for high-quality education, integrating career preparation and education of the whole person, drawing upon the best in the rich and centuries-long tradition of Catholic higher education. Assumption, located in Worcester, Massachusetts, seeks to provide students with a transformative education that forms graduates who possess critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service. The University offers 34 majors and 49 minors in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing and professional studies; as well as master's and continuing education degrees and professional certificate programs. For more information about Assumption University, please visit www.assumption.edu.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

WEBSTER — The following students have been named to the honor roll at St. Joseph School for the third term of the 2021-2022 academic year.

Grade 4

High Honors: Tosin Akindele, Alexis Archambault, Avery Archambault, Lukas Barbosa, Hayley Benes, Natalie Genduso, Neli Kuznecki, Jacob Lopez, Maria Mankarios, Jacob Marcuccio, Brooklyn McCarthy, Olivia Rozanski-Rose, Benjamin Thomas, Ivonka Warnajtyts

Grade 5

High Honors: Tobi Akindele,

Rosemary Basha, Jada Jackson, Simon Kowalczyk, Kyle Muchiru, Faith Muga, Jacob Parafinowicz, Ayla Reed, Alan Rubin, Jacob Singer

Honors: Ryan Amaral, Lisa Kippax, Jake Martin, Gianna Pigeon, Gabriel Rudnicki, Luke Surowanec, Liana Worth, Adam Wozniak

Grade 6

High Honors: Claire Calnana, Colton Haase, Molly Hachigian, Laura Ibrahim, Jack Keller, Emily Macko, Alissa Perron

Honors: Gabriel Gallant, Ryan Gruppso, Alvin Montreuil, E l l a

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Credit: Violet Johnson, Alan Kulpa, John O'Melia, Max Podgorny

Grade 7

High Honors: Emerson Bernard, Leah Boudreau, Bella Calnan, Haleigh Creighton, Aiden Muchiru, Marcus Muchiru, Gabriela Pianka, Gianna Rosario, Shayley Szela, Vanessa Zeglen

Honors: Bobbi Enman, Alex Kowalski, Brett McCarthy, Jacob Perry, Ike Rudnicki

Grade 8

High Honors: Philo Basha, Andrew Bergeron, Treyton Dery, Gianni DiCola-

Keddy, Aleksandra Kurowski, Paul Mankarios, Rocco Rudnicki, Maeve Sullivan, Hannah Watson, Matthew Zdrok

Honors: Connor Czechowski, Steve Mathu, Bradley McCarthy, Matthew Obrycki, Alexandra Parafinowicz, Adam Podgorny, Juliana Rudnicki

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ful, productive energy. Remember and embrace your emotions today – and always. They are yours and each one of them is valid," he said.

In addition to his passion for community college, Mr. Tomney also encouraged graduates to explore public service.

"I cannot speak today without briefly reflecting upon and remembering the Worcester Six and the value of – if not the imperative of – finding ways to serve. In a job where all give some, they gave all. Find a path to service, no matter how big or small, and I guarantee you that it will always be the capstone of your well lived life," he continued.

Community impact is a large part of QCC's mission.

"Our graduates are truly a representation of the communities they live and work in. They span all ages and ethnicities, are traditional students right out of high school, non-traditional students, veterans, parents, first-generation college students, and immigrants

who all have a goal of bettering their lives through higher education. They will now go out into the world and become the positive change makers for our society," said QCC Chair of the Board of Trustees Alex Zequeira. "As these graduates celebrate with families and friends, let us all be reminded of the transformational power of a postsecondary education. It changes the course of a person's life, their family's lives, and delivers a skilled workforce to our communities."

Student greetings were given virtually by QCC Student Government Association President Shauna Connelly, who championed resilience in the face of difficulties.

"We, the QCC class of 2022, might be the last class of the pandemic. You are here because through some of the darkest times the world has seen, you chose to turn on the light, you chose to make something good happen for you. You need to be an active participant in your own life. Good things happen to those who do! Your future is bright because you chose to surpass all adversity and continue on your journey. Today QCC is going to hand you a torch to help

light the way through your future," Ms. Connelly said.

QCC President Dr. Luis G. Pedraja also commended graduates on their resilience.

"I am amazed by you, by what you have endured to get you here today, and by what you accomplish every single day. You have faced many obstacles, but your determination and resilience, along with the support of friends and family, has brought you here today. I am confident that you will succeed and that you will transform our world. Look back on what you have accomplished and take strength from it. Bring the same grit and determination that got you here to what waits ahead of you. Keep striving to better yourself and to transform our world into a better place. In spite of the challenges of today, I believe the future is bright, because you are in it," he said.

A total of 1,003 degrees and 494 certificates were conferred upon this year's graduates.

For more information about QCC, contact Karen Hutner, Interim Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-2842 or khutner@qcc.mass.edu.



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Cornerstone Bank donates \$ 5,500 to Sixth Annual Golf Fore Kids Tournament

WORCESTER — Cornerstone Bank, a community bank with 10 locations throughout Central Massachusetts, has pledged \$5,500 to the Sixth Annual Golf Fore Kids Tournament benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Mass and MetroWest. The tournament will be held Monday, June 13, at the Framingham Country Club.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Mass and MetroWest provides vital programs for children and teens in the area matching an adult “Big” with a youth “Little” for valued quality time and mentorship. Cornerstone Bank CEO Todd Tallman has been involved with the program for years as the treasurer and serves on the committee for the golf tournament.

“Big Brothers Big Sisters is an organization near and dear to my heart,” said Tallman. “The benefits of mentorship are monumental and seeing the relationships that form between ‘Bigs’ and ‘Littles’ is incredibly inspiring, as I’ve witnessed firsthand. All of us at Cornerstone are proud to sponsor the Golf Fore Kids Tournament, which helps the organization match more children and teenagers in our community with mentors.”

Founded in 1963, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Mass and MetroWest has supported children in the community through individualized mentoring programs. Volunteer ‘Bigs’ spend quality time with their ‘Littles,’ typically children who live in poverty, come from

single-parent households, or face other types of adversity, providing them with additional, caring adult support.

Registration for the Golf Fore Kids Tournament is open and sponsorship opportunities are still available. More information can be found here: bbbscm.org/golf-fore-kids/.

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Auburn Chamber Showcase and Opportunities event to be held June 7

AUBURN — The Auburn Chamber of Commerce has transformed their once Health and Business Expo to a new Showcase and Opportunities event. Here the business community will have the opportunity to promote their business, interview on the spot, introduce a new product, meet the

community, network and support the Auburn Chamber of Commerce. This event will also engage the community to meet and get to know the local businesses in the area.

The event will be held at the Auburn/Webster Lodge of Elks on Tuesday, June 7, from 4 – 6 p.m.

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SNHU announces Winter 2022 President’s List

MANCHESTER, New Hampshire — It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Winter 2022 President’s List.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of

3.700 and above are named to the President’s List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in the fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits over two consecutive terms (EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6).

