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Bay Path nurse educators learn about diversity

WORKCROSS — Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy facility (pictured above), Dr. Sarah Gent, INP, Msn, Mba, RN, Professor Angela McGrath, RN, RN; Dr Ana Luis Oliveira, EdD, MN, CRN, and Dr Cecilia Bonilla-Beltran, EdD, CRN, all completed the MARILN (Massachusetts Rhode Island League for Nursing) Fall Conference at the Hogan Center, College of the Holy Cross, all earning 6 contact hours. The confer-
cence, “Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging: How my? Let’s build the Competencies” was led by Dr Janina Sampere. Dr Sampere is an accomplished nurse educator and scholar with a passion for pro-
moting health equity and antiracism in nursing education. She holds a PhD from the University of Pennsylvania Schools of Nursing and has served as a Clinical Associate Professor at Temple University School of Nursing and a Clinical Assistant Professor at Texas A&M University School of Nursing. In 2012, she completed her post doc at Harvard for her external in teaching. She is a Certified Nurse Educator and a Personalized Teaching Fellow. As a 2020 Macy Faculty Scholar, Dr Sampere’s scholarship focuses on facilitating faculty development to build the competencies and capacity for anti-rac-
et teaching. A sought after speaker; she actively contributes to equity and justice efforts in nursing through her involvement in various organizations. Dr Sampere believes that educators must be motivated to transform-
in nursing education, focusing on diversity and antiracism, in order for inclusive learning to continue to have a positive impact in the field.

The presentation allowed participants to reflect upon what is meant by structural racism and, through self-ref-
lection, allowed partic-
ipants to develop tools to build diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging principles into course content, syllabi, and assignments. Attendees also learned about the moun-
ted of structural racism and engaged in self-explo-
ration to acquire the tools necessary to incorporate inclusive content (Affirmation, inclusion, & belonging) into course content, syllabi, and assignments.

Conference learning objectives included nam-
ing race purpose and motivation for wanting to create inclusive learning environments, establishing the importance of cre-
ing inclusive environments in nursing educa-
tion, and supporting the need for introspection (inter-
working) as tools for achieving external action, and dia-
tologuing about antiracism and the impact of issues on those who are impacted. Attendees noted LOBEL OLIVAR.

The Massachusetts Rhode Island League for Nursing (MARILN) is a constituent of the Nursing Organization (NON) that aims to improve health care by promoting high quality, safe and cost effective nursing practice. A broad range of other organized nursing services by encouraging nursing through nursing education and selecting educational and scholarship to students in nursing programs to encourage their educati-
on. Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy runs a 6-week evening program that begins mid-August and ends mid-August, and MARILN is fully approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Division of Professional Licensure, and the Board of Public Health, Board of Registration in Nursing (www.mass.gov/dph/ registration). Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is accredited by the Commission on Occupational Education (www.counc.org).

Webster — Samuel Slater’s place in US history is as the “Father of the American Industrial Revolution,” though in his native England he is known as “Slater the Traitor” for bringing proprietary technology to the colonies. The Slater family built and operated dreams of textile mills in Rhode Island, central Massachusetts, and Connecticut, dominating the industry for more than a century.

It is the story that filmmaker Christopher Benoist tells in his documentary “Slatersville: America’s First Mill Village” which aired on Rhode Island PBS last year and now streams internationally. The 5-part series was funded with two regional Boston New England Emmy Nominations for Outstanding Documentary and Outstanding Musical Composition, which it received, a Gold Telly award for culture series and three film festival awards.

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Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy attends MassHire Career Fair

SOUTHBRIDGE – MassHire Southbridge Career Fair was successfully held Thursday, Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Southbridge Career Center. The Career Center is located on the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center, 1 Mechanic St., Suite 200. Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy was one of the featured training providers. The career fair was open to the public, and more than 100 training candidates attended. Prospective training with MassHire is eligible for MassHire grant funds were provided at the event. All information will be shared with training providers, ten area employers were also in attendance.