Ryan Stanard of Auburn
Phoenix Hughes of Auburn
Gabrielle Lemanski of Auburn
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CLUES ACROSS

1. English river

5. Particular part of something

11. Cool!

14. Welsh for John

15. Given name meaning “great spirit”

16. Wrath

17. Social occasion

19. Mechanical belt

20. ___ de la ___

21. Commands

22. Body part

23. Caught sight of

25. Funeral car

27. Skin infection

31. Sometimes they “burn”

34. Russian river

35. Famed soap opera character Kane

38. Pie ___ mode

39. Endangered

41. Socially inept person

42. Romanian river

44. Swerve

45. Monetary unit of Samoa

46. A type of approach to please

49. Form of Hebrew name for God

51. “Carry On My Wayward Son” rockers

55. A team’s best pitcher

56. A woody climbing plant

60. Long, edible marine fish

61. Human rights group in Africa (abbr.)

62. Data

64. Corporate bigwig

65. Climbs

66. Relating to the ear

67. Commercials

68. You need it to eat

69. Political extremists

CLUES DOWN

1. Reconnaissance (Brit. military)

2. Asserts to be the case

3. Starchy food made of dried orchid tubers

4. Foes

5. Rheumatoid arthritis score

6. Ruler of Iran

7. The top of the head

8. Lilly and Manning are two

9. Purchase attire for

10. Glittering with gold or silver

11. The bank of a body of water

12. Regions

13. Makes tractors

18. Adult beverage

24. Force unit

26. Swiss river

28. Cater to

29. Woody climbing plants

30. Seems less impressive

31. Consume

32. Boxing’s GOAT

33. Southwestern farmers

36. Beverage holder

37. A way to deteriorate

39. Judge

40. Norse explorer ___ the Red

43. Farm resident

45. One who helps to govern

47. Plant-eating ground bug

48. History Finnish county

49. Conifer native to Jamaica

50. Longed

52. Small Japanese city

53. Arum family plant

54. Puts together in time

57. From a distance

58. ___ contendere: no contest plea

59. Region

63. Mountain Standard Time

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QCC hosts third virtual legislative town hall

WORCESTER — Administrators, students and staff from Quinsigamond Community College (QCC) recently gathered with area legislators for the third virtual Legislative Town Hall, to showcase the innovative programs and community impact that QCC has provided to its students and the region. Moderated by Student Government Association President Shauna Connelly, the Town Hall focused on increased supports for students and a new programs designed to encourage and support more people to enter the biomanufacturing industry pipeline.

This entry-level Biomanufacturing On-Ramp program offers entry-level technician positions, in partnership with Mass. Biomedical Initiatives (MBI) and the Mass. Office of Business Development (MOBD), and biopharmaceutical company AbbVie. A 10-week pilot program was launched in the Fall 2021, which included a group of English Language Learners (ELL) from QCC's Adult Community Learning Center. Additional spring programs have also taken place. A recent graduate of the inaugural program, Lorena Hoxhalli, an immigrant from Albania, described the impact of the program.

"We took a lot from the program - knowledge, friends, confidence, and hope. I'm so happy that I was able to be a part of that program," said Ms. Hoxhalli, who was offered a position at AbbVie after going through the workshop.

Another program making an impact on students is QCC's SUCCESS program, which enhances student engagement through wrap-around support services for historically underserved groups such as

low-income students, students of color, and disabled students. The program is funded by the state SUCCESS Grant in partnership with the Mass. Association of Community Colleges, with the goal of empowering the most vulnerable community college students using a holistic, developmental advising model.

"I've managed to outgrow a shell of suffocating constraint and really shine at QCC, thanks to the help of advisors and staff. I've gained so much more confidence navigating the systems of higher education, and I feel comfortable reaching out and advocating for myself when I need something," said QCC student Haley LaFortune, who has taken advantage of the program.

Representative Mary Keefe noted the impact the College is having on the communities it serves.

"After coming through this difficult time, I think what I appreciate the most is the relational commitment of all of you to your students and being able to create that atmosphere of belonging. It's a great thing what our community colleges do and especially Quinsigamond, our Worcester community college," Representative Keefe said.

QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D. praised legislators for their support of the City's only community college.

"You're our greatest cheerleaders. We appreciate the support that you offer us day in and day out. I think it's essential for the state to continue to invest in higher education and particularly in community college students who stay in our communities and are the heart of our communities," he said.

Other new achievements have included \$2.5 million of QCC's institutional portion of the Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds that the College put toward a student debt forgiveness program; a partnership with the Central MA Agency on Aging to offer free dental services to local seniors; an expansion of the Brothers & Keepers Club, which offers mentorship for men of color into a full-time program, and an increase in services at the College's Counseling and Wellness Office.

Additionally, QCC's HomePlate Food Pantry and Resource Center has more than doubled in size and now has a state-of-the-art electronic software system that enables students to select prepackaged baskets of food, as well as diapers and hygiene products in a safe, contact-free way. The HomePlate Food Pantry and Resource Center has also partnered with local organizations to offer housing resources, legal aid, SNAP benefits, and nutritional workshops.

"It really strikes me how you (QCC) focused on ensuring the students' success over the last two years, not your own success as a college, but making sure that the students who rely on you so much are cared for and it shows your dedication to the people," said Rep. McKenna.

Attending the event were area State Representatives Natalie Higgins, Mary Keefe, David LeBoeuf, Joseph McKenna and James O'Day.

For more information on QCC, contact Karen Hutner, Interim Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-2842 or khutner@qcc.mass.edu.

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Local residents receive degrees at WPI’s 153rd Commencement

WORCESTER — WPI awarded nearly 1,200 Bachelor’s degrees at the undergraduate Commencement ceremony on May 14.

In her final commencement exercises before stepping down to become the Director of NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory, President Laurie Leshin presided over both celebrations, along with Board of Trustees Chairman William Fitzgerald ‘83. In her remarks, President Leshin celebrated the Class of 2022 and all they have accomplished during their time at WPI, including how they weathered the challenges of the pandemic. “While it would be unfair to describe the second half of your time at WPI as anything short of extraordinarily challenging, as always, I am so heartened by how this community came together to meet every moment,” she said.

The keynote address was given by Rochelle Walensky, MD, MPH, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and Administrator

of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, who was awarded an honorary degree. She praised the members of the Class of 2022 for navigating the uncertainties of the pandemic and implored them to continue embracing the many shades of gray they first encountered due to COVID-19, and are likely to continue to face in their professional lives.

Honorary degrees were also bestowed upon State Senator Harriette Chandler, the first woman from Worcester to serve in the Massachusetts State Senate, a position she has held since 2001. Lesley Small Zorabedian ‘72 was honored with a Presidential Medal for her trailblazing efforts to help shape the university. She was one of the first women to be enrolled at WPI as an undergraduate in 1968 and in 1972, she became the first woman to receive an undergraduate degree from WPI.

The undergraduate class speaker, Nicole Conill, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science,

with a focus on cyber security. Conill is pursuing a master’s in Computer Science at WPI. Her speech was titled “Reflect on the Past. Celebrate the Present. Focus on the Future.” She concluded by telling her classmates to “follow your heart to wherever, whomever, or whatever it is that calls you. Use what you’ve learned from WPI, whether it’s academic or personal, to guide you on that journey.”

The following students were awarded bachelor’s degrees at WPI’s Commencement Ceremony:

Javery Mann of Auburn majored in Physics

Eliana Palumbo of Auburn majored in Biomedical Engineering

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Senior Center proposal fails, budget passes at Town Meeting

BY JASON BLEAU
CORRESPONDENT

CHARLTON – The town of Charlton held its 2022 annual town meeting on May 16 addressing several articles including zoning bylaws, the town budget, and a proposal that would have cleared the way for the purchase of a new building for the Charlton Senior Center.

A little under 200 voters engaged in the meeting approving or passing over all articles but one, a much-discussed citizen’s petition request from the Charlton Council on Aging.

The article was worded as a loan authorization that would have allowed for the purchase of the Charlton Furniture property on Dresser Hill Road to serve as the town’s new senior center. The proposal originally went before the Board of Selectmen who chose not to support the article’s inclusion on the warrant arguing that they could not ask taxpayers to fund the request with other projects, including several school upgrades, also in the pipeline. Selectmen did however delay finalizing the warrant to allow the Council on Aging to pursue a citizen’s petition.