MassHire Career Center has maintained its strong support for the Practical Nursing Students of Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy in Charlton for the past several years, serving as a resource center. Practical Nursing students are on the cusp of starting their career path and need preparation and assistance in the form of funding. The Practical Nursing students are academically qualified and the students who desire to pursue a career in the healthcare system. MassHire gives our prac-
tional nursing students a chance to master their expertise in nursing skills and help make a difference in their lives as they start their nurs-
ing careers. Career readiness is a significant focus for MassHire. For the aca-
demic year 2023-2024, multiple practical nurs-
ing students received assistance.

In addition to providing ready to work support, MassHire offers an on-the-job-handson assistance is available. MassHire also works closely with prac-
ticing vendors when they graduate, providing support and assistance with NCLEX-
Labs preparation and the actual exam. Added work skills are also included in resume-writing techniques, job interview- ing best practice, and other skills that not only help during a job search but are also relevant once they’re in the workforce. 

The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is fully approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health, Board of Registration in Nursing (www.mass.gov/dph/ boards/rn). The Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Occupational Education (www.accoe.org).

Woodstock poet launches new book

REGION — Woodstock poet Karen Warrenyc will host a reading at Tidepool Bookshop, 372 East Main St., Webster; Monday, Nov. 14, 5-7 p.m. Tidepool Bookshop, 774 St. Chandler St., Suite 102, will host a reading on Nov. 15, 4-6 p.m. The Reading Room, 604 River St., will host a reading on Nov. 16, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Town Hall, 201 South Street, Auburn.

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Want to receive updates about our upcoming events? Sign up today by visiting our website or by contacting Program Coordinator, Randa Cox via email at rcox@cwmars.org.

Spice Club Each month we will feature a new spice, recipes, and coordination. Stop by the library to grab a sample from your favorite spice, then take it home and cook! October’s Spice is All Spices.

Are you a Collector of Old Books? Come check out our display upstairs that could be added to your collection.

New Art Exhibit Arrives
Come check out the new art exhibit! This month we have four artists from Massachusetts. RONO Adan, Joanna Raddillo, John O’Connor, and Susan Wathen will be exhibiting their art in this month's gallery.

CLUES ACROSS
1. Heavy, Air, Water, Fire, Earth
2. Pie a la mode
3. Pie with chocolate
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CLUES DOWN
1. Mountain in the Alps
2. A familiar read or movie
3. Trade agreement
4. Large
5. Egg
6. Dark
7. Far
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TODDLER TIME!
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday午 11:45 AM
Join us for Toddler Time! We will be exploring a new letter each week, starting with A and ending in the spring with Z.

LEARN TO PLAY DEGREGO’S DRUMS!
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:30 AM
All quitters and would-be quitters are invited to join our new group. Bring your project.

LEARN TO PLAY DEGREGO’S DRUMS!
Tuesday 11:45 AM
Are you looking to play a game that contains art, adventure, and drama? Have you experienced Dungeon Master can create one role-playing game. We are missing just one thing... JOS! This is for those that are looking more about playing and do some short adventures!

Open to ages 10+, 12 under must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required for this free program.

KNOT & CROCHET GROUP
Thursday 3:30 PM and Friday 10:00 AM
All stitchers are welcome for this informal group.

LEGO CLUB
Tuesday and Saturday of each month at 11:45 AM
Join us each week for a different Lego challenges from storing your own Lego to making a Lego pirate. Ages 3+

POKER CARD TRAINING
4th Saturday of each month at 11:45 AM
Children are invited to bring their Poker cards for informal card teaching and discussion.

MOVIE MONDAYS
Mondays at 2:00 PM
Join us each Monday for a movie and popcorn. No names are new releases. Nov 6

ADULT BOOK GROUP
Monday Nov 13 at 11:00 AM
All are welcome to join our adult book group for a discussion of this month’s title, The Secret Cinema, by T.C. Bous. Copies of the current title are available at the circulation desk one month prior to the discussion.

MOVIE TUESDAYS
Tuesdays at 2:00 PM
Join us for a Magic movie with your friends! Ages welcome! 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Sponsored by the Hugh and Harriet Cranford Endowment.

GLORIOUS WEEKEND! Segeer to Mary and Paul McKenzie. Sing along to 1960s’ folk rock music. Lyrics will be provided. Closed November 11 for Veteran’s Day. Closed November 23 for Thanksgiving.