The article was the final item of the night and failed to earn enough support with only 60 voting yes and 125 voting against the proposal.

The remaining articles that received motions all passed easily throughout the evening. Several housekeeping financial items were easily approved as well as the town budget which received overwhelming support in a 137 yes to 42 no vote. The 2023 Fiscal Year spending plan is a 2.5 percent increase over the current year reflected as \$987,045 in financial figures. The new education budget assessments come to

\$17.7 million and the general government spending totals \$3.3 million. After education, public safety, which includes fire, police, EMS, and animal control, made up the second largest portion of the budget at \$5.8 million. The total 2023 fiscal year spending plan comes to \$34.8 million. The town also easily approved the water & sewer budgets for 2023 while capital items and stabilization fund transfers were the only two items passed over for future meetings.

Another significant item approved during the meeting was an act authorizing

the increase of the maximum retirement age for police officers to 70-years-old, something town officials felt would increase the hiring pool for the town to bring on new officers to help with traffic control. An amendment to the town’s animal control bylaw changing how adoption fees are handled, several zoning bylaw changes, and zoning changes on Trolley Crossing and L. Stevens Road were also easily approved. Finally, the cemetery perpetual care funds and revolving funds also received voter support.

Seven Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy student medalists headed to SkillsUSA National Competition

CHARLTON — Seve Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy students will compete at the National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) on June 20-24, in Atlanta, Ga., after winning medals at the state level.

The NLSC is a showcase of career and technical education with experiences for

students and advisors such as Leverage, Activate, and Engage. The intense and rewarding events cover individual, group, and interactive leadership training. The SkillsUSA Championships will be held on Wednesday and Thursday. More than 6,500 outstanding career and technical education students, all state

contest winners will compete hands-on in 108 different trades, technical, and leadership fields.

According to SkillsUSA.org, “Students work against the clock and each other, proving their expertise in occupations such as electronics, computer aided drafting, precision machining, medical assisting, and culinary arts. Contests are run with the help of industry, trade associations and labor organizations, and test competencies are set by industry. Leadership contestants will demonstrate skills including extemporaneous speaking and conducting meetings by parliamentary procedure.”

The seven Practical Nursing students who finished first in the state competition are Health Knowledge Bowl (Gold): Darcey Howe, Genie Biando, and Marvellous Undag. Sarah Garcia (Gold), Luciane Lindvay (Gold) for Medical Math, Eunice Kamau (Gold), for Medical Terminology, and Katie Blanchard (Gold) for Practical Nursing.

“Our Practical Nursing students represented the Academy with pride,”

said Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director. “I am excited for their upcoming adventure in Georgia! Thank you to the Superintendent, Mr. Kyle Brenner for his support, Professor Sarah Watson, and both SkillsUSA Advisors for Bay Path, Ms. Jennifer Stachura and Ms. Pam Staney for all their challenging work and coordination. Our PN students would not have been able to take part as well if not for the Bay Path community’s support.”

Further, according to SkillsUSA.org, “through an investment from business and industry partners of approximately \$36 million, the SkillsUSA event occupies a space equivalent to thirty-one football fields or 41 acres. Nearly 2,000 judges and contest organizers from labor and management make the national event possible. The philosophy of the Championships is to reward students for excellence, to involve industry in directly evaluating student performance and to keep training relevant to employers’ needs.”



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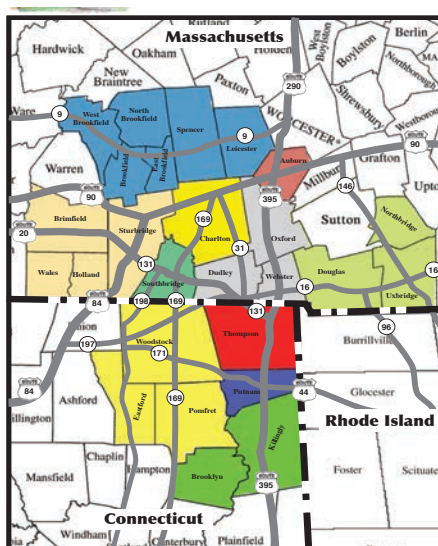
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Honoring the fallen

When Memorial Day was first celebrated, it was known as Decoration Day following the Civil War. Youngsters would place flowers in cemeteries while they sang songs and honored those lost due to war. The Civil War that ended in 1865 took the lives of more people than any other war in the history of the United States, the estimate is roughly 620,000. The Union losing 365,000 and the Confederacy 260,000. History says that more than half of these losses came as the result of disease. As a result, the first national cemeteries were created.

In 1868, General John A. Logan, the leader of an organization for Northern Civil War veterans, called for a nationwide day to honor fallen soldiers. General James Garfield gave a speech at Arlington National Cemetery on the first Decoration Day and the over 5,000 people in attendance decorated over 2,000 graves, both Union and Confederate.

The holiday as we all know is celebrated on the last Monday in May and became an official holiday in the year 1971. Parades across the country take place, and people visit cemeteries where family members who have served in the military have been laid to rest.

At 3 p.m. every year, a moment of silence takes place across the country. In December of 2008, President Bill Clinton signed the “National Moment of Remembrance Act” which designated the time be at 3:00 p.m. In 1966, the government marked Waterloo, New York as the official birthplace of Memorial Day. In Waterloo, every business in town would shut their doors and owners would venture out to decorate graves with flags as well as flowers.

Originally, Decoration Day was intended to honor those lost in just the Civil War. After WWI America felt the need, and rightfully so, to honor all those lost serving their country. In WWI 116,516 Americans died at war and 405,399 were lost during WWII. The Korean War took 36,574 lives and the Vietnam War cost 58,220 lives. 4,411 were lost in Operation Iraqi Freedom, 73 in Operation New Dawn, 2,346 as the result of Operation Enduring Freedom, 48 in Operation Freedom’s Sentinel and 61 in Operation Inherent Resolve.

An estimated 38 million people in America will travel over the holiday weekend, and 2.5 million travelers will board flights. Memorial Day is the fourth busiest travel day of the year.

In New York, Washington, D.C and Chicago you can find the largest parades in the country.

Because of the three day weekend, many Americans will throw parties and barbecues or head out of town for a mini getaway.



Photo Melinda Myers

Elevate your rain barrel for easier access to the spigot for filling containers and to speed water flow with the help of gravity.

Use rain barrels to capture rainwater

Put rainwater to use in your landscape with the help of rain barrels. This centuries old technique allows you to capture rainfall to use for watering ornamental gardens and containers.

Always start with a call to your local municipality. Some have restrictions on water harvesting, but most encourage this practice, and some even offer rebates or rain barrels at a discounted rate.

Purchase a rain barrel or make your own from a large, recycled food grade container. In either case, there are some features to consider when purchasing, creating, and adding a rain barrel to your landscape.

Make sure the top is covered to keep out bugs and debris. Some come equipped with a solid lid with an opening just big enough to accommodate the downspout. Others use a screen to keep out debris, while letting in the rain.

Don’t worry about mosquitoes breeding inside your rain barrel. Just use an organic mosquito control like Mosquito Dunks and Mosquito Bits (SummitResponsibleSolutions.com) in rain barrels and other water features. Mosquito Bits quickly knock down the mosquito larval population, while Mosquito Dunks provide 30 days of control. They are both safe for people, pets, fish, wildlife and beneficial insects.

Look for one with the spigot near the base of the barrel so water does not stagnate in the bottom. Use the spigot to fill watering cans or attach a hose for watering.

Include an overflow outlet near the top of the barrel to direct excess water away from the house or for connecting adjacent barrels. A downspout diverter is another way to manage rain barrel overflows. When the rain barrels are full, this device diverts the water back to the downspout



GARDEN MOMENTS
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where it is carried away from your home’s foundation.

Elevate your rain barrel on cement blocks, decorative stands, or similar supports. This provides easier access to the spigot for filling containers and speeds water flow with the help of gravity. A water pump will boost water pressure for a nice steady flow of water.

Dress up your container with a bit of paint suited for outdoor use on plastic surfaces. And don’t worry if you are not an artist, you can hide your rain barrels with some decorative screens or plantings or upright shrubs, perennials or ornamental grasses. Just make sure you have easy access to the spout for retrieving water.

Start your conversion to rain barrels one downspout at a time. You can capture as much as 623 gallons of water from 1,000 square feet of roof in a one-inch rainfall. This can be a lot to manage when first adjusting to this change of habit. Disconnecting one downspout at a time allows you to successfully match the use of rain barrels and other rain harvesting techniques to your gardening style and schedule.

The choices are many, making it easy for you to conserve water and grow a beautiful landscape.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener’s Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything” 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 was commissioned by Summit for her expertise to write this article. Her Web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Readers Share Tips and Tricks

As the days get longer and life becomes busier, finding ways to make life a little easier is especially appreciated! From packing and cleaning hints to repurposing tips, the following submissions from readers are sure to save you time and money this season!

And remember readers, send in your favorite helpful hint and you could win Dinner for Two at the Publick House in Sturbridge.

Organizational packing is literally “in the bag,” with this reader’s tip:

When you’re packing to go on a trip and you have a 14” x 8” or larger luggage bag, put a lightweight plastic dollar store square container or longer (with cover on or off) inside the bag. This way you can store all your supplies and you can see everything you need for easy access, shampoos, cosmetics, etc.

Jo Ann Wypycyk
Gilbertville, MA

Help yourself by helping others is this reader’s antidote to high anxiety:

I’d like to submit a tip about handling stress:

Check up on others. When I’m feeling stressed, I try to redirect that energy into something good by sending a quick text



TAKE THE HINT

KAREN TRAINOR

to someone I don’t speak to very often. Not only is it doing something kind, which is scientifically proven to make you feel better, but it often helps give you some perspective.

Audrey Crozier
Spencer, MA

A clever couple offered tips for corralling clutter, unconventional cleaning, and an unexpected repurposing tip:

I have to give credit to my significant other for two of these tips:

If you have a small bathroom like we do, try putting up a few sturdy wicker baskets on the wall for storage of personal care items, etc. It really helps to keep clutter away.

My second tip is also from him. He sprayed WD40 (I don’t know why) into the toilet bowl. It cleaned it better than any other cleaner we’ve tried.

My last tip is actually mine: I think someone who tends to drop things a lot like myself, would find a back scratcher that extends quite handy. I use mine so often to retrieve things I drop on the floor.

Karleen Cournoyer
Whitinsville, MA

Yes, we have some bananas – ripe ones at that, thanks to this reader’s tip!

The best tip I’ve used recently is rip-

ening bananas in the oven. I acquired a few large bunches of bananas and needed to ripen them quickly to make several banana breads/cupcakes. I put them in a 350 degree oven for 20 minutes, and Voila! Ripened bananas perfect for baking!

Pam Murray
Oxford, MA

This reader’s old farmers’ trick boosts a plant’s nutrition without spending a penny:

My hint saves money on plant food. When rinsing out empty milk containers do not pour that water down the drain, instead pour it into your plants. You can use on indoor or outdoor plants. My plants thrive on it. This tip was shared with me by a farmer years ago; farmers would rinse their milk cans and pour the milky water into their gardens.

Judith Lewinski
Webster, MA

Prize Winner
Congratulations to Karleen Cournoyer from Whitinsville, MA, who offered the trio of tips above. Her name was drawn for a three course dinner for two at Publick House in Sturbridge.

Win Dinner for Two at the Publick House
Your tips can win you a great three course dinner for two at the histor-

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Give optimism a chance



POSITIVELY SPEAKING

TOBY MOORE

I’ve heard it said that pessimism is destructive, and optimism is boundless. What is the best way? I guess it all depends on what you want from life.

You can find plenty of people throughout time who promoted pessimism. George Bernard Shaw said, “The optimist invents the airplane, the pessimist the parachute.”

There have been plenty who have promoted optimism. Winston Churchill said, “The pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity, the optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”

Whatever you choose, realize that they are not just philosophies; they are also strategies for dealing with the issues of life.

What is Pessimism? One of the definitions of pessimism in the dictionary reads: “a tendency to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen; a lack of hope or confidence in the future.”

Coming from a background in acting, I’ve been around many dreamers. I’ve been around many people who have had big goals and ambitions and saw themselves as larger than life.

Some of these people succeed as optimists but then become jaded pessimists. Interestingly, those I have known who went from optimism to pessimism succeeded while they were optimists and failed when they were pessimists.

I was friends with a very optimistic actor. We met every evening and rehearsed our auditions together. He went on to star in a successful television series. We lost touch, but I saw him at an audition years later, and he was different. I asked him how he was doing, and he only had negative things to say. He was sour and bitter. Something changed. Coincidentally, he wasn’t working anymore.

An article in Psychology Today suggests that most people don’t start as pessimists; instead, they become pessimists because of trauma they’ve experienced in their life. Pessimism is often a strategy to prepare for the worst. It’s a way for someone to set low expectations for their performance to protect against disappointment.

Pessimism takes a toll on one’s mental and physical health. Pessimism is associated with anxiety, depression, sleep disorders, hostility, high blood pressure, and heart disease.

Some will say that realism is the middle ground between pessimism and optimism. A realist might tell you that they are rational and only perceive things as they are, without any interpretation. Is that possible? Can you see life outside of the filter of your experience and beliefs? I tend to think that a realist usually falls into two categories, a pessimistic realist or an optimistic realist.

Walt Disney said, “I like to look at the optimistic side of life, but I am realistic enough to know that life is a complex matter.”

A lot of people tend to confuse optimism and idealism. They are not the same. One definition of idealism reads, “the practice of forming or pursuing ideals, especially unrealistically.”

I suppose I’ve been guilty of being an idealist in my younger years. I genuinely believed that I had a chance to be an Olympic swimmer. Even though I was very far from competing on that level, I thought I could do it if I believed and worked hard enough. In the end, I never came close. I learned that taking an honest assessment of one’s strengths and weaknesses is very important.

A successful optimist is realistic in their approach and hopeful and confident about the future. Often their optimism comes from their faith. Many studies have shown that being optimistic about the future predicts success. Those who are optimistic are overwhelmingly successful compared to those who are pessimistic.

A recent scientific study revealed that optimists live 11-15

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by John R. Goodney and Beverly M. Goodney to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Financial Freedom Acquisition LLC, a Subsidiary of Onewest Bank, FSB, dated January 12, 2010 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 45362, Page 114 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Financial Freedom Acquisition LLC, a Subsidiary of OneWest Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns to Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust, its successors and assigns dated July 31, 2020 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 63147, Page 318, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 177 Boyce Street, Auburn, MA 01501 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on June 13, 2022, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, and all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated on the southerly side of Boyce Street, in said Auburn, bounded and described as follows: to wit: BEGINNING at a point in the said southerly line of said Boyce Street at the northeasterly corner of land, now or late of Edward T. Hogan; THENCE southerly by said Hogan land, one hundred twenty-seven (127) feet to land formerly of one Rousseau; THENCE turning and running easterly by said Rousseau land one hundred twenty-four and seven-tenths (124.7) feet to other land formerly of Rousseau; THENCE turning and running northerly one hundred twenty (120) feet to said Boyce Street; THENCE along said Boyce Street westerly forty-eight and six-tenths (48.6) feet to an angle in said street; THENCE still along the southerly line of said Boyce Street fifty-three and three-tenths (53.3) feet to the point of beginning. CONTAINING 13,400 square feet, more or less.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 4701, Page 564.