FLYING ORCHID HOUSE STAYS GET A FACELIFT
The tall stately and lovely of the First Congregational Church of Oxford that has towered over Oxford Center since 1829 recently received structure and exterior enhancements thanks to a generous grant from the Janet Malser Humanities Fund of the Community Foundation of the Greater Oxford area. The steeple was topped throughout New England. In 2021 the steeple was recently topped in Boston in 1858 by Henry Hooper, an apprentice of Paul Revere, thanks to a generous grant from the Janet Malser Humanities Fund of the Community Foundation of the Greater Oxford area. The steeple was topped in Boston in 2021. The tall steeple and belfry of the First Congregational Church of Andover, Massachusetts, is topped throughout New England. In 2021 the steeple was recently topped in Boston in 1858 by Henry Hooper, an apprentice of Paul Revere, thanks to a generous grant from the Janet Malser Humanities Fund of the Community Foundation of the Greater Oxford area.
Central One Federal Credit Union matches $2,500 raised by employees to benefit UMass Cancer Walk

SOUTHBRIDGE — Central One Federal Credit Union employees proudly participated in the 2023 UMass Cancer Walk, an annual event that raises vital funding and awareness for cancer research at UMass Chan Medical School in Worcester. Through their fundraising efforts, their team, named “The Central One-ders,” received a $70,000 grant from Fundación MAPFRE, a global non-profit organization that provides social assistance and promotes road safety. The grant is the first major donation by the foundation in the U.S.

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Fundación MAPFRE donates $70,000 to United Way for child care and nutrition programs

SOUTHBRIDGE — United Way of South Central MA (UWSCM) is pleased to announce that it has received a $70,000 grant from Fundación MAPFRE, a global non-profit organization that provides social assistance and promotes road safety. The grant is the first major gift this year that will support UWSCM’s Gap Campaign, which provides funding for critical childcare and nutrition programs in South Central Massachusetts.

“We are grateful to Fundación MAPFRE for their generous support of our partner agencies that provide affordable childcare and nutrition services for families so they can all thrive,” said Mary O’Coin, Executive Director at UWSCM. “This funding will help us to ensure that childcare and nutrition assistance programs for children and families so they can all thrive.

The Bridge the Gap Campaign supports a variety of programs that provide childcare and nutrition assistance to low-income families in South Central Massachusetts. These programs include:

- Childcare subsidies that help families afford high-quality childcare at the YMCA-A and Boys and Girls Club of Webster/Dudley.
- Nutrition assistance programs through Tri-Valley, Inc. that provide food to older adults and individuals with disabilities.
- A weekly dinner program for families through the YMCA- Tri-Community Branch. What’s for Dinner program.

About Fundación MAPFRE

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SAINT LOUIS CHURCH HOSTS TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT

Saint Louis Church in Webster participated in trunk or treat on Friday, Oct. 27. The included pie, paint your own pumpkins, apple cider and candied yams. For more information, visit our website at www.centrafcu.com.

Rose of Sharon Lodge installs new officers

SOUTHBRIDGE — On Saturday, Oct. 15, the Rose of Sharon Masonic Lodge located on the campus of the Overlook Health Facility in Charlton was busy with a group of family, lodge members and friends. This special occasion was to witness and to celebrate the Installation of New Officers for the 2024 Masonic year. The Rose of Sharon Masonic Lodge was founded in 1927 and continues to thrive and serve our community.

When the Overlook independent living community opened its doors in 2024 Masonic year, the Lodge opened its doors to the Overlook and other senior living communities in Auburn, Milford, Northborough, Shrewsbury, Charlton, Dudley and Webster. UWSCM funds more than 26 programs and services that address the critical needs of the community, including education, income, health and housing.

The 2023 campaign will run through December 31. People can donate online at www.uWSCM.org or by mail to United Way of South Central MA, 17 Main St., Suite 400, MA 01506.
Senior Center will be celebrating November for November, which are helping to support our community: the Women's Knitting group. Come join us if you're interested in creating something beautiful. Donations are appreciated. Reservations for lunch must be made two days in advance: Monday at 11:15 AM and Thursday at 11:45 AM. Please call 922-2275. We will have a brown bag lunch. Your selection will be diverse, so please call ahead to let us know your dietary needs and restrictions. You must call in advance, so we can have your brown bag ready as you request. The cost is this $10 per person.

Thursday, November 2, 2023: Dudley Senior Center will be celebrating birthdays. The Tri Valley Congregate meals are served on Fridays from 11:00 am to 11:30 am. Please call 949-3845 to RSVP and sign up in advance.

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Intelligence is often associated with academic achievement and problem-solving abilities. However, it is equally important to develop wisdom and practical intelligence, which involve using knowledge to make informed decisions and solve problems in real-world contexts.

Open-mindedness is about being receptive to new ideas and perspectives, even if they challenge one's existing beliefs. It involves being willing to consider alternative viewpoints and being open to learning from others.

Humbleness is about acknowledging one's limitations and not being overly self-centered. It involves recognizing the value of others and working collaboratively with them to achieve common goals.

Embrace these virtues in your daily life, and you will find that they truly set remarkable individuals apart. When intelligence, open-mindedness, and humbleness come together, remarkable things happen. Individuals who are not just intelligent but wise, who are not just open-minded but humble, and who are not just competent but genuinely self-aware, create a positive impact they have on the world around them and strive to make choices that contribute positively to their communities.

Pumpkin Seeds, Please!

Sweet and Salty Seeds

In a saucepan over medium heat, stir together two cups each of pumpkin seeds and salt, 1 cup light brown sugar and 1 cup packed brown sugar, 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon, and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Heat until the seeds are golden brown. While the seeds are still warm, sprinkle seeds with an additional cup of brown sugar. Serve!

Pumpkin Seed Granola

Reading in my ears (and the guilt of two children!), I was inspired to make this recipe. Make sure to use a good quality pumpkin seed oil. (If you have an extra press, do both pumpkin and flax oil and add them to your flax meal.)

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- Personal experiences
- Professional insights
- Academic perspectives
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you for a “Spooktacular” time at the Fair!

I'm counting on you readers out there to keep sending in your creative and scary ideas for the next contest! If you have a helpful hint or handy recipe, send it in to our helpful hints column. You might not win, but you could win something for your efforts. Let's see what you can come up with for our next contest.

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Antler analysis

This past weekend was a big hit for me as far as weather for hunting and ice fishing. There is nothing like it to be back out! Deer hunting is not over yet and more antlers will be on display at auctions. A few impressive bucks locally, which sported some very impressive racks, have tipped more than 260 pounds each. The peak period of "Shine" with its bright antler bucker harvested this year left me with how impressive antlers, although the antlers were a bit large for such a large buck. As some hunters would say you can't make a great meal of antlers.

By lifting ourselves, we forge a brighter future for all. This is true of racism, which we encounter Fear (100), our baseline, introducing a strength muscle in the arm. To my surprise, he started to go out on a regular basis and is sure to generate smiles around the house. You may also be surprised when you notice that they're not even thinking about you. A strong response for them is assigned a positivity or 'true,' while a weak response is assigned a negativity or 'false.'

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Mr. Aubin was a member of the V.F.W. Post 58, both in Oxford. He was a member of the Madison Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce and an active member of the Democratic Party. He was a past master of the Lodge No. 240, A.F. & A.M., and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge 1599. Aubin was also active in the Little League and Community Recreation programs in Oxford and Webster. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed spending time at home with his family and friends.

Funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2023, at St. Roch’s Church, 332 Main St., Oxford. Burial will be private.

Richard T. Zachary, 79

Mr. Zachary was a licensed real estate broker in Oxford. He was a founder of the Massachusetts Apartment Owners Association and a past president of the New England Apartment Owners Association. He was also active in the Oxford Chamber of Commerce and served as a member of the Oxford Board of Burglary and Police Commissioners. He was a member of the Oxford Rotary Club and a past president of the Oxford United Fund. He was also a member of the Oxford High School Class of 1958.

A calling period will take place from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the funeral home, with a prayer service at 1:00 p.m. A burial will be private.