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

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
Goodney, John R. & Beverly M. Goodney, 21-038573
May 20, 2022
May 27, 2022
June 6, 2022

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT

DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT
Docket Number: 22 SM 001349
ORDER OF NOTICE

To:
Gene L. Dow
and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq)
Bank of America, N.A.
claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Auburn, numbered 32 Alpine Trail, given by Gene L. Dow to Liberty Funding Services Inc., dated October 10, 2002, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 27852, Page 228 and as affected by a judgment dated and recorded with said Registry on June 10, 2020, in Book No. 62566, at Page 55 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 June 27, 2022, 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 May 16, 2022. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
2017070228
May 27, 2022

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 408 Pakachoag Street, Auburn, Massachusetts
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jennifer C. Sandstrom to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Embrace Home Loans, Inc. and now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, said mortgage dated March 23, 2018, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds, in Book 58577 at Page 234, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated June 4, 2020, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 62533 at Page 23, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated May 20, 2020, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 62533 at Page 299, 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 June 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon, situated in Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, at the corner of Maple Drive and Pakachoag Street, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner of Maple Drive and Pakachoag Street;
THENCE by the easterly line of Maple Drive N. 17° 18' W. one hundred fifty-six and three tenths (156.30) feet;
THENCE by land now or formerly of Whitaker-Irish-Perry Realty Company N. 71° 44' E. thirty-three and four hundredths (33.04) feet;
THENCE S. 17° 18' E., by said land of Whitaker-Irish-Perry Realty Company, thirty-five and five hundredths (35.05) feet;
THENCE S. 28° E. one hundred (100) feet to the north line of Pakachoag Street;
THENCE by Pakachoag Street S. 48° 33' W. fifty-eight and one tenth (58.10) feet to the place of beginning.
Being Lot #7 as shown on "Plan of Lots, Auburn, Mass. Whitaker, Irish and Perry Realty Co." by Samuel H. Pitcher Company, Civil Engineers, recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Book 2425, Page 162.

Meaning and intending to describe the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagor by deed from Alison D. Carberry Gottlieb f/k/a Alison D. Carberry and Adam M. Gottlieb, herewith recorded at Worcester District Registry of Deeds. The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated March 9, 2018, and recorded in Book 58577 at Page 232 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.

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.: 21-03984
May 27, 2022
June 3, 2022
June 10, 2022

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by David V. Shablin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, dated May 17, 2018 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 58871, Page 23 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns to Longbridge Financial LLC, recorded on November 9, 2021, in Book No. 66491, at Page 72 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 PM on June 24, 2022, on the mortgaged premises located at 27 Chestnut Avenue, Auburn, Worcester County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The Property is located in the county of Worcester, state of MA, and is described as follows: Land situated in the Town of Auburn in the County of Worcester in the State of MA SITUATED ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF CHESTNUT AVENUE. BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE WESTERLY LINE OF CHESTNUT AVENUE, FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY (560) FEET NORTHERLY FROM THE INTERSECTION OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF CHESTNUT AVENUE WITH THE NORTHERLY LINE OF BOYCE STREET, AND RUNNING N. 63° W. ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR AND 7/10 (174.7) FEET TO LAND NOW OR FORMERLY OF G.E. LACOURSE; THENCE N. 33° E. BY LAND OF SAID LACOURSE ONE HUNDRED SIXTY AND 8/10 (160.8) FEET; THENCE S. 63° E. ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT AND 4/10 (158.4) FEET TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF CHESTNUT AVENUE; THENCE S. 27° W. BY SAID AVENUE ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (160) FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, TOGETHER WITH A RIGHT OF WAY OVER SAID CHESTNUT AVENUE.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 9358, Page 341.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C.,

150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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

Longbridge Financial LLC
Present holder of said mortgage
By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
20692
May 27, 2022
June 6, 2022
June 10, 2022

THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
Town of Auburn
OFFICE OF THE
COLLECTOR OF TAXES

The owners or occupants of the following described parcels of land situated in the Town of Auburn in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the year hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as Collector of Taxes for the Town of Auburn, by the Board of Assessors of said Auburn, remain unpaid, and that said parcels of land will be taken for the said Town of Auburn, on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. for the non-payment of said taxes, fees and interest, if any, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

Elizabeth M. Causey. Land in said Auburn, with the buildings thereon, at 19 Forest Dr., shown as Lot 38 on Assessor's Map 5, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.54092, P.39.
2021 tax (bal) \$2,671.45.

James R. and Deborah J. Courtney. Land in said Auburn, with the buildings thereon at 24 Inwood Rd., shown as Lot 71 on Assessor's Map 31, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.23230, P.11.
2021 tax (bal) \$1,367.97.

O. Warren Creelman. Land in said Auburn, with the buildings thereon, at 181 Boyce St., shown as Lot 61 on Assessor's Map 10, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.29059, P.29.
2021 tax (bal) \$1,493.59.

Anna and Gary Ferguson. Land in said Auburn, with the buildings thereon, at 12 Wellman St. shown as Lot 32 on Assessor's Map 10, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B 61571, P.77.
2021 tax (bal) \$2,221.71

Matthew S. and Katherine L. Holton. Land in said Auburn, with the buildings thereon, at 6 Berlin St., shown as Lot 207 on Assessor's Map 24, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.36943, P.388.
2021 tax (bal) \$1,240.76.

Jonathan Gabriel, Trustee of Central Street Realty Trust. Land in said Auburn, at 24 Central St., shown as Lot 115 on Assessor's Map 41, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.43841, P.88.
2021 tax (bal) \$993.38.
Supposed subsequent owner: J. Jill Development, LLC.

Donald Prouty. Land in said Auburn, with buildings thereon, at 98 Tinker Hill Rd., shown as Lot 28 on Assessor's Map 59, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.57205, P.148.
2021 tax (bal) \$722.33.

Mark Tapley. Land in said Auburn, with buildings thereon at 6 Woodland Rd., shown as Lot 151 on Assessor's Map 5, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.52632, P.259.
2021 tax (bal) \$604.72.

Phyllis M. Vario. Land in said Auburn, with buildings thereon, at 52 Harrison Ave., shown as Lot 56 on Assessor's Map 33, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.32365, P.14.
2021 tax (bal) \$393.36.

Francis K. and Gertrude M. Votour. Land in said Auburn, with buildings thereon, at 273 Bryn Mawr Ave., shown as Lot 46 on Assessor's Map 47, described in Worc. Dist. Deeds, B.4658, P.93.
2021 tax (bal) \$1,962.95.
May 27, 2022

SPORTS

Auburn at the top of SWCL boys' track and field team championship

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

OXFORD — The 12 member schools of the Southern Worcester County League took to Oxford High for the annual boys' track and field championship meet, which took place on Tuesday, May 17.

Under mild but at times breezy conditions, Auburn High won the team title, accumulating 103 points. The Rockets bested second place Oxford by 24 points.

Individually, Leicester High's Teddy Miller was a triple winner, taking firsts in the 400-meter dash, 110-meter hurdles and long jump events. Uxbridge High's Lincoln Schiller (one-mile run, 800-meter run) and Oxford's Darius Richardson (100-meter dash, 200-meter dash) each were double winners.

Each event handed out 31 possible points, with first place taking 10 points, second earning 8, third grabbing 6, fourth getting 4, fifth taking 2 and sixth receiving 1.

- The results are as follows:
- Team Standings
1. Auburn, 103 points
 2. Oxford, 79
 3. Grafton, 67.5
 4. Uxbridge, 58
 5. Millbury, 55
 6. Tantasqua, 53
 7. Leicester, 50
 8. David Prouty 12
 9. Quaboag, 10
 10. Northbridge, 7
 11. Southbridge, 1.5

Individual Results

- 100-Meter Dash
1. Darius Richardson, Oxford, 11.44
 2. Aditya Kaki, Grafton, 11.58
 3. Myles Craft, Oxford, 11.64
 4. Zack Oliveira, Uxbridge, 11.69
 5. Julian Kondratowicz, David Prouty, 11.72
 6. Tyler Schold, Millbury, 11.79
- 200-Meter Dash
1. Darius Richardson, Oxford, 23.46
 2. Aditya Kaki, Grafton, 23.613
 3. Tyler Schold, Millbury, 23.618
 4. Cameron Caso, Uxbridge, 23.93
 5. Julian Kondratowicz, David Prouty, 24.08
 6. Myles Craft, Oxford, 24.14
- 400-Meter Dash
1. Teddy Miller, Leicester, 51.68
 2. Ryan Gleason, Millbury, 54.09
 3. Dominic Murphy, Tantasqua, 54.54
 4. Tyler Kwamo, Auburn, 56.35
 5. Makarious Mansour, Uxbridge, 56.63
 6. Avery Mitchem, Tantasqua, 57.43



Nick Ethier photos

Area schools competed in the Southern Worcester County League boys' track and field championship meet at Oxford High on Tuesday, May 17.

- 800-Meter Run
1. Lincoln Schiller, Uxbridge, 2:09.30
 2. Vincent Miles, Auburn, 2:09.95
 3. Dylan Delage, Leicester, 2:16.46
 4. Jason Fournier, Leicester, 2:18.05
 5. Abhinav Sood, Grafton, 2:20.00
 6. Mike Burns, Millbury, 2:20.62
- One-Mile Run
1. Lincoln Schiller, Uxbridge, 4:55.74
 2. Nevan Kelley, Grafton, 4:58.77
 3. Luke Herren, Grafton, 5:03.44
 4. Camden Foley, Tantasqua, 5:07.17
 5. Vincent Miles, Auburn, 5:18.55
 6. Camden Stone, Oxford, 5:22.70
- Two-Mile Run
1. Aidan Ross, Uxbridge, 10:57.65
 2. Nevan Kelley, Grafton, 11:21.92
 3. Luke Herren, Grafton, 11:22.26
 4. Jason Fournier, Leicester, 11:27.87
 5. Mike Burns, Millbury, 11:30.68
 6. Jamie Hozier, Millbury, 11:33.45
- 110-Meter Hurdles
1. Teddy Miller, Leicester, 15.75
 2. Cameron McNally, Auburn, 16.82
 3. Avant Fitzpatrick, Tantasqua, 17.22
- 400-Meter Hurdles
1. Cameron McNally, Auburn, 1:01.87
 2. Bryce Tessier, Tantasqua, 1:02.48
 3. William Owusu, Oxford, 1:02.73
 4. Nolan Charbonneau, Millbury, 1:03.38
 5. Anthony Phillip, Millbury, 1:04.13
 6. Cooper White, Leicester, 1:05.31
- 4x100-Meter Relay
1. Uxbridge (Cameron Caso, Zack Oliveira, Thatcher Sweeney, Camden Lachapelle), 47.08
 2. Oxford (Brett Morgan, Sam Zostant, Kalimbiro Bujliriri, Robert Fisher), 48.00
 3. Tantasqua (Cameron Murphy, Avant Fitzpatrick, Nathan Winco, Brad Ellithorpe), 48.37
 4. Millbury (Sergio Hernandez, Mario Vincequere, Jemil Jalloh, Tyler Vacarro), 48.62
 5. Auburn (James Almeida, Owen Fitzgerald, Kweku Akese, Blake O'Brien), 49.40
 6. Grafton (Alex Inciong, Nicholas St. George, Daniel Lettery, Alonzo Carpenter-Hill), 49.42
- 4x400-Meter Relay
1. Auburn (Jackson Bolduc, Gavin Groh, Nathan Leboeuf,



- Tyler Kwamo), 3:55.82
2. Tantasqua (Joshua Baldracchi, Dylan Thompson, Camden Foley, James Segatore), 3:57.04
 3. Grafton (Nicholas St. George, Cooper Berube, Andrew Samaha, Logan Mayo), 4:05.29
 4. Millbury (Ryan Gleason, Sergio Hernandez, Jemil Jalloh, Nolan Clark), 4:05.92
 5. Uxbridge (Matt Healey, Tyler Bergman, Makarious Mansour, Tyler Erickson), 4:07.48
 6. Leicester (Dylan Delage, Giovanni Aguiar Ortiz, Xavier Morales, Tyler Herron), 4:10.70
- High Jump
1. Owen Stevens, Quaboag, 6-00
 2. Tyler Kwamo, Auburn, 5-10
 3. Caden Ashmore, Grafton, 5-10
 4. Anthony Phillip, Millbury, 5-06
 5. Jackson Shea, Grafton, 5-04
 5. Michael Cook-Ramos, Southbridge, 5-04
- Long Jump
1. Teddy Miller, Leicester, 20-09.00
 2. Brett Morgan, Oxford, 18-11.25
 3. Tyler Schold, Millbury, 17-11.50
 4. Nathan Winco, Tantasqua, 17-11.25
 5. George Adrianoplous, Millbury, 17-10.75
 6. Glen Kelley, Grafton, 17-10.00
- Triple Jump
1. Tyler Kwamo, Auburn, 42-02.50
 2. Kweku Akese, Auburn, 41-08.00
 3. William Owusu, Oxford, 40-03.00
 4. Myles Craft, Oxford, 38-03.50
 5. Adam Hillerstrom, Grafton, 37-02.50
 6. Tyler Schold, Millbury, 36-05.50
- Shot Put
1. Anthony Lataille, Tantasqua, 43-09.00
 2. Owen Fitzgerald, Auburn, 41-00.00
 3. Ian Gahan, Northbridge, 38-06.00
 4. Sam Zostant, Oxford, 37-00.00
 5. Garrett Papierski, Auburn, 36-10.00
 6. Keating Oliver, Auburn, 35-10.00
- Discus Throw
1. Owen Fitzgerald, Auburn, 115-06
 2. Gathan Chaput, David Prouty, 110-07
 3. Garrett Papierski, Auburn, 104-05
 4. Ryan Schiappa, Grafton, 102-05
 5. Sam Zostant, Oxford, 99-00
 6. Ian Gahan, Northbridge, 94-09
- Javelin Throw
1. Aidan VanArsdelan, Oxford, 125-00
 2. Jason Bein, Millbury, 114-11
 3. Tyler Erickson, Uxbridge, 114-09
 4. Teddy Miller, Leicester, 113-01
 5. Gavin Groh, Auburn, 110-07
 6. Robert Fisher, Oxford, 109-00

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

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

Water & Sewer Commission approves 2 percent sewer rate increase

CHARLTON – The Charlton Water & Sewer Commission finalized and approved a 2 percent sewer rate increase during a public hearing on May 10.