Oxford – Eugene "Red" A. Langlois, 84, a resident of Oxford, died on Friday, November 3, 2023, at St. John’s Care Center, Northborough. He was the husband of Denise (Sullivan) Langlois. Mr. Langlois was born on October 31, 1939, in Worcester, the son of the late Alfred F. Langlois and Lucille (Argent) Langlois. He attended the local schools in Oxford, and worked for General Dynamics in West Boylston for 47 years. Mr. Langlois served in the U.S. Navy, and later, a salesman for L.L. Bean. In his free time, he enjoyed playing golf, and spending time at his home on the Rangeley Lake. Mr. Langlois was a member of the Oxford American Legion, the American Legion Post 58, and the American Legion Post 1599. He was a member of the Oxford VFW Post 58, and the Oxford VFW Post 1599, and a member of the Oxford Post 1599. He was a member of the Oxford Fire Department, and a member of the Oxford Police Department. He was a member of the Oxford Elks Lodge, and a member of the Oxford Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the Oxford Shriners, and a member of the Oxford Knights Templar. Mr. Langlois was a member of the Oxford Boys & Girls Club, and a member of the Oxford YWCA. He was a member of the Oxford YWCA, and a member of the Oxford Boys & Girls Club. He was a member of the Oxford Boys & Girls Club, and a member of the Oxford YWCA. He was a member of the Oxford Boys & Girls Club, and a member of the Oxford YWCA.

A calling period will take place on Sunday, November 5, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Elm St., Worcester, MA. A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023, at St. John’s Care Center, Northborough. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 300 Shrewsbury St., Auburn, MA 01501, or to the Oxford Public Library, 16 South Main St., Oxford, MA 01540.

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The land in Town of Webster, County of Worcester, Massachusetts, and recorded with the Worcester County Registrar of Deeds, Book 47320, Page 213, of Massachusetts, bound and described as follows:

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND together with the right of way over Road, ninety-nine and seventy-seven and seventy-five hundredths (99.77) feet to a point on the center line of said Bates Grove Road beginning in the meastwesterly line of said Bates Grove Road, thence northwesterly along the center line of said Bates Grove Road beginning in the meastwesterly line of Lot #209, 208 and 207 the Lake, all as shown on the plan recorded as Plan #230 in Book 236, Page 89, further herein referred to as “Parcels”.

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AUBURN — On Tuesday, Oct. 24, the Class B sectional finals of the Central Mass. Athletic Directors Association (CMADA) girls’ soccer tournament had the Auburn Rockets host the Belchertown Tech (BVT) Beavers visiting the Auburn Rockets. The 9-6-1 Beavers came into the tournament second as the seventh seed, while the Rockets are the No. 2 team with a completed season record of 13-2-1, dropping only one match in their last 15.

Auburn coach Emily Barrioux said before the match, “we’re boiling with excitement; we wanted the mindset that we just need to ‘do our game’; we had a long week last week with three games, with lots of ups and downs.” Barrioux added, “we haven’t faced BVT in many years, but I know they are always a strong program.”

At Monday’s practice, the team discussed the importance of starting this postseason run and that every game counts. Coach Barrioux concluded with, “as long as we move the ball like we can and come out strong, I have no doubt that when my team is on, they will play hard and well.”

 Newly appointed AUB head coach Taylor Arthaud commented on the match that was really looked forward to by both teams. “When you play a game with another, you haven’t faced in many years, it is a fresh start, and we are pleased with the flexibility of our talented team and the way they have come together working as a team, and adapting to new formations during the transition of hand overlaps.”

BVT was pressing Auburn from the first start, pushing into Auburn’s defensive end. But in the 10th minute, it was Auburn who reached the back of the net when Zhunay Moulton to the left of goal and Audrey Bell to the right, fired up two goals, 1-0; 2-1; 1-2; 2-2. As Auburn scored their third goal, Tim Labay equalized on a long shot from outside the box. With side left as the first half, Aubrey sent forward a perfectly weighted pass from Zhunay Moulton to take the match and set Auburn up 2-1 after the first 45 minutes.

Auburn came out in the second half eager to maintain possession of the ball, connecting well, and the wildcat scoring was non-stop, 6-3. 10 minutes into the second half, Auburn pushed past the ball, and they were leading the score 6-3, 7-4. BVT was not able to take advantage of their opportunities in front of Auburn’s goal in the second half. Not quite done for the night, with two game minutes left in the match, Frazier sent her fourth goal of the game for the Rocks. Auburn will then do battle in the Division 3 State Tournament. Valley Tech then played No. 3 Hudson as a CMADA consolation contest, finishing Oct. 27, losing a 3:2 decision. BVT will next play in the same Division 3 State Tournament.