The hearing, which was livestreamed on Zoom, received no public input either during the discussion itself or through written correspondence leading the commission to approve the increase with no opposition. The move should come as no surprise to anyone who has followed the Water & Sewer Commission's meetings over the last six months. Water & Sewer Superintendent Peter Boria proposed a sewer rate study in December of 2021 and members proposed the actual increase in March of 2022. The increase will be in effect for

the 2023 Fiscal Year.

With no public comments, commissioners had little to say however Commissioner Russ Jennings repeated similar warnings posed in prior meetings, that if the smaller increase wasn't implemented now then larger increases would be required later.

"I think naturally, this commission is always very frugal and very considerate of the taxpayers. I think everything around us has gone up. Naturally the cost has gone up for us as well and if we don't make these little slight increases along the way what potentially can happen is we'll all of a sudden hit a major bump in the road where we have to jack it up 12 percent and then there will be a

lot of people at this hearing," Jennings said. "The slight increase, we all adapt to it. No one likes increase taxes. I'm the last person who ever wants to do so. This is a service as a tax, but it's definitely warranted and needed at this time in my estimation."

With that the public hearing was closed and the increase called to a vote. The commissioners present, Jennings and Cameron Coleman, voted in favor of the increase. Commission Chair David Cantwell recused himself from the official vote arguing that he is a sewer rate payer, however he did unofficially confirm his support for the increase. Commissioner Jack Rydlak was not present for the meeting.

SPORTS

SWCL girls' track and field team championship goes to Uxbridge

DAVID PROUTY S BARNETT,
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NIKIFOROW ALL DOUBLE WINNERS



Nick Ethier photos

On Wednesday, May 18, Oxford High hosted the 12 Southern Worcester County League schools for the annual girls' track and field championship.

BY NICK ETHIER
SPORTS EDITOR

OXFORD — One day after the boys' meet, the girls' track and field teams had their turn at the annual Southern Worcester County League championships on Wednesday, May 18. Uxbridge High won the team championship with 120 points under pristine temperatures and a sunny sky. The Spartans defeated second place Tantasqua Regional, who scored 84 points. On the individual side, there were three double winners. David Prouty Regional's Eliana Barnett (100-meter dash, 200-meter dash), Auburn High's Katherine DeFosse (100-meter hurdles, long jump) and Millbury High's Mila Nikiforow (one-mile run, 800-meter run) all won two events. There were 31 points available in each event, points being awarded in a 10-8-6-4-2-1 scale for finishing in first through sixth place.

The results are as follows:

Team Standings

- 1. Uxbridge, 120 points
- 2. Tantasqua, 84
- 3. Grafton, 78
- 4. Auburn, 58
- 5. Leicester, 52
- 6. Oxford, 38
- 7. Millbury, 32
- 8. David Prouty, 31
- 9. Quaboag, 3

Individual Results

100-Meter Dash

- 1. Eliana Barnett, David Prouty, 13.25
- 2. Breanna Escobar, Leicester, 13.66
- 3. Ellie Makowiecki, Oxford, 13.72
- 4. Jacquelyn Gilbert, Millbury, 13.76
- 5. Lili Shiers, Tantasqua, 13.78
- 6. Tess Chevalier, Tantasqua, 13.80

200-Meter Dash

- 1. Eliana Barnett, David Prouty, 27.95
- 2. Ava Chevalier, Tantasqua, 28.36
- 3. Shaless Reddick, Auburn, 28.69
- 4. Haley McCormack, Tantasqua, 28.701
- 5. Sydney Mercadante, Auburn, 28.705
- 6. Morgan Kates, David Prouty, 28.82

400-Meter Dash

- 1. Allie Shrayser, Grafton, 1:04.53
- 2. Kendall Gilmore, Uxbridge, 1:06.02
- 3. Nicole Dupuis, Grafton, 1:07.67
- 4. Kaylee Tavares, Uxbridge, 1:08.43
- 5. Grace Kates, David Prouty, 1:09.29
- 6. Rian Fadden, Leicester, 1:09.43

800-Meter Run

- 1. Mila Nikiforow, Millbury, 2:33.66

- 2. Molly Hilditch, Auburn, 2:35.38
- 3. Olivia Magierowski, Tantasqua, 2:39.97
- 4. Karina Sargent, Auburn, 2:41.41
- 5. Abigail Deary, Uxbridge, 2:41.82
- 6. Anabel Melanson, Quaboag, 2:42.97

One-Mile Run

- 1. Mila Nikiforow, Millbury, 5:39.75
- 2. Grace Cummings, Grafton, 5:59.86
- 3. Julia Philbrook, Uxbridge, 6:12.76
- 4. Elle Bristol, Grafton, 6:14.68
- 5. Parker Tunley, Quaboag, 6:15.50
- 6. Abigail Gahagan, Leicester, 6:17.61

Two-Mile Run

- 1. Abigail Bernabei, Leicester, 13:00.80
- 2. Alena Duval, Grafton, 13:53.86
- 3. Haley Courtney, Tantasqua, 13:58.91
- 4. Jemma DePasquale, Grafton, 14:05.49
- 5. Sabrina Tibedo, Uxbridge, 14:17.21
- 6. Ghislaine Brenner, Grafton, 14:31.72

100-Meter Hurdles

- 1. Katherine DeFosse, Auburn, 15.13
- 2. Kathryn Cahill, Uxbridge, 15.90
- 3. Haley McCormack, Tantasqua, 17.96
- 4. Katie Riley, Tantasqua, 18.123
- 5. Mariko Partin, Grafton, 18.130
- 6. Megan Raymond, Oxford, 19.45

- 400-Meter Hurdles
- 1. Kathryn Cahill, Uxbridge, 1:08.29
- 2. Katherine DeFosse, Auburn, 1:08.36
- 3. Claire Godek, Tantasqua, 1:19.50
- 4. Niamh McSweeney, Uxbridge, 1:23.55
- 5. Claire Bertrand, Millbury, 1:25.02
- 6. Maryah Moldrow, Millbury, 1:26.78

4x100-Meter Relay

- 1. Tantasqua (Ava Chevalier, Tess Chevalier, Lili Shiers, Katie Riley), 54.67
- 2. Oxford (Adrianna Roszkowski, Annie Maynard, Ashlyn Hebert, Ellie Makowiecki), 55.65
- 3. David Prouty (Emilee Larson, Alivia Sauvageau, Grace Kates, Morgan Kates), 56.29
- 4. Grafton (Emily Moreau, Casey Dunlap, Emma Bittel, Sade Carpenter-Schatzman), 56.34
- 5. Leicester (Alexa Butler, Jordan Clarke, Taylor Waterman, Abigail Johnson), 56.64
- 6. Millbury (Jacquelyn Gilbert, Jenna Boria, Hannah Irish, Isabella Raymond), 57.34

4x400-Meter Relay

- 1. Grafton (Katie Branda, Elle Bristol, Nicole Dupuis, Allie Shrayser), 4:38.47
- 2. Auburn (Lilah Delongchamp, Sofia Fortunato, Mya Benoit, Chloe Foster), 4:48.67
- 3. Tantasqua (Claire Godek, Tessa Kline, Olivia Magierowski, Haley Courtney), 4:50.06

- 4. Uxbridge (Olivia Holden, Milla Mace, Sabrina Tibedo, Kaylee Tavares), 4:51.44
- 5. Oxford (Juliana Small, Jewelisa Richardson, Ana Neves, Molly Raymond), 5:16.78
- 6. Leicester (Abigail Bernabei, Alexis Herbert, Bujak Grace, Rian Fadden), 5:21.75