In battle of postseason bound teams, undefeated Spartans defeat Auburn

Auburn’s Zach Wetzel tries to find a closing through Uxbridge’s defense.

WEBSTER — The Uxbridge varsity football team kept its playoff hopes alive with a 22-7 victory over Shrewsbury last Friday, Oct. 27. The regular season will now look ahead to the Division 7 State Tournament.

The Wildcats secured a victory in their final game, capping off a successful 2023 season. The young Wildcats continued to improve on a weekly basis.

As the final game approached, the Wildcats were determined to finish on a high note by playing their best game of the season. On the offensive side of the ball, the offensive line was able to establish the run game by opening up holes for their hard-working running backs (Darius Nixon, Alex Cormier, Michael Arthaud, and Ricardo Ortiz). A heavy dose of Cormier and Ortiz, on the ground, contributed to much of the Wildcat scoring.

On the defensive side of the ball, it was the Wildcats’ team tackling and pursuit that helped them secure their first shootout of the season. Wesley Martinez, Alex Torres and Tyler Warren provided the spark for the defense throughout the entire game.

With the offense and defense playing at their best, the WMS Wildcats (12-1) were their last game of the season against a tough and well-coached Knox Trail team. Congratulations to the entire 2023 WMS Wildcats and best of luck to the eighth graders (Alessio Atkins, Aidan Barra, Kyle Boma, Alex Cormier, Alex Curran, Wesley Martinez, Dustin Nison, Ricardo Ortiz, Zhuhuy Riley, Zaire Schmee, Alex Torres, Tyler Warren and Joe Rodrigues Vieira) as they come to an end with the Wildcats.
Pirates get past Leicester, make case for State Tournament

OXFORD — A win over Leicester was necessary for the Oxford varsity football team to have any chance at qualifying for the Division 7 State Tournament. The Pirates entered the game seeded 17th, with the top 16 qualifying.

And, when the two met on Friday, Oct. 27, Oxford got the job done. The Pirates held a 17-7 halftime lead and eventually won a 30-15 decision. Oxford got the scoring started in the first quarter on a 20-yard QB keeper by Kellen Clarkson. But the Wolverines pulled ahead in the second quarter, 7-6, with a Mason Griffiths 3-yard TD run before also booting the point after kick.

The Pirates then scored on a Clarkson to Andruw Martinez 24-yard TD, and Clarkson added a two-point run. Alexander Perry then kicked a 30-yard field goal as the first half clock expired. Oxford boosted its lead to 23-7 in the third quarter on a Clarkson to Martinez 8-yard TD before Leicester cut the deficit down to 23-15 when Griffiths called his own number from 10 yards out. Griffiths then added the two-point run.

The Pirates closed the door in the fourth quarter with a Clarkson to Jordan DeLeon 6-yard passing touchdown. Perry then kicked the PAT for the final point.

Oxford improved to 5-3 and had to wait until Sunday, Oct. 29 to learn their fate. The Pirates jumped up to the No. 16 seed, qualifying for the playoffs. They will play at No. 1 Uxbridge (8-0) on Friday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. The Spartans defeated Oxford back on Sept. 22, 50-14.

The Wolverines dropped to 2-6 and didn’t qualify for the Division 7 Tournament. Leicester will play in a non-playoff matchup at Nipmuc on Saturday, Nov. 4 at 2 p.m.
Blackstone-Millville's Ethan Arzigian.

With teammate Kaiden Brochu helping on the ground, Bay Path defender Estaban Pimentel tackles Blackstone-Millville's Ethan Arzigian.

DOUGLAS — The Douglas boys' varsity soccer team continued to pepper Bay Path's net when the two met in the first round of the Central Mass. Athletic Directors Association (CMADA) Class B Tournament on Tuesday, Oct. 24. And, although it took 26 minutes to score, the Tigers finally put one home to even the score.

Second seeded Douglas ultimately defeated No. 7 Bay Path, 4-1. The Tigers' first goal came off their third corner kick where Chris Dane sent the ball in and Evan Wheeler got his head on it for the score. Douglas took a 2-0 lead in the 40th minute, but Bay Path's Nick Ethier scored a goal in the 48th minute. Second half goals by Jake McLaughlin and Chris Ethier put the game out of reach.

MINUETEEN lose heartbreaker in final minute to BMR, but remain postseason bound

SOUTHBRIDGE — The Minutemen held their own throughout the game but ultimately fell to 6-1 Bay Path versus 6-1 Blackstone Valley Minutemen. On a field that was very close, and when the two met in the Division 6 State Tournament. They found out their fate on Sunday Oct. 23 and Bay Path received the 10th and final seed in the postseason. They will play at No. 1 Northbridge (15-1) on Friday Nov 3 at 5:30 pm.

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Quarterback Corey Scott of Bay Path launches a pass towards teammate Bryndon Dowmas.

Bay Path's Nick Ethier retrieves the ball back in their defensive end.

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said. "The state will no longer be able to add heroic work of public officials, shelter providers, and the National Guard, we have reached a point where we can no longer safely or responsibly expand," said Lt. Gen. Rice. "Lt. General Rice has extensive experience leading large-scale emergency management operations, and we are confident he is the right person to lead us through this new phase of the emergency shelter system.

Additionally, the Governor's team pledged to focus on helping families find shelters and move into more permanent housing. To do this, the Governor's office late last month. "The state will expand the family shelter system has been expanding for families experiencing homelessness.

For months, the state's emergency family shelter system has been expand- ing at an unsustainable rate to meet rising demand driven by increasing numbers of newly arriving migrant families and above-normal birth rates in the long- term emergency shelter system," read a statement released by the Governor's office late last month. "The state will no longer be able to accommodate more than 5,700 families with children or pregnant women by the end of the month."

"The Governor and I understand the strain that has been placed on Massachusetts communities over the past year, as we have all come together to ensure that families have access to the shelter and resources they need," said Lt. Gov. Kim Driscoll. "Together, we will move forward in our efforts to connect families with work and permanent housing, while continuing to call on the federal government to help us meet this moment."

In his new role, Rice will oversee management and coordination of the state's emergency shelter system, including leading the Governor's incident Command Team. Launched in May the team includes representatives from multiple state agencies. "I will be responsible for implementing this new phase of the emergency shelter system, coordinating support with federal and local officials, and updating the Governor and the Incident Command Team on daily developments," said the statement released by the Governor's office.

Rice has more than 40 years of experience with the U.S. Air Force and Air National Guard, retiring as a Lt. General and finished his last year in 2020. He now heads the Director of the Air National Guard from 2018-2019, managing $15.5 billion budget and more than 140,000 personnel spread across every state. He also served as the Adjutant General of the Massachusetts National Guard from 2016 to 2019.

"I'm honored that Gov. Healey and Lieutenant Governor Driscoll have placed their faith in me to lead this critical mission to ensure the safety and wellbeing of families in Massachusetts," said Lt. Gen. Rice. "I've spent my career leading large-scale organizations and emergency response operations, and I've learned that communication and partnership are key to meeting any challenge."

As of Nov. 1, the state is no longer able to add new shelter units. Families seeking shelter will be assessed by teams across the state, and those with health and safety risks will be prioritized for temporary accommodations. Shelters that are key to meeting any challenge.

Meanwhile, the Healey administration plans to expand support for rural housing and rent- assistance initiatives, such as ROWHES. This will facilitate additional connections to permanent housing, officials said.

State leaders are also calling on the federal government, local communities, faith-based organizations, and others to help support homeless families during this difficult period.

"Gov. Healey will continue to use every tool at her disposal to fund a federal assistance to this federal problem," Rice said. "The multiple meetings she has held with federal and state officials and the work authorization process," Rice said. The statement released by the Governor's office.

Moreover, the United Way Multi County Coalition continues to support the needs of families, including temporary accommodations, food, clothing, diapers, hygiene items, transportation, school supplies, and more. The fund has raised $2.1 million so far and has been launched in August. Additional information on resources and how to apply can be found at mass.gov.
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