High Jump

- 1. Haley McCormack, Tantasqua, 5-02
- 2. Megan Raymond, Oxford, 4-10
- 3. Lili Shiers, Tantasqua, 4-06
- 4. Mariko Partin, Grafton, 4-06
- 5. Breanna Escobar, Leicester, 4-04
- 6. Jordan Patterson, Leicester, 4-04

Long Jump

- 1. Katherine DeFosse, Auburn, 16-11.00
- 2. Kathryn Cahill, Uxbridge, 15-10.50
- 3. Tori Paulauskos, Grafton, 15-08.50
- 4. Kendall Gilmore, Uxbridge, 15-00.00
- 5. Tess Chevalier, Tantasqua, 14-11.00
- 6. Annie Maynard, Oxford, 14-08.50

Triple Jump

- 1. Tori Paulauskos, Grafton, 33-09.00
- 2. Kathryn Cahill, Uxbridge, 33-07.00
- 3. Breanna Escobar, Leicester, 33-01.00
- 4. Ava Chevalier, Tantasqua, 32-05.00
- 5. Haley McCormack, Tantasqua, 31-11.50
- 6. Mariko Partin, Grafton, 31-07.50

Shot Put

- 1. Saige Frazier, Uxbridge, 28-11.00
- 2. Lily Brayman, Uxbridge, 28-10.00
- 3. Payton Banfill, Oxford, 28-02.00
- 4. Jewelisa Richardson, Oxford, 26-08.25
- 5. Emilee Larson, David Prouty, 25-11.25
- 6. Rachel Rapose, Tantasqua, 25-08.50

Discus Throw

- 1. Lily Brayman, Uxbridge, 86-03
- 2. Gianna Noyes, Uxbridge, 80-01
- 3. Milla Mace, Uxbridge, 75-02
- 4. Elizabeth Mitchell, Millbury, 74-04
- 5. Nina Dykas, Leicester, 74-01
- 6. Emma Robertson, Oxford, 69-07

Javelin Throw

- 1. Abigail Johnson, Leicester, 91-07
- 2. Sarah Brouillard, Leicester, 89-00
- 3. Gianna Noyes, Uxbridge, 76-06
- 4. Milla Mace, Uxbridge, 76-03
- 5. Mya Benoit, Auburn, 75-00
- 6. Hannah Harris, Oxford, 74-06

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percent longer than pessimists and are associated with better overall health. My father, who started this column, was an optimist. I think about his life often and am amazed at his accomplishments. There is no way he could have done the things he did if he had a negative mindset. He remains an inspiration and a guiding light in my life. Were you once optimistic, but became pessimistic? Have you always been a pessimist but are unhappy and want more from life? Change your thinking, have some faith, and give optimism a chance.



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LEICESTER - 5 KEEFE COURT



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LAND: WEBSTER/OXFORD/PUTNAM

OXFORD - NEW LISTING! LAND - General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! LAND with 4,095 SF Metal Building! 124 SOUTHBIDGE RD (RTE 20). Town Sewer Project Plans are Approved. 22,884 sq. ft. Level Lot. 140 ft of road frontage. **EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES! \$795,000.**
OXFORD - LAND - RTE 20 General Business Zoned! Marijuana OVERLAY DISTRICT! Vacant LAND, Level & cleared. 39,549 SF. **ON DEPOSIT \$419,000.**
Putnam - LAND Zoned General Business 23 acre 103' frontage. Water, Sewer, & city gas available. 2 street entrances. **\$125,000**
Oxford - 2 Merriam Rd 80+/- Wooded Acres in Oxford & Charlton. **ON DEPOSIT \$329,000.**
Webster - Cooper Rd - 3 BUILDABLE LOTS! Water & Sewer Access! **SORRY, SOLD! \$79,900.**

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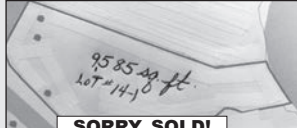
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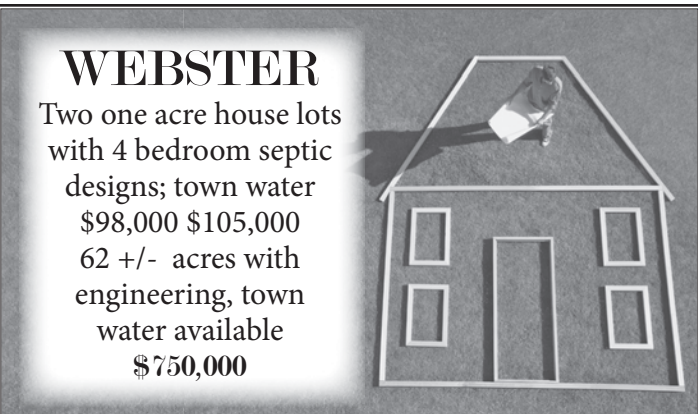
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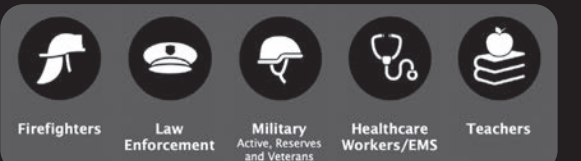
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We can also enjoy the great outdoors, fishing, hunting, attend cookouts, etc. because of the sacrifices that were made by our veterans. This weekend many families will head out to do some fishing at local ponds or at the ocean where it can become quite hectic at some of the boat ramps in previous years. Before launching your boat, you need to remember to have it ready before pulling onto the ramp. Removing all hold down straps and placing all coolers and fishing gear, and life preserves into the boat, prior to pulling onto the ramp, needs to be done. It should take less than five minutes to launch your boat, and make way for the next person waiting in line. If you have a problem launching your boat, ask someone for help.

First time boat owners often have a hard time backing onto a boat ramp, and most boat owners will gladly help out, which will keep the line moving and everyone will get onto the water to fish and enjoy the day, with family and friends. There are also a couple of impatient anglers that are waiting to launch their boats every year, and become agitated when they are required to wait very long to get onto the water. Do not let them ruin your day! In the past, fights have broken out, and innocent boat owners & family end up having their day ruined. Do not let this happen to you!

On the brighter side, I can remember fishing with my late brother Mel when we were around eight or nine years old at the Meadow pond in Whitinsville. We were brought up fishing on the Meadow pond and Arcade Pond, and basically, the two ponds were our playground. Our parents were not overly concerned about our safety, as the world then was a lot safer than today. Anyway, we were fishing with our cheap steel rods that came in a long aluminum tube with a cheap reel that had no drag on them,

and we used our thumb to slow the line when a fish was hooked.

It was not long before a bully decided he was going to push my brother Mel out of his spot. He was a bit older by couple of years, but my brother held his ground. Suddenly, the bully decided to make a cast with his somewhat high-priced fishing gear and hooked my brother in the side of the head. We both quickly jumped on our bikes and headed for home, after breaking the line from the pole. I managed to get home first to tell my mother that Mel had a hook in the side of his head. As Mel pulled into the back yard of our house on Main Street, you could hear him crying rather loudly. Mel was taken to the ER. and had the hook removed, no worse for the incident. The next day, the bully had the nerve to ask for his fishing lure back that I have till this day, minus the hook on one side. Just another day growing up in Whitinsville in the Fortys.

A report from Captain Mel True of "Fish Net Charters" stated that Buzzards Bay was slow fishing for seabass this past weekend, although he managed to get his clients their limit

of four fish each. Then they went & fished for Tautog, and limited out with the three fish limit. Reports of stripers being caught in the bay, and in the Providence River last week was good news. The bottom line is that the cost to go fishing for a few fish these days is hurting the small charter boats this year, & with the severe restrictions on species of fish and price of gas, even the private boat owner is complaining about the cost to do a little fishing.

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